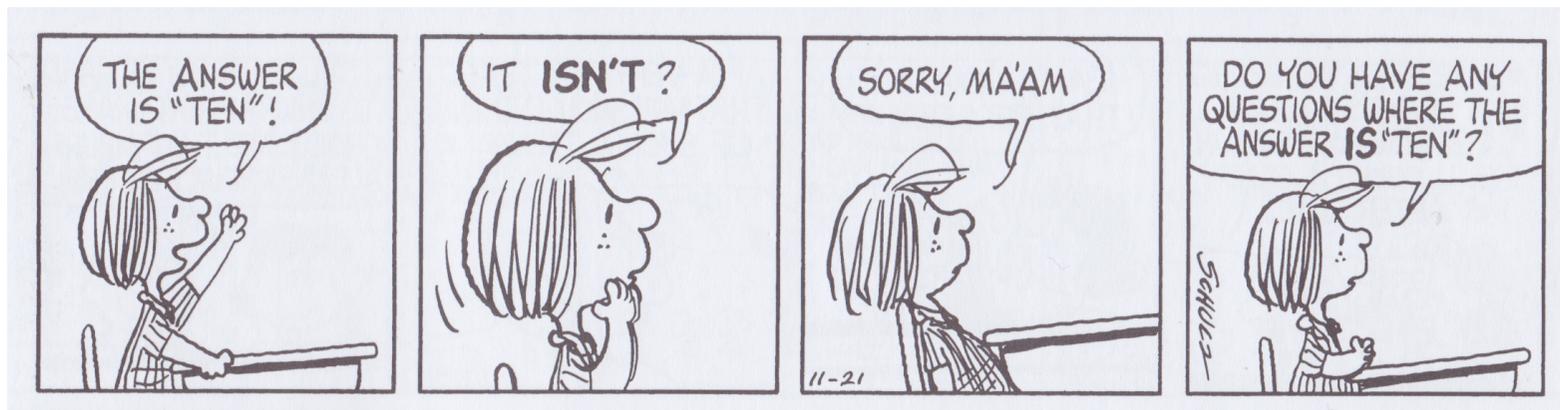


# Supersymmetry searches at ATLAS - status and prospects

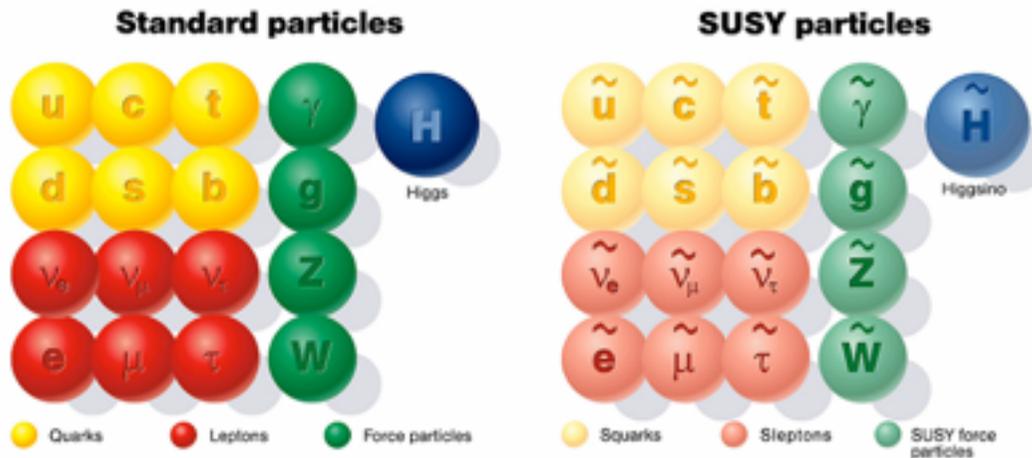
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# Supersymmetry (SUSY)

- SUSY is a symmetry that relates bosons and fermions
  - a new set of fields differing in spin by 1/2 w.r.t. the SM partners



**SUSY is not an exact symmetry**

Sparticle masses  $\neq$  particle masses

$$W \ni \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{ijk} L_i L_j E_k^c + \lambda'_{ijk} L_i Q_j D_k^c + \frac{1}{2} \lambda''_{ijk} U_i^c D_j^c D_k^c + \mu_i L_i H_u$$

$$R\text{-parity} = (-1)^{3(B-L) + 2s}$$

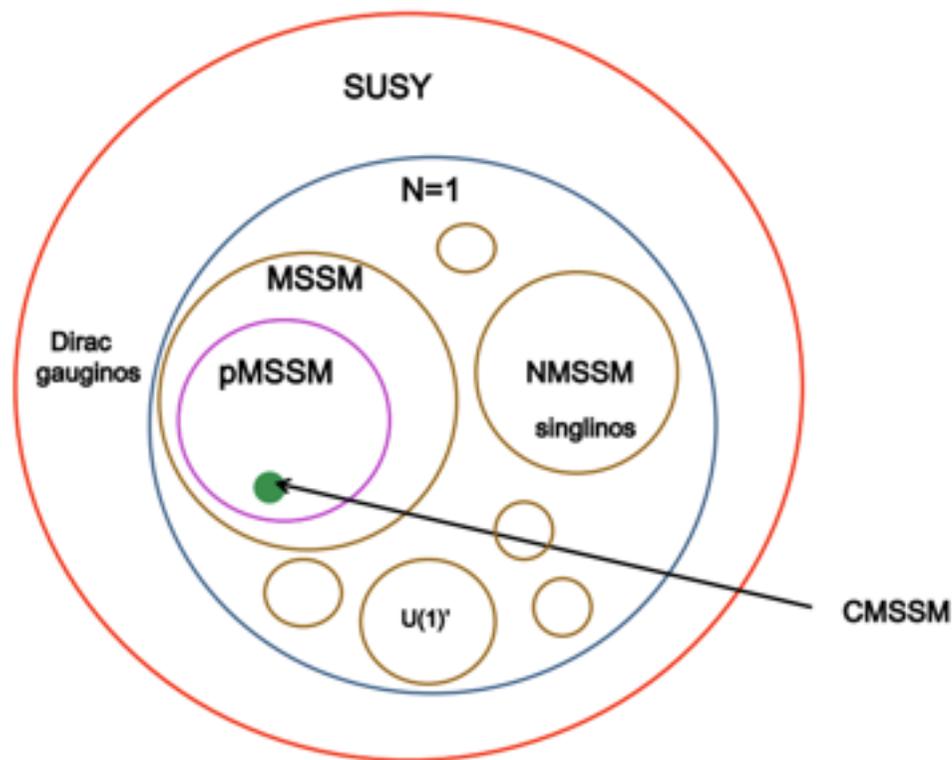
-1 for sparticles  
1 for particles

Lepton and baryon number violation allowed  $\rightarrow$  proton decay

If R-parity conserved, the **Lightest Supersymmetric Particle (LSP)** is stable

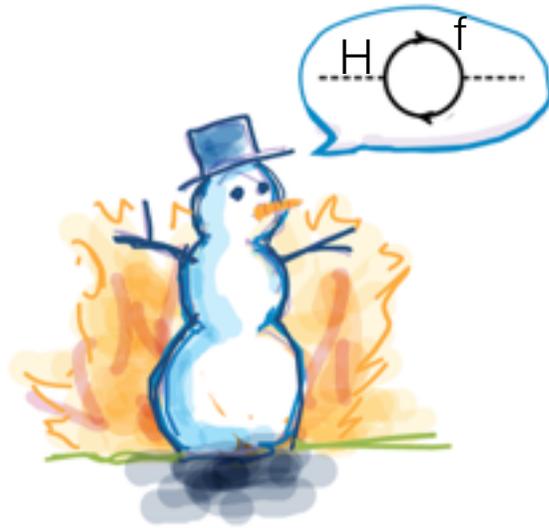
# When will we stop searching for SUSY?

- Ill-posed question:
  - Supersymmetry **is a symmetry**. We can exclude supersymmetric models, not supersymmetry.



In general, little to no indication on sparticle masses

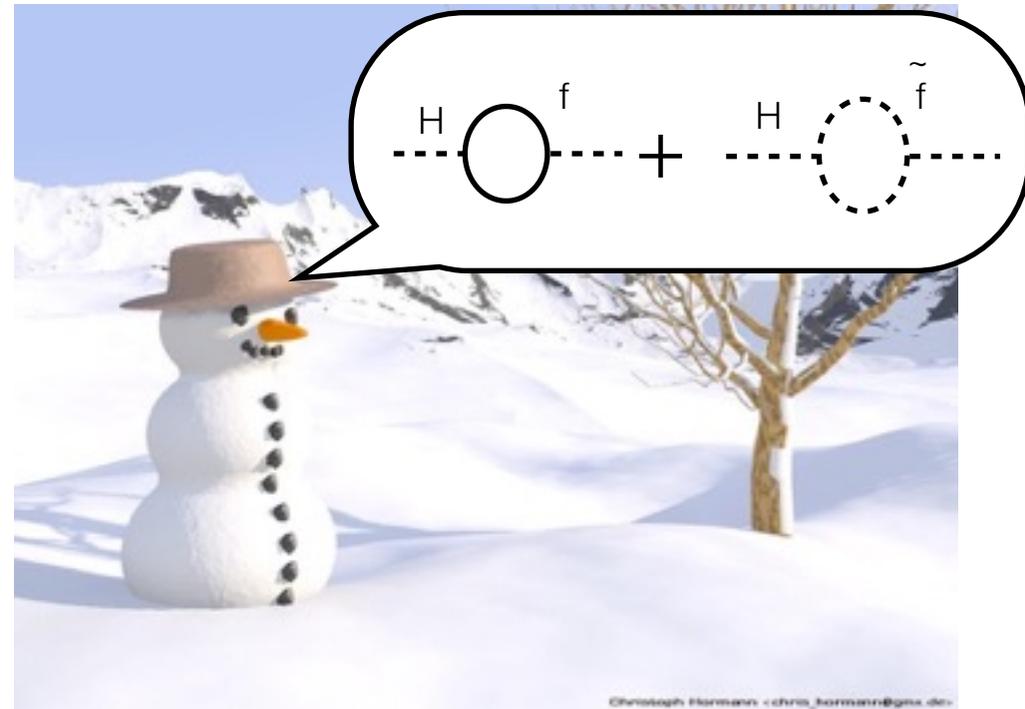
# When will we stop searching for EW-SUSY?



Taken from <http://www.quantumdiaries.org/2012/07/01/the-hierarchy-problem-why-the-higgs-has-a-snowballs-chance-in-hell/>

$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{|\lambda_f|^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2 + \dots$$

Higgs mass has a quadratic dependency from physics at a higher scale



With SUSY only logarithmic quantum corrections

# Fine tuning - a deeper look

- One needs to **quantify the fine tuning**:
  - One possible choice: **stability of EW scale w.r.t. model parameters** [Nucl. Phys. B306 (63-76) (1987)]

$$m_Z^2 = -2\mu^2 + 2 \frac{m_{H_d}^2 - \tan^2 \beta m_{H_u}^2}{\tan^2 \beta - 1}$$

$$\max_{a_i} \left( \left| \frac{a_i}{m_Z^2} \frac{\partial m_Z^2(a_i)}{\partial a_i} \right| \right) < \Delta$$

model parameters ↑  
↓ tolerated fine tuning

## • What are the important $a_i$ ?

- $\mu$  (**higgs mass parameter**) enters at tree level → light higgsinos
- $A_t, M_{Q3}, M_{u3}$  are relevant → light stops
- **gluinos** introduce large corrections to the stop masses → light gluinos

# Parameters and masses

## Neutralinos

$$\psi^0 = (\tilde{B}, \tilde{W}^0, \tilde{H}_d^0, \tilde{H}_u^0) \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{neutralino mass}} = -\frac{1}{2}(\psi^0)^T \mathbf{M}_{\tilde{N}} \psi^0 + \text{c.c.}$$

$$\mathbf{M}_{\tilde{N}} = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & 0 & -c_\beta s_W m_Z & s_\beta s_W m_Z \\ 0 & M_2 & c_\beta c_W m_Z & -s_\beta c_W m_Z \\ -c_\beta s_W m_Z & c_\beta c_W m_Z & 0 & -\mu \\ s_\beta s_W m_Z & -s_\beta c_W m_Z & -\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Stops and sbottoms

$$\mathbf{m}_{\tilde{t}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_{Q_3}^2 + m_t^2 + \Delta_{\tilde{u}_L} & v(a_t^* \sin \beta - \mu y_t \cos \beta) \\ v(a_t \sin \beta - \mu^* y_t \cos \beta) & m_{\tilde{u}_3}^2 + m_t^2 + \Delta_{\tilde{u}_R} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{\tilde{b}}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} m_{Q_3}^2 + \Delta_{\tilde{d}_L} & v(a_b^* \cos \beta - \mu y_b \sin \beta) \\ v(a_b \cos \beta - \mu^* y_b \sin \beta) & m_{\tilde{d}_3}^2 + \Delta_{\tilde{d}_R} \end{pmatrix}$$

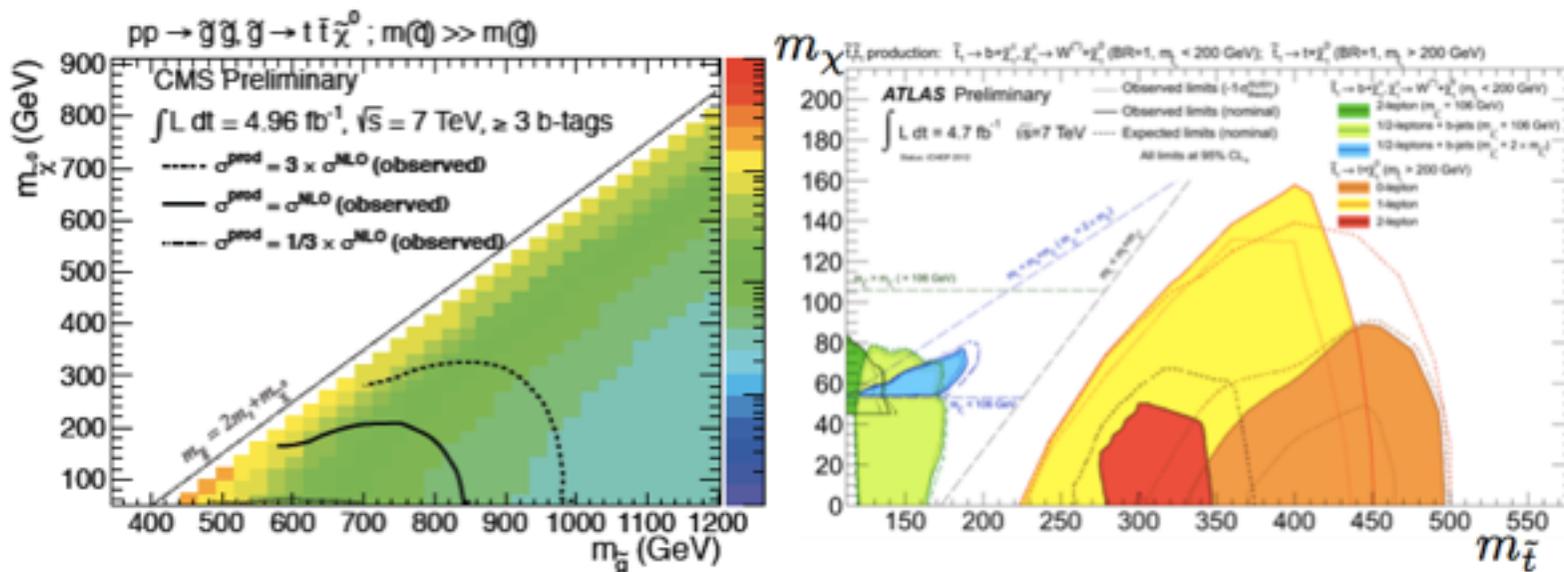
# When will we stop searching for EW SUSY?

Frequently asked question:

Is supersymmetry at the Fermi scale dead?

Speaking for myself, I would like to see:

left plot extended to  $m_{\tilde{g}} = 1.5 \div 1.8 \text{ TeV}$  OR right-plot plane fully explored

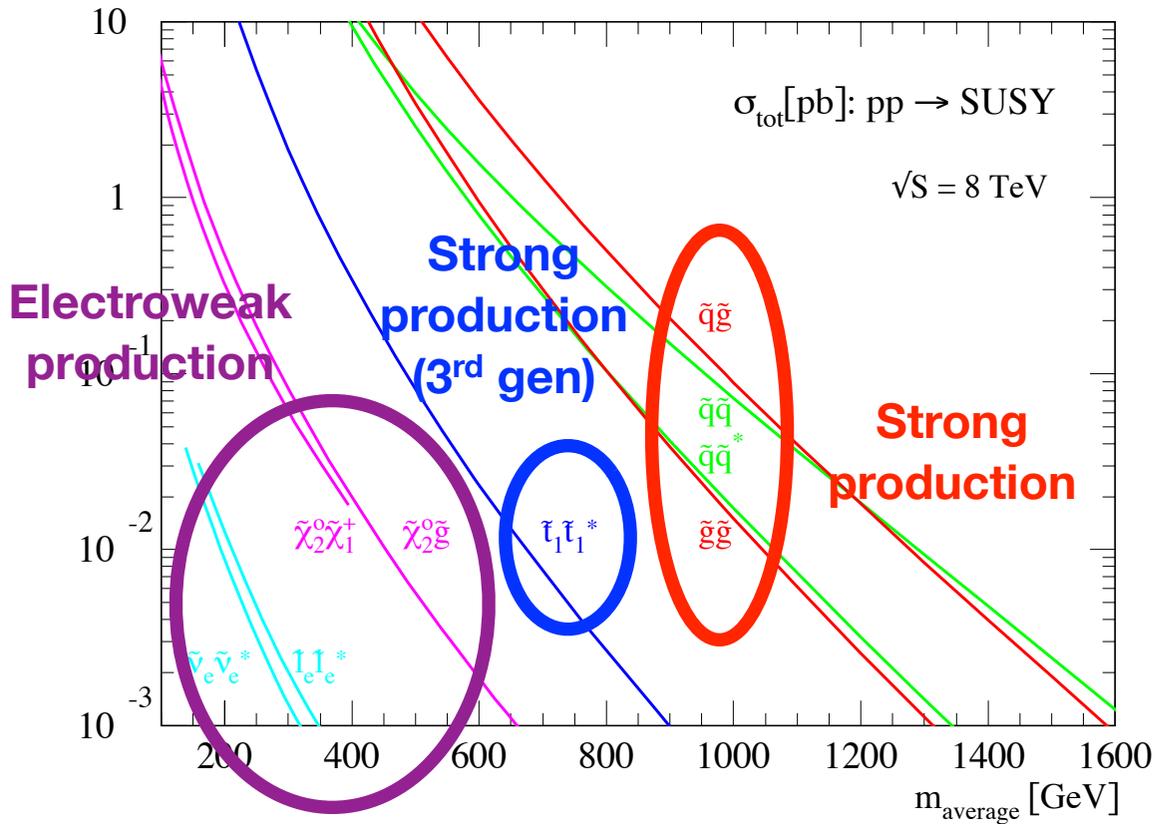


Question: Isn't it easier to study the  $(m_{\tilde{b}}, m_{\tilde{\chi}^-})$  plane via  $\tilde{b} \rightarrow b + \chi^-$

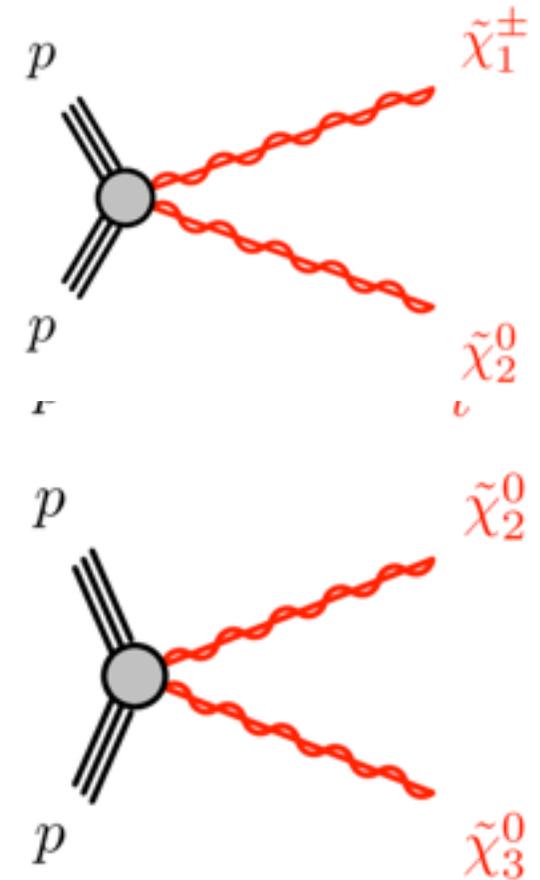
Answer: Yes, but less relevant since  $\tilde{b}_L$  wants to go to  $t \chi^- \rightarrow t \chi (l^-)$

R. Barbieri - ICHEP2012 physics highlights - Melbourne 2012

# What processes are we looking for?



Taken from <http://www.thphys.uni-heidelberg.de/~plehn/index.php?show=prospino&visible=tools>



# Publications

All results available at <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/SupersymmetryPublicResults>

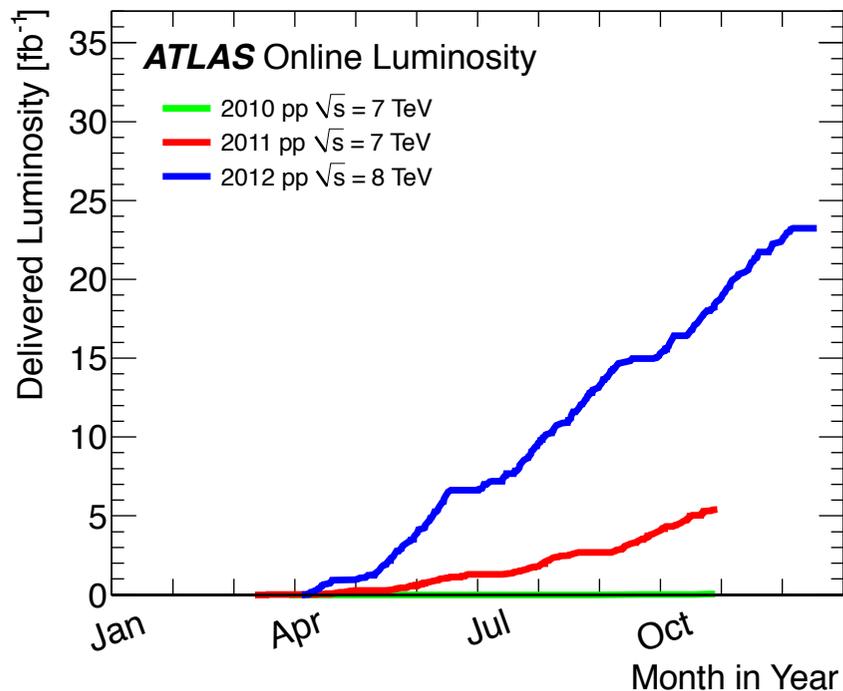
## 2012 data (8 TeV)

Short Title of Paper	Date	$\sqrt{s}$ (TeV)	L (fb <sup>-1</sup> )	Document	Plots+Aux. Material	Journal
Non-pointing, delayed photons [LLP, GMSB] <b>NEW</b>	09/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1409.5542</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	Submitted to PRD
0 leptons + mono-jet/c-jets + Emiss [Stop in charm+LSP] <b>NEW</b>	07/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1407.0608</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">Phys. Rev. D. 90, 052008 (2014)</a>
1 lepton + 4(1 b-)jets + Emiss [Medium / heavy stop] <b>NEW</b>	07/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1407.0583</a>	<a href="#">Link</a>	Submitted to JHEP
1-2 taus + 0-1 leptons + jets + Emiss [GMSB] <b>NEW</b>	07/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1407.0603</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 09 (2014) 103</a>
0-1 leptons + >=3 b-jets + Emiss [3rd gen. squarks] <b>NEW</b>	07/2014	8	20.1	<a href="#">1407.0600</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 10 (2014) 024</a>
2 taus + Emiss [EW production] <b>NEW</b>	07/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1407.0350</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 10 (2014) 096</a>
Stop constraints from precise ttbar cross-section [Light stop]	06/2014	7, 8	4.6, 20.3	<a href="#">1406.5375</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	Accepted by EPJC
0 lepton + 6 (2 b-)jets + Emiss [Heavy stop]	06/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1406.1122</a>	<a href="#">Link (+data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 09 (2014) 015</a>
0 leptons + 2-6 jets + Emiss [Incl. squarks & gluinos]	05/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1405.7875</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 09 (2014) 176</a>
4 leptons + Emiss [EW production, RPV]	05/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1405.5086</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">Phys. Rev. D. 90, 052001 (2014)</a>
2 same-sign / 3 -leptons + 0-3 b-jets + Emiss [Incl. squarks & gluinos]	04/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1404.2500</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 06 (2014) 035</a>
2 leptons (e,mu) + Emiss [chargino/neutralino/slepton]	03/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1403.5294</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 05 (2014) 071</a>
Z + b-jet + jets + Emiss [Stop in GMSB, stop2]	03/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1403.5222</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">Eur. Phys. J. C (2014) 74:2883</a>
2 leptons + (b)jets + Emiss [stop]	03/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1403.4853</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 06 (2014) 124</a>
3 leptons (e,mu,tau) + Emiss [chargino/neutralino]	02/2014	8	20.3	<a href="#">1402.7029</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 04 (2014) 169</a>
Long-lived stopped gluino or squark R-hadrons [Split-SUSY]	10/2013	7+8	27.9	<a href="#">1310.6584</a>	<a href="#">Link</a>	<a href="#">Phys. Rev. D 88, 112003 (2013)</a>
Disappearing track + jets + Emiss [Direct long-lived charginos - AMSB]	10/2013	8	20.3	<a href="#">1310.3675</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">Phys. Rev. D 88, 112006 (2013)</a>
0 leptons + 2 b-jets + Emiss [Sbottom/stop]	08/2013	8	20.1	<a href="#">1308.2631</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 10 (2013) 189</a>
0 leptons + >=7-10 jets + Emiss [Incl. squarks & gluinos]	08/2013	8	20.3	<a href="#">1308.1841</a>	<a href="#">Link (+ data)</a>	<a href="#">JHEP 10 (2013) 130</a>

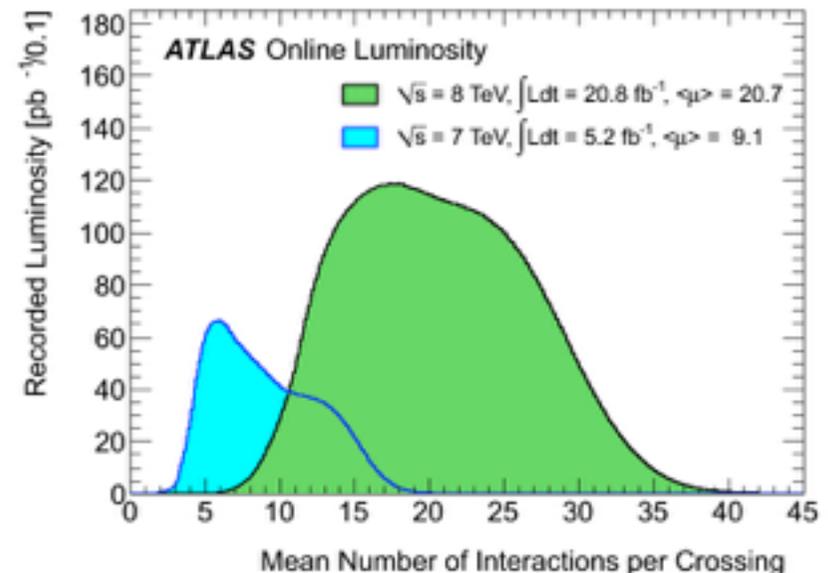
# Experimental setup

# LHC - performance of the machine

- About  $22 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  collected at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  and  $5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ 
  - Most of which with more than 95% of the ATLAS detector operational
- Only 8 TeV results used for this seminar



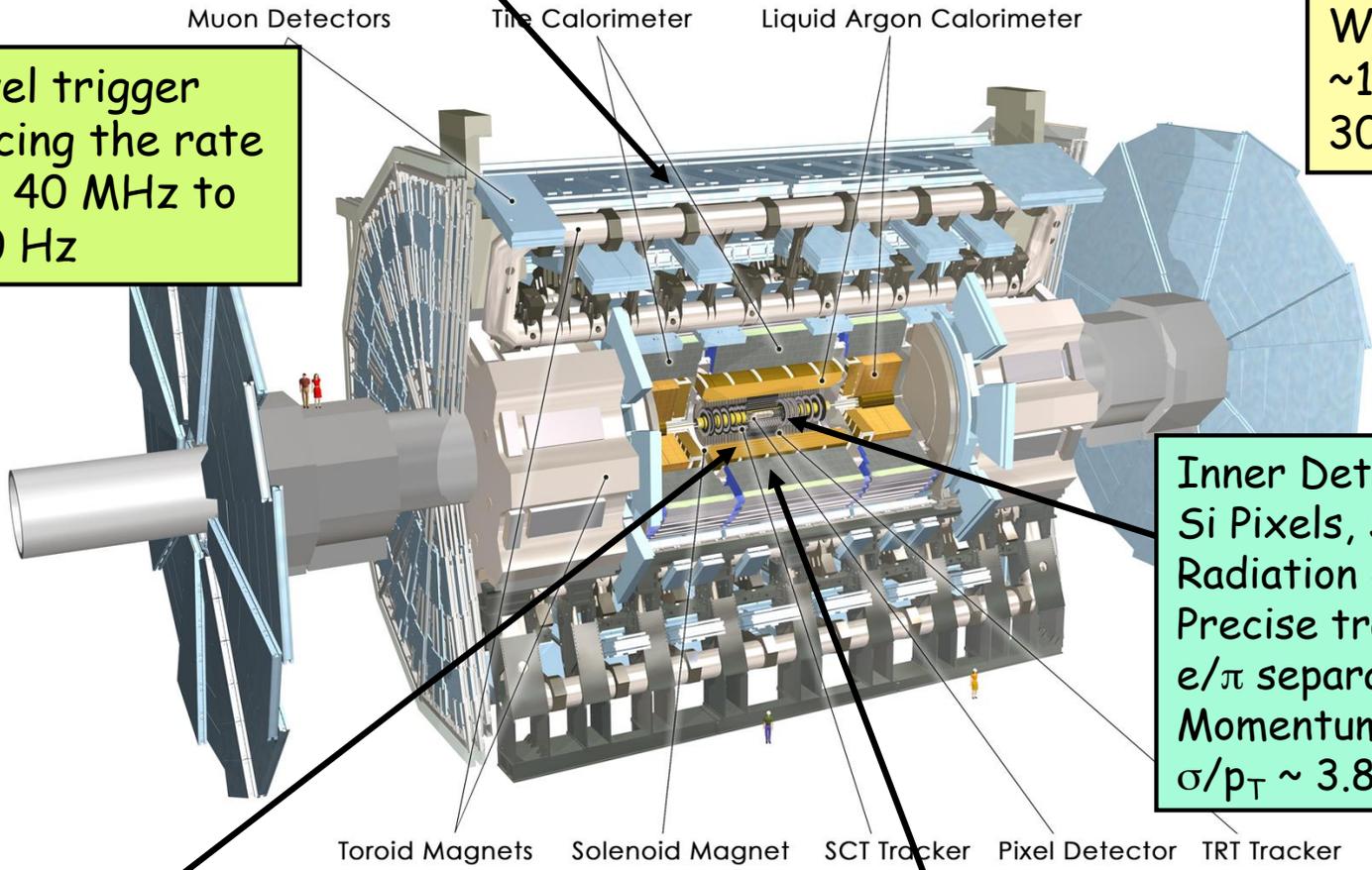
- Large luminosity means large pileup. Careful pileup suppression strategies developed.



Muon Spectrometer ( $|\eta| < 2.7$ ): air-core toroids with gas-based muon chambers  
 Muon trigger and measurement with momentum resolution  $< 10\%$  up to  $E_\mu \sim 1$  TeV

Length :  $\sim 46$  m  
 Radius :  $\sim 12$  m  
 Weight :  $\sim 7000$  tons  
 $\sim 10^8$  electronic channels  
 3000 km of cables

3-level trigger  
 reducing the rate  
 from 40 MHz to  
 $\sim 200$  Hz

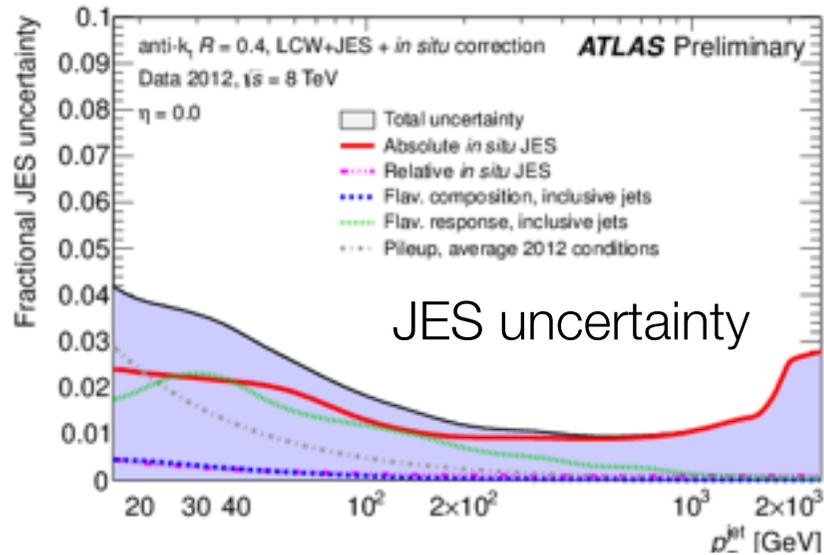


Inner Detector ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ ,  $B=2$ T):  
 Si Pixels, Si strips, Transition  
 Radiation detector (straws)  
 Precise tracking and vertexing,  
 $e/\pi$  separation  
 Momentum resolution:  
 $\sigma/p_T \sim 3.8 \times 10^{-4} p_T (\text{GeV}) \oplus 0.015$

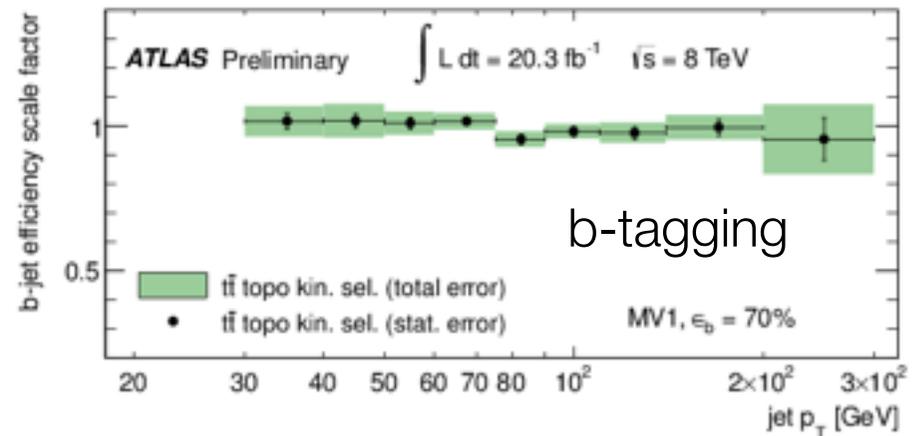
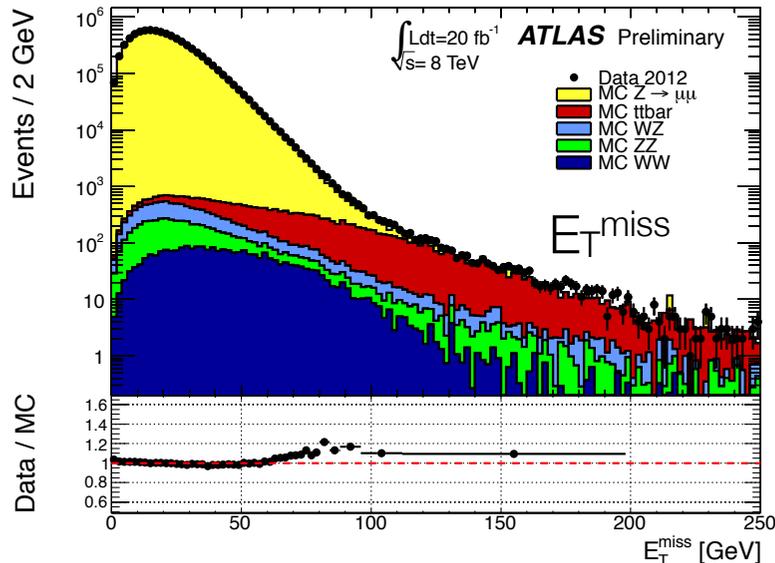
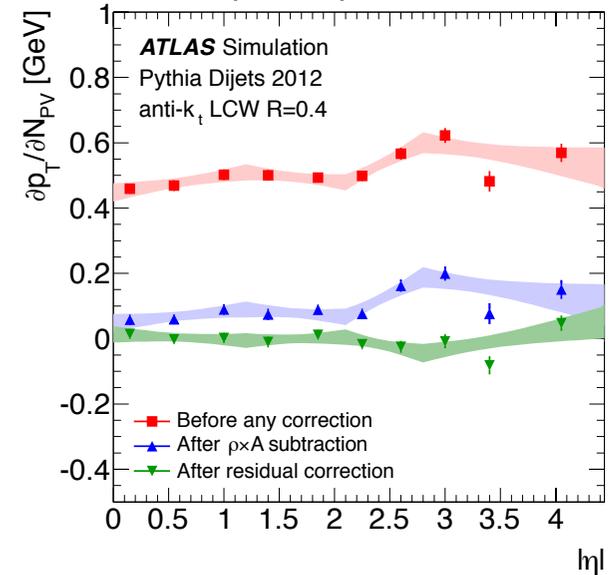
EM calorimeter: Pb-LAr Accordion  
 $e/\gamma$  trigger, identification and measurement  
 E-resolution:  $\sigma/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E}$

HAD calorimetry ( $|\eta| < 5$ ): segmentation, hermeticity  
 Fe/scintillator Tiles (central), Cu/W-LAr (fwd)  
 Trigger and measurement of jets and missing  $E_T$   
 E-resolution:  $\sigma/E \sim 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03$

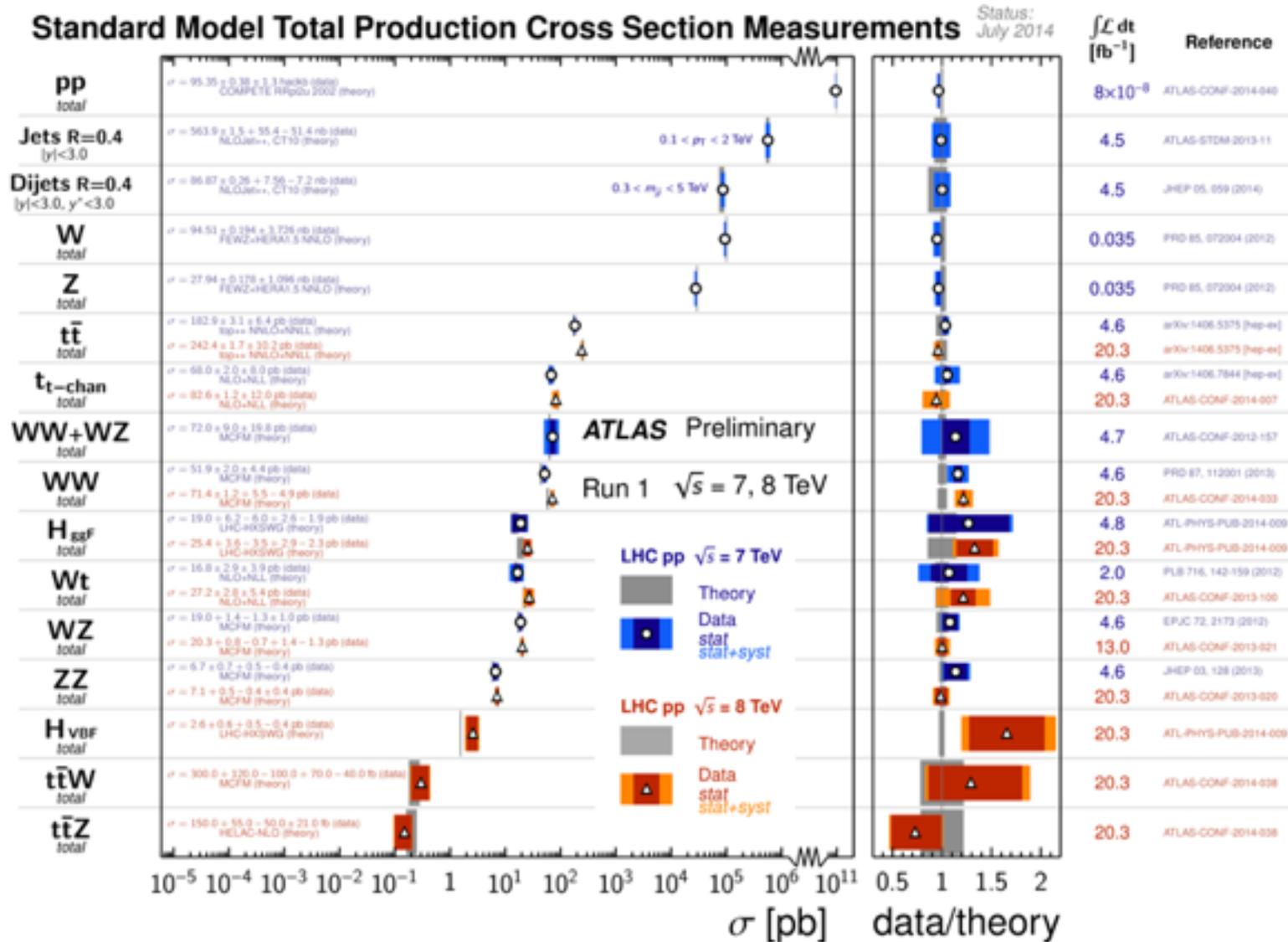
# Performance highlights



## Effect of pileup corrections

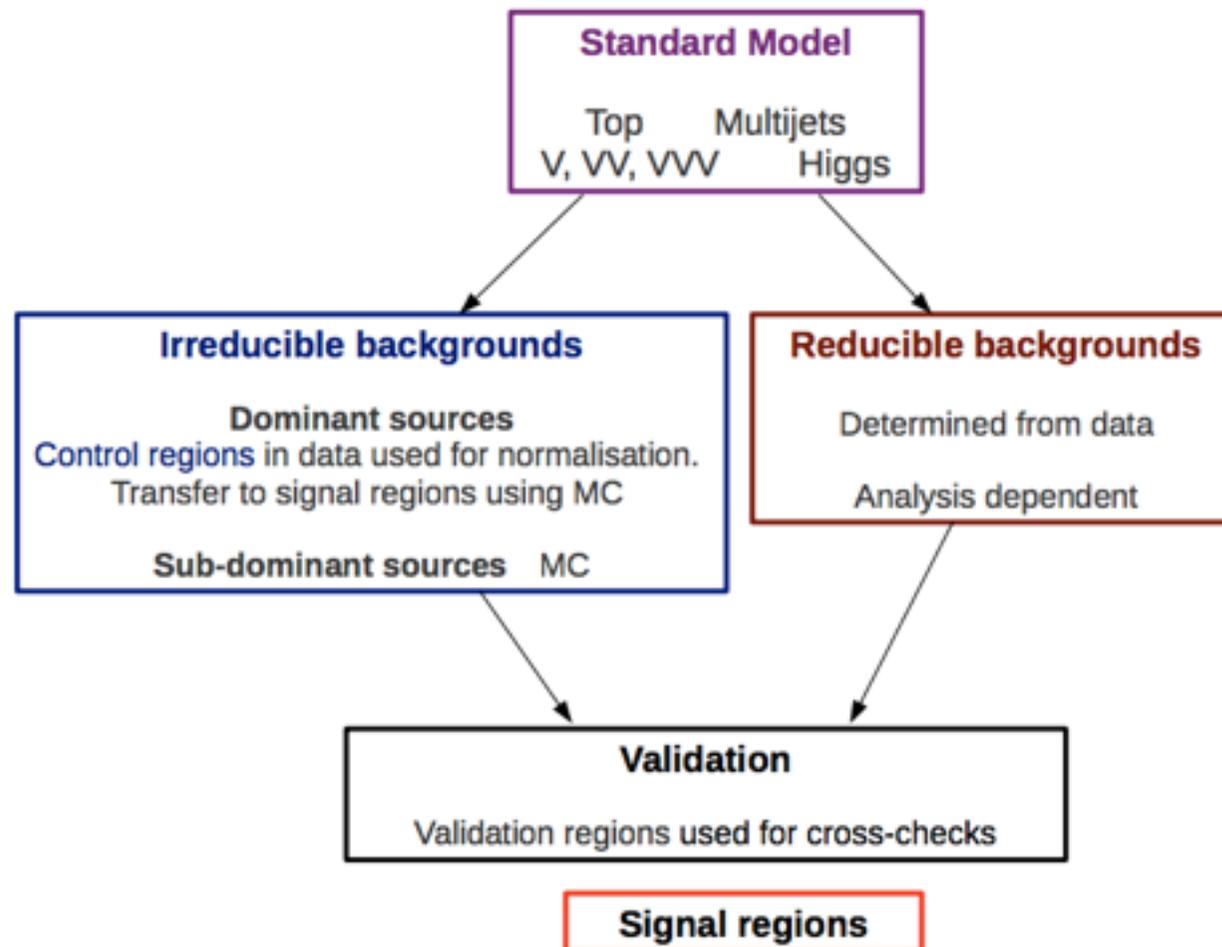


# The Standard Model in one slide



# Standard Model background estimation

- Doing **SUSY searches** means primarily **understanding the Standard Model background**.



# Irreducible background estimate

- Normalisation of **irreducible backgrounds** done in **dedicated CR**

$$N_{SR}^i = \frac{N_{SR}^{i,MC}}{N_{CR}^{i,MC}} (N_{CR}^{i,data} - \sum_{j=process} N_{CR}^{j,MC}) = T(N_{CR}^{i,data} - \sum_{j=process} N_{CR}^{j,MC})$$

- If  $\sum N_{MC}^{j,MC}$  small, then **all systematic uncertainty associated to T**

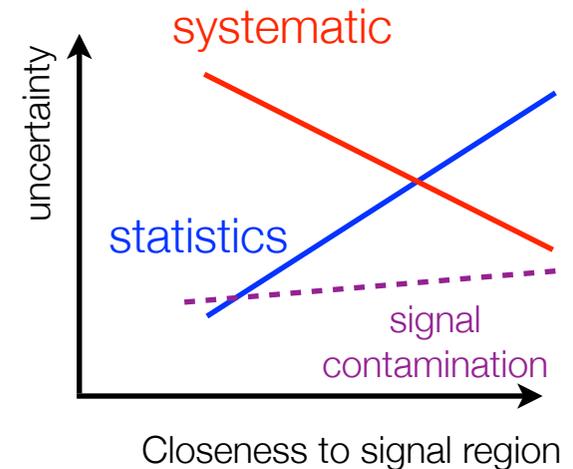
- Typical uncertainties considered:

### Experimental uncertainties:

- Trigger efficiency
- Jet energy scale and resolution
- Lepton energy scale and efficiency
- $E_T^{miss}$  soft component
- b-tagging
- Luminosity
- pileup modelling

### Theory uncertainties:

- Generator modelling ( $\mu_F, \mu_R$ , ME/PS matching,  $\alpha_s$  scale choice when possible - otherwise compare generators)
- PS uncertainties (typically compare Pythia and Herwig)
- PDF choice

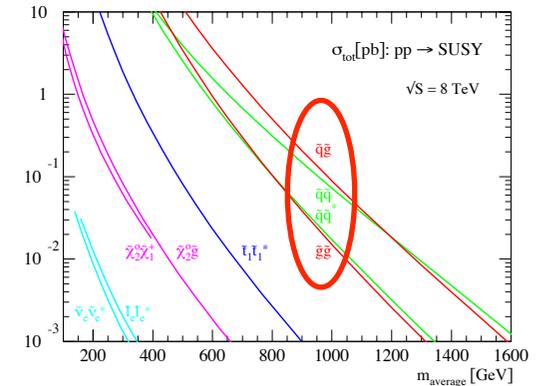
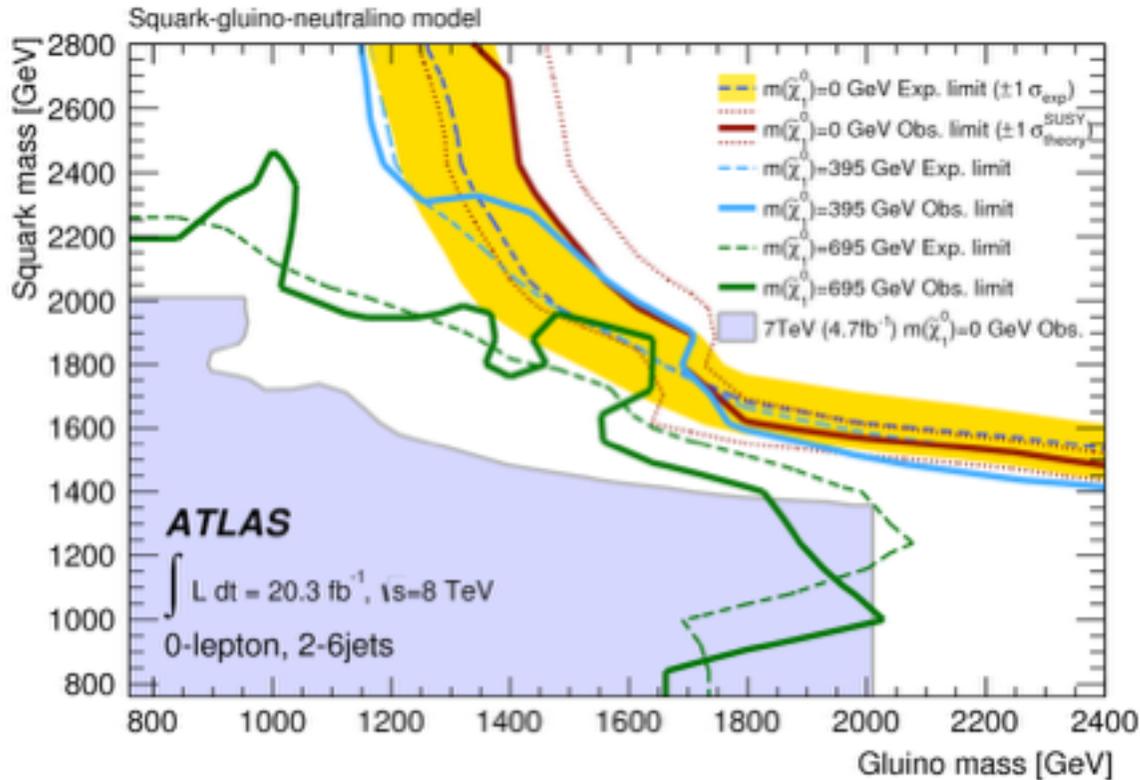


Background (and uncertainty) determination **verified with the use of the validation regions**

Calculation done **performing a combined fit** to all CR (signal contamination accounted for exclusion)

Results (strong production)

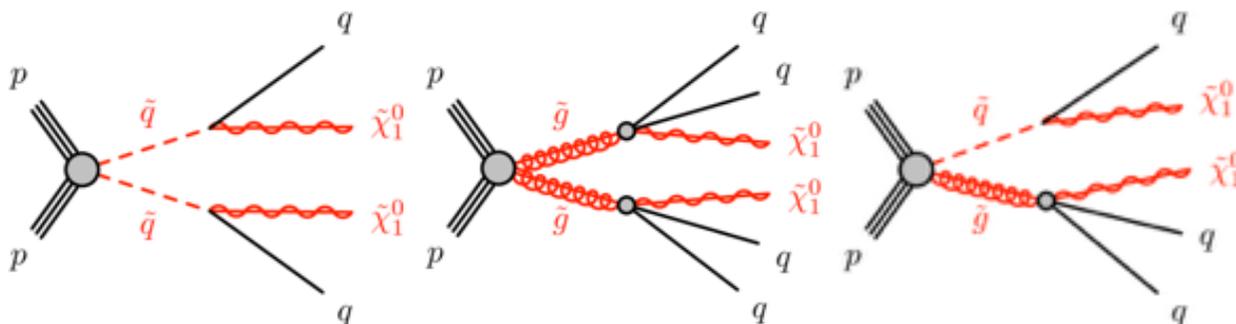
# Limits on squark and gluino production



- Hypotheses:

- All SUSY particles except (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation) squarks, gluinos and the neutralino LSP are decoupled.

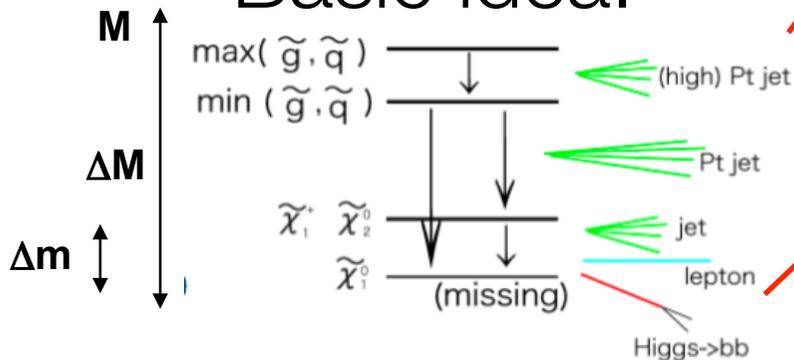
- All (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation) squarks assumed to be degenerate



# Inclusive searches for gluinos and squark production

Strongest limits set by a 0-lepton analysis using  $M_{eff}$  as discriminating quantity

Basic idea:



$$H_T = \sum_{jets} p_T^{jets} (+ \sum_l p_T^l + \dots)$$

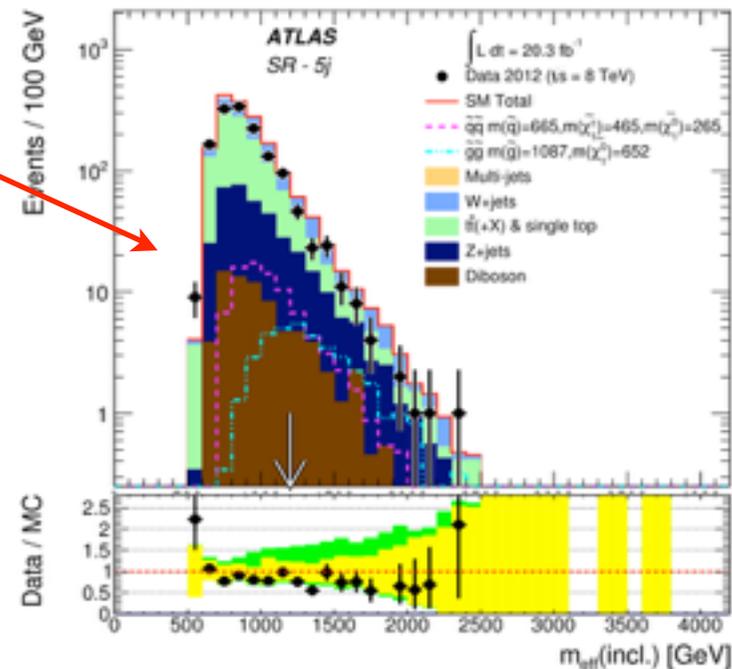
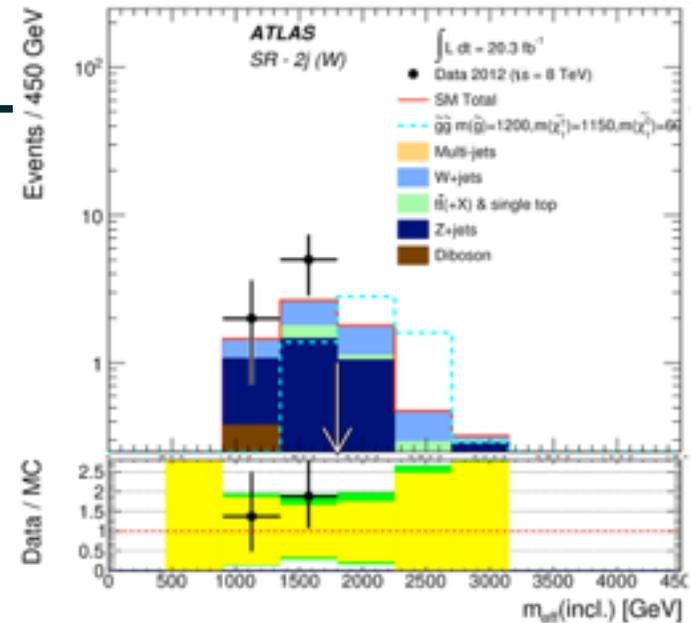
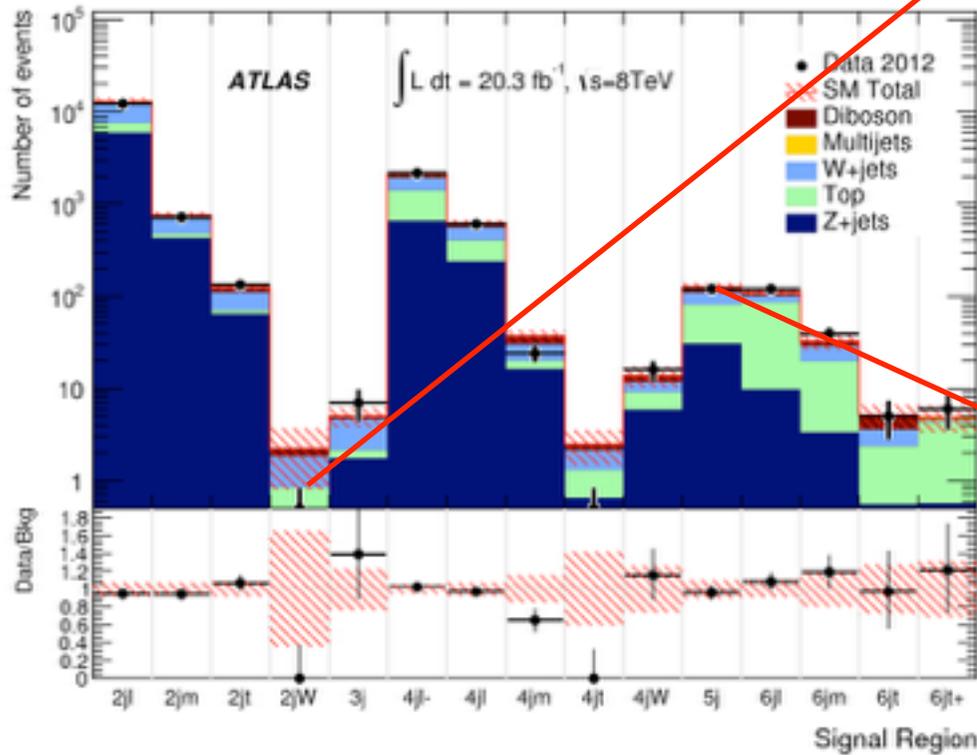
$$M_{eff} = E_T^{miss} + H_T$$

Requirement	Signal Region					
	2jl	2jm	2jt	2jW	4l	4jW
$E_T^{miss} [\text{GeV}] >$				160		
$p_T(j_1) [\text{GeV}] >$				130		
$p_T(j_2) [\text{GeV}] >$				60		
$p_T(j_3) [\text{GeV}] >$					60	40
$p_T(j_4) [\text{GeV}] >$						40
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{miss})_{\min} >$				0.4		
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{miss})_{\min} >$						0.2
W candidates				2(W → j)		(W → j) + (W → jj)
$E_T^{miss}/\sqrt{H_T} [\text{GeV}^{1/2}] >$	8	15				
$E_T^{miss}/m_{eff}(N_j) >$				0.25	0.3	0.35
$m_{eff}(\text{incl.}) [\text{GeV}] >$	800	1200	1600	1800	2200	1100

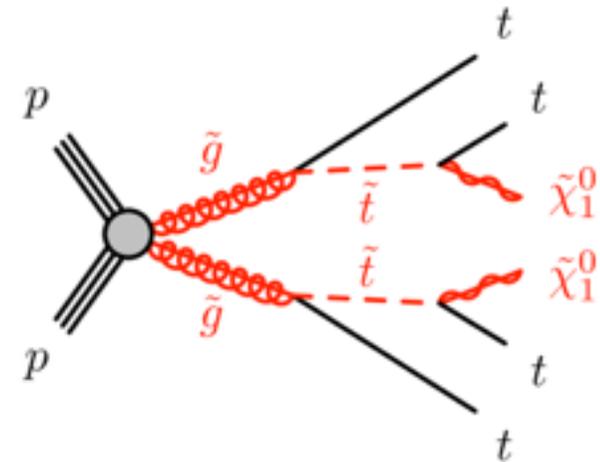
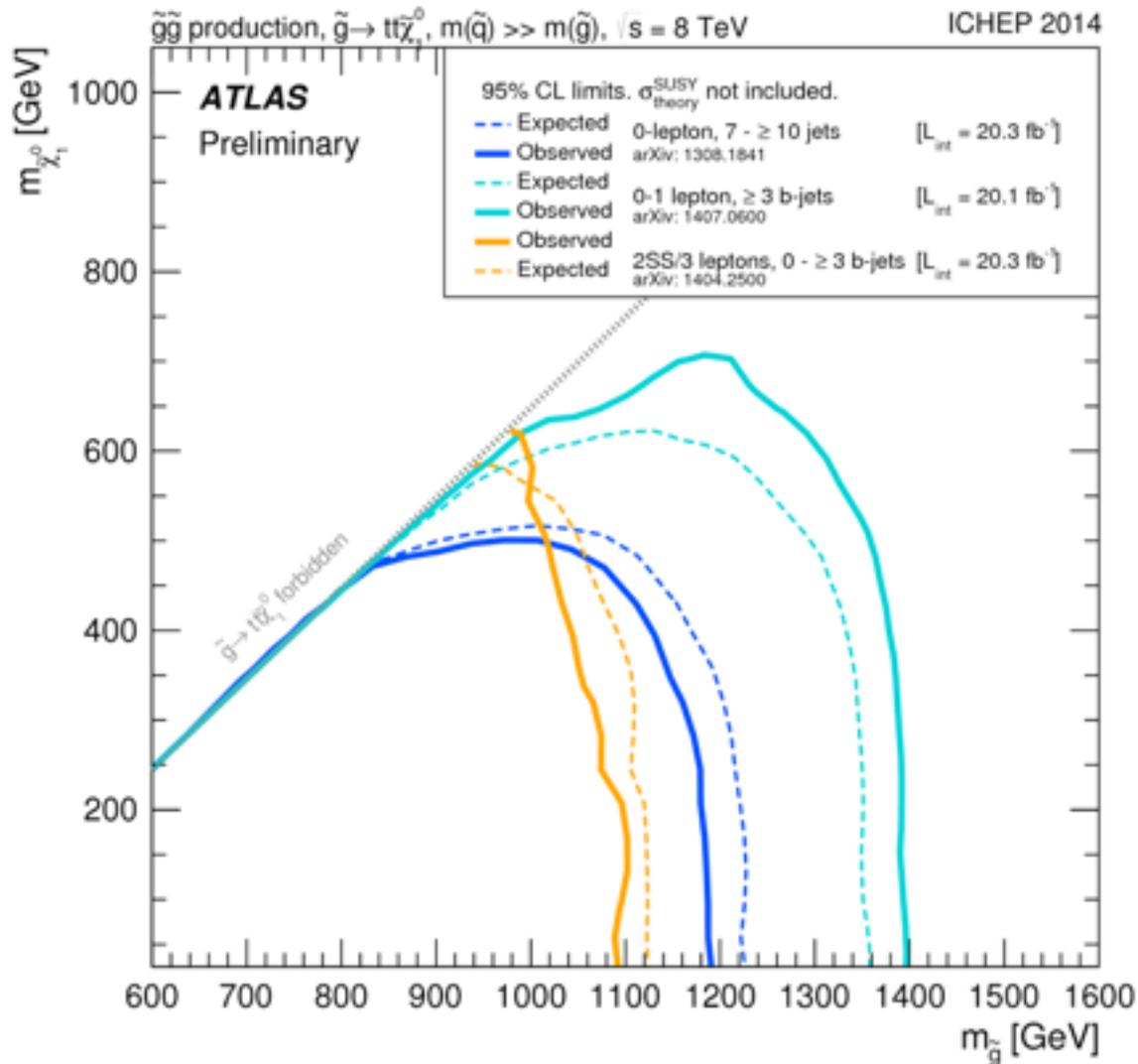
Requirement	Signal Region								
	4jl-	4jl	4jm	4jt	5j	6jl	6jm	6jt	6jt+
$E_T^{miss} [\text{GeV}] >$					160				
$p_T(j_1) [\text{GeV}] >$					130				
$p_T(j_2) [\text{GeV}] >$					60				
$p_T(j_3) [\text{GeV}] >$					60				
$p_T(j_4) [\text{GeV}] >$					60				
$p_T(j_5) [\text{GeV}] >$							60		
$p_T(j_6) [\text{GeV}] >$								60	
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{miss})_{\min} >$					0.4				
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,(3)}, E_T^{miss})_{\min} >$					0.2				
$E_T^{miss}/\sqrt{H_T} [\text{GeV}^{1/2}] >$	10								
$E_T^{miss}/m_{eff}(N_j) >$					0.4	0.35	0.3	0.25	0.15
$m_{eff}(\text{incl.}) [\text{GeV}] >$	700	1000	1300	2200	1200	900	1200	1500	1700

# Inclusive searches for gluinos and squark production



Glauino mediated stop production

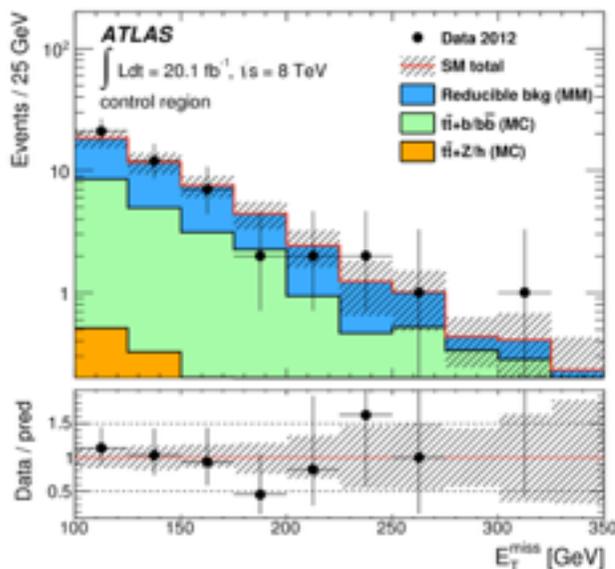
# Glauino mediated stop production



A very rich topology that can be targeted from many points of view

# 0/1 lepton - 3 b-jets

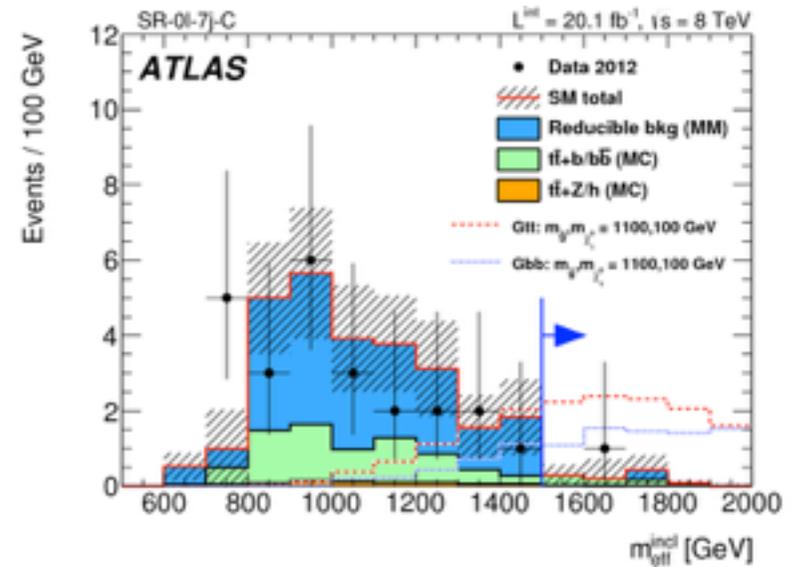
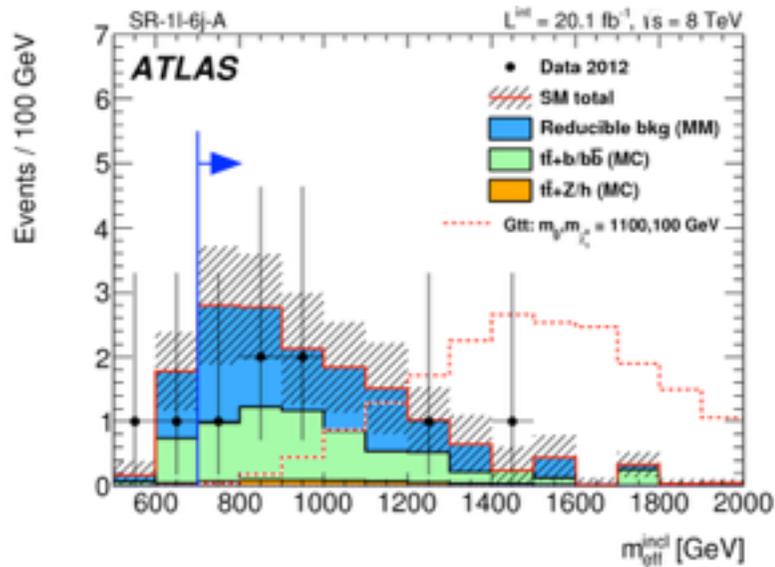
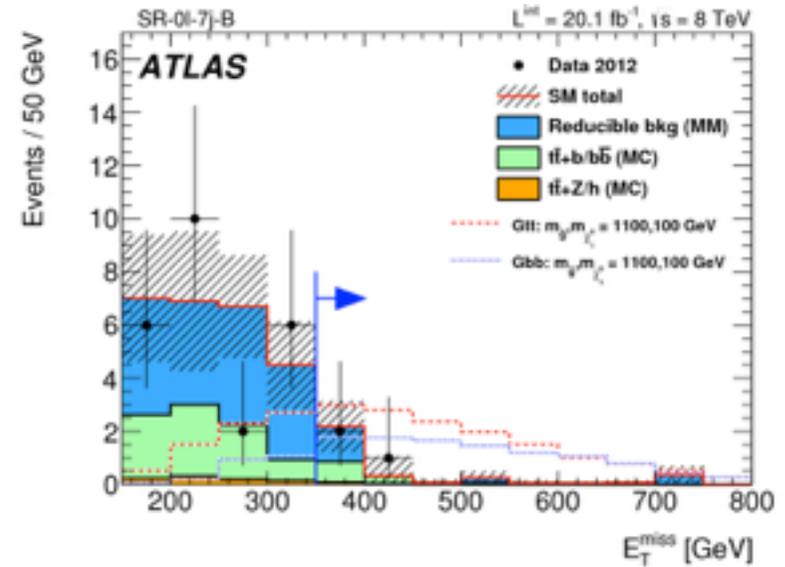
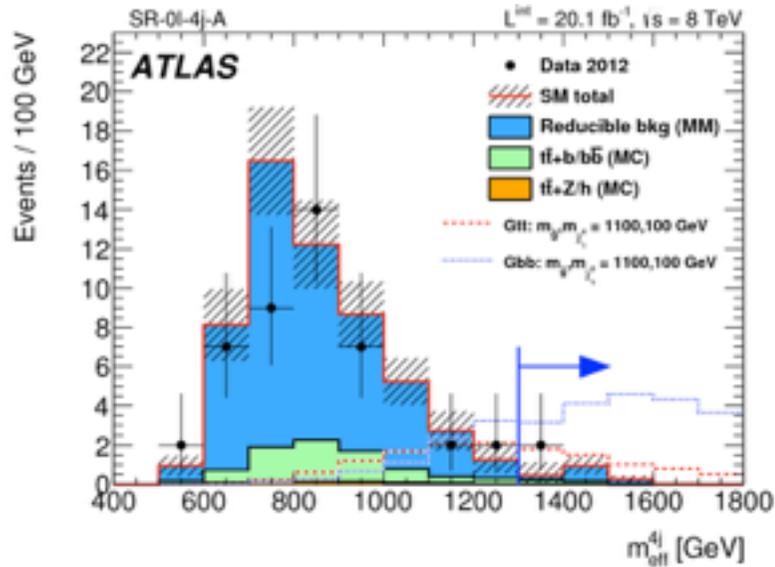
- Background estimation strategy with so-called “matrix method” approach is key
- Reducible background: mostly  $t\bar{t}b$



Baseline 0-lepton selection: lepton veto, $p_T^{j_1} > 90$ GeV, $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150$ GeV, $\geq 4$ jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}^{4j} > 0.5$ , $E_T^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}^{4j} > 0.2$ , $\geq 3$ $b$ -jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV				
	$N$ jets ( $p_T$ [GeV])	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	$E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{H_T^{4j}}$ [ $\sqrt{\text{GeV}}$ ]
SR-0 $\ell$ -4j-A	$\geq 4$ (50)	$> 250$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{4j} > 1300$	-
SR-0 $\ell$ -4j-B	$\geq 4$ (50)	$> 350$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{4j} > 1100$	-
SR-0 $\ell$ -4j-C*	$\geq 4$ (30)	$> 400$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{4j} > 1000$	$> 16$
SR-0 $\ell$ -7j-A	$\geq 7$ (30)	$> 200$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{incl}} > 1000$	-
SR-0 $\ell$ -7j-B	$\geq 7$ (30)	$> 350$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{incl}} > 1000$	-
SR-0 $\ell$ -7j-C	$\geq 7$ (30)	$> 250$	$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{incl}} > 1500$	-
Baseline 1-lepton selection: $\geq 1$ signal lepton ( $e, \mu$ ), $p_T^{j_1} > 90$ GeV, $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150$ GeV, $\geq 4$ jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $\geq 3$ $b$ -jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV				
	$N$ jets ( $p_T$ [GeV])	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$m_T$ [GeV]	$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{incl}}$ [GeV]
SR-1 $\ell$ -6j-A	$\geq 6$ (30)	$> 175$	$> 140$	$> 700$
SR-1 $\ell$ -6j-B	$\geq 6$ (30)	$> 225$	$> 140$	$> 800$
SR-1 $\ell$ -6j-C	$\geq 6$ (30)	$> 275$	$> 160$	$> 900$

**Table 2.** Definition of the signal regions used in the 0-lepton and 1-lepton selections. The jet  $p_T$  threshold requirements are also applied to  $b$ -jets. The notation SR-0 $\ell$ -4j-C\* means that the leading jet is required to fail the  $b$ -tagging requirements to target the region close to the kinematic boundary in the Gbb model.

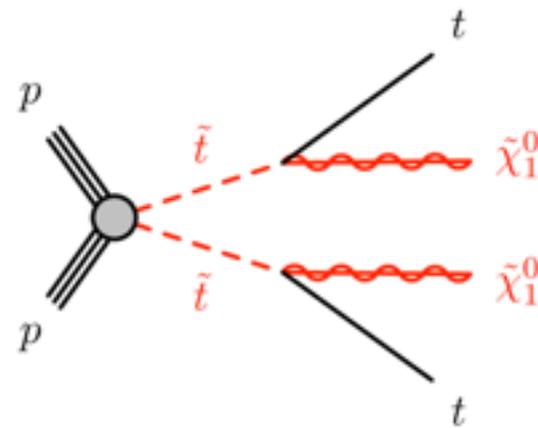
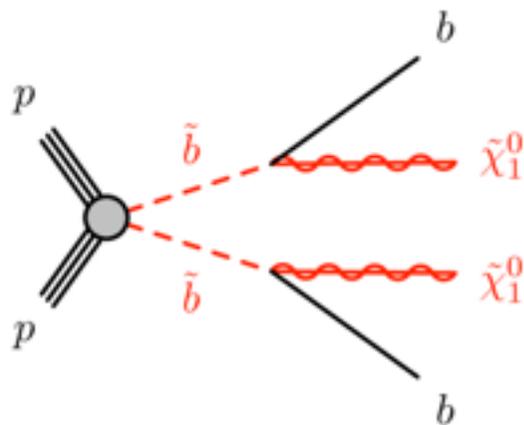
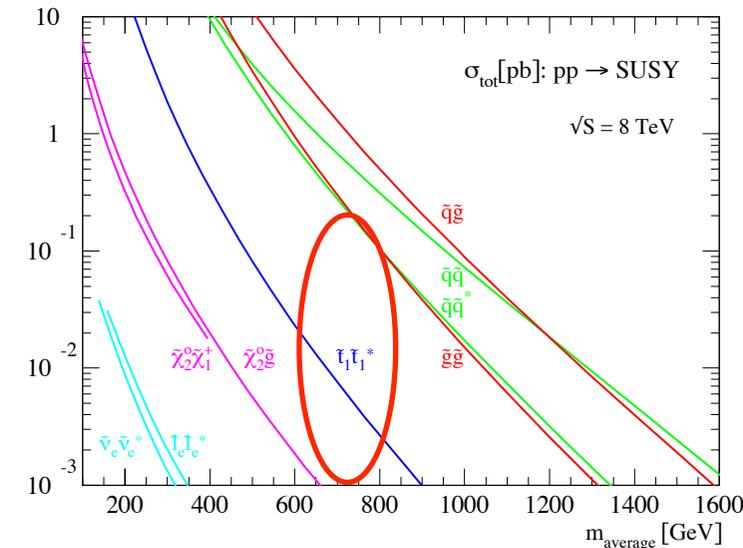
# 0/1 lepton - 3 b-jets



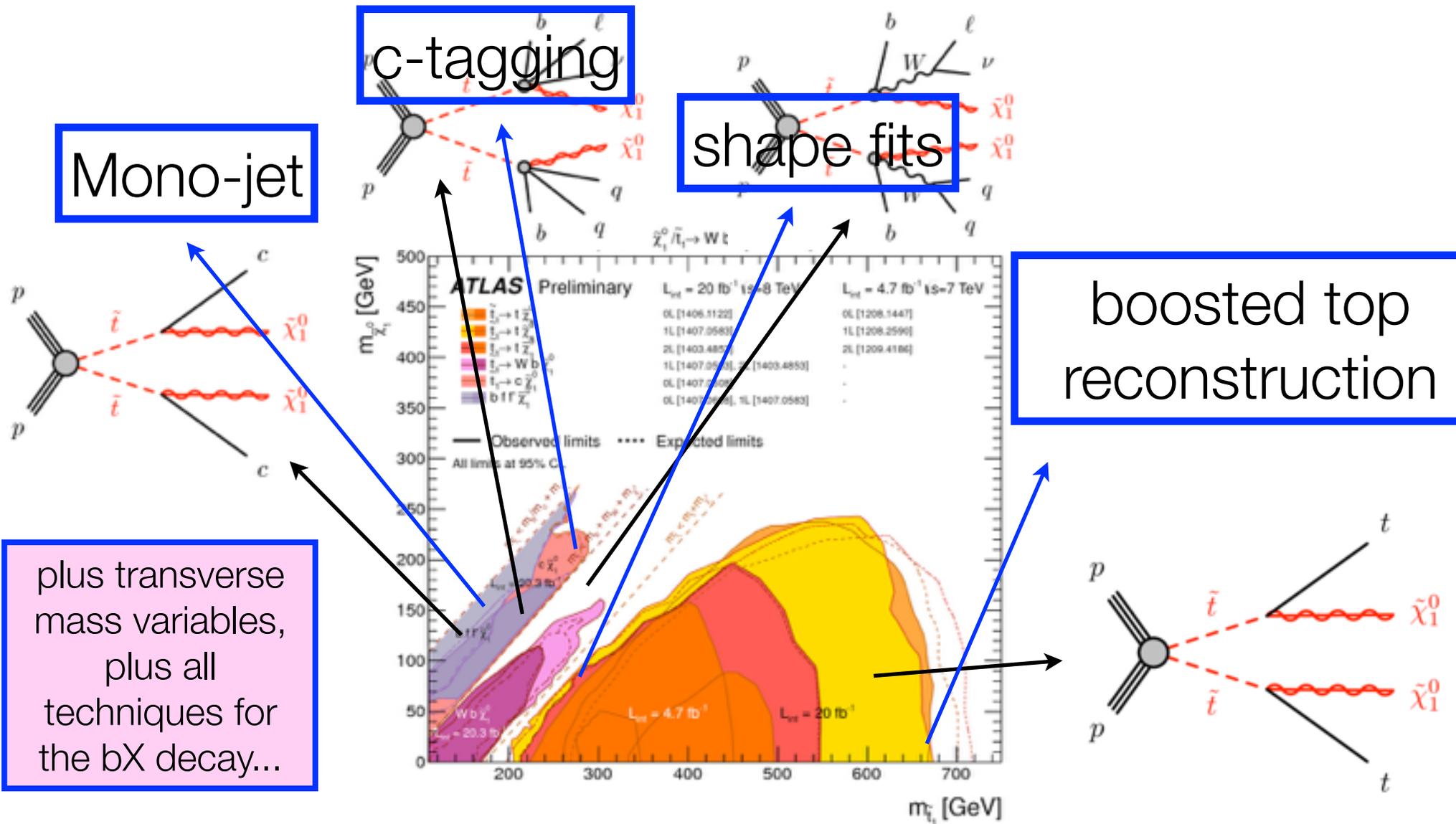
Direct stop/sbottom production

# stop/sbottom production and decay

- The **stops (sbottoms)** constrained by naturalness to be **not heavier than ~ 1 TeV**
- Production cross section lower than for other squarks (no incoming b or t in proton)



# Direct stop/sbottom production

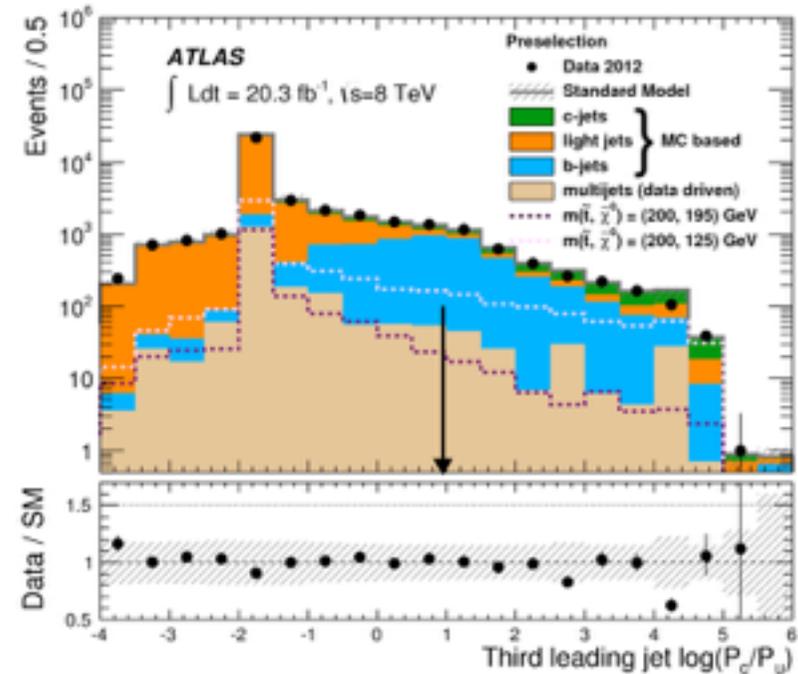
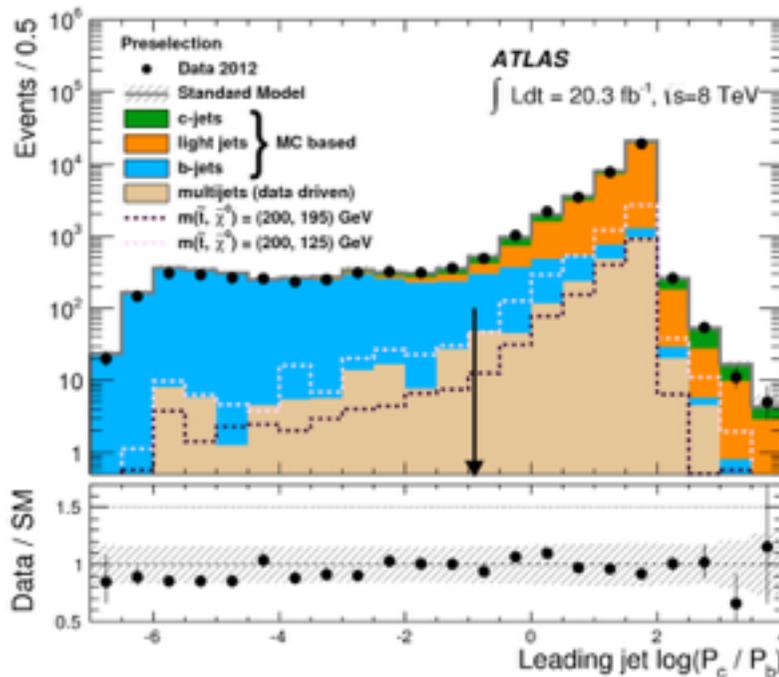


# c-tagging

- **Target: stop -> c neut,**
- selection:
  - $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150 \text{ GeV}$
  - leading jet  $p_T > 150 \text{ GeV}$ , lepton veto

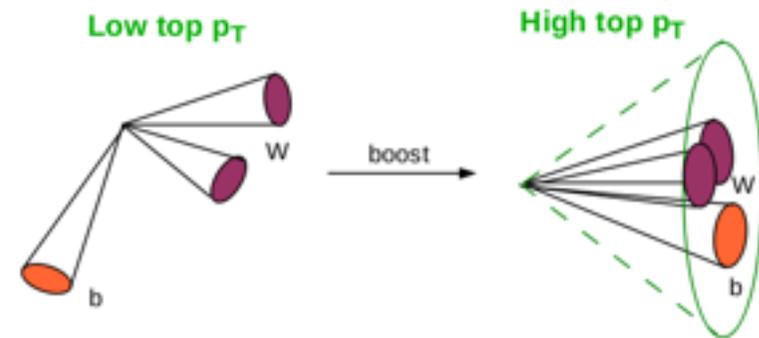
Background dominated by  
**Z and W** production

Tag efficiency: 20% for c, 12% for b,  
0.5% for light jets

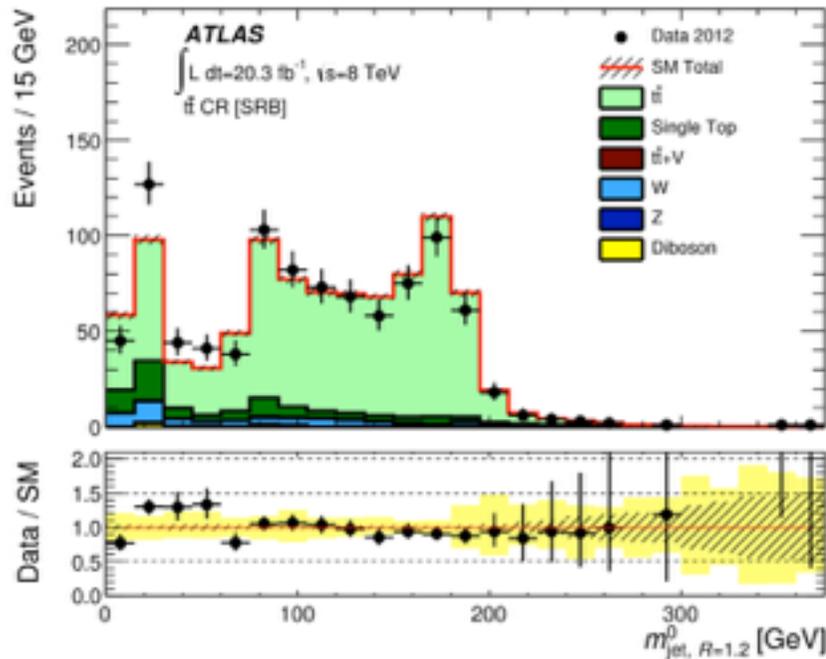


# Fat jet reconstruction

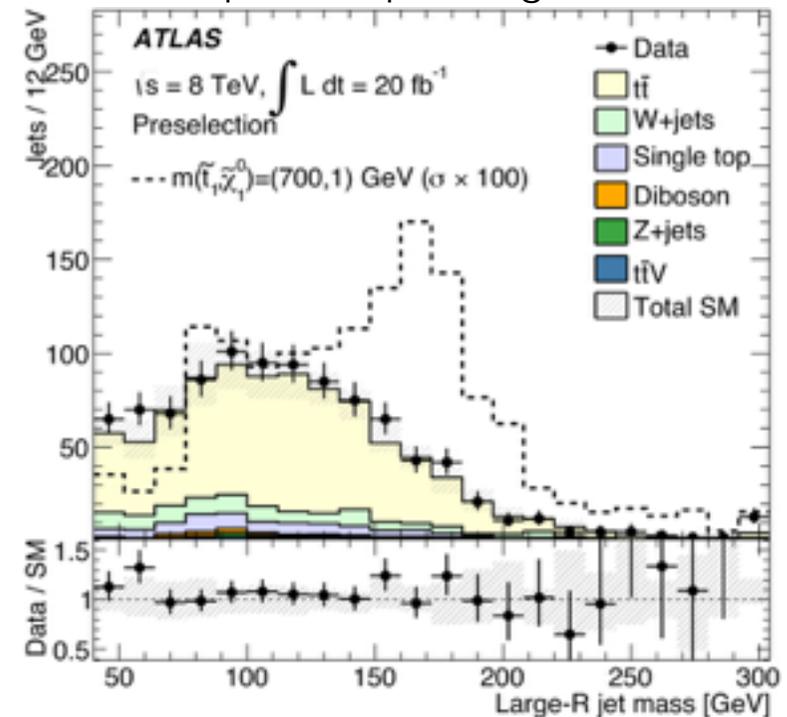
- High stop mass, small LSP mass —  
 > high top boost:
  - Large R jet reconstruction —  
 > all top quark decays into a single big jet



0-lepton stop background



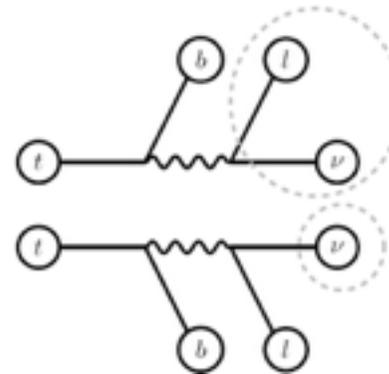
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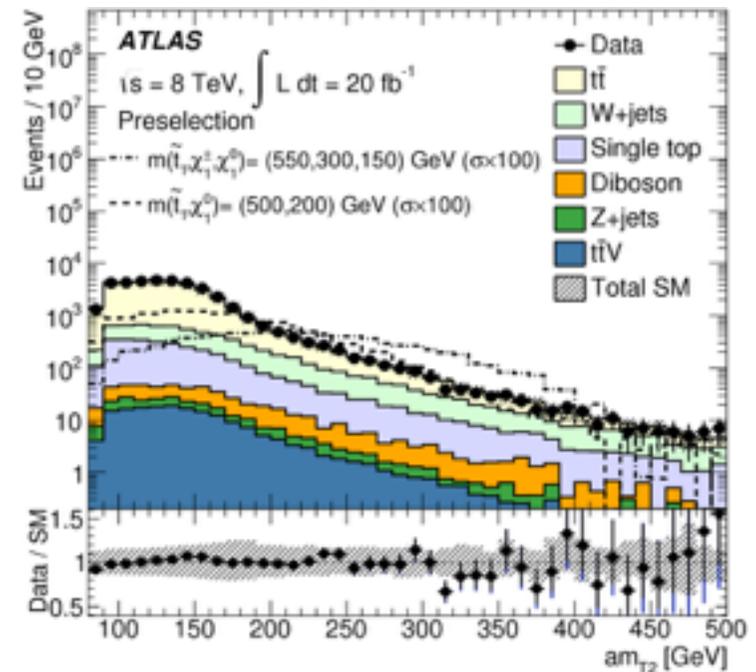
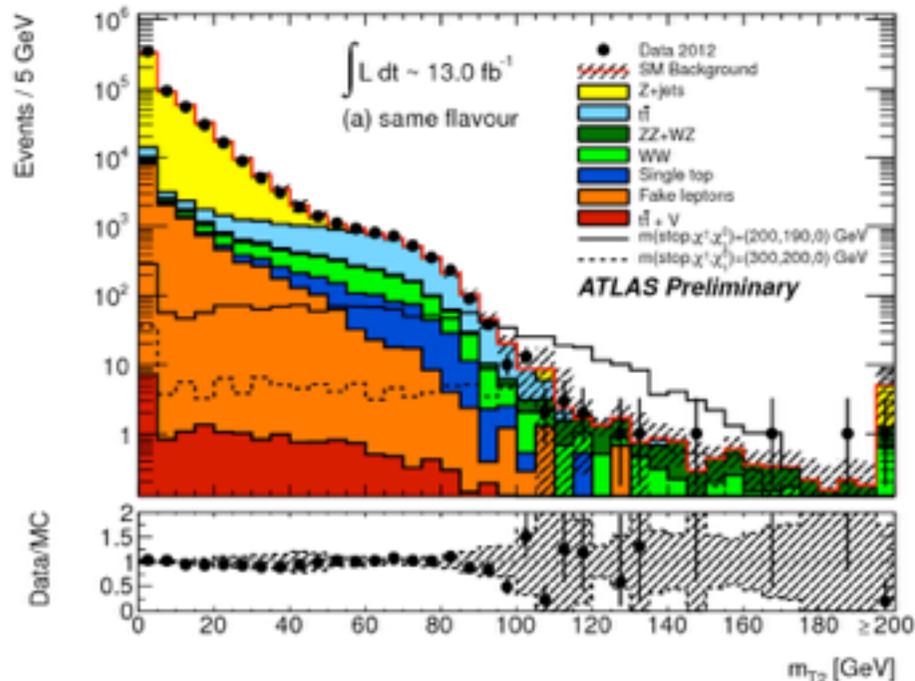
# Heavy use of kinematical end-points

- $m_{T2}$ : an extension of the transverse mass variable

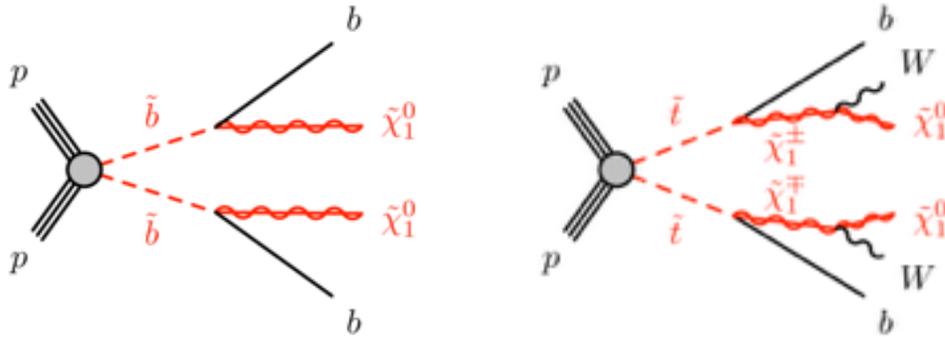
$$m_{T2}(\mathbf{p}_T^{\ell_1}, \mathbf{p}_T^{\ell_2}, \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) = \min_{\mathbf{q}_T + \mathbf{r}_T = \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}}} \left\{ \max[ m_T(\mathbf{p}_T^{\ell_1}, \mathbf{q}_T), m_T(\mathbf{p}_T^{\ell_2}, \mathbf{r}_T) ] \right\}$$



- a  $m_{T2}$ : a generalisation of the  $m_{T2}$  of the transverse mass variable



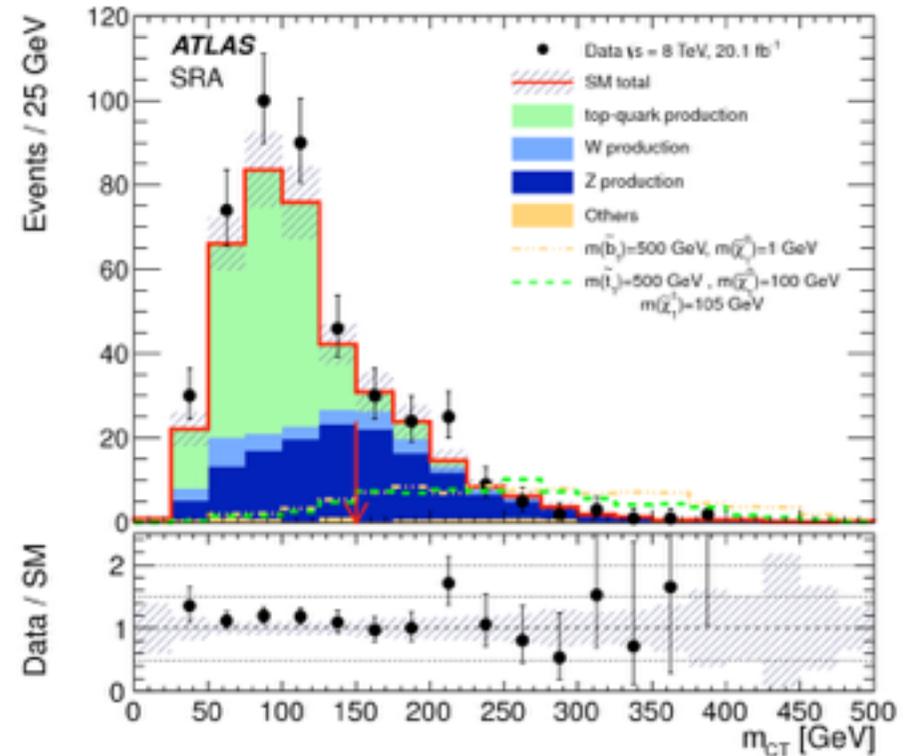
# Heavy use of kinematical end-points



$$\left( [E_T(b_1) + E_T(b_2)]^2 - [\mathbf{p}_T(b_1) - \mathbf{p}_T(b_2)]^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

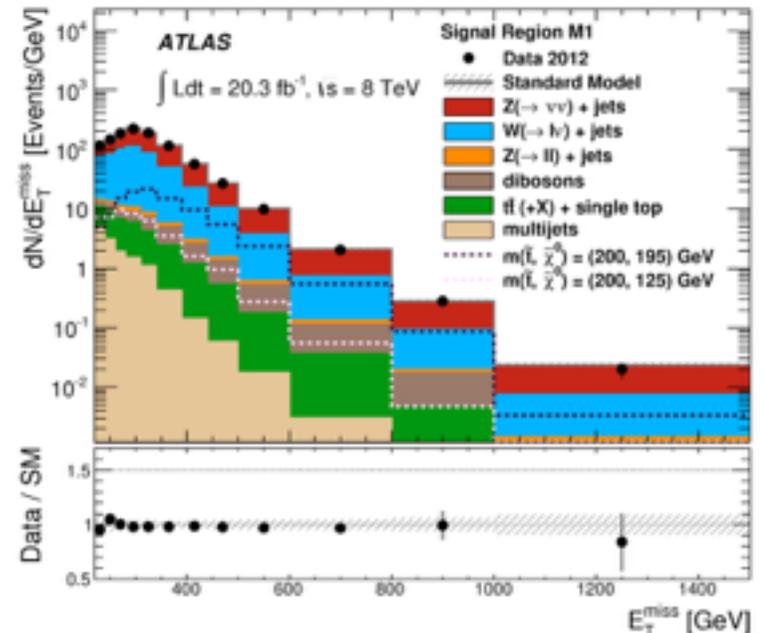
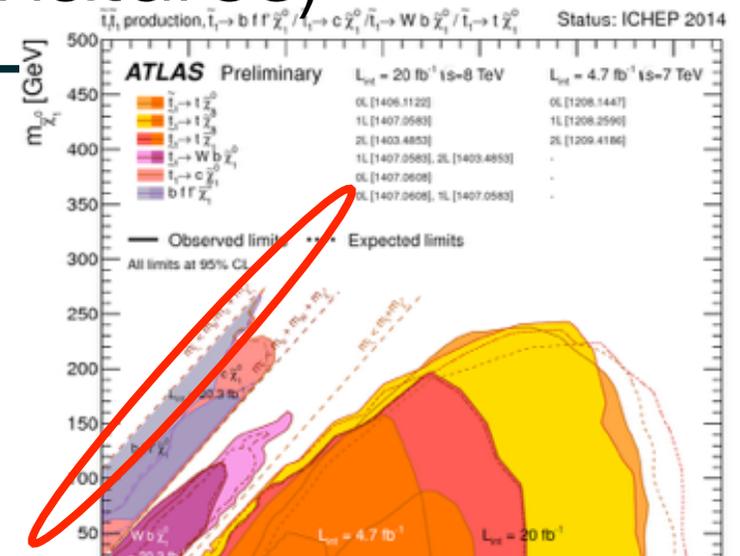
- Same final state topology: bb MET

- $m_{CT}(bb)$ : boost-corrected contranverse mass
- It has an end-point at  $(m_{\text{prod}}^2 - m_{\text{inv}}^2)/m_{\text{prod}}$



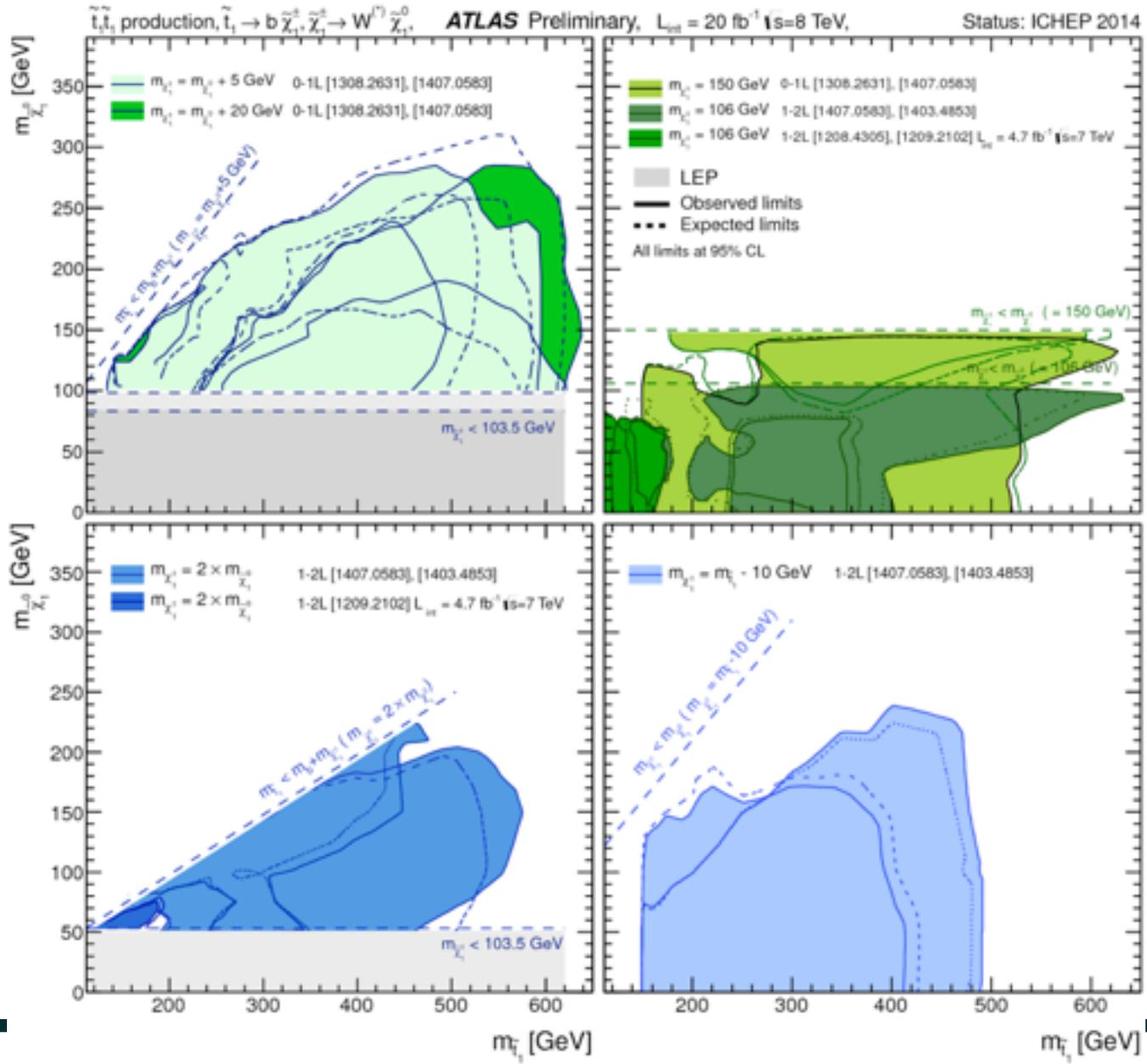
# ISR tagging (monojet-like signatures)

- compressed stop-LSP  $\Rightarrow$  no detectable signal unless boosted stop pair production  $\Rightarrow$  require high  $p_T$  ISR jet
- monojet-like signal (as in DM searches)



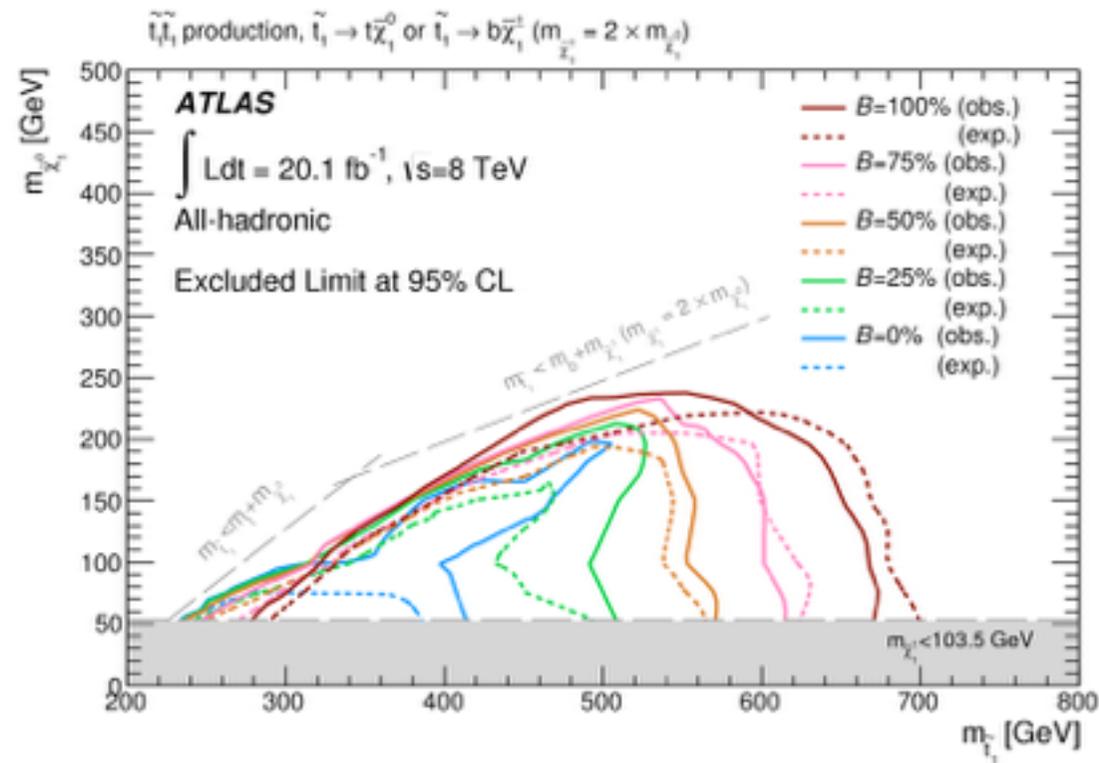
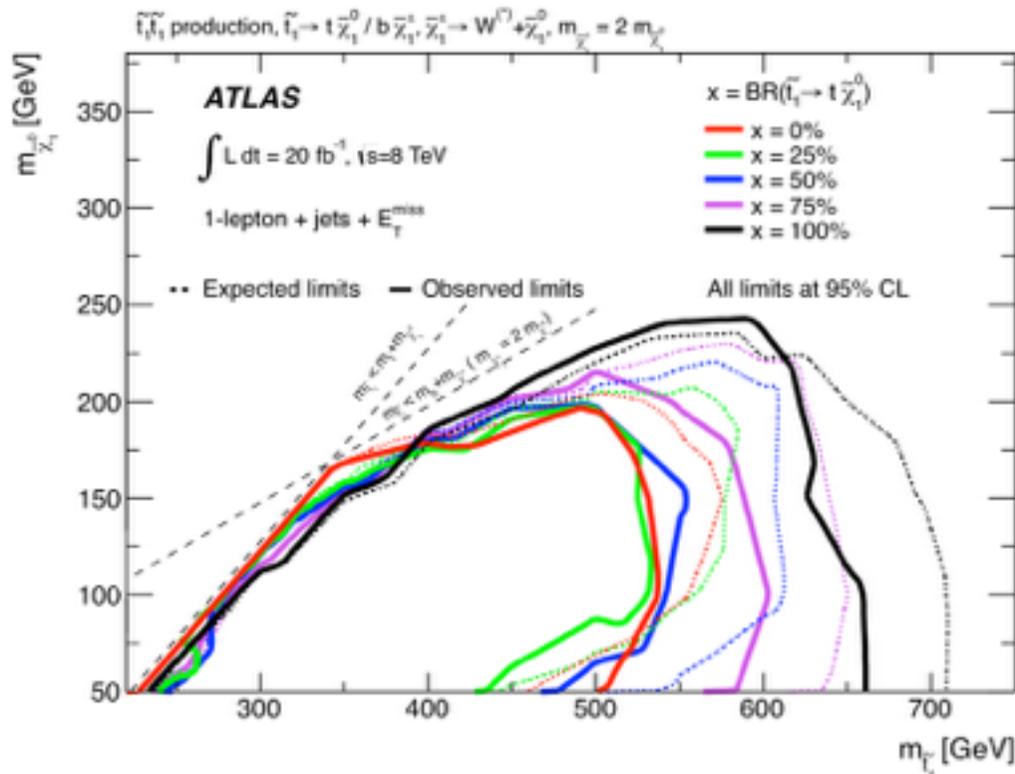
Selection criteria			
Preselection			
Primary vertex			
$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150 \text{ GeV}$			
At least one jet with $p_T > 150 \text{ GeV}$ and $ \eta  < 2.8$			
Jet quality requirements			
Lepton vetoes			
Monojet-like selection			
At most three jets with $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ and $ \eta  < 2.8$			
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$			
Signal region	M1	M2	M3
Minimum leading jet $p_T$ (GeV)	280	340	450
Minimum $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ (GeV)	220	340	450

$$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$$



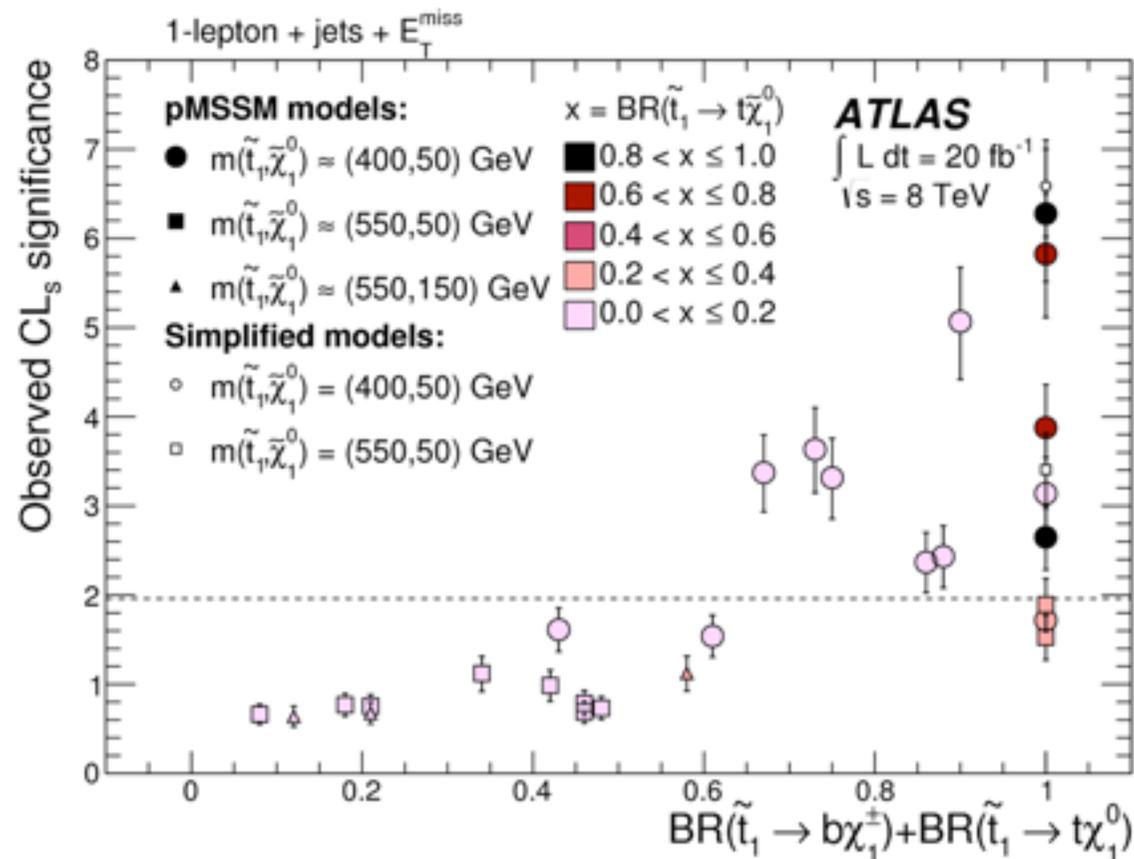
# Limits dependency on $BR(t \rightarrow tX_1^0)$

- Signal regions optimised for one specific topology. Combinations of signal regions make results less dependent on the decay details



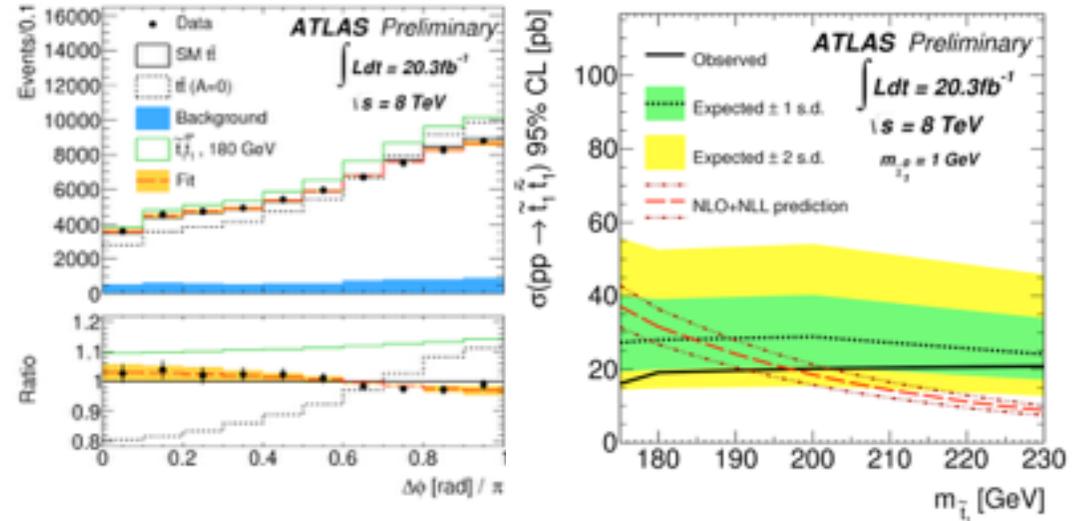
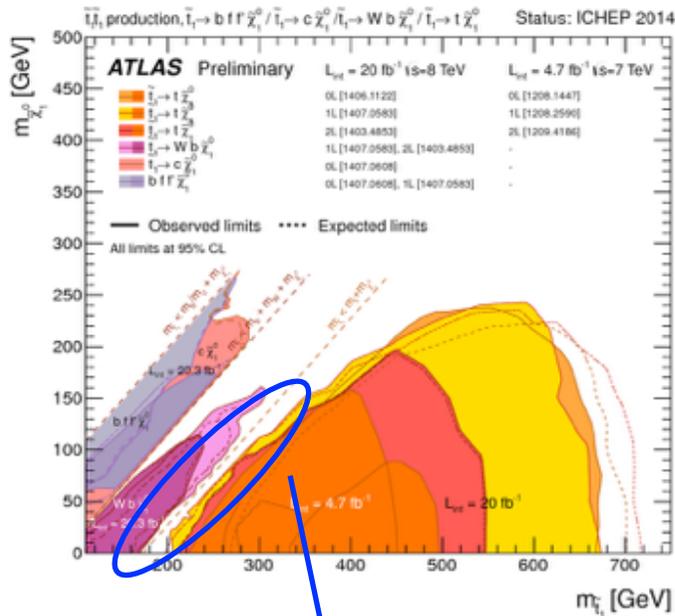
# Limits dependency on $BR(t \rightarrow tX_1^0)$

- What if the stop decays into anything else?

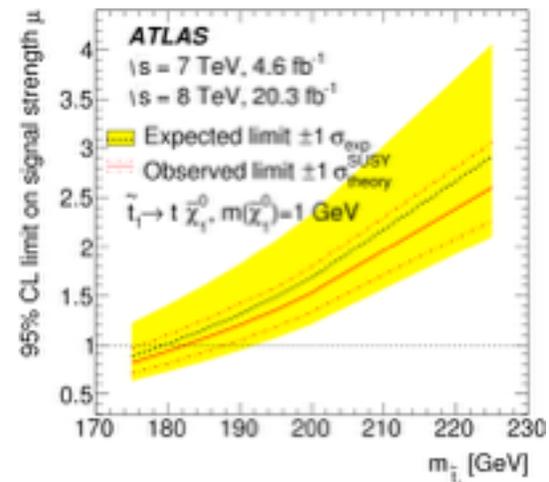


# Limits from SM measurements

## Spin correlations



## Cross section



top like kinematics -  
 difficult to approach  
 with searches

# Electroweak production



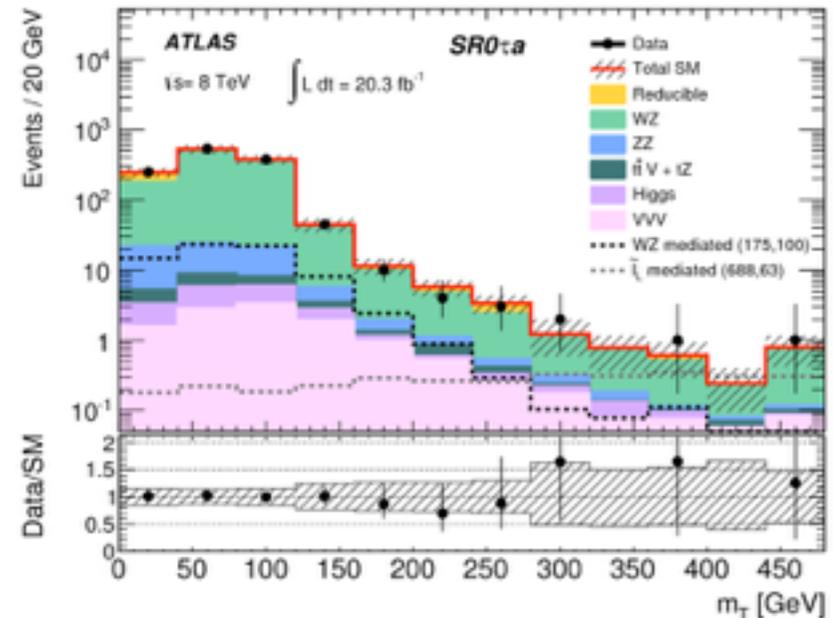
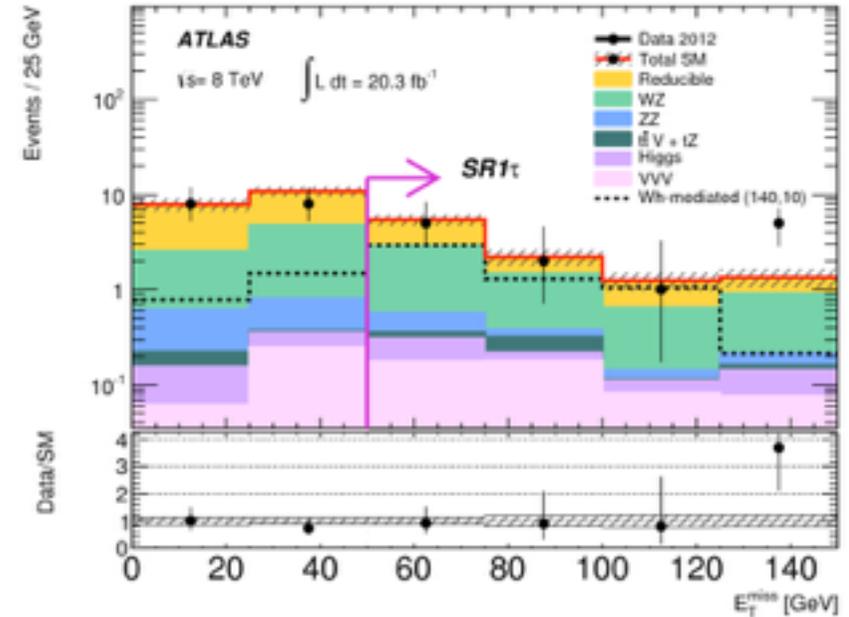
# 3-lepton search

Several signal regions defined based on the number of taus

Target several possible scenarios including Higgs production in the final state

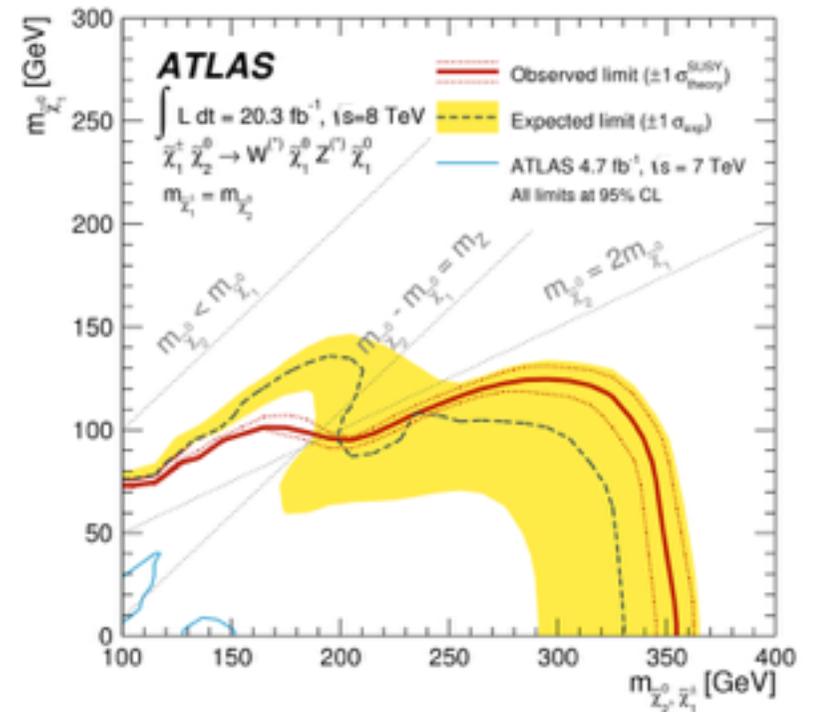
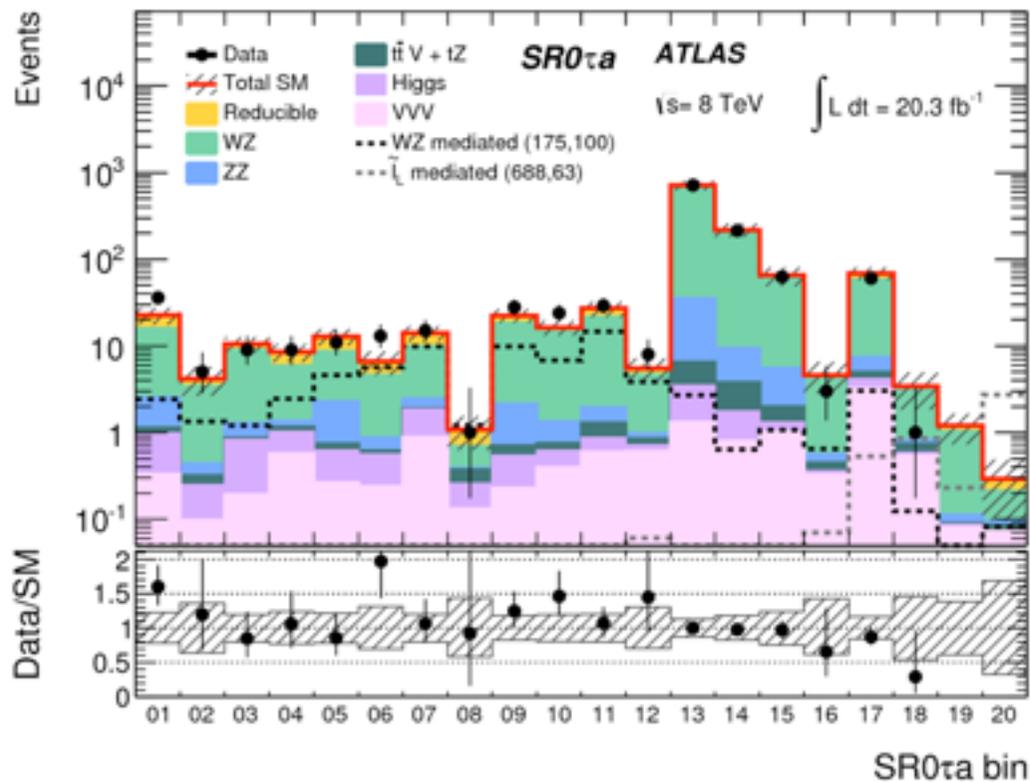
**Table 3.** Summary of the selection requirements for the signal regions. The index of the signal region corresponds to the number of required  $\tau$  leptons. The SR0ra bin definitions are shown in table 4. Energies, momenta and masses are given in units of GeV. The signal models targeted by the selection requirements are also shown.

Signal region	SR0ra	SR0rb	SR1 $\tau$	SR2ra	SR2rb
Flavour/sign	$\ell^+ \ell^- \ell$ , $\ell^+ \ell^- \ell^-$	$\ell^{\pm} \ell^{\pm} \ell^{\mp}$	$\tau^{\pm} \ell^{\mp} \ell^{\mp}$ , $\tau^{\pm} \ell^{\mp} \ell^{\mp}$	$\tau \tau \ell$	$\tau^+ \tau^- \ell$
b-tagged jet	veto	veto	veto	veto	veto
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	binned	> 50	> 50	> 50	> 60
Other	mspos binned $m_T$ binned	$p_T^{\text{3rd } \ell} > 20$ $\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}^{\text{min}} \leq 1.0$	$p_T^{\text{3rd } \ell} > 30$ $\sum p_T^{\ell} > 70$ $m_{\ell\tau} < 120$ $m_{ee} Z$ veto	$m_{12}^{\text{max}} > 100$	$\sum p_T^{\ell} > 110$ $70 < m_{\tau\tau} < 120$
Target model	$\tilde{\ell}, WZ$ -mediated	$Wh$ -mediated	$Wh$ -mediated	$\tilde{\tau}_L$ -mediated	$Wh$ -mediated



# 3-lepton search

- One of the few searches showing some excess
  - To be rechecked with Run 2 data

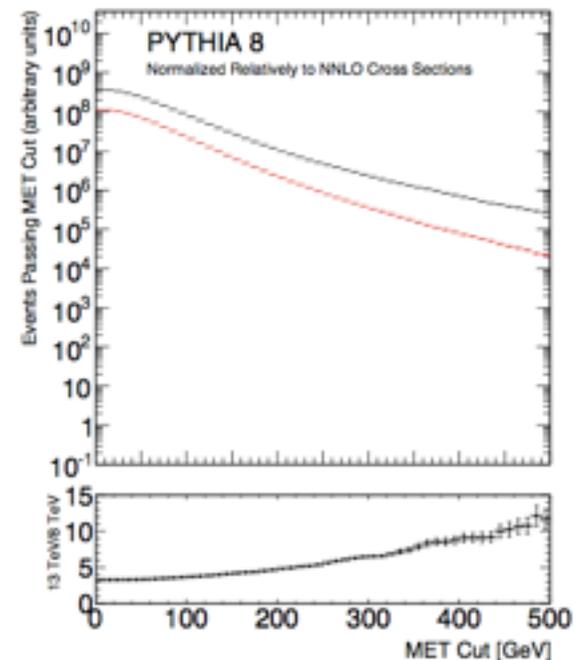
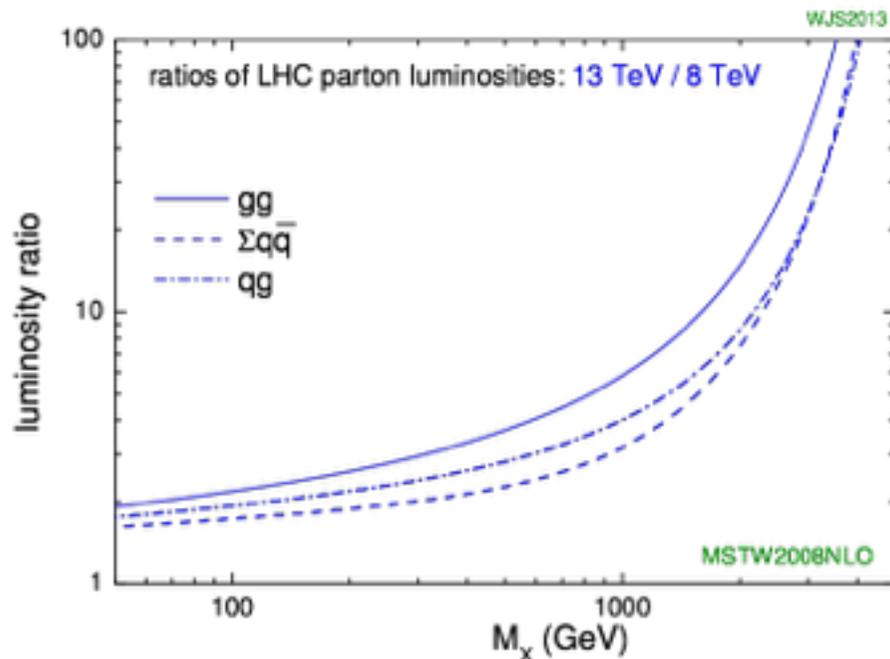


Prospects for run 2 and beyond

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- LHC run 2 due to start next June with  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.
- **Increase in cms energy means increase in cross section**
  - a factor  $\sim 8$  for  $m_{\text{stop}} = 700$  GeV
  - but the **background** increases as well...

Production	$\text{fb}^{-1}$ to outperform run 1	expected to be delivered by
strong production	$\sim 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	July/August 2014
Third generation	$\sim 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	End of summer 2014
weak production	$\sim 20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	End of run 2014



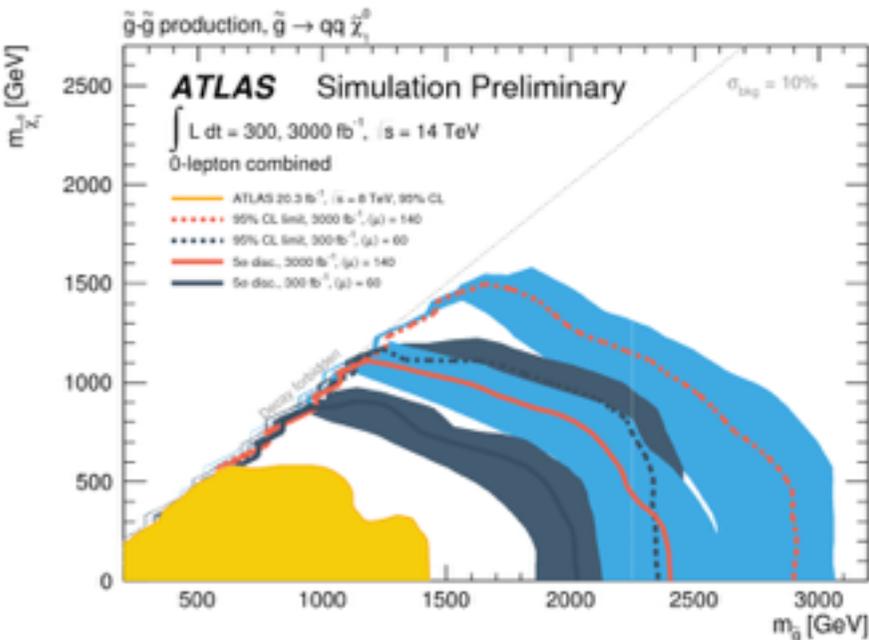
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# Prospects for run 2 and beyond

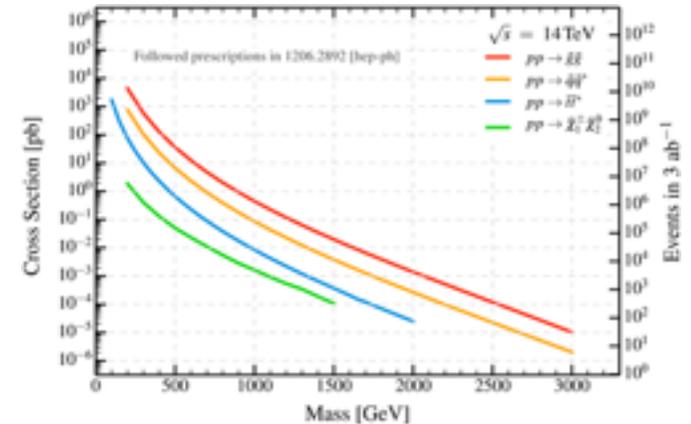
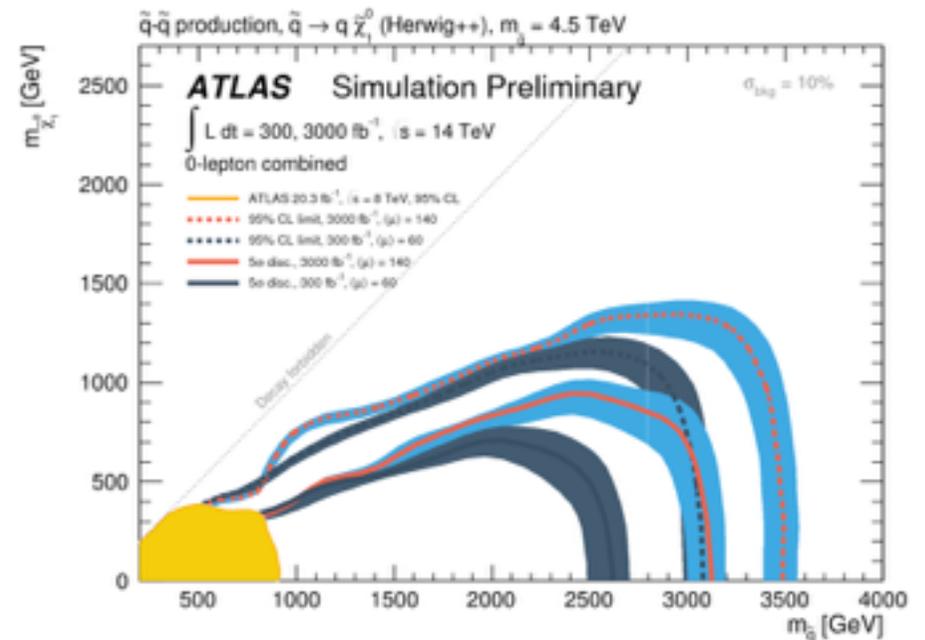
(Highly) simplified detector simulation

Assuming cms of 14 TeV

Glino pair production

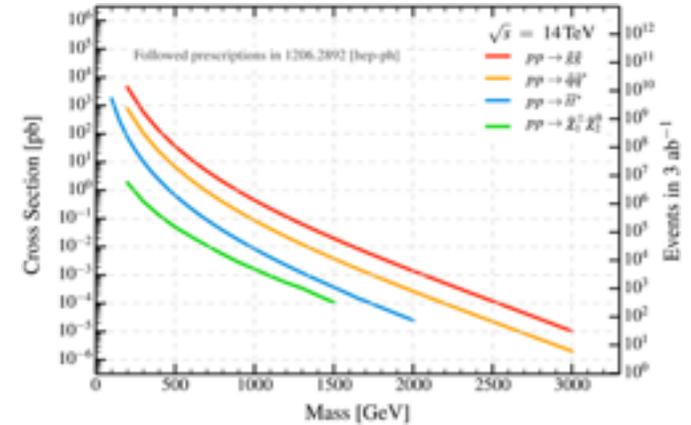
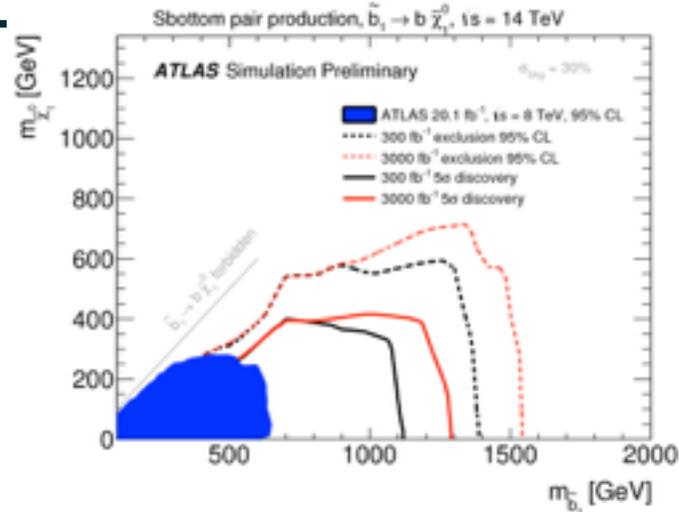


Squark pair production

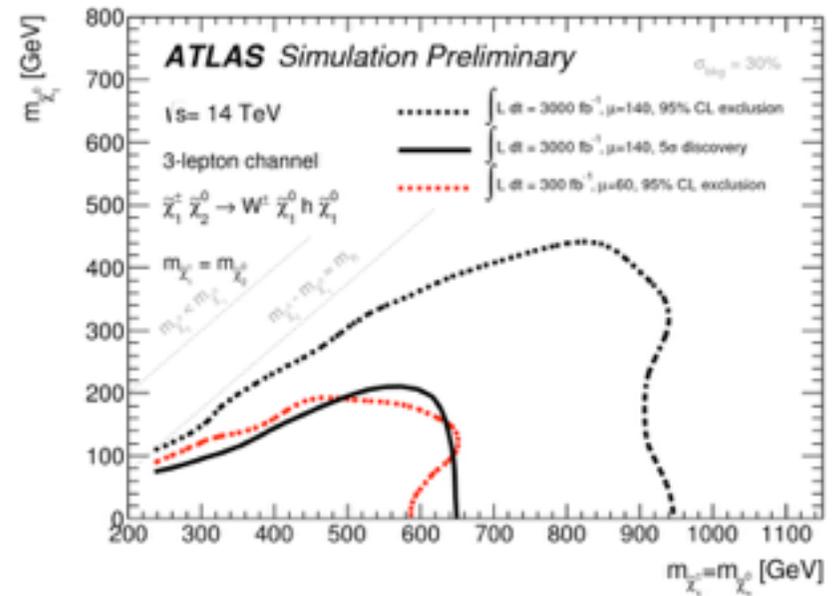
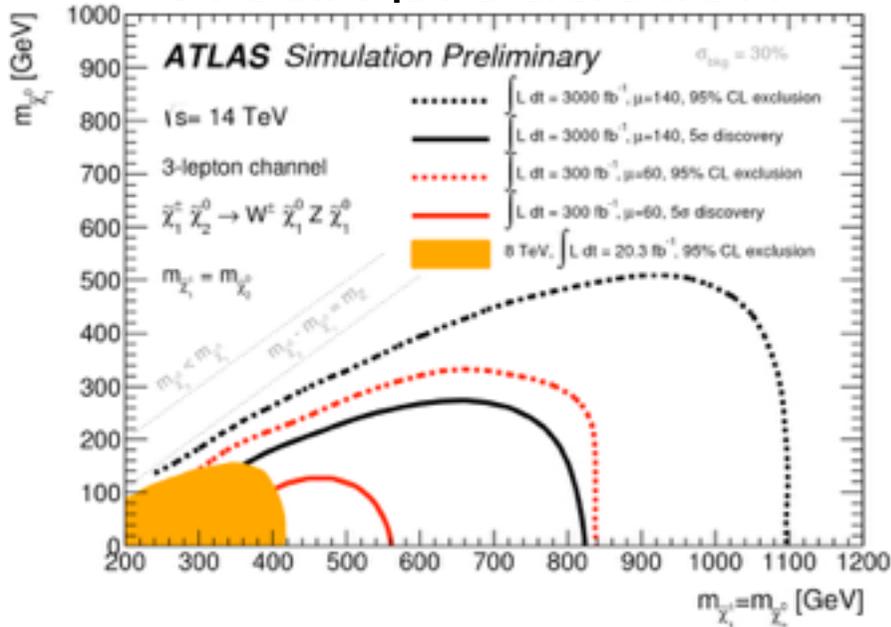


# Prospects for run 2 and beyond

sbottom  
production



## Weak production



# Summary

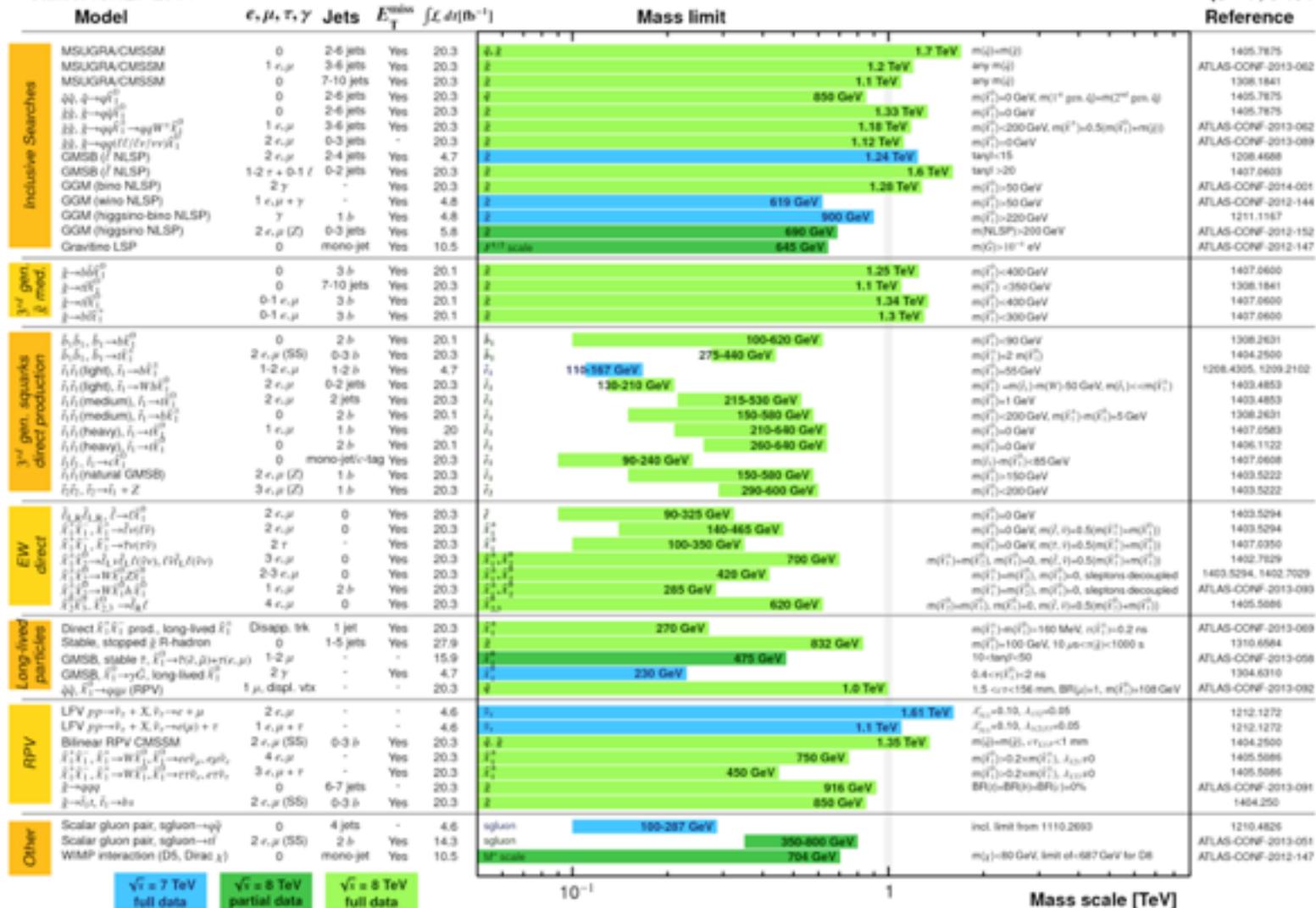
# Summary

## ATLAS SUSY Searches\* - 95% CL Lower Limits

Status: ICHEP 2014

ATLAS Preliminary

$\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$



\*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown. All limits quoted are observed minus 1 $\sigma$  theoretical signal cross section uncertainty.

# When will we stop looking for SUSY?

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- SUSY yields **an incredible number of well motivated possible topologies**
  - While looking for SUSY we effectively constraint **a bunch of BSM models**
- Examples:
  - tt MET and bb MET signatures (stop, sbottom) show up in LQ and DM searches
  - 2j and 3j resonant searches for RPV gluino/squark decay
  - Displaced vertices searches for long-lived charginos sensitive to production of ANY heavy long lived charged particle

BACKUP

# Fake lepton background estimate

- General approach to **fake lepton background estimation** based on a **loose/tight matrix method**
- Example with 1 lepton (easily extendable to multi-lepton signatures):
- Strategy: **define a “loose”** (pre-selected) **and a “tight”** (signal) lepton selection.
- Then, solve the following system of equations

$$N^{loose} = N_{real}^{loose} + N_{fake}^{loose}$$

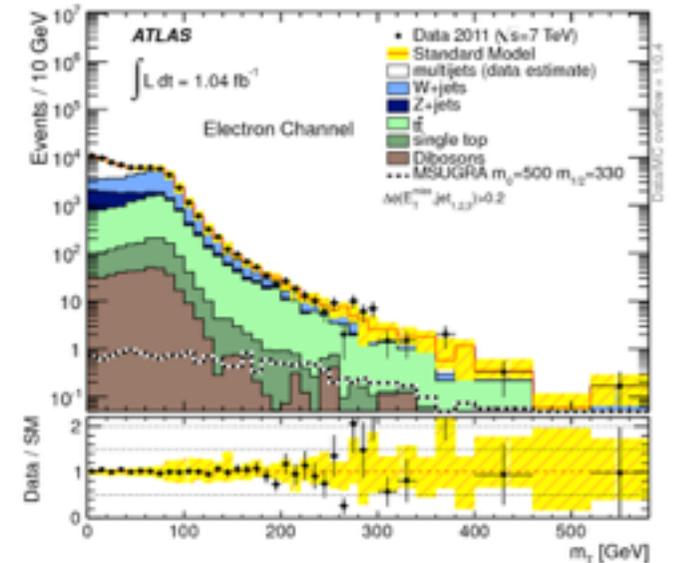
$$N^{tight} = \epsilon_{real} N_{real}^{loose} + \epsilon_{fake} N_{fake}^{loose}$$

Need to be measured independently  
from data

Simply count how many of them

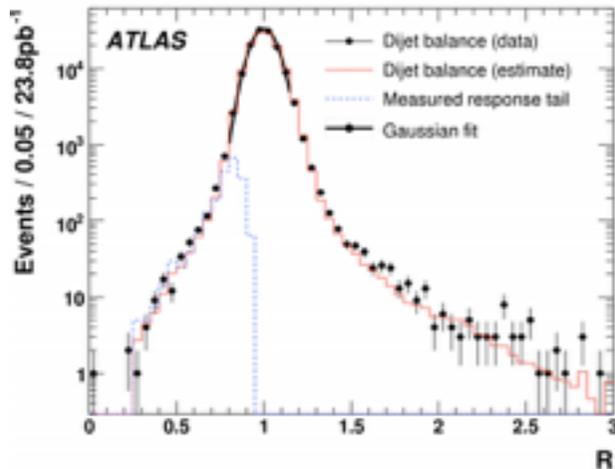
$$N_{fake}^{tight} = \frac{\epsilon_{fake}}{\epsilon_{real} - \epsilon_{fake}} (N_{real}^{loose} - N_{tight})$$

- A fake lepton lepton can arise from:
  - Off-axis HF semileptonic decays
  - Photon conversion



# Fake $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ background estimate

- Large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  can be induced by a jet mis-measurement.
- Relevant for processes with high cross section and no “real”  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  (multi-jet,  $Z \rightarrow \text{II}$ )

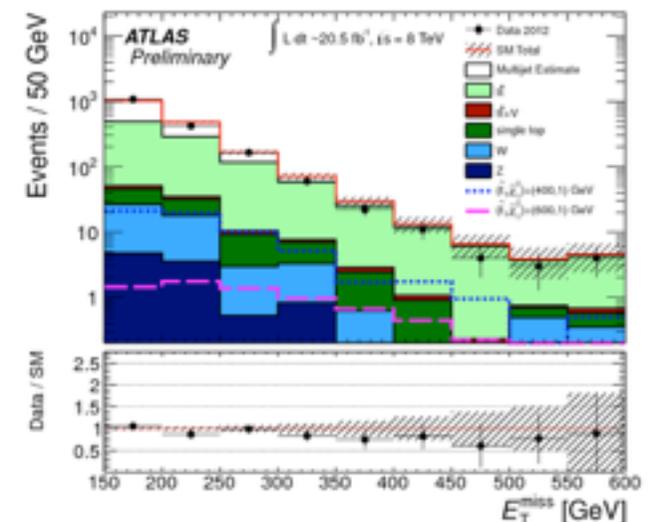


- Derive a “jet response function” from MC and adapt it to data:

- **core:**  $p_T$  balance in di-jet events
- **tail:** three-jet (Mercedes) events



- Use response function to smear jets in real data events with low MET:
- Obtain events with large “fake”  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- Validate the estimation in a dedicated control region



SUSY

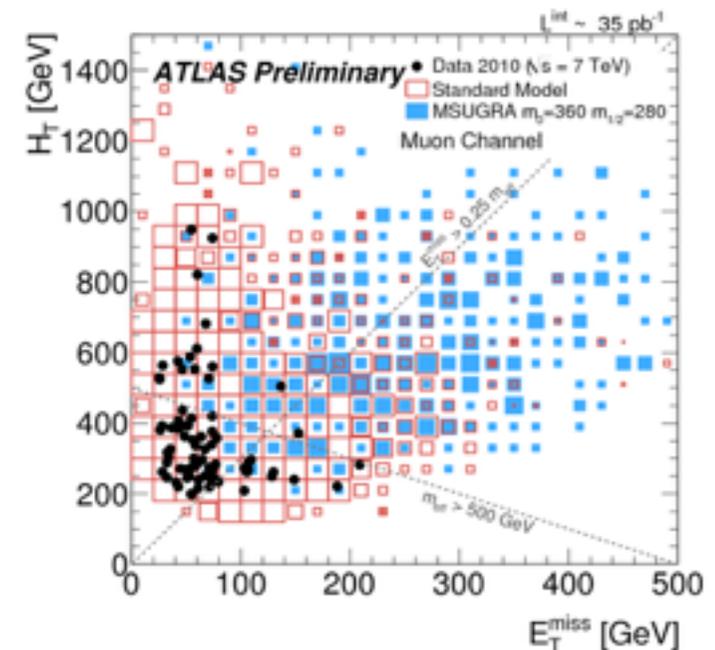
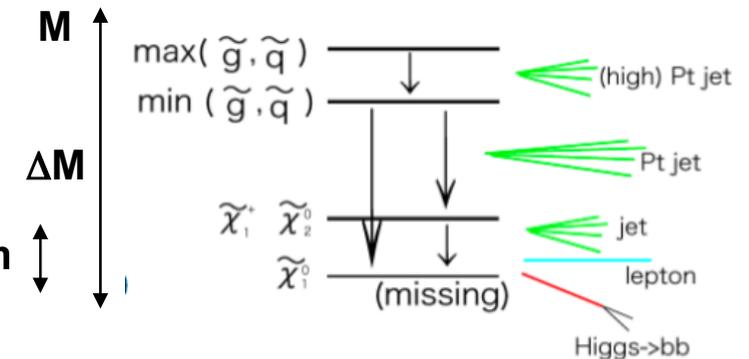
# What we are typically doing

- **Heavy sparticles produced** in the primary collision
- They **decay into lighter objects**, emitting (high)  $P_T$  jets and possibly other objects (leptons, photons) and MET (LSP)
- A “typical” SUSY event will have **large MET and large  $H_T$**
- Useful variables:

$$H_T = \sum_{jets} p_T^{jets} (+ \sum_l p_T^l + \dots)$$

$$M_{eff} = E_T^{miss} + H_T$$

- But also other variables with well defined kinematical end point for the SM background
  - **$M_T$  (lepton-MET)**: end point at  $M_W$  if produced in W decay
  - **$M_{T2}$ ,  $M_{CT}$** : assume pair produced heavy particles with visible and invisible decays



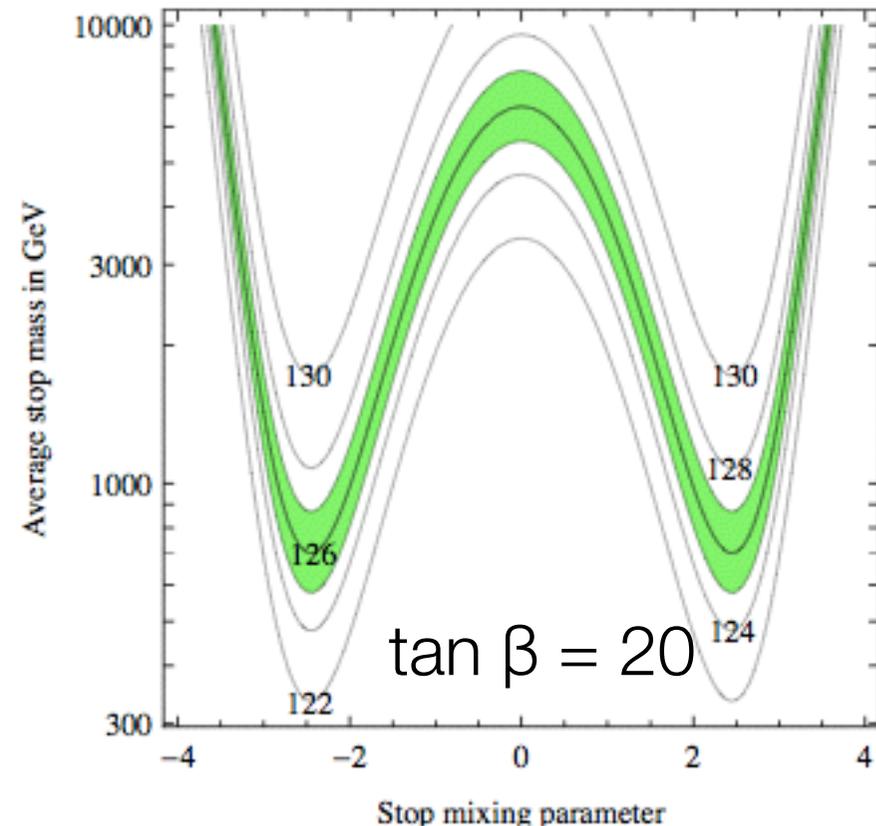
# Higgs and SUSY

$$X_t = (A_t + \mu \cot \beta) / m_S$$

$$m_h^2 = m_Z^2 \cos^2 \beta + \frac{3y_t^2 m_t^2}{(4\pi)^2} \left[ \log \left( \frac{m_S^2}{m_t^2} \right) + X_t^2 \left( 1 - \frac{X_t^2}{12} \right) \right]$$

arXiv:1212.6847

- The Higgs mass depend on the average stop mass and  $X_t$
- $m_h=126$  GeV still allows for a light  $t_1$



# What is missing? (3<sup>rd</sup> gen)

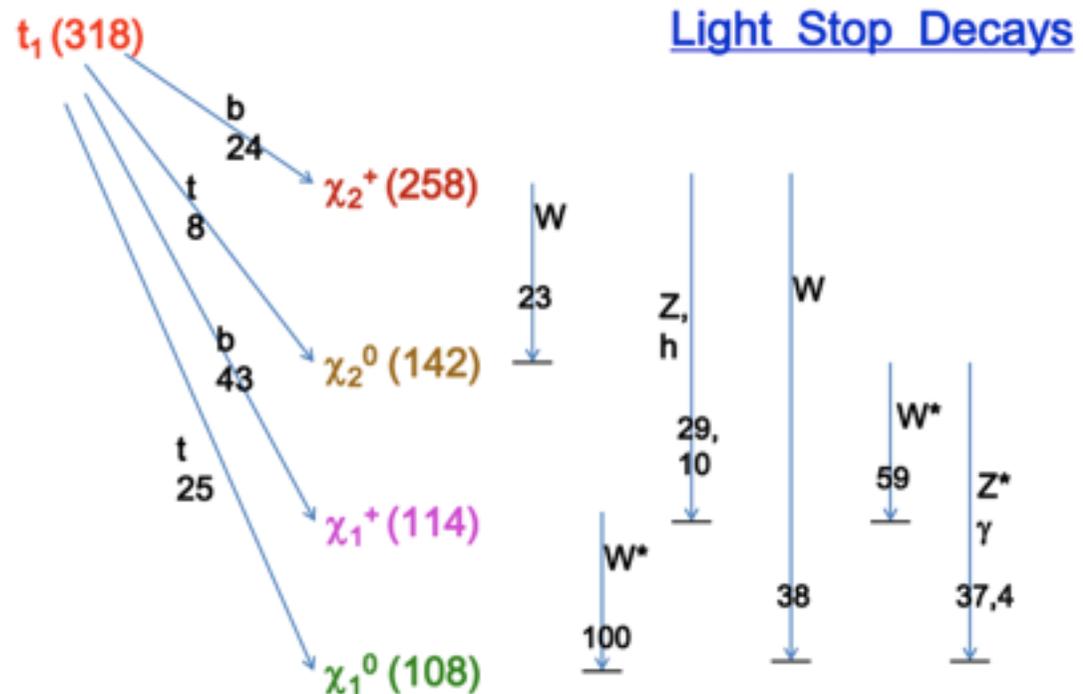
- My own to-do list for the next **few months/years**:

- Improve limits at **high stop mass**:

- boosted top reconstruction?

- **Mixed decays** (50%  $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t\tilde{X}_1^0$ , 50%  $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{X}_1^\pm$ ) still not considered (and somewhat favoured, actually)

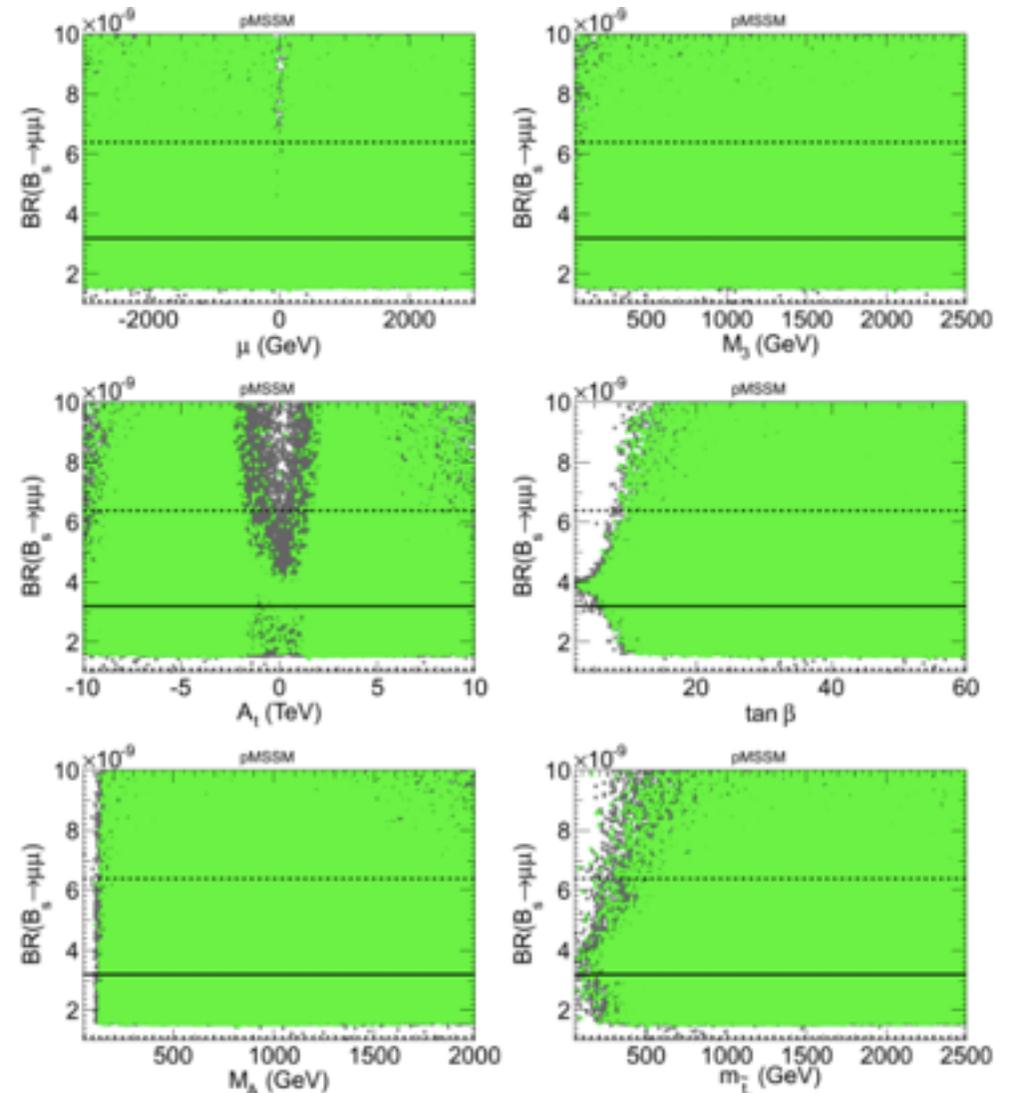
- Complete the investigation in **the low mass region** (exclude independently of the stop parameters and mass hierarchy).



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# Bs $\rightarrow$ $\mu\mu$

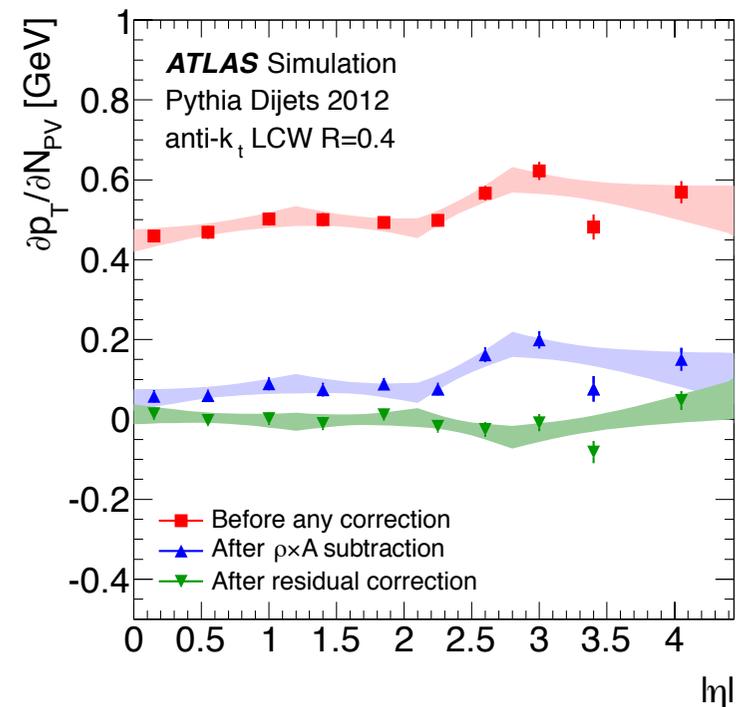
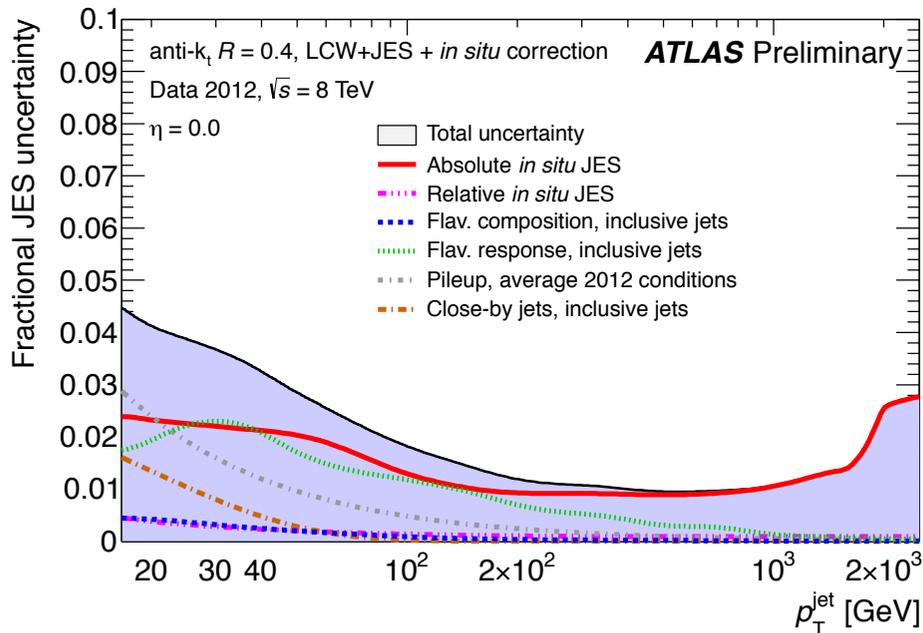
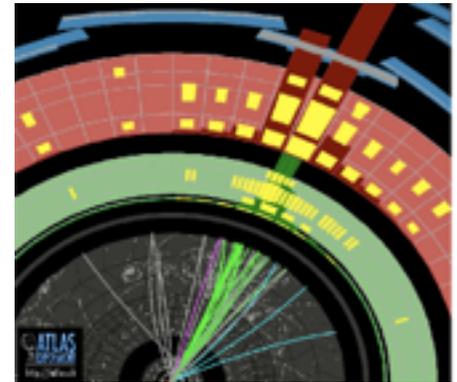
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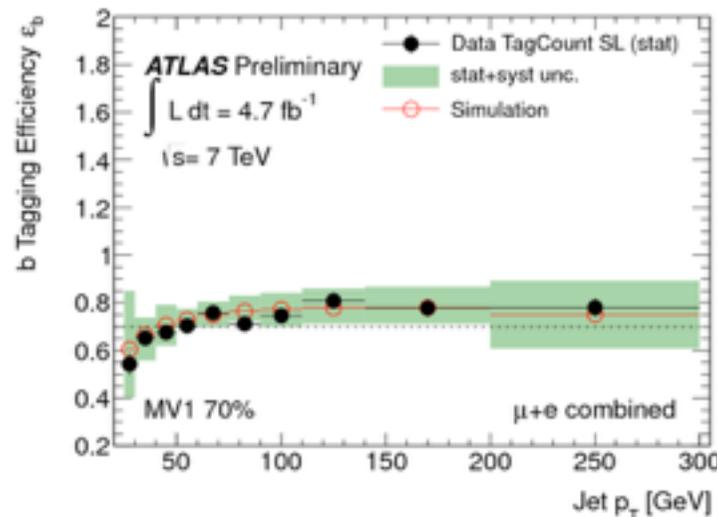
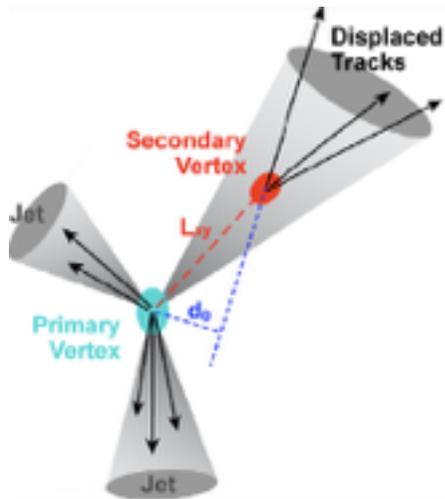
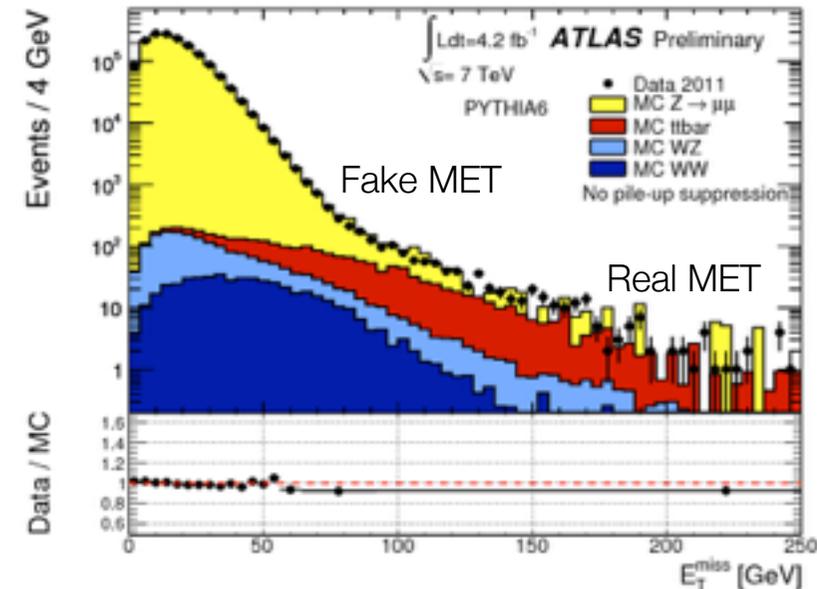
# Jet measurement

- **Constantly improving** on **jet measurement** and **pileup suppression** techniques
- **Jet energy scale** known **up to the ~1% level**
- **Pileup subtraction** based on jet area method



# Missing transverse momentum and b-tagging

- Missing  $E_T$  ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ) reconstructed from the vectorial sum of **all final state objects**:
- each **with a dedicated calibration**.



- **b-tagging**: neural network algorithm combining informations about **secondary vertex displacement** and **impact parameters of jets**
- efficiencies **generally well reproduced by MC**. Systematic uncertainties of the **order of 10-15%**

strong production

prospects

# MSUGRA/CMSSM

