

# Searches for New Physics with ATLAS detector at LHC

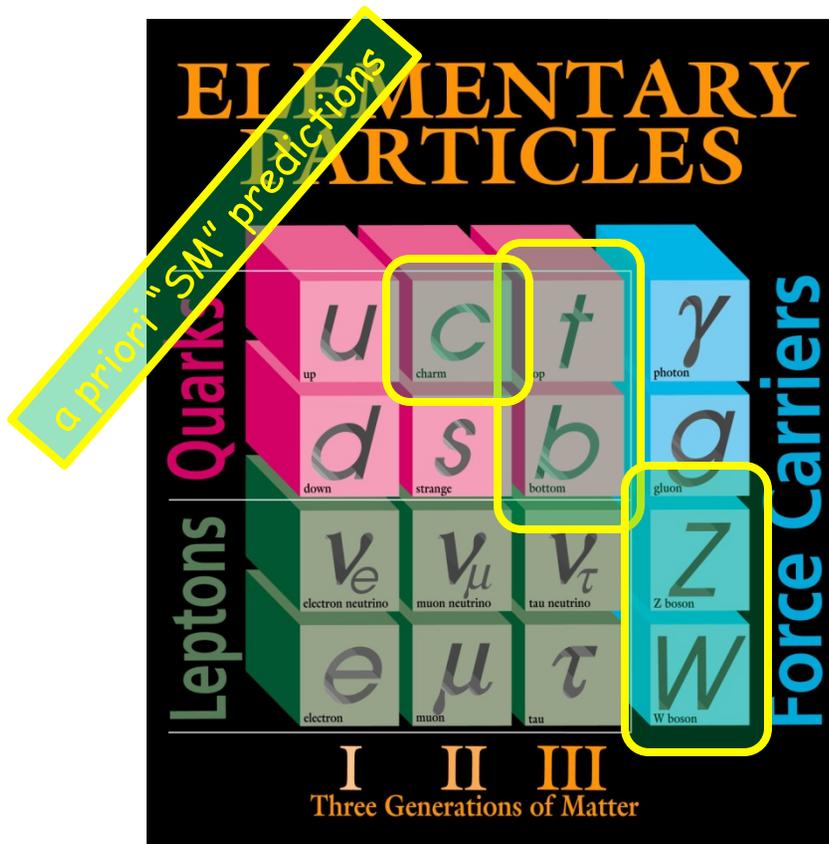
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# Introduction

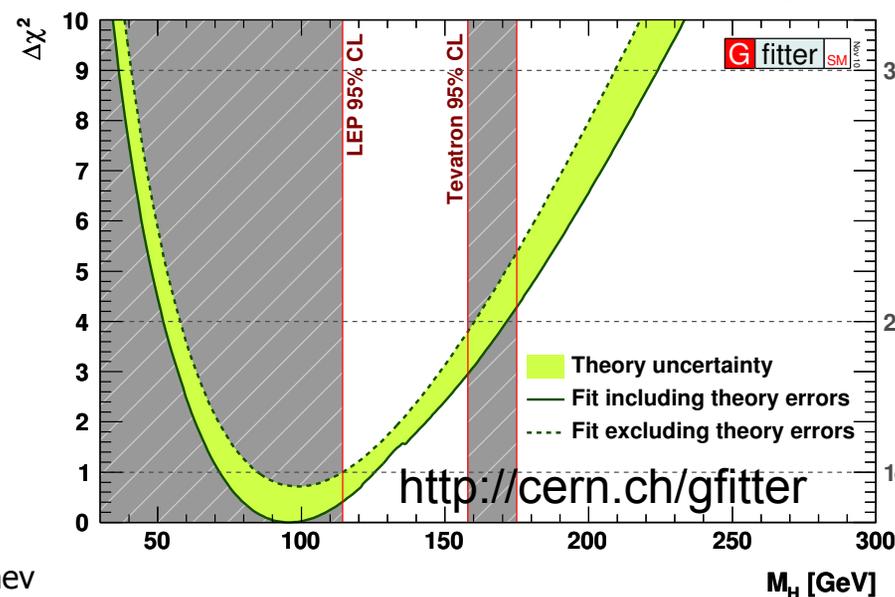
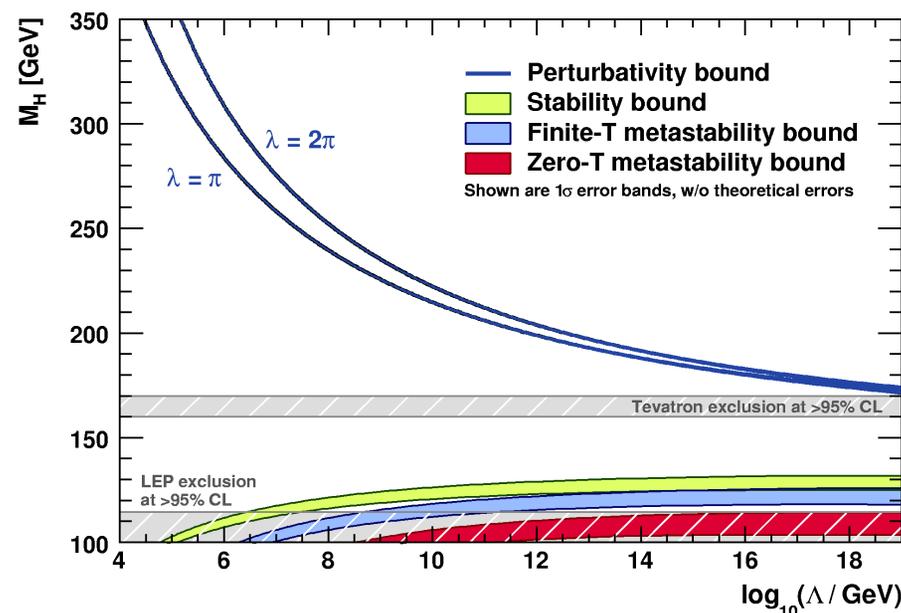
The Standard Model (SM) provides an excellent description of experiments and is predictive



$|\chi|$  contributions to fits assuming SM

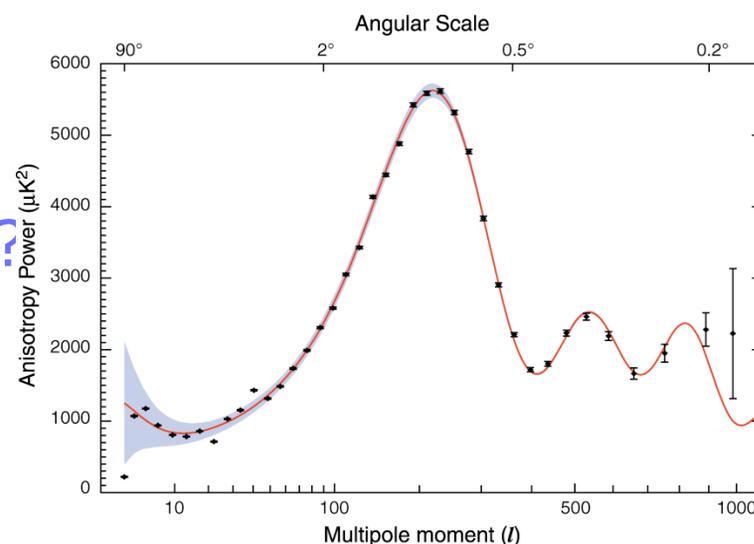
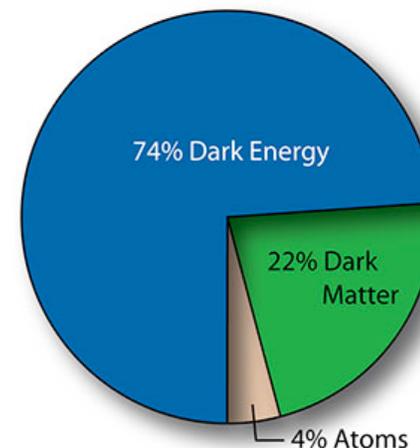
# EW Symmetry Breaking

- Simplest form of (local) gauge invariance requires massless force carriers
  - Photon (and gluon),  $m=0$ . OK...
  - $M_W = 80$  and  $M_Z = 91$  GeV
- SM and the Higgs mechanism
  - Permits non-zero boson mass & gauge invariance together
  - Requires a Higgs boson



# Motivation for Physics Beyond the SM

- Some pieces of SM to work on
  - Electroweak symmetry breaking unproven
  - Precision flavor studies
  - Stability: fine tuning issues
- SM doesn't answer some big questions
  - Fermion mass spectrum, 3 generations?
  - Dark matter?
  - Matter/antimatter asymmetry?
  - Ultimately EW + strong unification?



# LHC Physics Motivation

- Tests of proposed solutions to SM shortcomings have led to lower mass bounds on new physics, but not yet direct observation
  - The space of new physics possibilities is large. Will not discuss specifics further...
- How to proceed?
  - Indirect tests through precision measurements
  - Direct searches for higher mass particles
- High mass means higher energy, thus the LHC

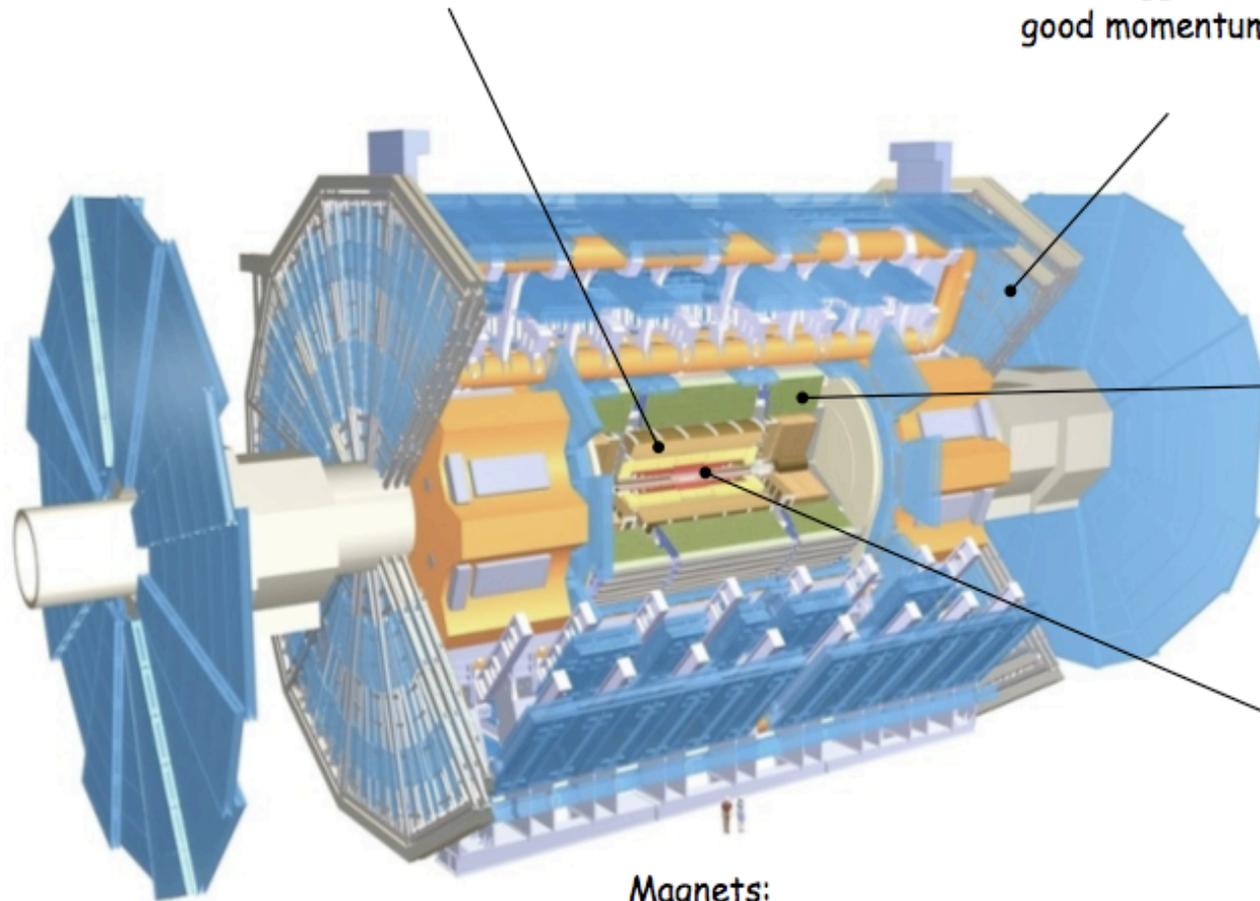
# ATLAS Detector

EM Calorimeters:  $\sigma/E \approx 10\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.7\%$

excellent  $e/\gamma$  identification  
good energy resolution

Precision Muon Spectrometer:  $\sigma/p_T \approx 10\% @ 1 \text{ TeV}$

fast trigger response  
good momentum resolution



Hadron Calorimeter:

$\sigma/E \approx 50\%/ \sqrt{E} \oplus 3\%$

good jet resolution  
good missing  $E_T$  resolution

Inner Detector:

Si Pixel & strips; TRT

$\sigma/p_T \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-4} p_T \oplus 0.001$

good impact parameter res., i.e.

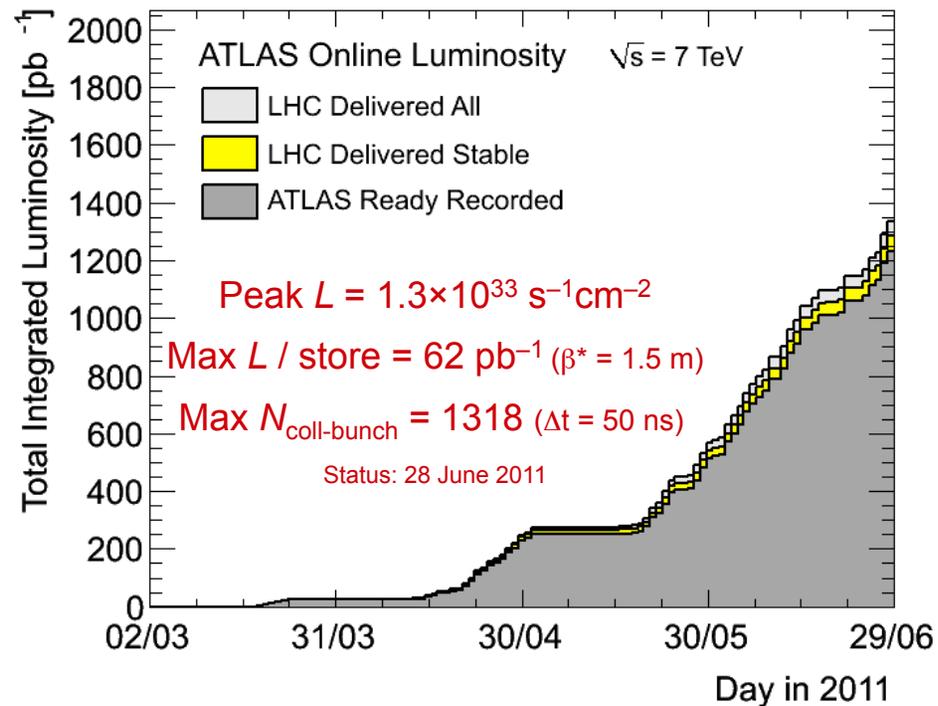
$\sigma(d_0) \approx 15 \mu\text{m} @ 20 \text{ GeV}$

Magnets:

Solenoid (inner detector): 2 T

Toroid (muon spectrometer): 0.5 T

# LHC and Data Taking

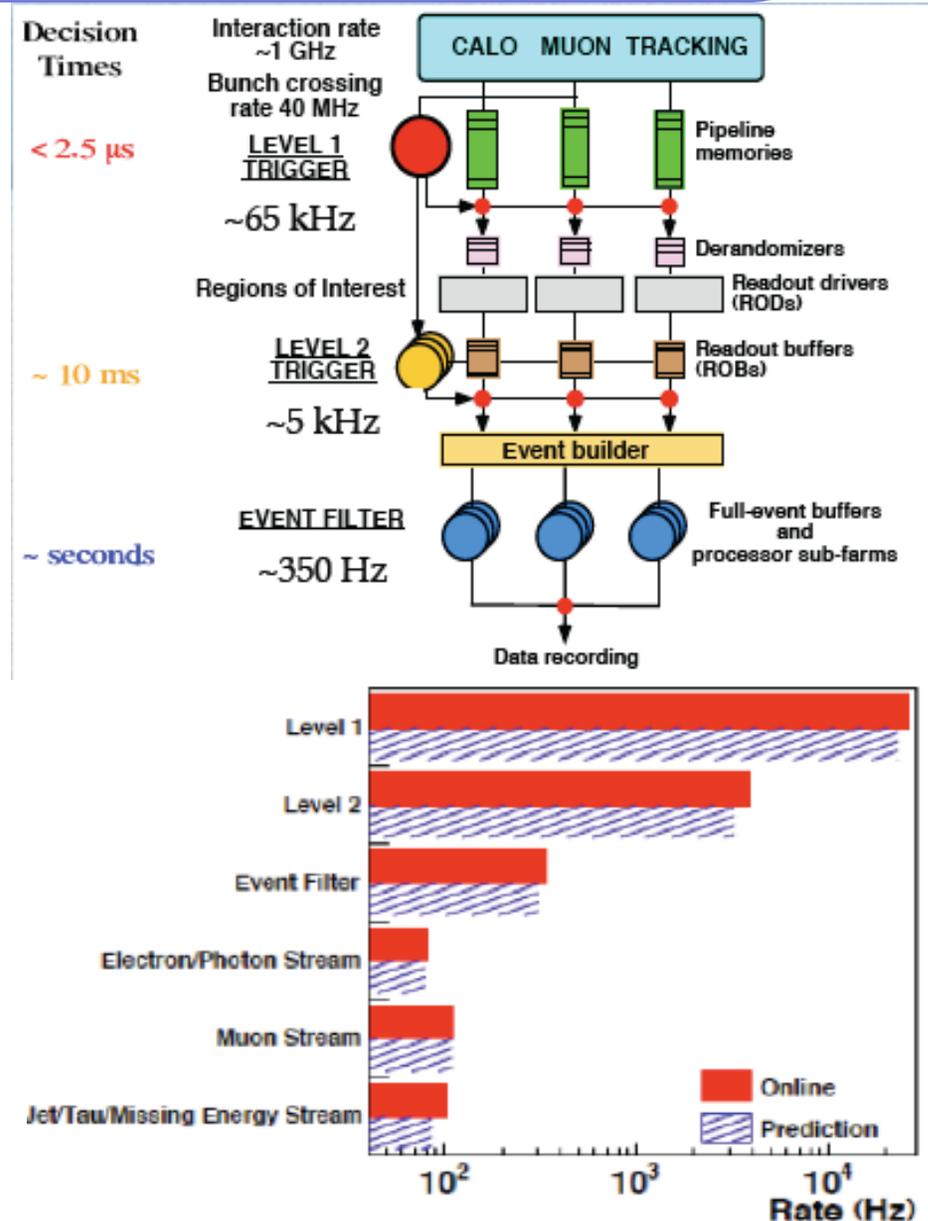


Inner Tracking Detectors			Calorimeters				Muon Detectors				Magnets	
Pixel	SCT	TRT	LAr EM	LAr HAD	LAr FWD	Tile	MDT	RPC	CSC	TGC	Solenoid	Toroid
99.8	99.5	100	89.3	92.7	94.3	99.5	100	99.5	100	99.9	98.5	97.9

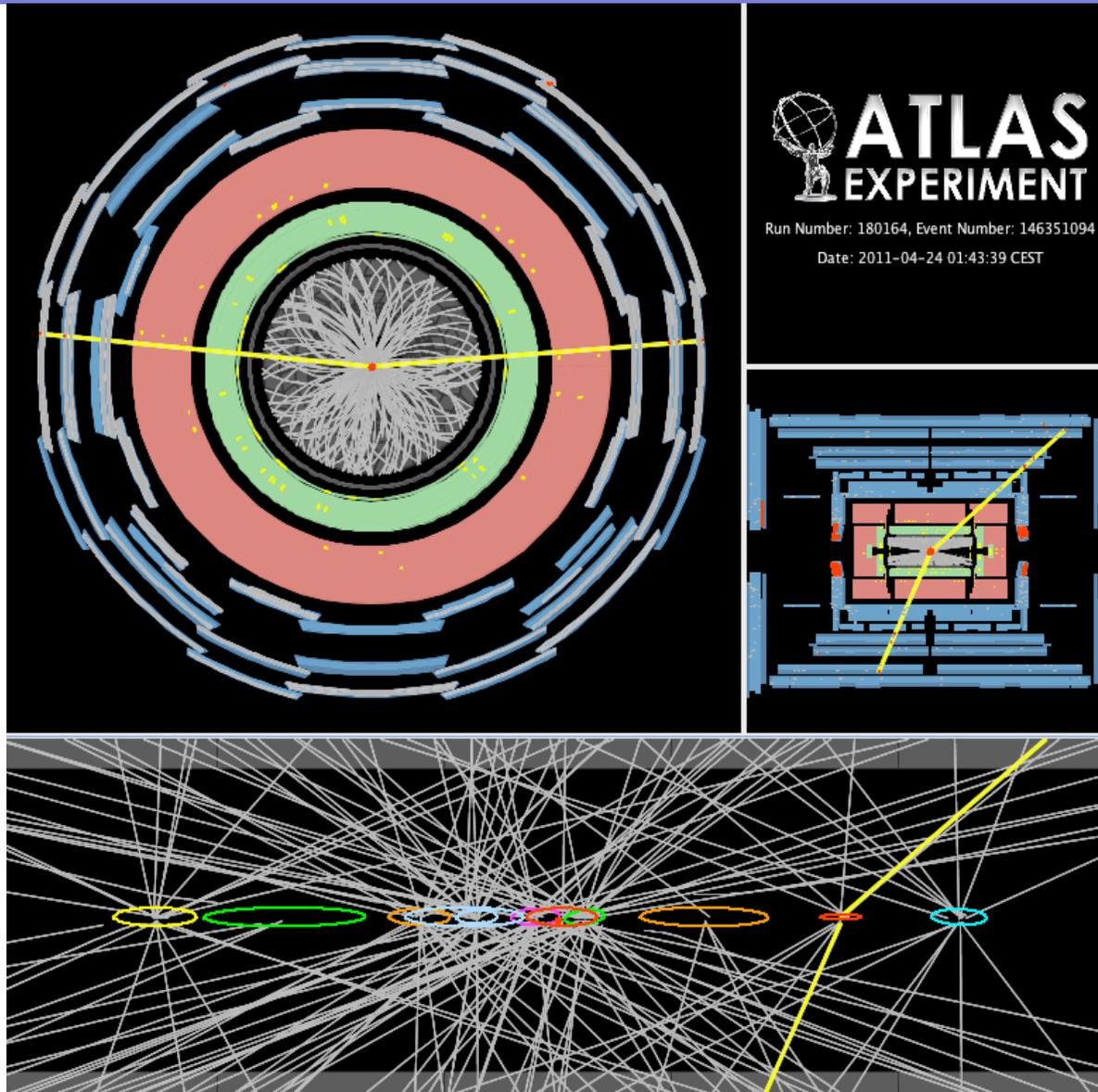
Luminosity weighted relative detector uptime and good quality data delivery during 2011 stable beams in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV between March 13<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> (in %). The inefficiencies in the LAr calorimeter will partially be recovered in the future. The magnets were not operational for a 3-day period at the start of the data taking.

# Trigger

- Online event selection
- Level-1 :
  - Hardware
  - muon spectrometers and calorimeters with coarse granularity  $e/\gamma, \mu, \pi, \tau$ , jet candidate selection
  - Define regions of interest (ROIs)
- Level-2 :
  - Software, seeded by level-1 ROIs, full granularity
  - Inner Detector – Calo track matching
- Event Filter:
  - Software, offline-like algorithms for physics signatures with full precision
  - Refine LV2 decision
  - Full event building



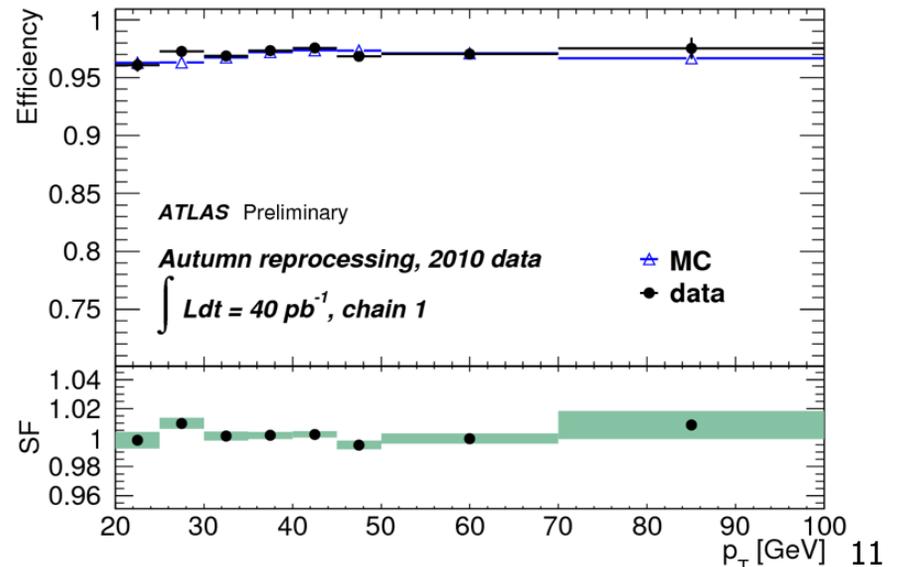
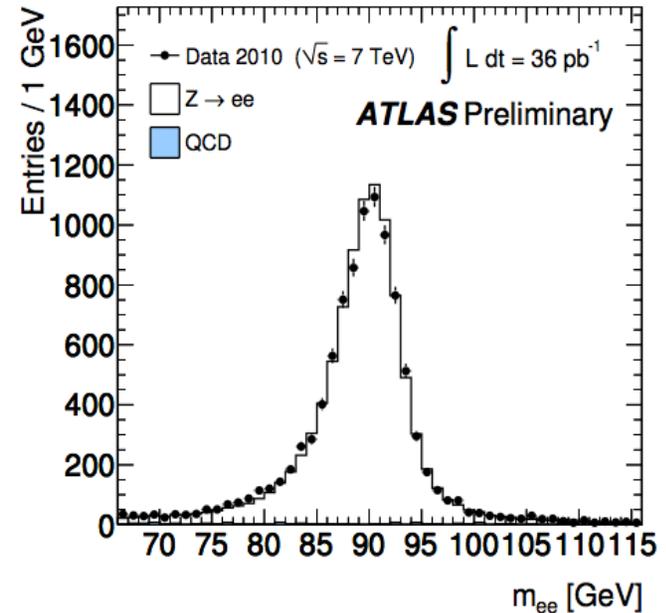
# Challenging Experimental Environment



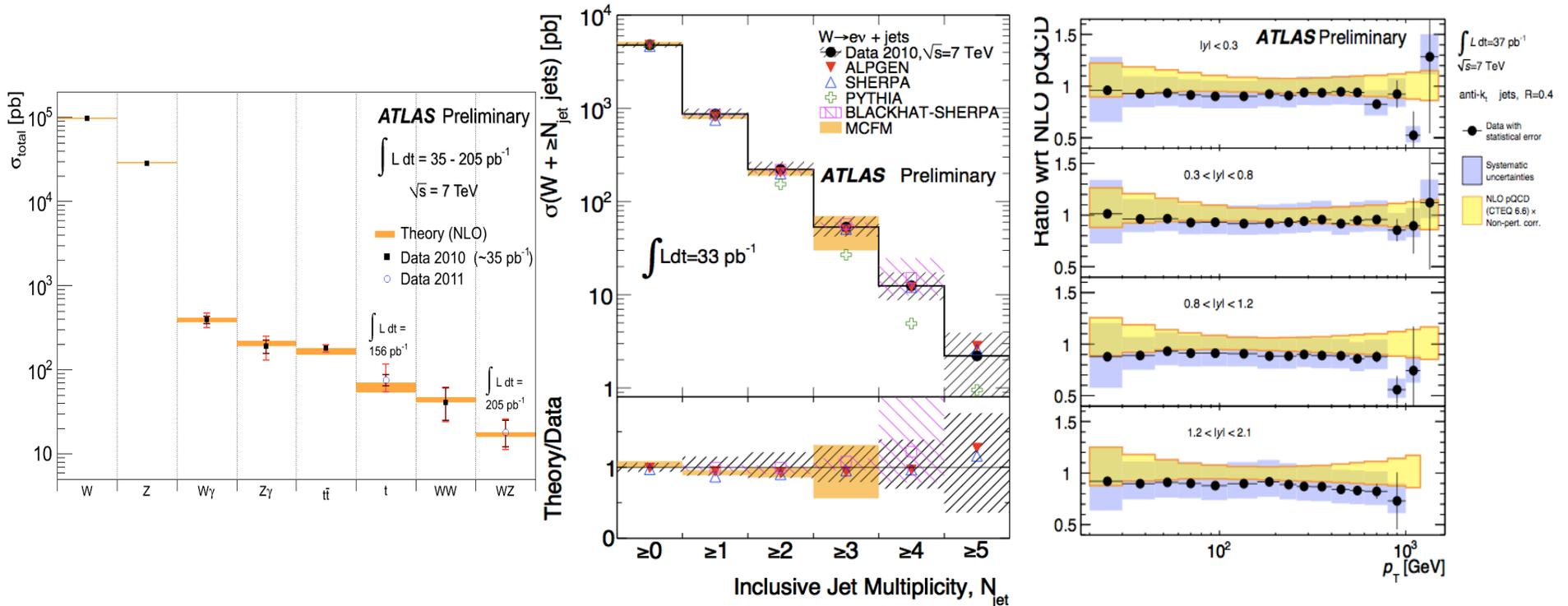
- $Z(\mu\mu)$  event with 11 interactions

# Understanding ATLAS Detector

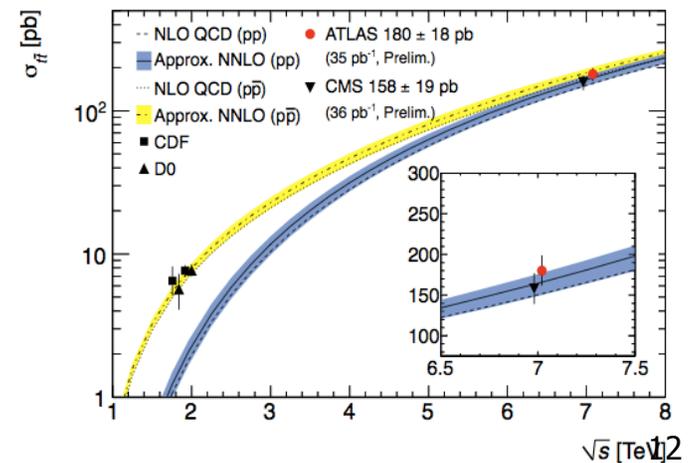
- Searches for new physics require a detailed understanding of the detector
  - 2010 allowed to understand the detector using data-driven techniques ( J/Psi, W-, Z- bosons)
- Improvements in efficiencies,  $p_T$  scales and resolutions of our main analysis objects expected with much larger 2011 dataset
- Electron performance
  - Identification efficiency known at 1% level
  - Energy scale uncertainty <1%
- Muon performance
  - Reconstruction efficiency uncertainty 0.2-0.4%
  - Momentum scale uncertainty <1%
- Jets performance
  - Jet energy scale known at ~5% level
  - Jet energy resolution known to ~10%



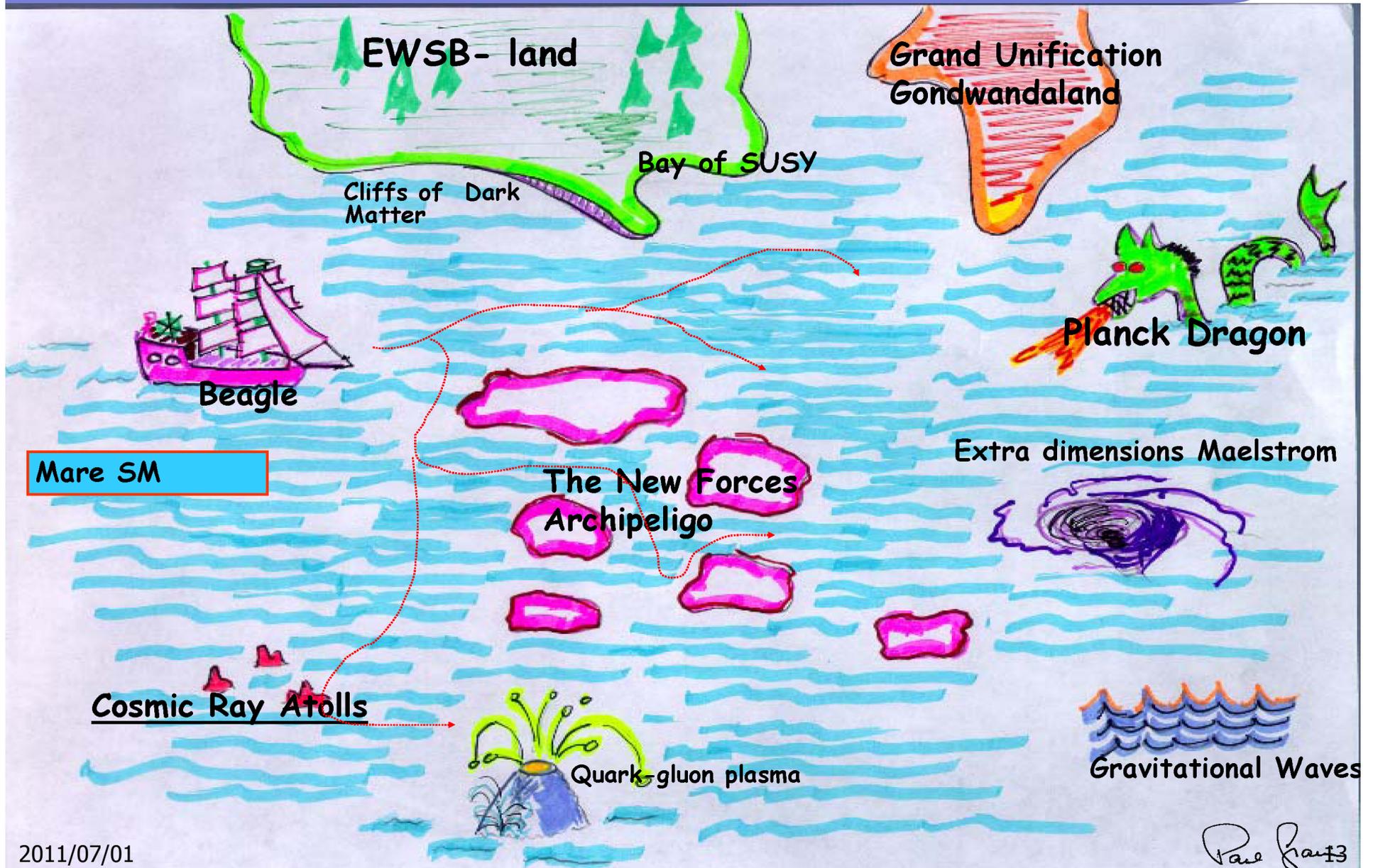
# Standard Candles



- Measurements of SM processes are important in understanding theoretical predictions, as those processes are dominant backgrounds to new physics searches

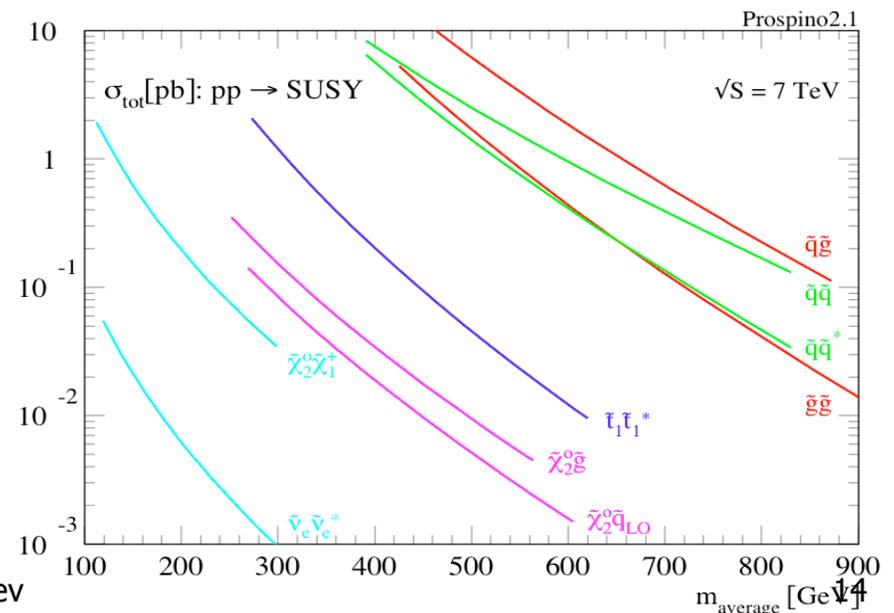
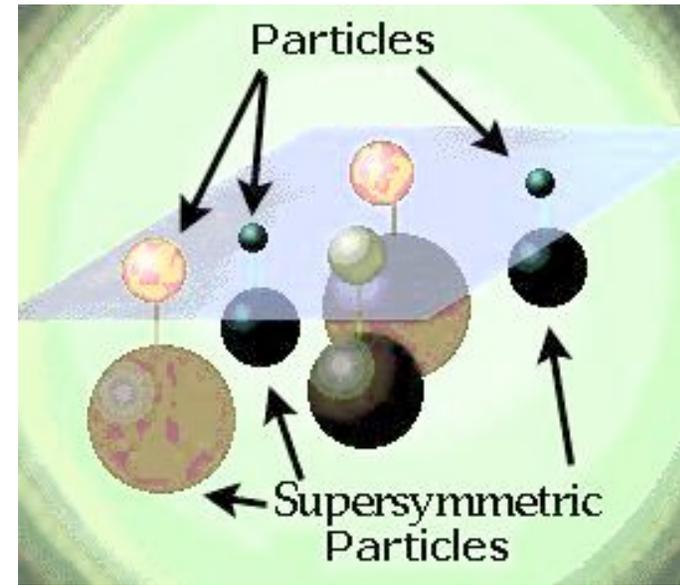


# Where to?



# Supersymmetry

- SM has far too little dark matter ( $\nu$ 's).
- Fine tuning: SM values must be within a part in  $10^{32}$  for stability.
- Supersymmetry is a possible solution to both:
  - Predicts new particles whose multiplicity is determined by SM particle content
  - Couplings of supersymmetric particles equal to couplings of Standard Model ones.
  - Includes a dark matter candidate.
  - Removes fine-tuning by cancellation and leads to  $m_H < 135$  GeV?
  - Two Higgs doublets necessary. Ratio of vacuum expectation values denoted by  $\tan \beta$
- But no direct experimental evidence, only bounds

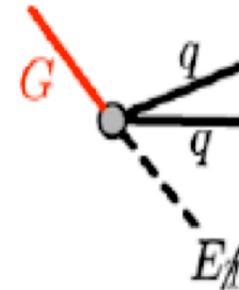


# SUSY Signatures

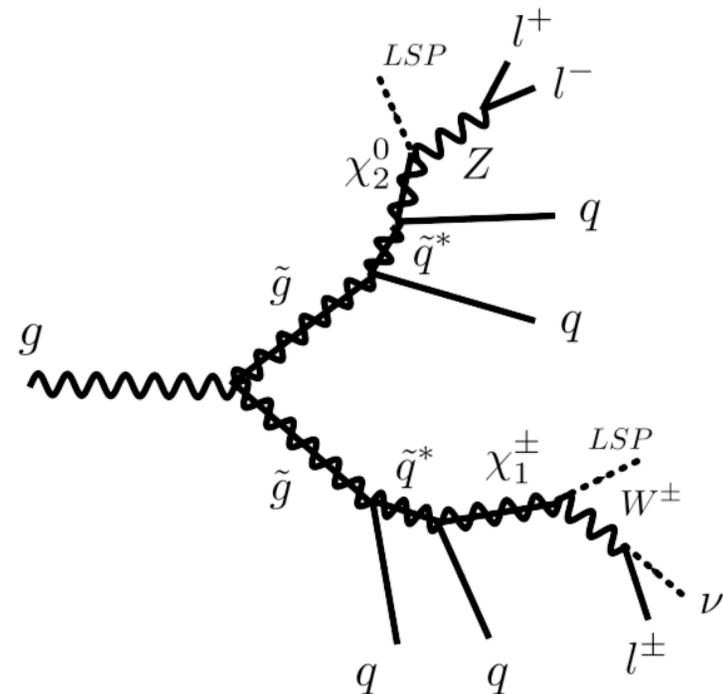
- Complex (and model-dependent) supersymmetric particle cascade decays due to unknown mass spectrum result in multiple final states
- Focus on signatures covering large classes of models while strongly rejecting SM background
  - Large missing ET
  - High transverse momentum jets
  - Leptons
    - Perform separate analyses with and without lepton veto (0, 1, 2-leptons)
  - b-jets: to enhance sensitivity to third generation squarks



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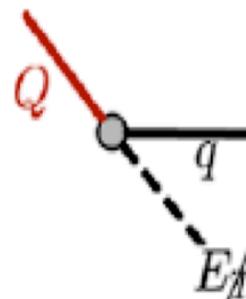


$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

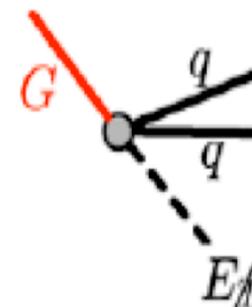


# SUSY MET + Jets Searches

- Search for squarks and gluinos produced in pairs (R-parity conserving models) decaying in purely hadronic final states + MET
  - 2, 3, 4 Jets + MET
  - Squark  $\rightarrow q\chi_1^0$ ,
  - Gluino  $\rightarrow qq\chi_1^0$  ( $\chi_1^0$  produces MET)
- Use MET and  $M_{\text{eff}} = \sum |p_{\text{T}}^{\text{jet}}| + \text{MET}$  to setup 3 signal regions
- MC based transfer functions to predict number of background events in SR based on control regions



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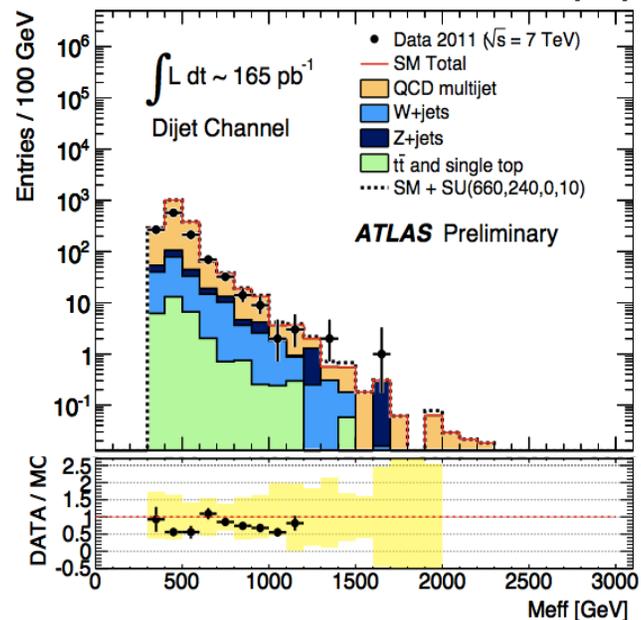
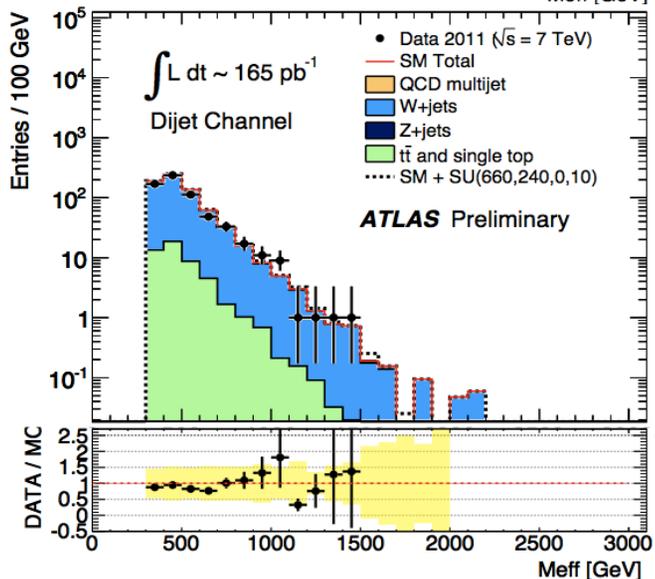
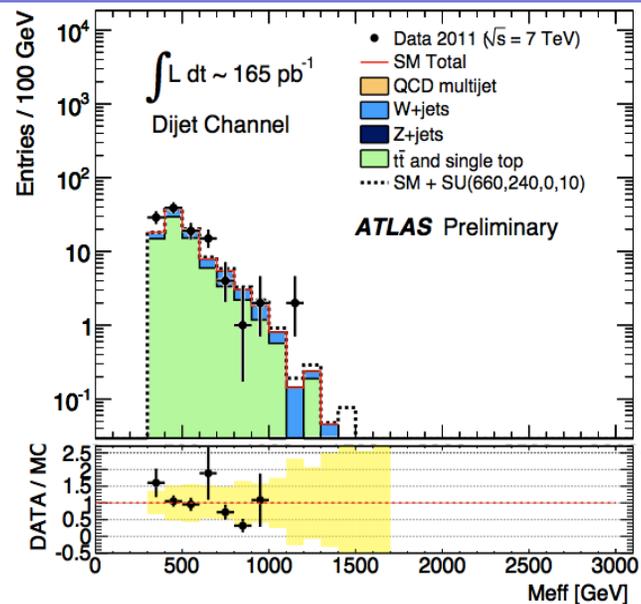
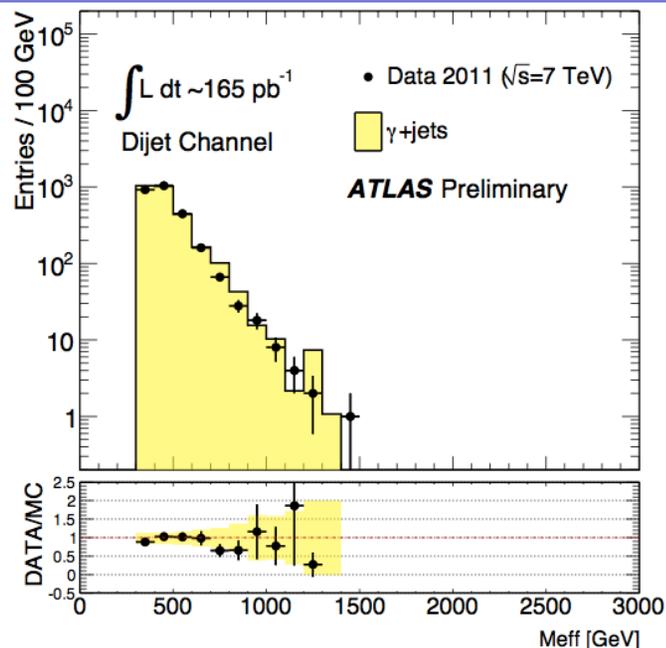
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Signal Region	$\geq 2$ jets	$\geq 3$ jets	$\geq 4$ jets
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 130$	$> 130$	$> 130$
Leading jet $p_{\text{T}}$ [GeV]	$> 130$	$> 130$	$> 130$
Second jet $p_{\text{T}}$ [GeV]	$> 40$	$> 40$	$> 40$
Third jet $p_{\text{T}}$ [GeV]	–	$> 40$	$> 40$
Fourth jet $p_{\text{T}}$ [GeV]	–	–	$> 40$
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_i, E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}})_{\text{min}} (i = 1, 2, 3)$	$> 0.4$	$> 0.4$	$> 0.4$
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}$	$> 0.3$	$> 0.25$	$> 0.25$
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	$> 1000$	$> 1000$	$> 1000$

# Background Estimation

- Setup 5 control regions for each Signal region targeting specific background source
- Z + jets: irreducible  $Z \nu \nu$  +jets,
  - fully data driven with  $\gamma$  +jets sample
  - control measurements  $Zee$  and  $Zmumu$ ,
- W+jets :  $W \tau \nu$  and  $Wl \nu$  where  $l$  is not reconstructed
  - Control measurement via  $We \nu$  and  $W \mu \nu$  defined in MET vs  $m_{\tau}$  plane with veto on b-jets
- Top pairs and single top:
  - Hadronic  $\tau$  decays in  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b} \tau \nu qq$  and single top control measurement defined in MET vs  $m_{\tau}$  plane with b-jet requirement
- QCD multi jet:
  - misreconstruction leads to fake MET, neutrino production in heavy flavor quark decays
  - control region with inverted angular separation cuts
  - fully data-driven TF by measuring detector response

# Background in Control Regions

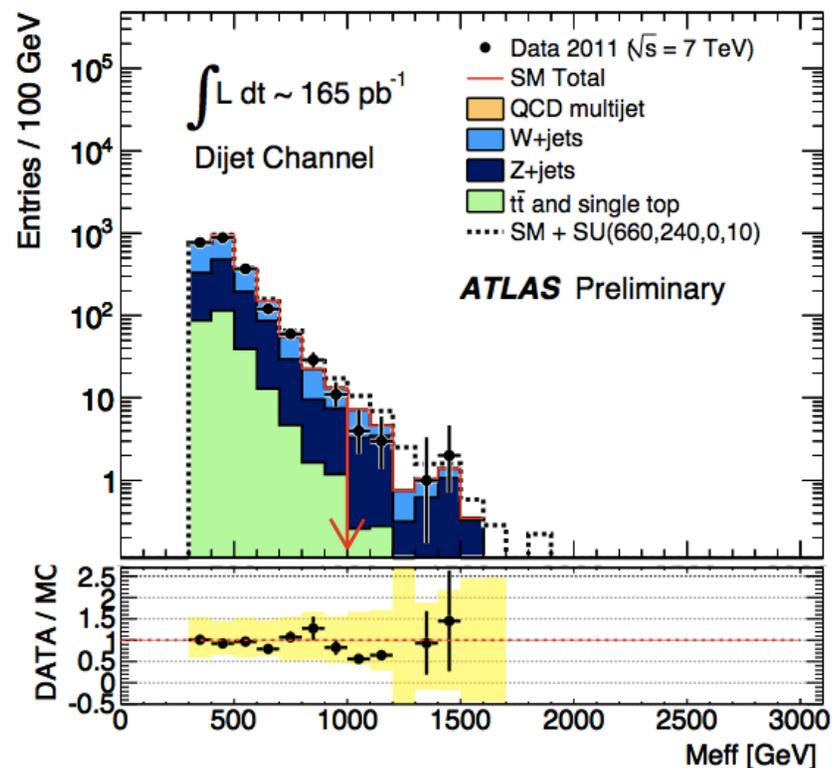


# SUSY MET + Jets Search Results

Process	Signal Region		
	$\geq 2$ jets	$\geq 3$ jets	$\geq 4$ jets
$Z \rightarrow (\nu\nu)+\text{jets}$	$5.6 \pm 2.1$	$4.4 \pm 1.6$	$3.0 \pm 1.3$
$W \rightarrow (\ell\nu)+\text{jets}$	$6.2 \pm 1.8$	$4.5 \pm 1.6$	$2.7 \pm 1.3$
$t\bar{t} + \text{single top}$	$0.2 \pm 0.3$	$1.0 \pm 0.9$	$1.4 \pm 0.9$
QCD jets	$0.05 \pm 0.04$	$0.21 \pm 0.07$	$0.16 \pm 0.11$
Total	$12.1 \pm 2.8$	$10.1 \pm 2.3$	$7.3 \pm 1.7$
Observed	10	8	7

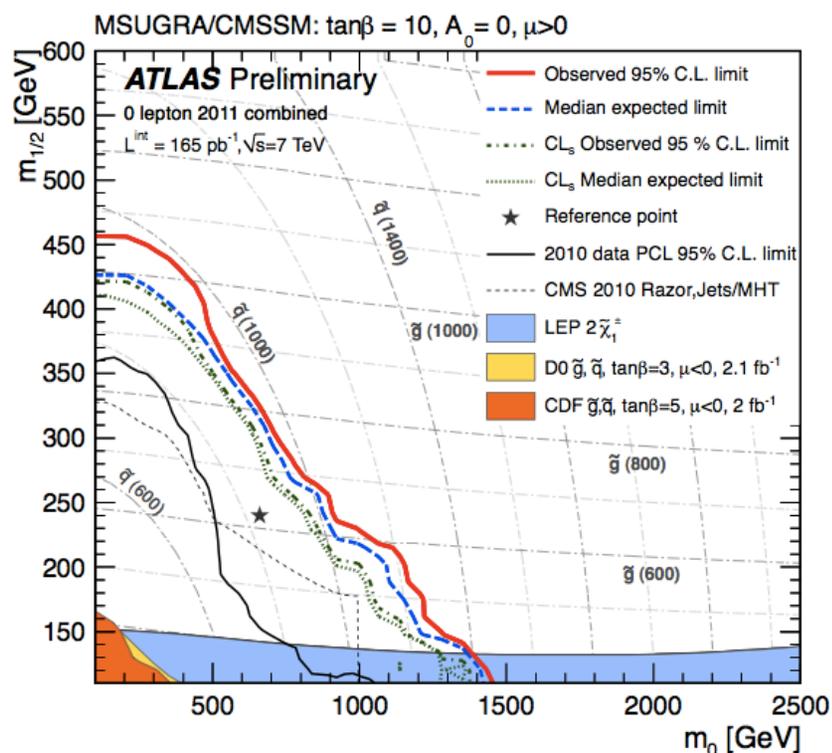
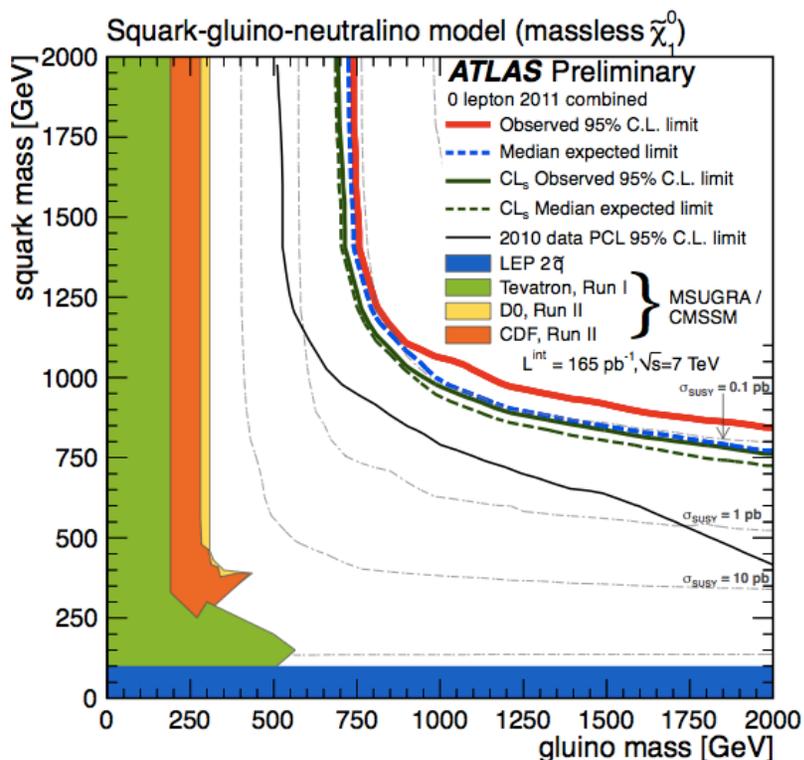
- All distributions for 3 signal regions are found to be consistent with expectations from background sources

- Extract number of background events from CR through simultaneous log-likelihood fit
- Uncertainties  $\sim 30\%$  dominated by jet energy scale, resolution, shapes of MC predictions



# SUSY MET + Jets Search Results

- The 2, 3, 4 inclusive jet signal regions considered
  - For exclusion use signal region with best expected sensitivity
- Exclude non-SM cross sections within acceptance of 35, 30 and 35 fb respectively at 95% CL.



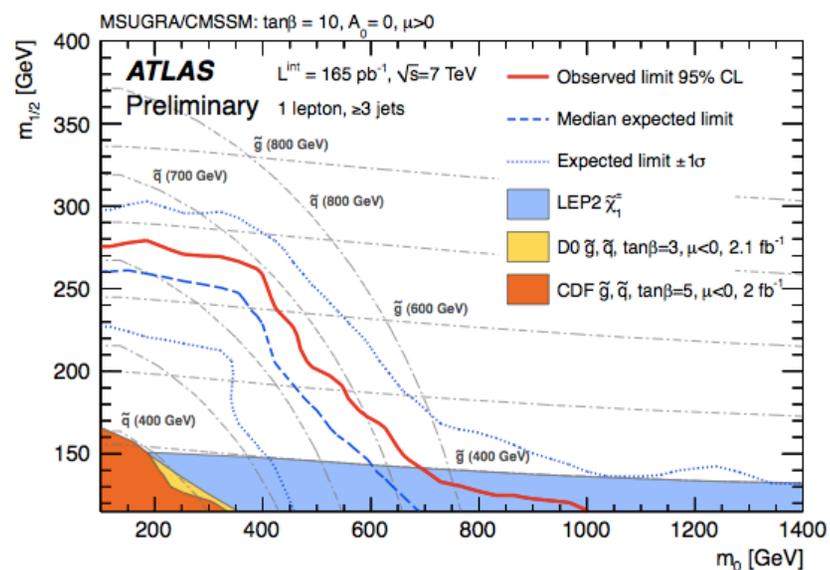
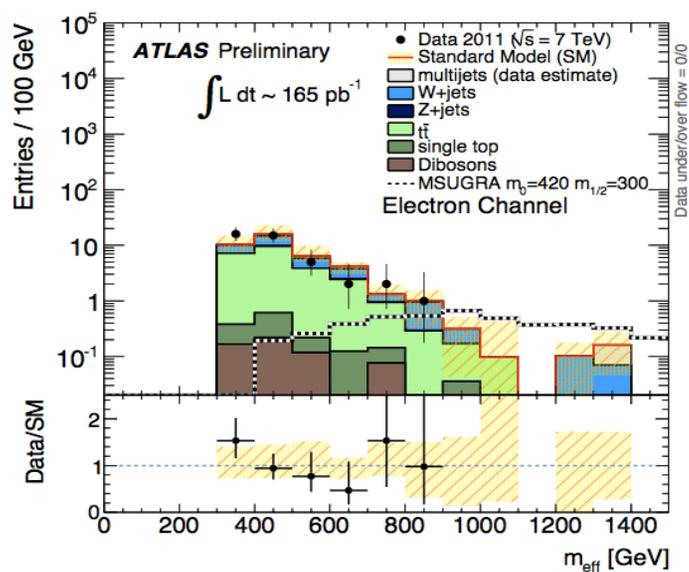
# SUSY MET + Jets + 1 Lepton Search

- Complimentary analysis to MET + Jets

- Require exactly one muon (electron) with  $p_T > 20$  (25) GeV
- 3 jets with  $p_T > 60, 25, 25$  GeV
- Signal selection  $m_{\text{eff}} = H_T + \text{MET} > 500$  GeV;  $\text{MET}/m_{\text{eff}} > 0.2$

- |             | muon           | electron       |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| ● Predict : | $12.2 \pm 3.8$ | $14.5 \pm 5.2$ |
| ● Observe:  | 12             | 10             |
| ● Exclude : | 53 fb          | 41 fb          |

Earlier SUSY results:  
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/SupersymmetryPublicResults>

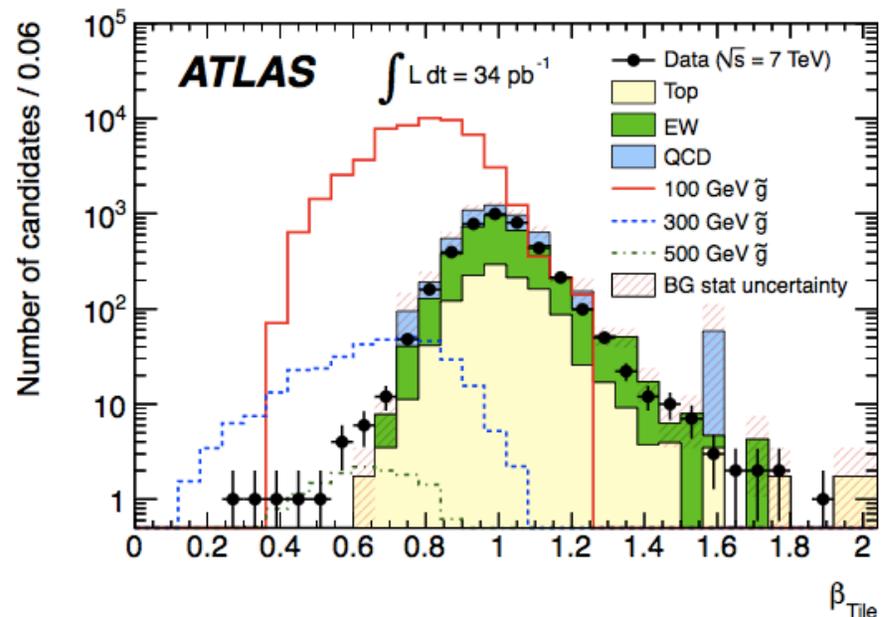
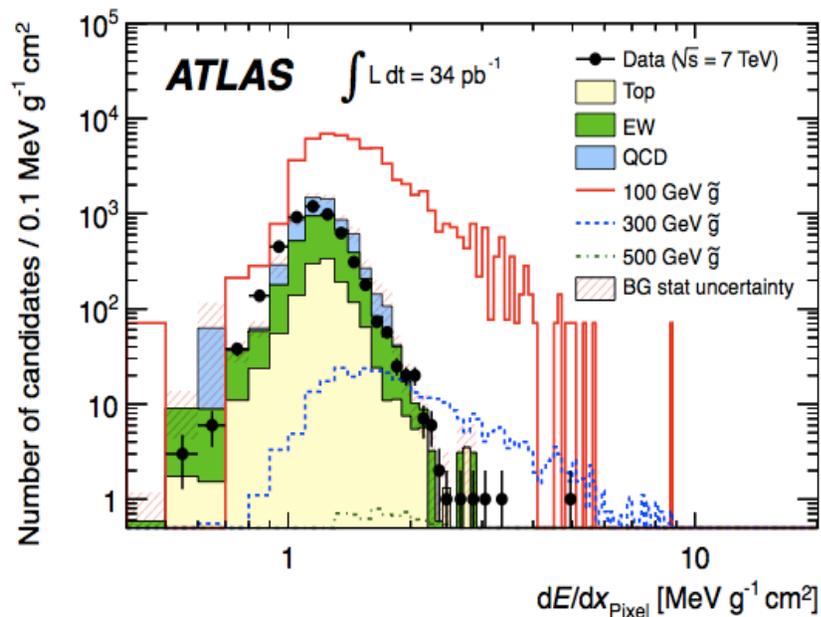


# Stable Long Lived Particle Searches

- Look for long lived bound states of squarks and gluinos
- Signature is slow ( $v < c$ ) moving object losing energy mainly through ionization
- Use  $\beta$  (tile) and  $\beta \gamma$  (pixel) to get mass estimate:

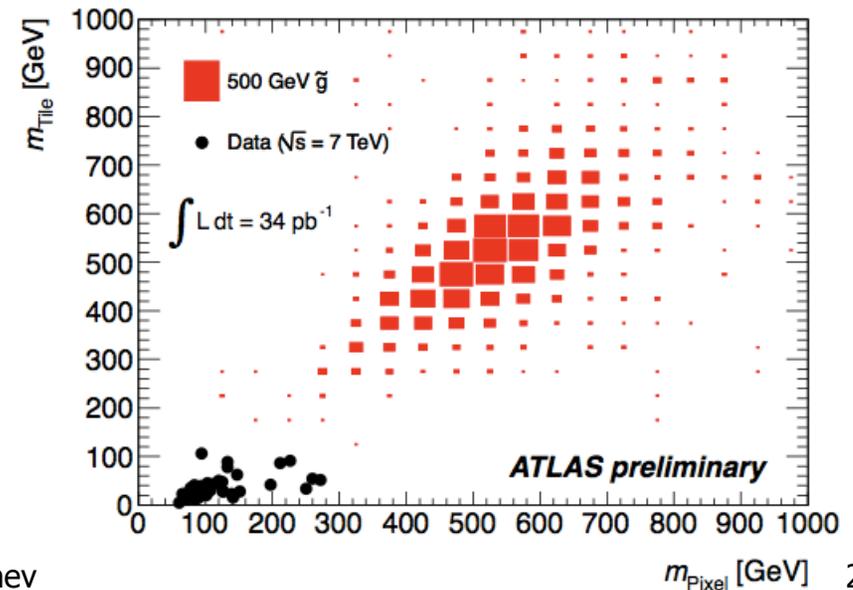
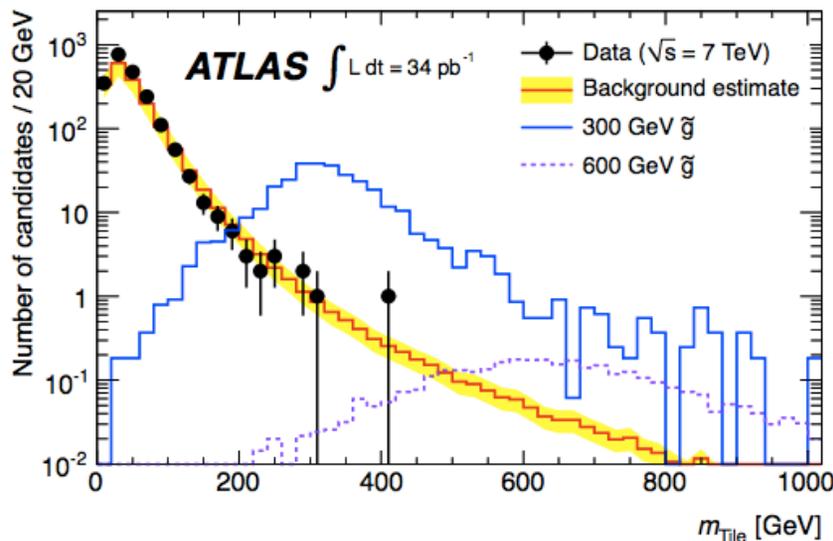
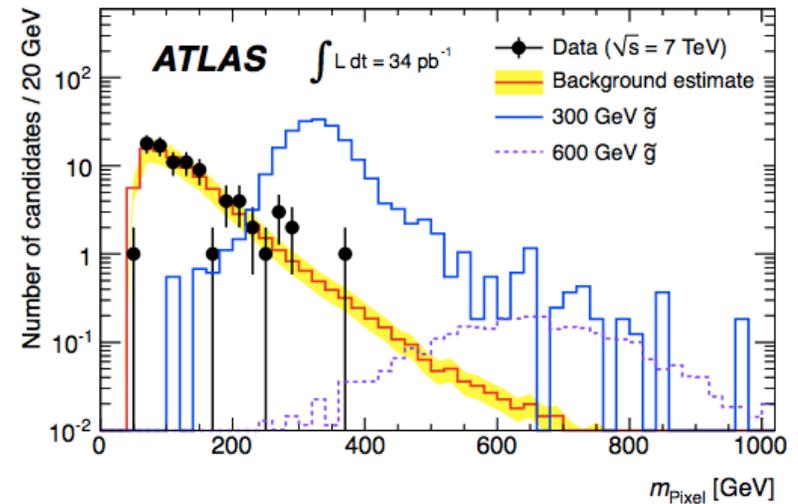
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- $m = p / \beta \gamma$

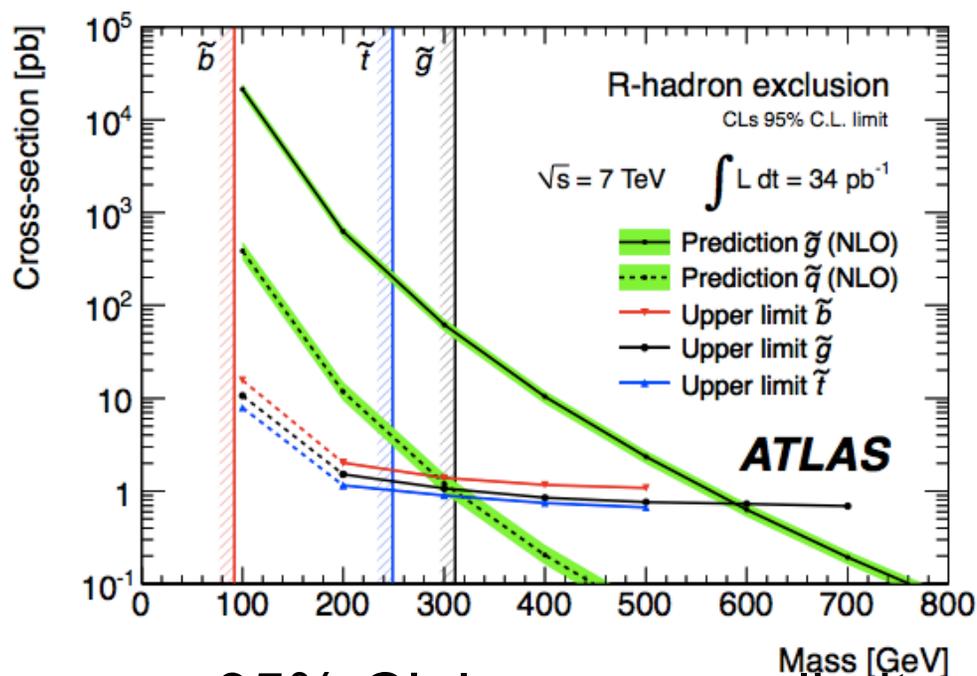


# Stable Long Lived Particle Searches

- Experimentally using two independent detectors greatly reduces backgrounds.

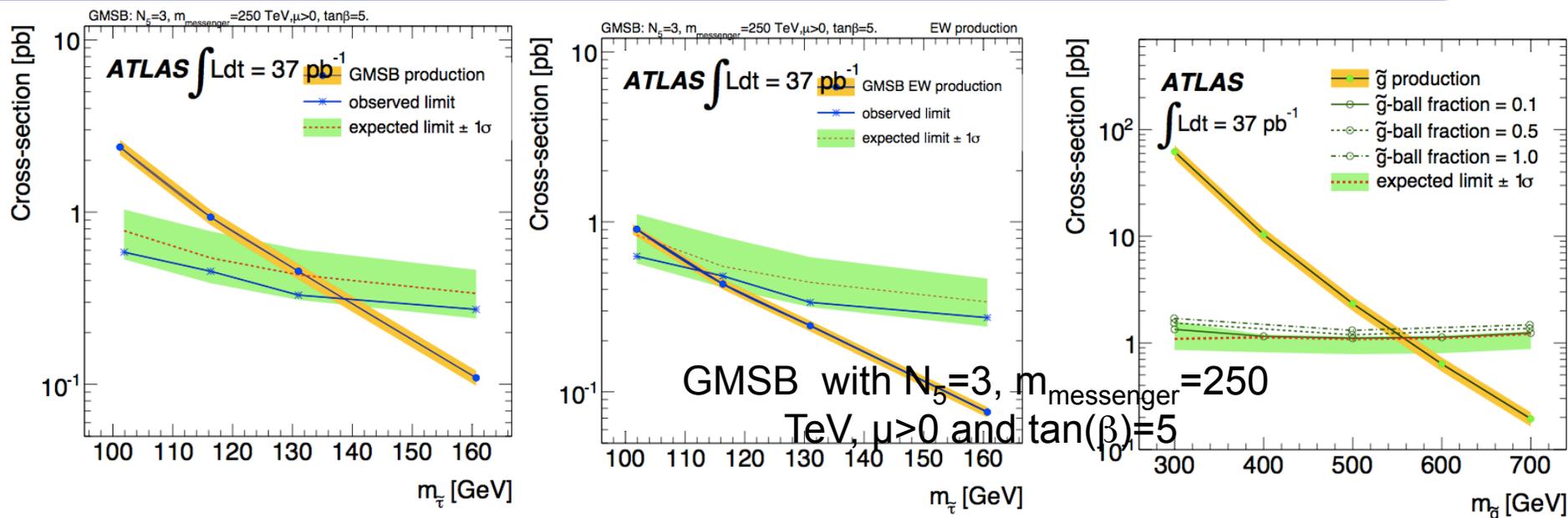


# Stable Long Lived Particle Searches



- 5 events observed for combined mass of 100 GeV, 5.4 expected
- 0 events for combined mass of 200 GeV
- 95% CL lower mass limits are 294 GeV for sbottom R-hadrons, 309 GeV for stop R-hadrons and 586 for GeV hadronising gluino.

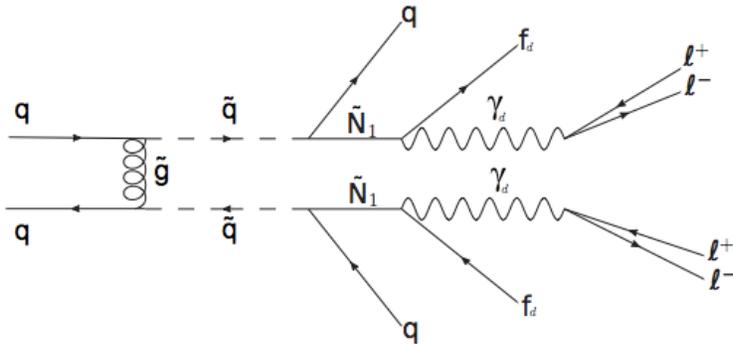
# Stable Long Lived Particle Searches



- Look for sleptons in GMSB scenario and R-hadrons
  - R-hadrons may be neutral in ID, ionizing in later stage
  - Complimentary analysis
- Use muons chambers and tile calorimeter to estimate velocity
- Dedicated "muon" reconstruction since hits are expected to be late

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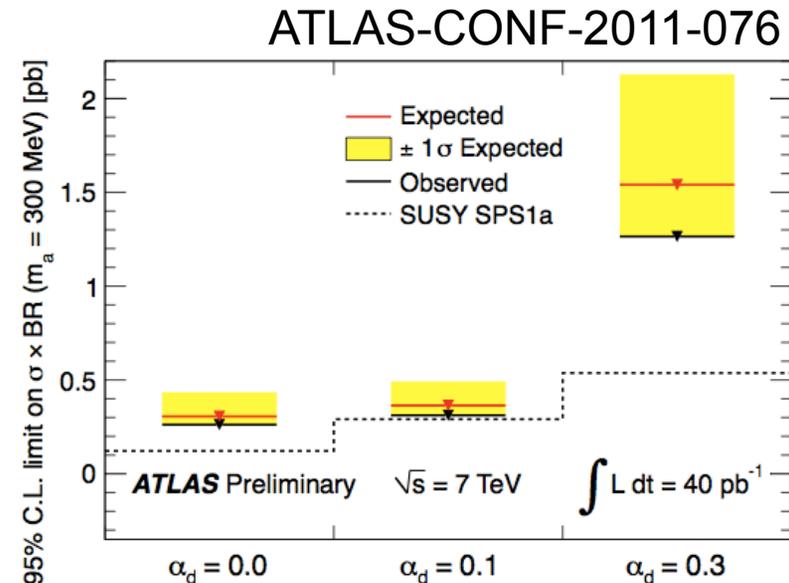
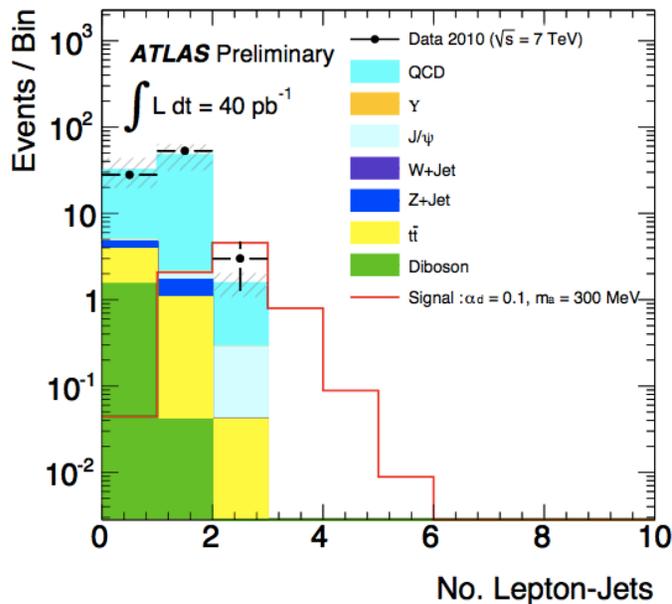
# Search for Lepton Jets



## Production of 2 lepton-jets from squark pairs

- dark photon  $g_d$  decays to lepton pairs
- dark fermion  $f_d$  ("darkino") escapes undetected

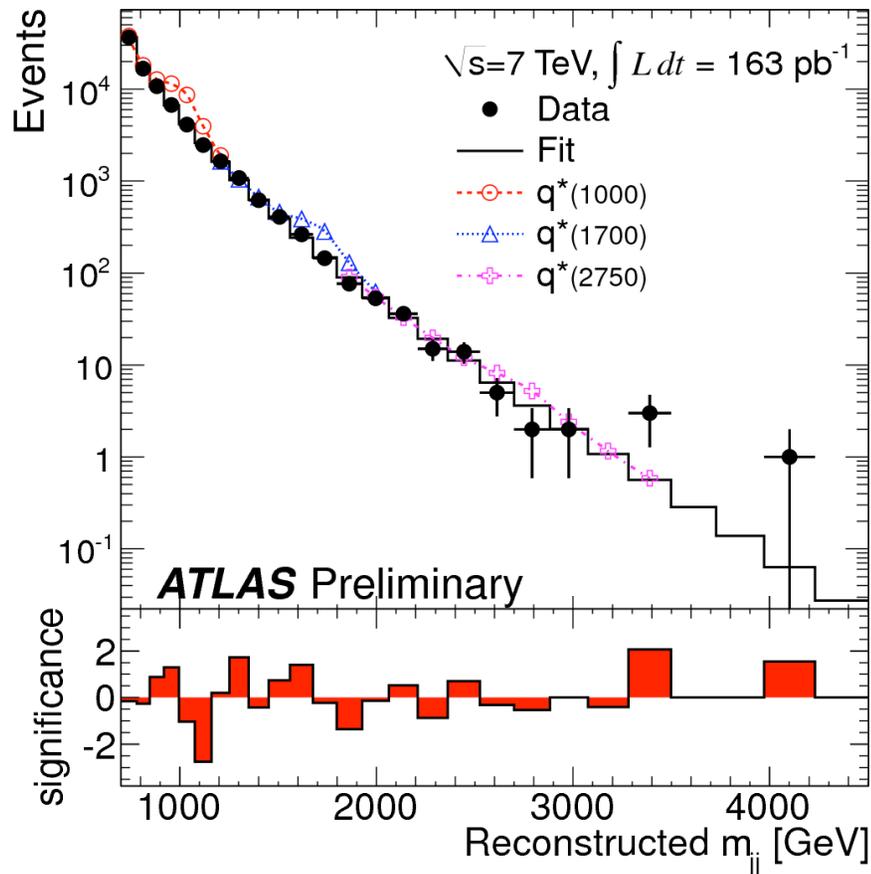
- Looking for light boosted bosons decaying into leptons
  - Dark photons in SUSY decays + hidden sector
- Search for two isolated "lepton jets", with  $\geq 2$  muons each
- No events observed
  - Estimated background  $0.20 \pm 0.19$



# New Physics in Di-Jet Events

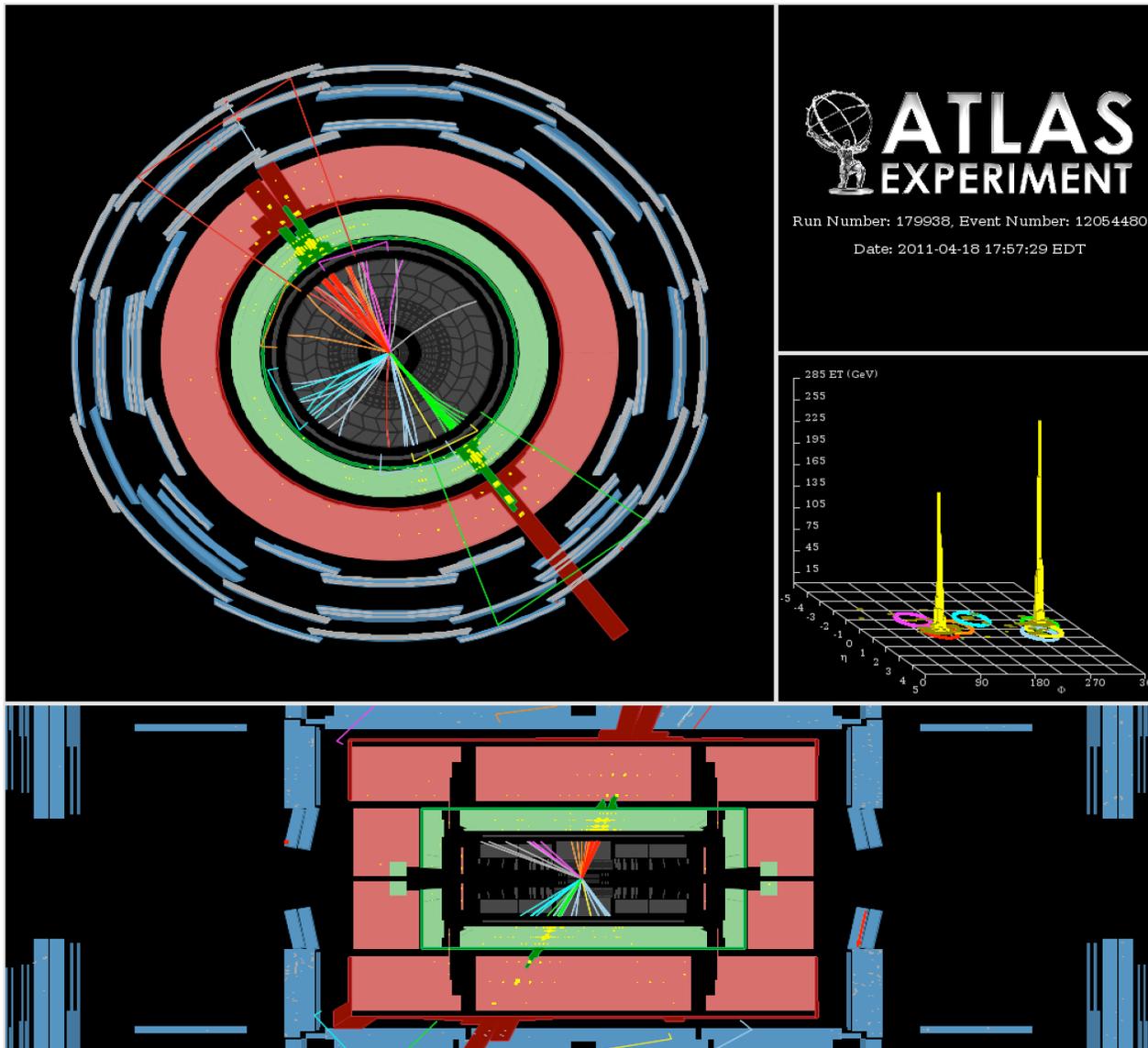
- Scattering processes well described within Standard Model (SM) by perturbative Quantum Chromodynamics (pQCD)
  - Deviation from expected behavior of di-jet process in pQCD would indicate new physics
- Additional contributions are possible due to new massive particles coupling to quarks or new forces appearing at higher CM energies
  - Compositeness, excited quarks, contact interactions, axigluons, quantum black holes [New J. Phys. 13 (2011) 053044]
- Thus look for
  - Bumps in di-jet invariant mass
  - Modified angular distributions

# New Physics in the Dijet Mass Distribution



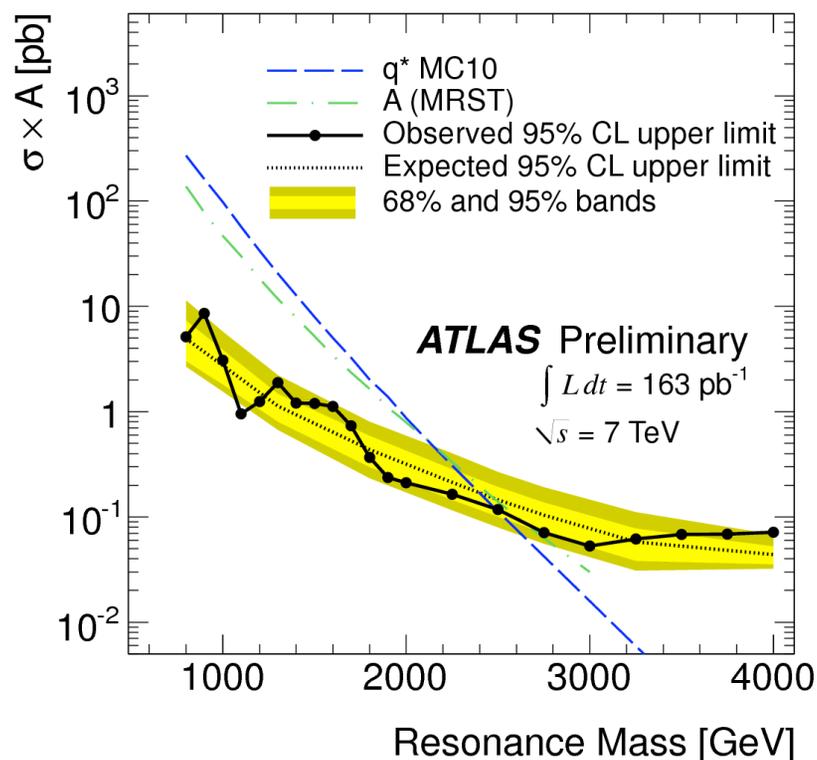
- Anti-kt jets with  $R = 0.6$
- $|\eta_1 - \eta_2| < 1.3$  boost isotropic component,  $|\eta_{1,2}| < 2.5$
- $m_{jj} > 700$  GeV
- Fit data to  $f(x) = p_1(1-x)^{p_2} x^{p_3+p_4} \ln x$ , where  $x = m_{jj}/\sqrt{s}$ 
  - p-value of the fit to the data = 0.016
  - p-value of the fit without highest  $m_{jj}$  events = 0.26
- The predicted  $q^*$  signals for excited -quark masses of 1000, 1700, and 2750 GeV are plotted on top of the background.
  - Bins with the discrepancy of a Poisson p-value of less than 0.5, show bin-by-bin significance of the data-background difference

# Highest Di-Jet Event



- The di-jet mass is 4040 GeV
- 1<sup>st</sup> Jet ( $p_T$ , eta, phi, color) of (1850 GeV, 0.32, 2.2, red)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jet (1840 GeV, -0.53, -0.92, green)

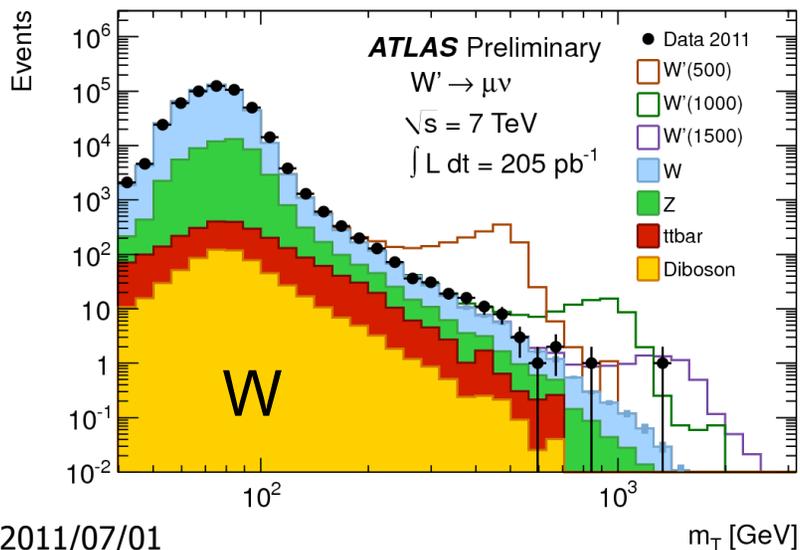
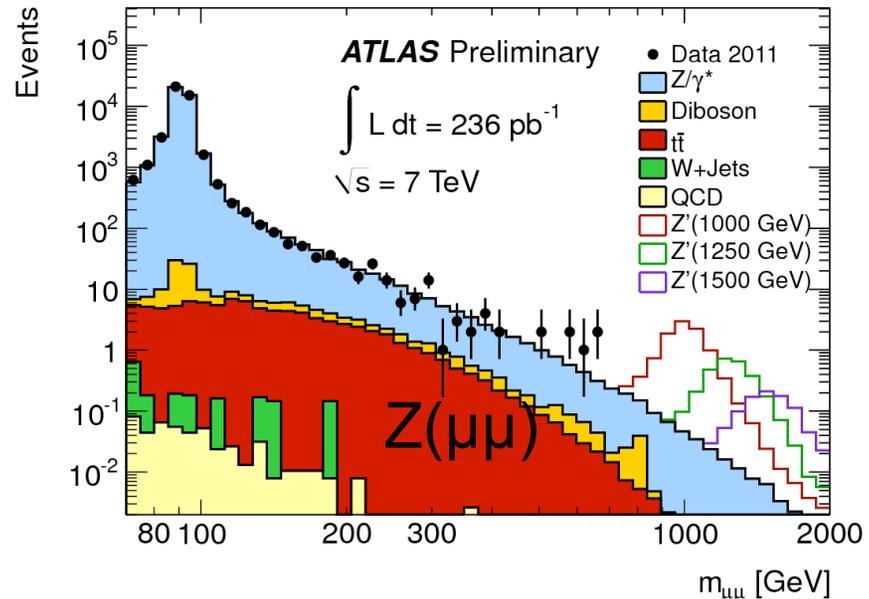
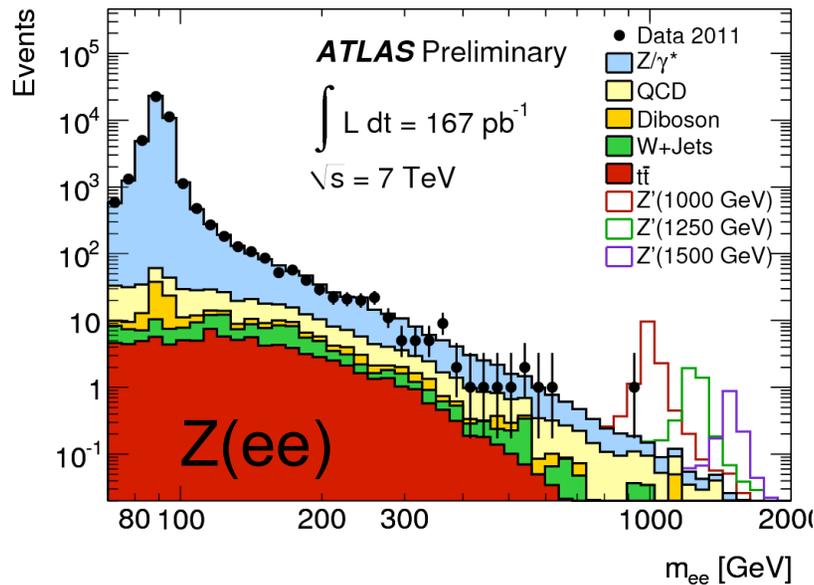
# New Physics in the Dijet Mass Distribution



- BumpHunter systematically looks for “bumps”
- Signal window increased and shifted to include all bin intervals (up to half  $m_{jj}$  range)
- No evidence for a resonant signal is found

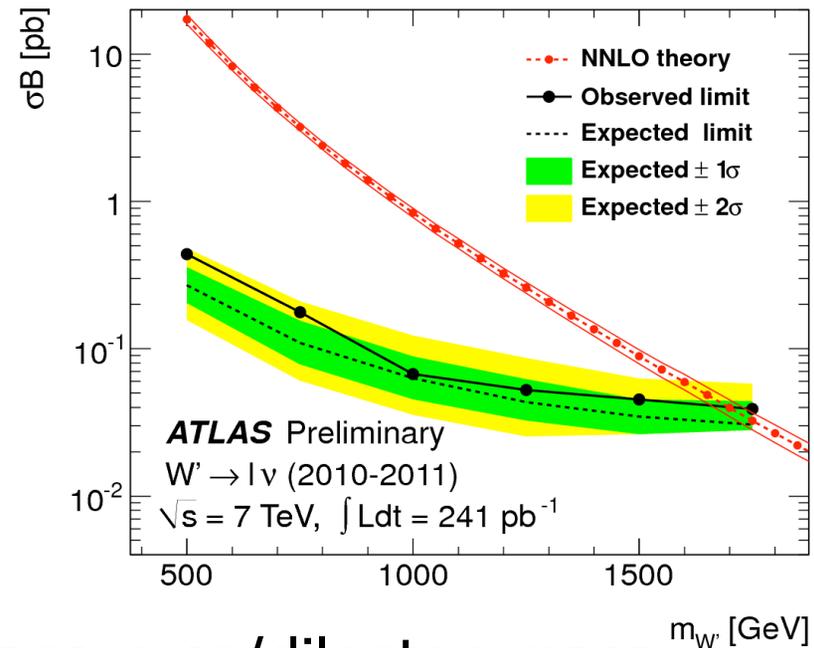
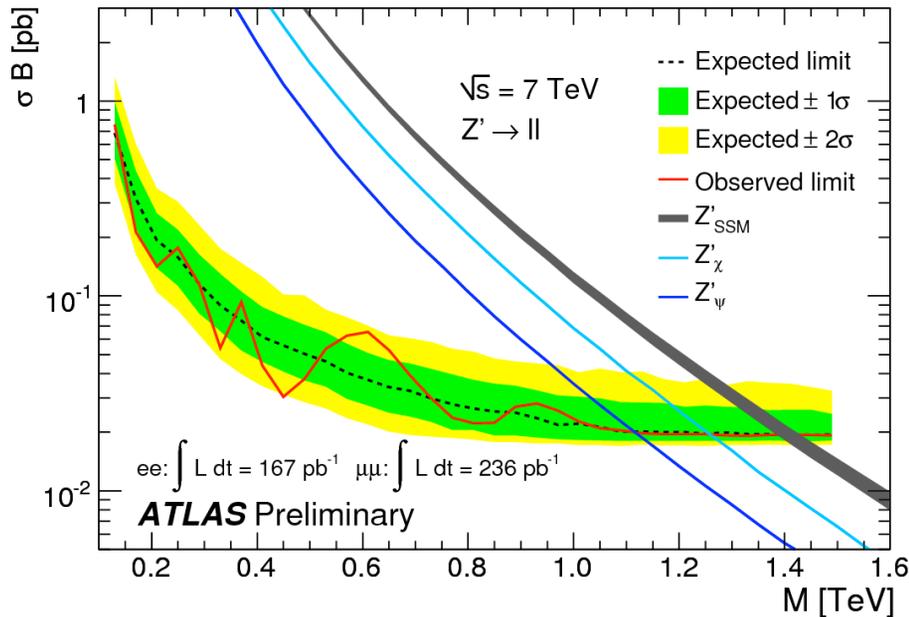
Benchmark model	Observed (expected) limit at 95% CL
Excited quarks	$m(q^*) > 2.49$ (2.4) TeV
Axigluons	$m > 2.67$ (2.48) TeV
RM quantum black hole ( $\delta = 6$ )	$M_D > 3.67$ (3.64) TeV
4-quark contact interactions	$\Lambda > 6.7$ (5.7) TeV

# New Heavy Gauge Bosons



- New heavy gauge bosons are predicted in several extensions of the SM
- Benchmark model for these searches is the Sequential Standard Model
  - $W', Z'$  have same leptonic couplings as SM  $W, Z$
  - Widths scale linearly with mass
- For  $Z'$ , also consider string theory-inspired E6 models

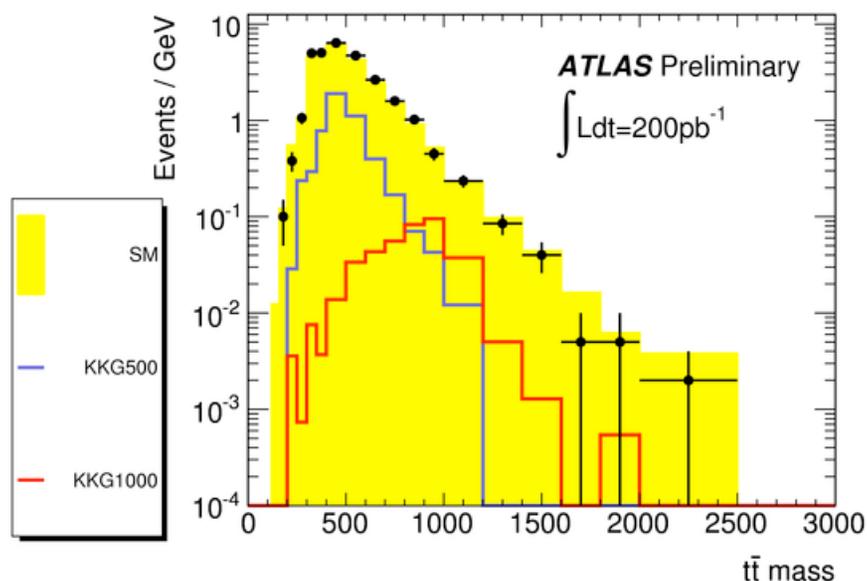
# New Heavy Gauge Bosons



- No excess is observed in transverse/dilepton mass
  - Set limits on production cross section for benchmark models
  - Largest uncertainties due to MET modeling ( $W'$ )
  - Background estimations ( $W'$ ,  $Z'$ )
- For SSM  $m(W') > 1.7 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $m(Z') > 1.41 \text{ TeV}$  @ 95% CL

Model	$Z'_{\psi}$	$Z'_{N}$	$Z'_{\eta}$	$Z'_{I}$	$Z'_{S}$	$Z'_{\chi}$
Mass limit [TeV]	1.116	1.142	1.150	1.203	1.230	1.259

# New Heavy Gauge Bosons in Top Pairs

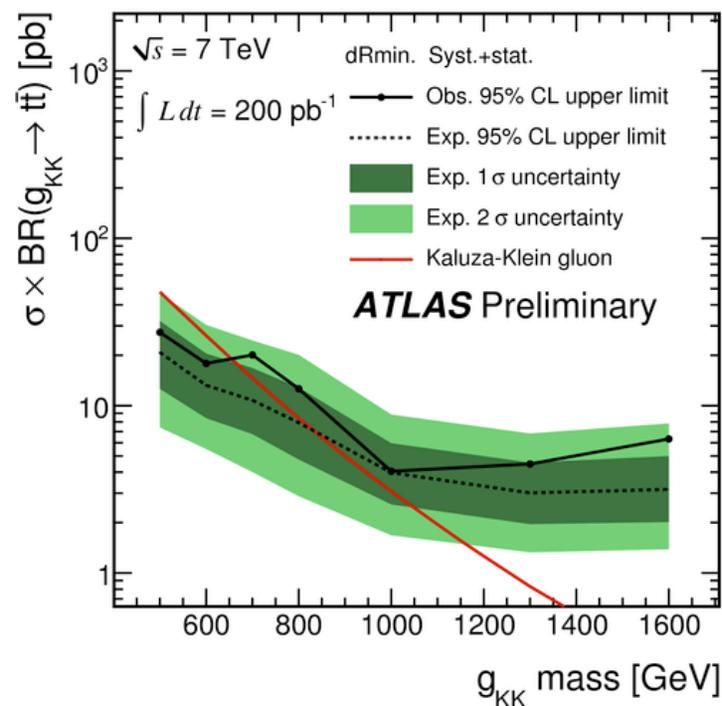
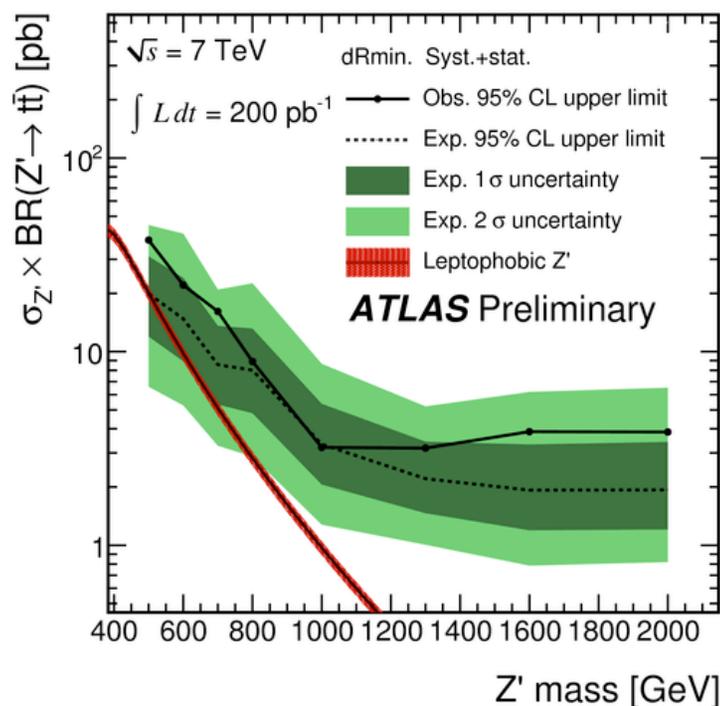


	Electron channel	Muon channel
$t\bar{t}$	724	988
Single top	36	50
W+jets	93	172
Z+jets	6	8
Diboson	2	2
Total MC Background	861	1220
QCD Background	35	105
Total Expected	896	1325
Data observed	935	1396
$Z', m = 500 \text{ GeV}$	15	21
$g_{KK}, m = 700 \text{ GeV}$	68	93

- Look for a resonance production of top pairs
- May arise in technicolor models, colored resonances
- Consider two benchmark scenarios
  - Narrow resonance: Leptophobic  $Z'$  (Phys. Lett. B345 (1995) 483)
  - Wide resonance: Kaluza-Klein gluon from Randall-Sundrum warped extra dimension model (JHEP 09 (2007) 074)
- Study  $t\bar{t}$  invariant mass spectrum in lepton + jets final states

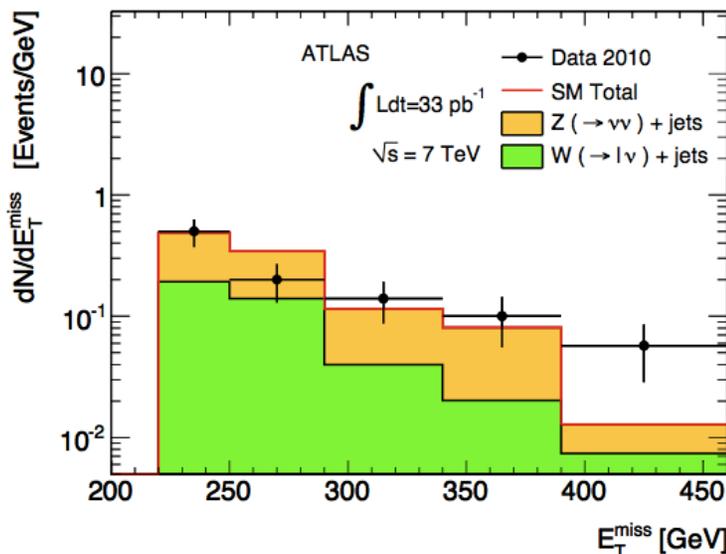
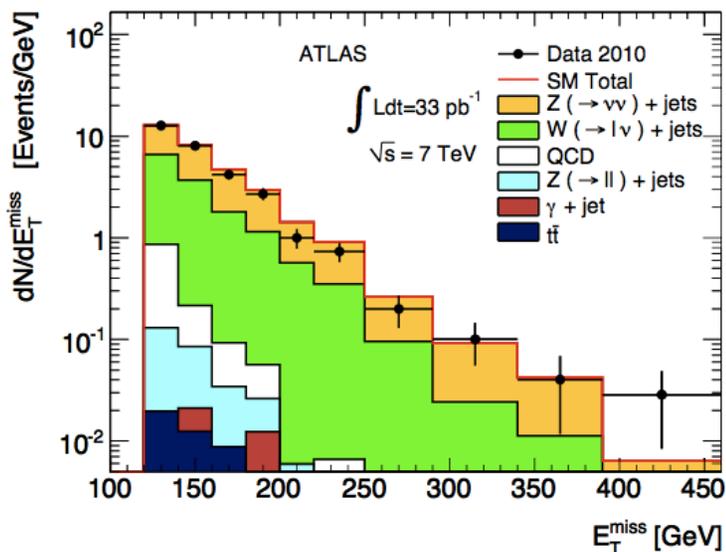
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# New Heavy Gauge Bosons in Top Pairs



- Compare data to SM hypothesis using BumpHunter
  - Dominant systematics (35%) modeling of W+jets background
- Since no significant excess observed set limits

# Monojet Searches



- Monojet may arise in models with Large Extra Dimensions (LED)
  - $M_{pl}^2 \sim M_D^{2+n} R^n$ , R size of extra dimensions  $n$ ,  $M_D$  comparable to EW breaking scale
  - $qg \rightarrow qG, gg \rightarrow gG, qq \rightarrow gG$ , G graviton escapes detection and source of MET
  - Two Kinematic regions (not optimized to retain sensitivity to different models)

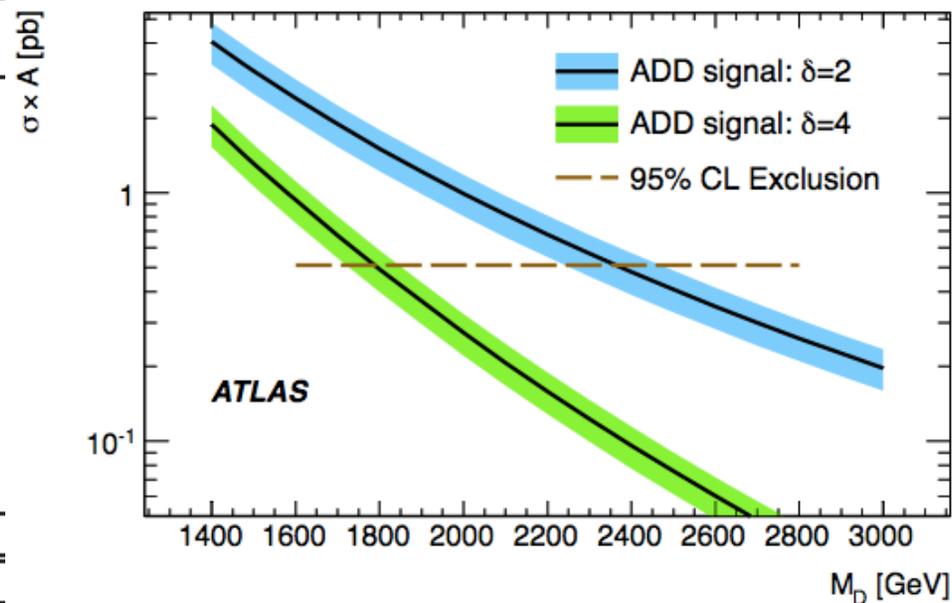
	LowPt	HighPt
MET	>120 GeV	>220 GeV
1 <sup>st</sup> Jet ( $ \eta  < 2$ )	>120 GeV	>250 GeV
2 <sup>nd</sup> Jet ( $ \eta  < 4.5$ )	<30 GeV	<60 GeV

$$\phi(j_2, MET) > 0.5$$

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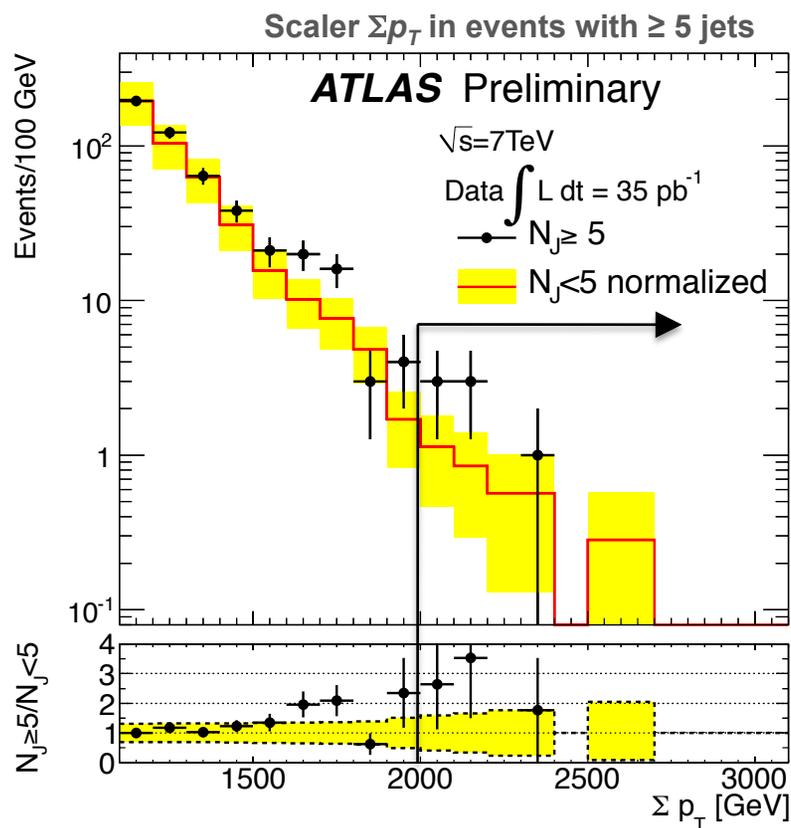
Background Predictions $\pm$ (stat.) $\pm$ (syst.)		
	LowPt Selection	HighPt Selection
$Z(\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})+\text{jets}$	$357 \pm 12 \pm 25$	$25.4 \pm 2.6 \pm 2.8$
$W(\rightarrow \tau\nu)+\text{jets}$	$139 \pm 5 \pm 36$	$7.8 \pm 1 \pm 2.3$
$W(\rightarrow \mu\nu)+\text{jets}$	$70 \pm 4 \pm 5$	$3.8 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.4$
$W(\rightarrow e\nu)+\text{jets}$	$59 \pm 3 \pm 15$	$3.0 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.9$
Multi-jets	$24 \pm 5 \pm 14$	–
$Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-)+\text{jets}$	$2.6 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.7$	–
$Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)+\text{jets}$	$1.9 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.1$	–
top	$0.96 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.2$	–
$\gamma+\text{jets}$	$0.35 \pm 0.17 \pm 0.5$	–
$Z/\gamma^*(\rightarrow e^+e^-)+\text{jets}$	–	–
Non-collision Background	$2.4 \pm 0.5 \pm 1.1$	–
<b>Total Background</b>	<b><math>657 \pm 15 \pm 62</math></b>	<b><math>40 \pm 2.9 \pm 4.8</math></b>
Events in Data ( $33 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )	611	39



- No excess observed
- Set 95%CL limits in context of ADD LED

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# Microscopic Black Holes

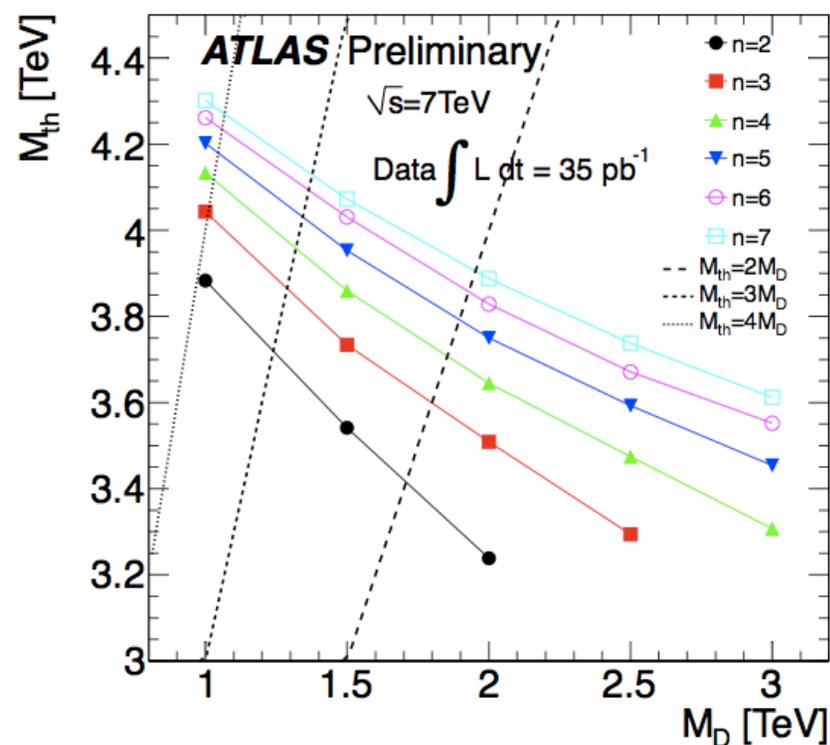
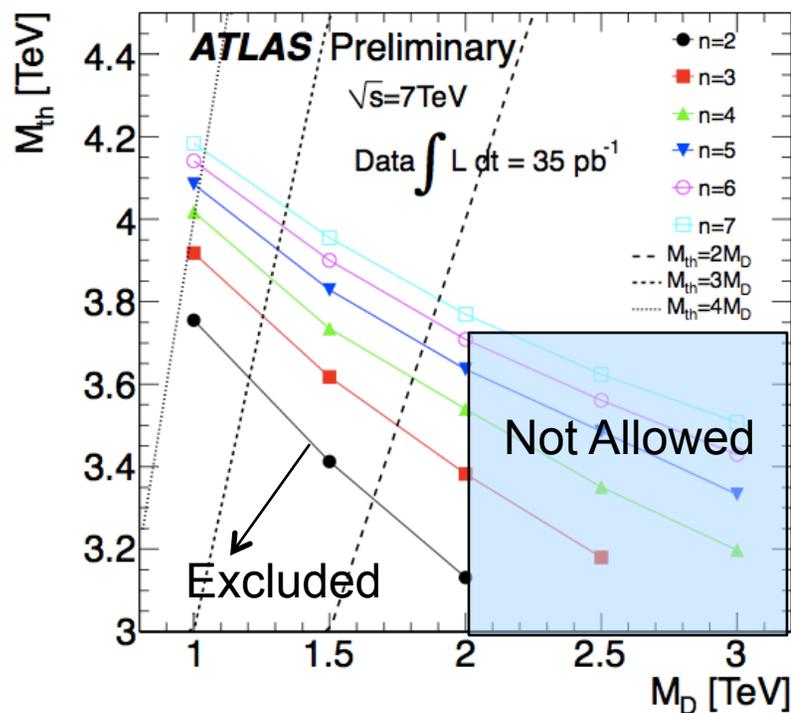


$$N_{\text{obs}} = 7$$

$$N_{\text{exp}} = 3.7 \pm 1.5$$

- Quantum black hole search in multijet final state
  - Formed when two colliding partons have impact parameter smaller than  $R_S$ , the Schwarzschild radius corresponding to their invariant mass  $M=\sqrt{s}$ .
- Use ADD LED models (Phys. Rev. D 59 (1999) 086004)
  - Classical approximation for production and decay works for  $M_{\text{th}} > M_D$ , use as a cut off
  - Decay through Hawking's radiation
- Select events with  $N_J \geq 5$  and  $\Sigma p_T > 2 \text{ TeV}$

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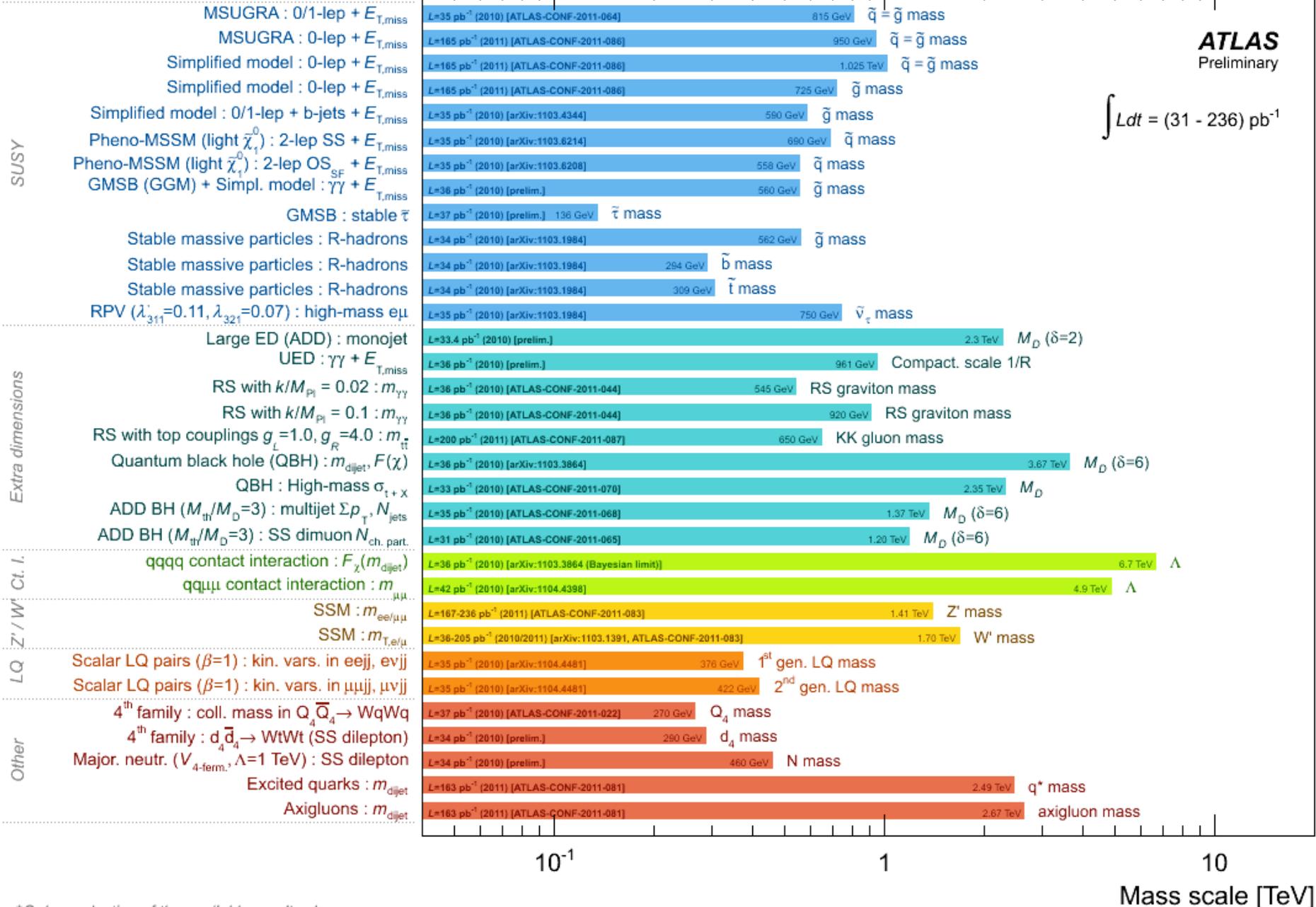


- Upper limit on the cross-section times acceptance of 0.29 pb at the 95% CL is obtained
  - Strong dependence of BH production modeling on PDF sets
  - CTEQ6.6 vs MRST2007

# ATLAS Searches\* - 95% CL Lower Limits (June 6, 2011)

**ATLAS**  
Preliminary

$$\int L dt = (31 - 236) \text{ pb}^{-1}$$



\*Only a selection of the available results shown

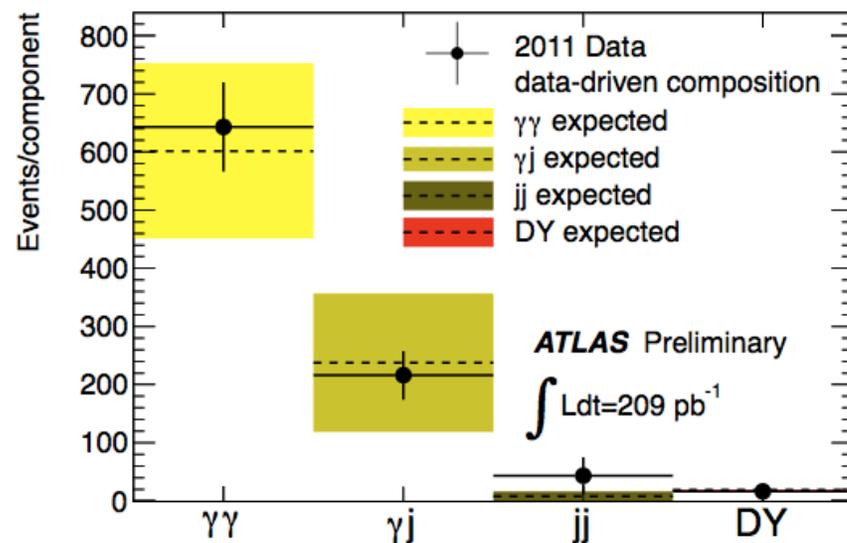
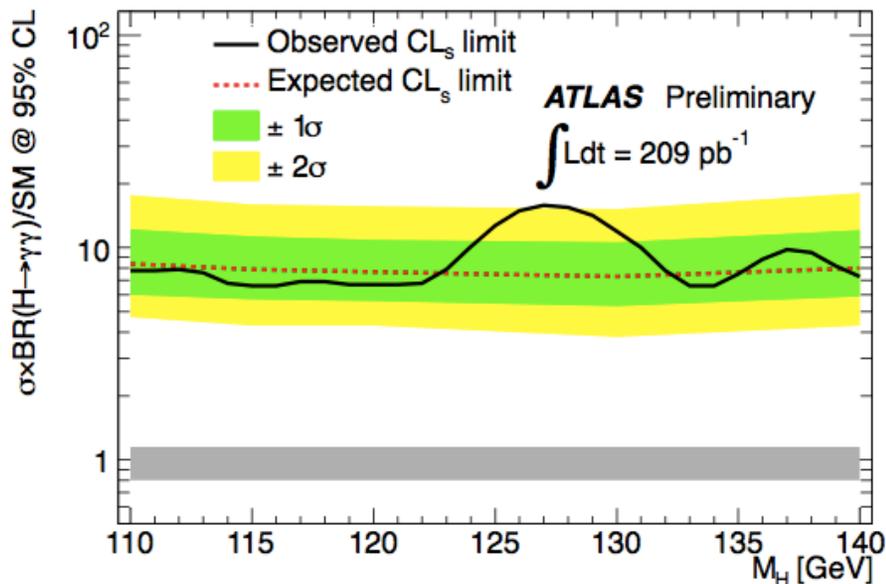
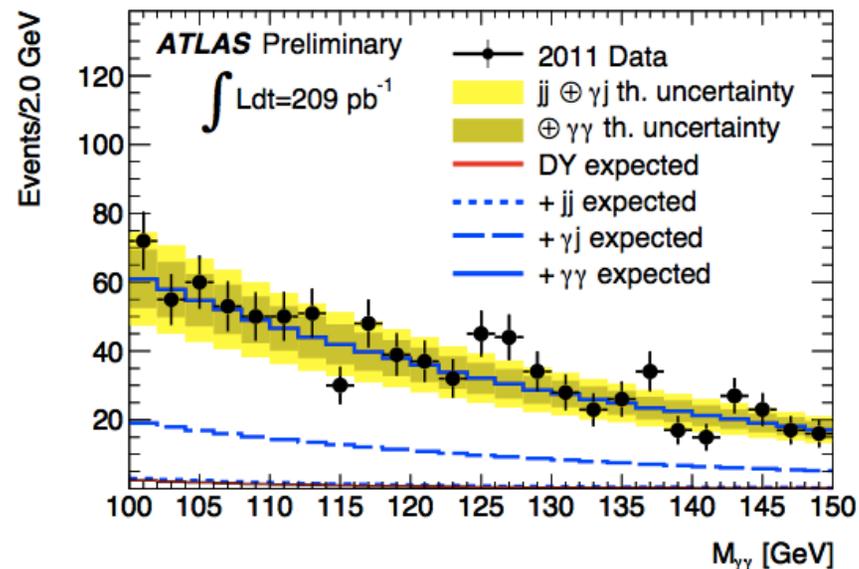
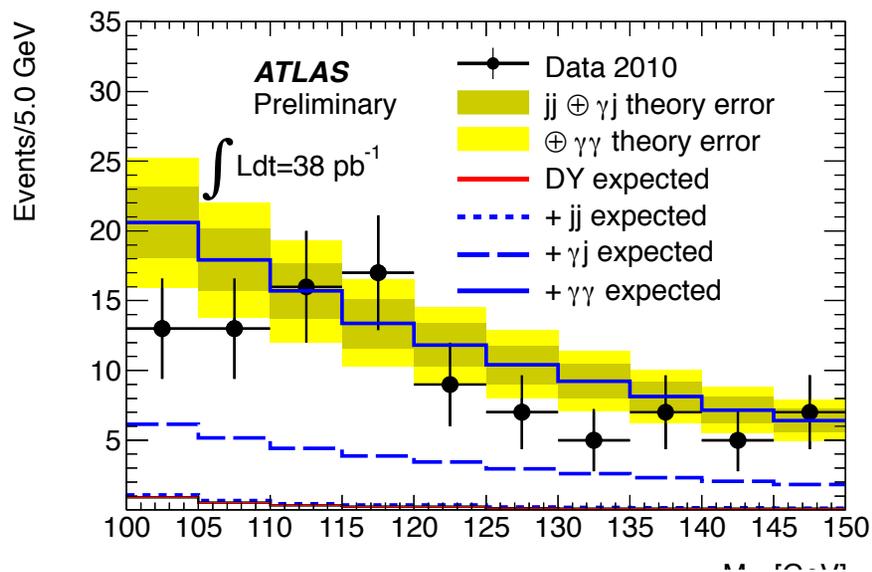
# Summary and Outlook

- LHC and ATLAS detector perform very well
- Wide range of searches for physics beyond the Standard Model covering many different final states and signatures
  - Have not seen large deviations yet
  - Derive limits on masses, cross sections
  - Pushing boundaries of the excluded parameter space
- Expect many more results this summer on data set  $O(1\text{fb}^{-1})$  – stay tuned
- Official ATLAS Results:  
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic>



BACK UP

# Higgs Boson in the Diphoton Channel



# Higgs Boson

