



# MET searches for dark sectors at ATLAS

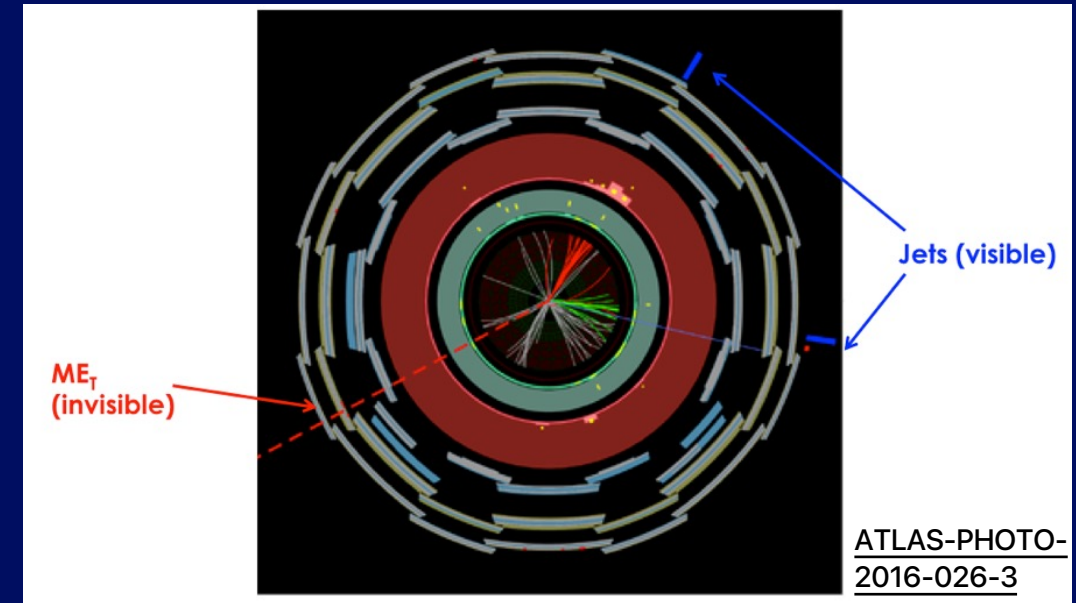
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# Why missing $E_T$ (MET)?

Clear proxy to BSM physics in colliders

- Provides direct and model-independent signatures of BSM
- Helps in reducing SM backgrounds (e.g. multi-jet events)

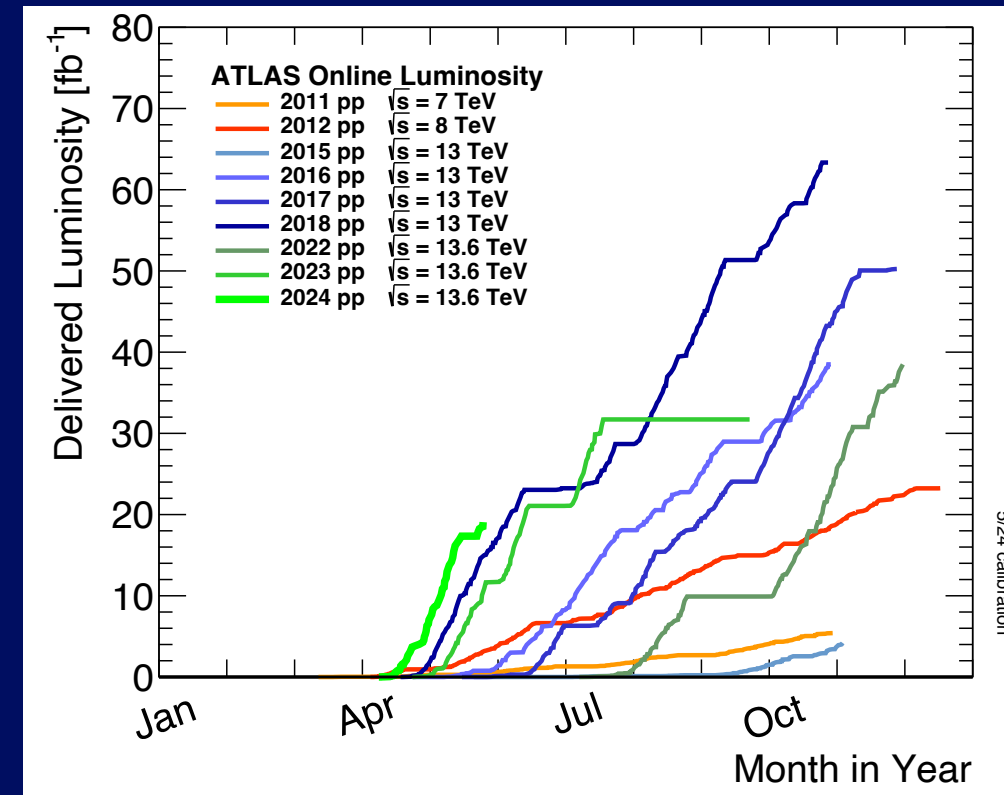


“Dark sector” search programs at ATLAS (in a broad sense)

- Object-based invisible searches (e.g.  $E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$ )
- Supersymmetric DM (stau-bino coannihilation, wino, higgsino, and etc.)

## Four new BSM search results which use $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ with full Run 2 data

- DM s-channel mediator search summary
- Stau and electroweakino search with  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + di-tau
- Higgsino search with  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + displaced track
- SUSY EWK pMSSM summary



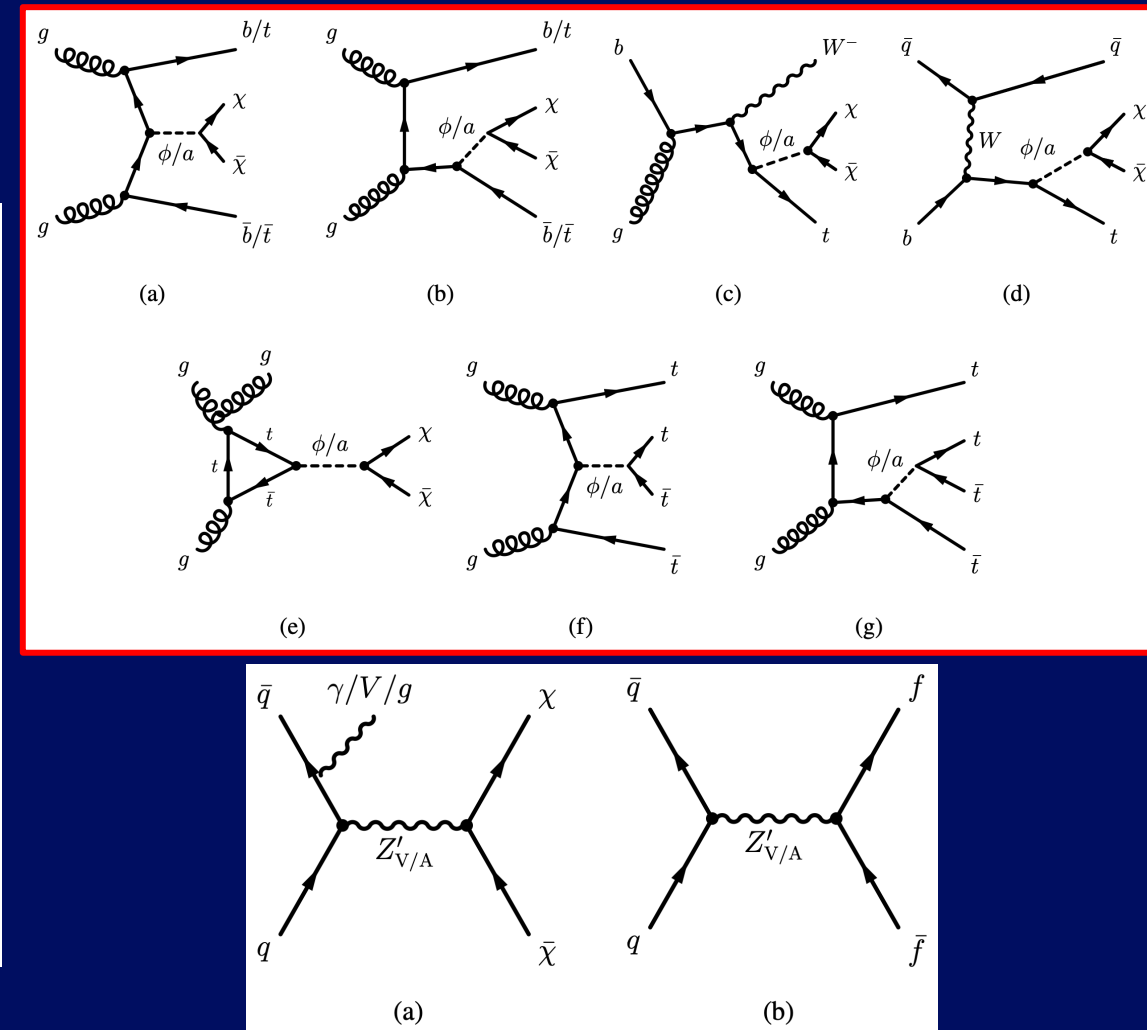
All results accessible from [AtlasPublic page](#)

## ❖ Reinterpretation of ATLAS searches in the context of s-channel DM simplified models

### ➤ Dirac fermion DM with **spin-0** or spin-1 mediator

### Benchmark models

Mediator	Acronym	Symbol	$J^P$	Couplings			Signatures
Spin-0				$g_q$	$g_\chi$		
Scalar	S	$\phi$	$0^+$	1.0	1.0	Jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $b\bar{b} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $t(W/j) + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $t\bar{t}\bar{t}$	
Pseudo-Scalar	PS	$a$	$0^-$	1.0	1.0		
Spin-1				$g_q$	$g_l$	$g_\chi$	
Vector	V1	$Z'_V$	$1^-$	0.25	0.0	1.0	Jet/ $\gamma$ / $W/Z + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , Dilepton resonances, Dijet resonances
	V2			0.1	0.01	1.0	
	V3			0.07	0.0	1.0	
	V4			0.15	0.03	1.0	
Axial-Vector	A1	$Z'_A$	$1^+$	0.25	0.0	1.0	
	A2			0.1	0.1	1.0	
	A3			0.07	0.0	1.0	
	A4			0.2	0.05	1.0	



## ❖ Summary of considered analyses targeting spin-0 mediator models

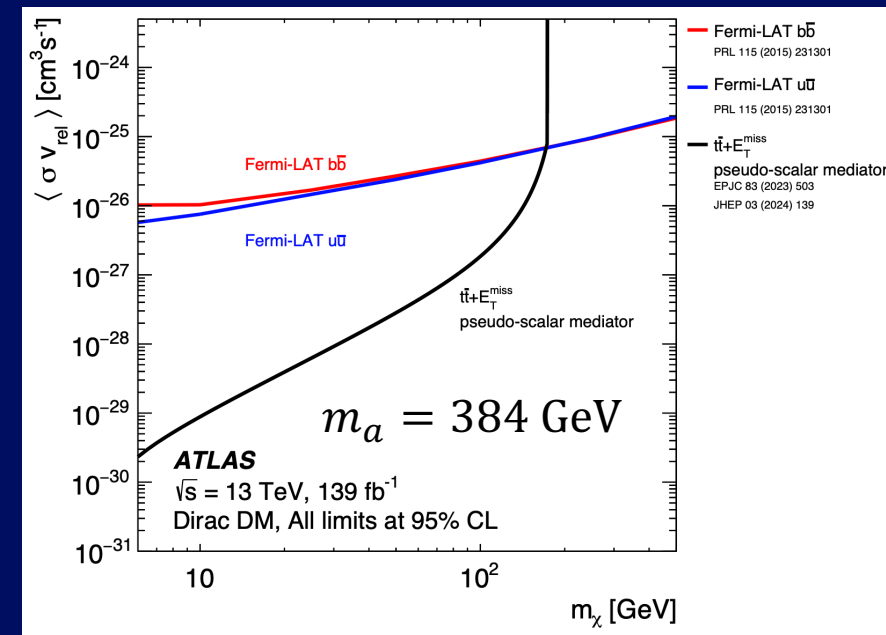
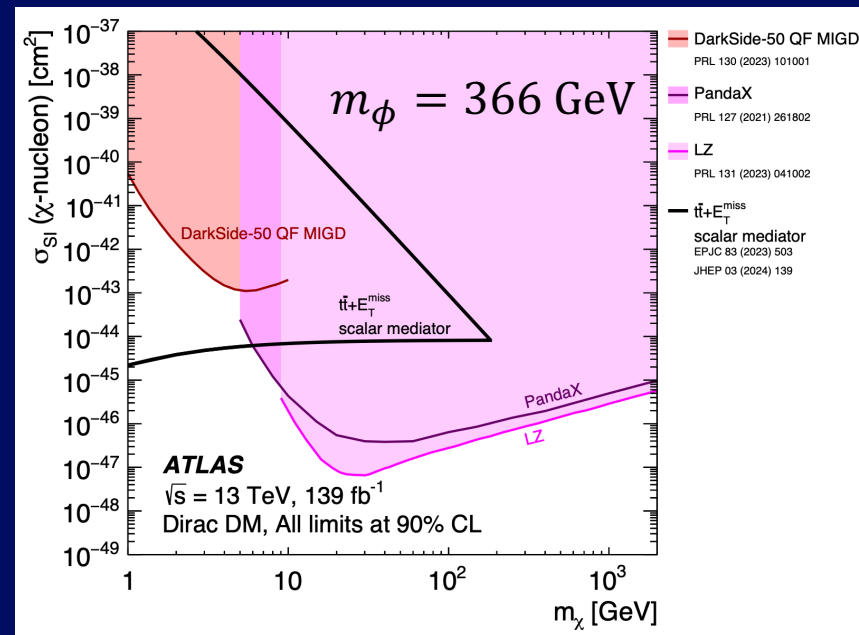
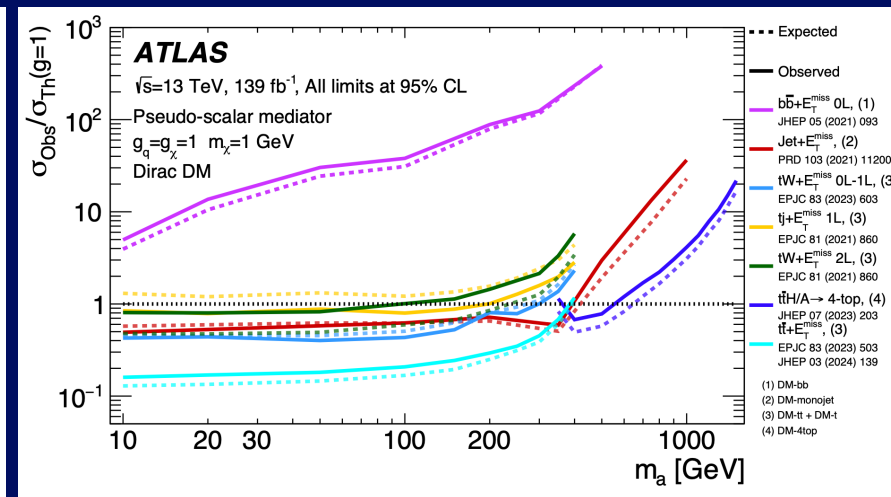
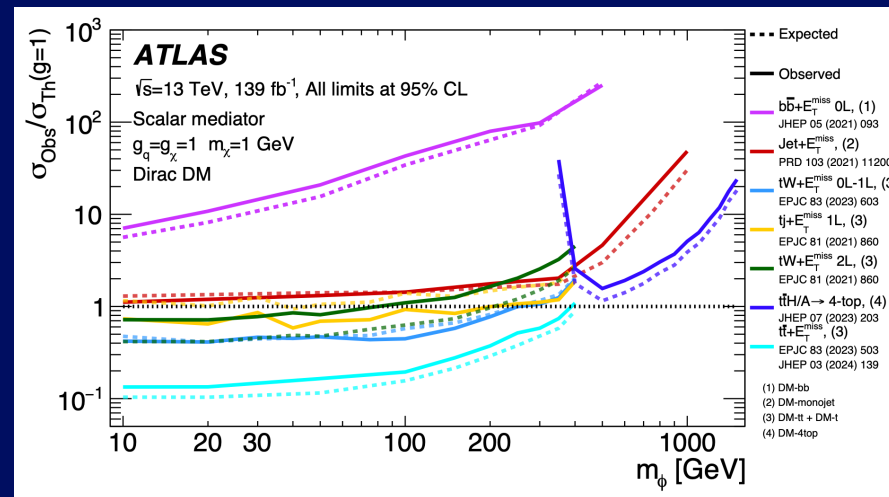
- Most have the typical  $E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$  signatures

Analysis	Models targeted	Final state signature	Key Characteristics
$b\bar{b} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [53]	S/PS	2 $b$ -jets, $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , 0 $\ell$	Boosted decision tree and binned likelihood fit of $\cos \theta_{bb}^*$
$t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [54–57]	S/PS	0-1-2 $\ell$ , $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $\geq 1$ $b$ -jets	Statistical combination of $t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ final state analysis
$tW + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 0-1 $\ell$ [58]	S/PS	0-1 $\ell$ , $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , $\geq 1$ $b$ -jets, $W$ tagged jets	Binned likelihood fit of $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
$tW + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 2 $\ell$ [59]	S/PS	2 $\ell$ , $\geq 1$ $b$ -jet, $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Single bin likelihood fit
$tj + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [59]	S/PS	1 $\ell$ , 1-4 jet, 1-2 $b$ -jet, $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Binned likelihood fit of BDTs
$\text{Jet} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [60]	S/PS, V/AV	1 high- $p_T$ jet, $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , 0 $\ell$	Binned likelihood fit of $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
$t\bar{t}$ [71, 72]	V/AV, S/PS	$\ell$ +jets; 2 large- $R$ jets	Binned likelihood fit of $m_{t\bar{t}}$
$t\bar{t}\bar{t}$ [73]	S/PS	Same-sign $\ell^\pm\ell^\pm$ and $\ell^\pm\ell^\pm\ell^\mp$	Binned likelihood fit of BDT

## Limits on spin-0 mediators

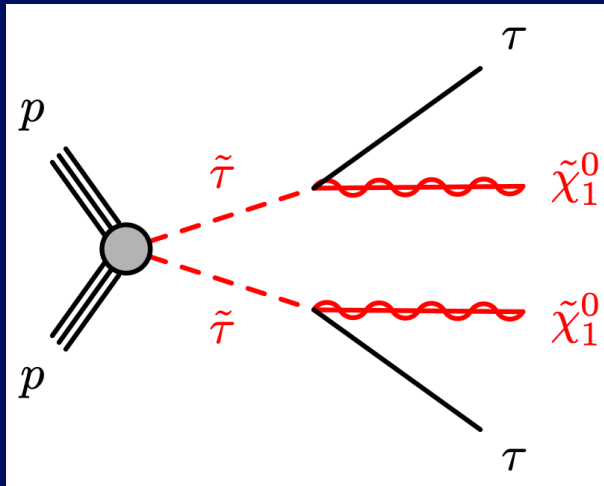
➤  $t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  combination has the most stringent limit for low mediator mass

➤  $t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  combination extend beyond direct detection experiments for low DM mass (for the considered benchmark model)



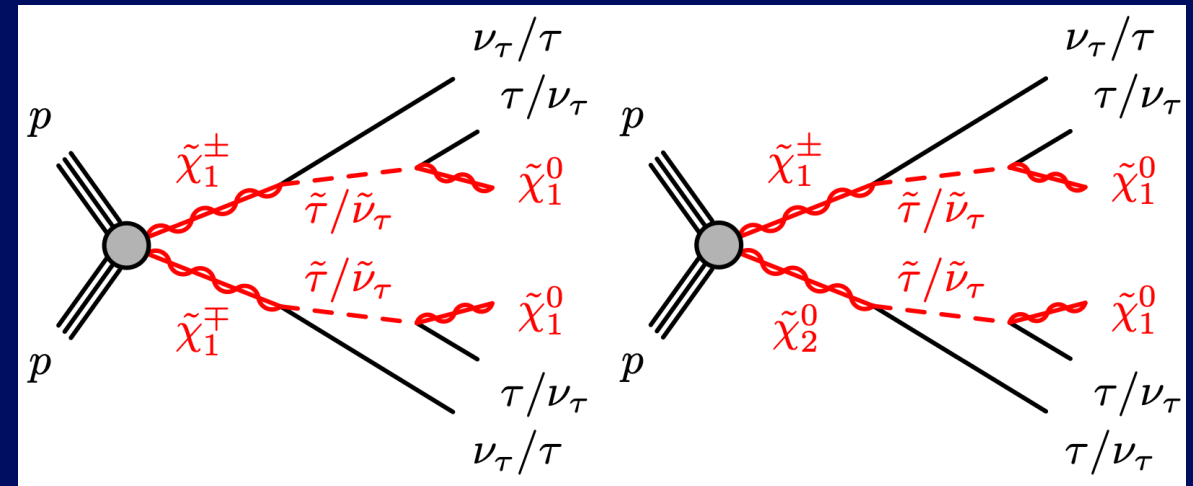
## ❖ Target physics

### Direct stau production



Motivated by stau-bino coannihilation scenarios

### Electroweakino pair production with intermediate staus



## ➤ Key features

- Di- $\tau$  trigger
- SR categorization by target mass  $m(\tilde{\tau})$  and mass splitting  $\Delta m(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$
- BDT trained for each SR using  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $p_T$  and  $m_T$  of taus, and their relative positions

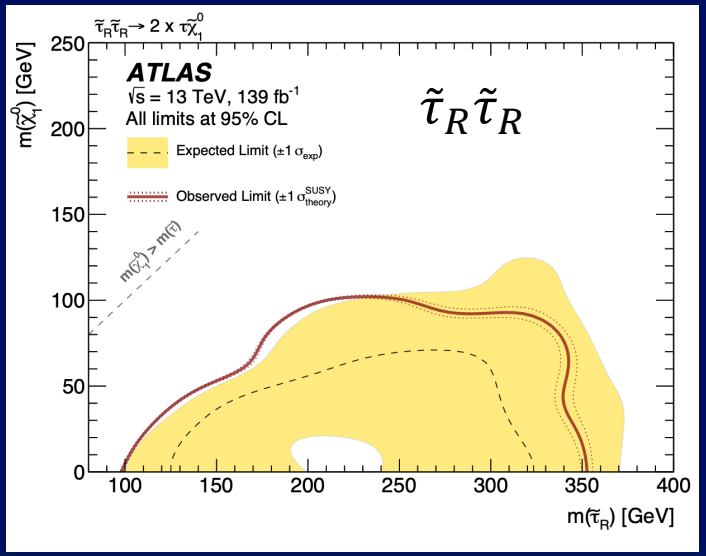
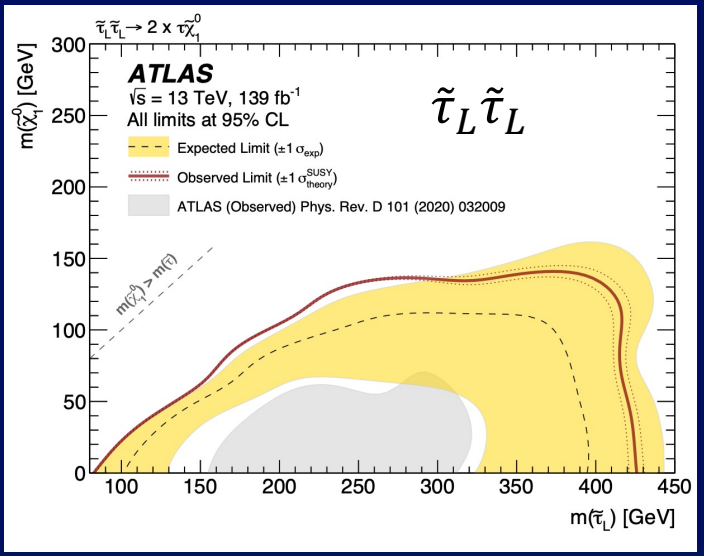
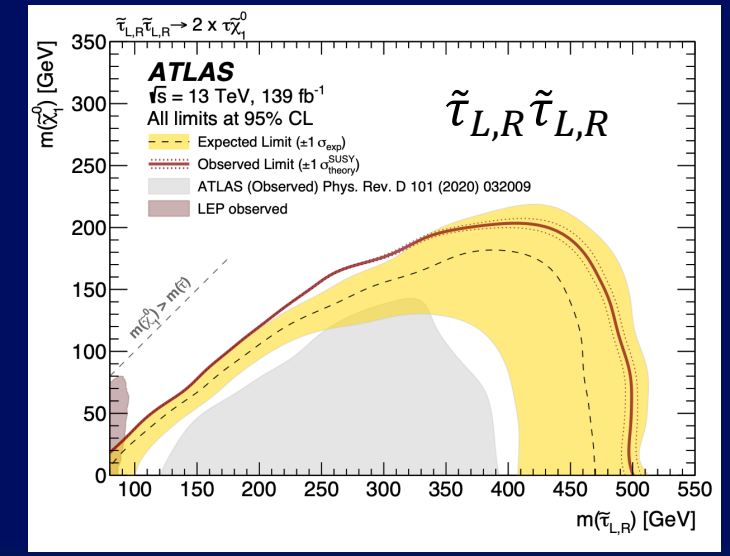
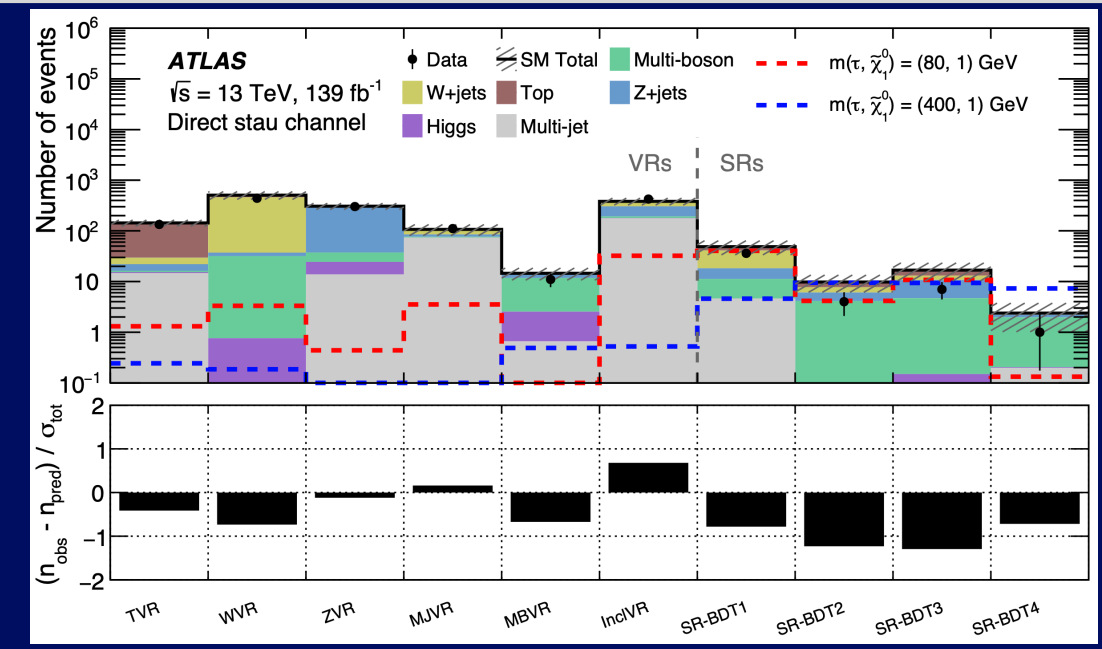
## ➤ Key features

- Di- $\tau$  and di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  triggers
- SR categorization by target electroweakino masses and tau charge combination

# Stau and electroweakinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{di-}\tau$

## Direct stau production

- ❖ Background components and estimation
  - Multi-jet: data-driven ABCD method
  - $W/Z + \text{jets}$ , multi-boson, and tops: normalized MC
- ❖ Exclusion limits set on mass-degenerate  $\tilde{\tau}_{L,R}$  and separate  $\tilde{\tau}_L$  and  $\tilde{\tau}_R$  pair production
  - Significant improvement by the introduction of BDTs
    - Limits greatly extended for  $\tilde{\tau}_{L,R}$  and  $\tilde{\tau}_L$  productions
    - Sensitivity to  $\tilde{\tau}_R$  production for the first time at ATLAS

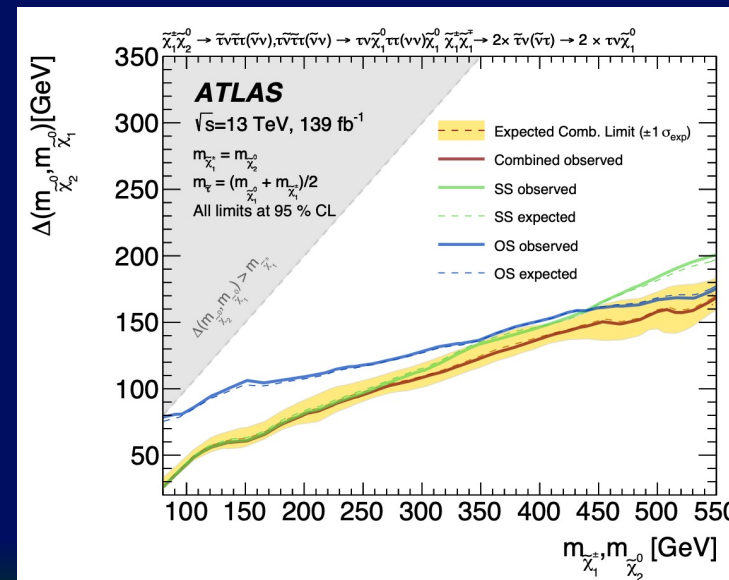
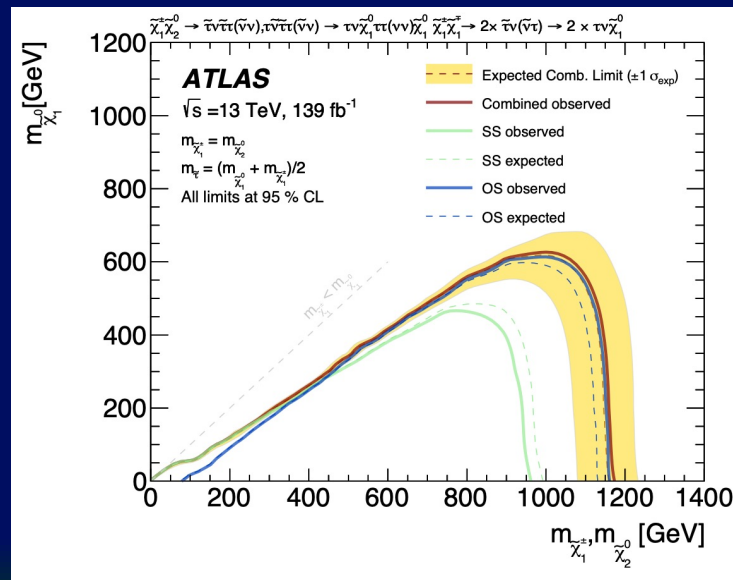
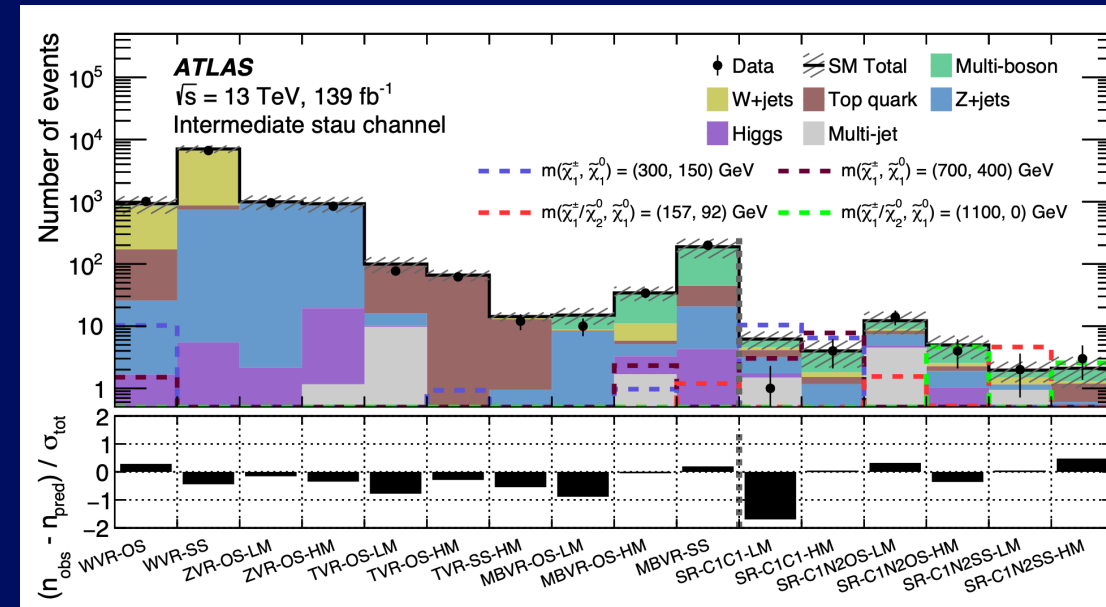




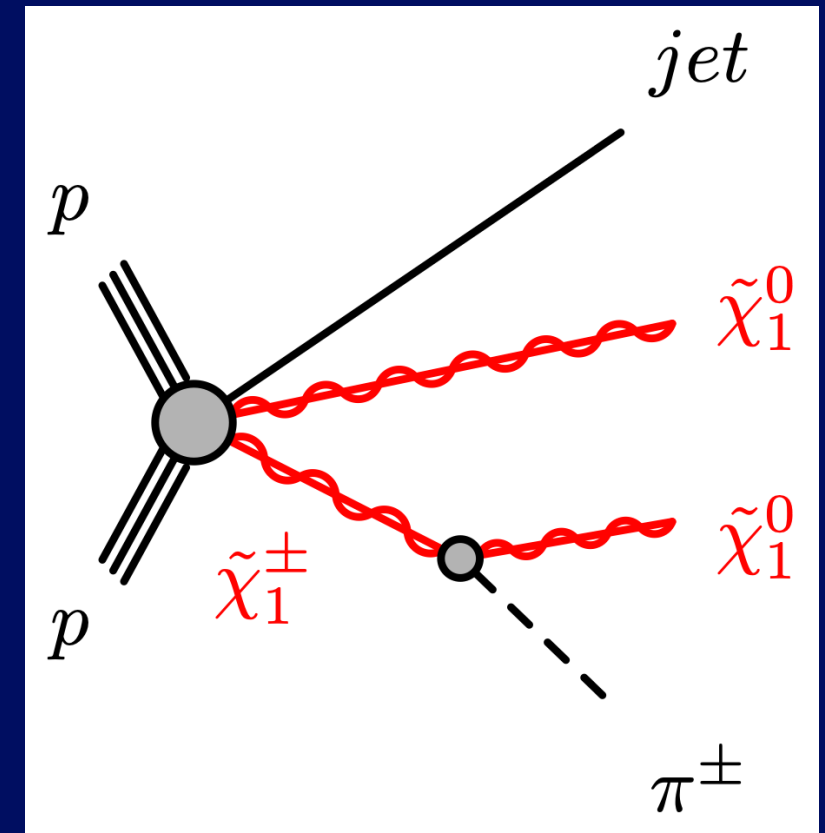
# Stau and electroweakinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{di-}\tau$

## Electroweakino pair production with intermediate staus

- ❖ Background components and estimation
  - Multi-jet: data-driven ABCD method
  - $W/Z$  + jets, multi-boson, and tops: normalized MC
- ❖ Exclusion limits set on wino-like electroweakinos decaying solely to staus and sneutrinos
  - Limit extended by about 400 GeV for higher masses
  - Sensitivity in compressed regions improved by addition of SS tau channel



- ❖ Target physics: higgsino LSP with compressed mass spectra
  - $\Delta m(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 0.4\text{-}1\text{ GeV}$ , not yet searched at the LHC
  - Highly motivated by natural SUSY but very challenging
- ❖ Signature: jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + low- $p_T$  displaced track
  - Main selections
    - $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger
    - Leading jet  $p_T > 250\text{ GeV}$  &  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 600\text{ GeV}$
    - Track with  $p_T = 2\text{-}5\text{ GeV}$ ,  $d_0$  significance  $> 8$
    - Lepton and photon veto
  - Leading backgrounds
    - $W(\rightarrow \tau\nu)$  + jets with displaced tau track
    - $W/Z$  + jets with displaced QCD track



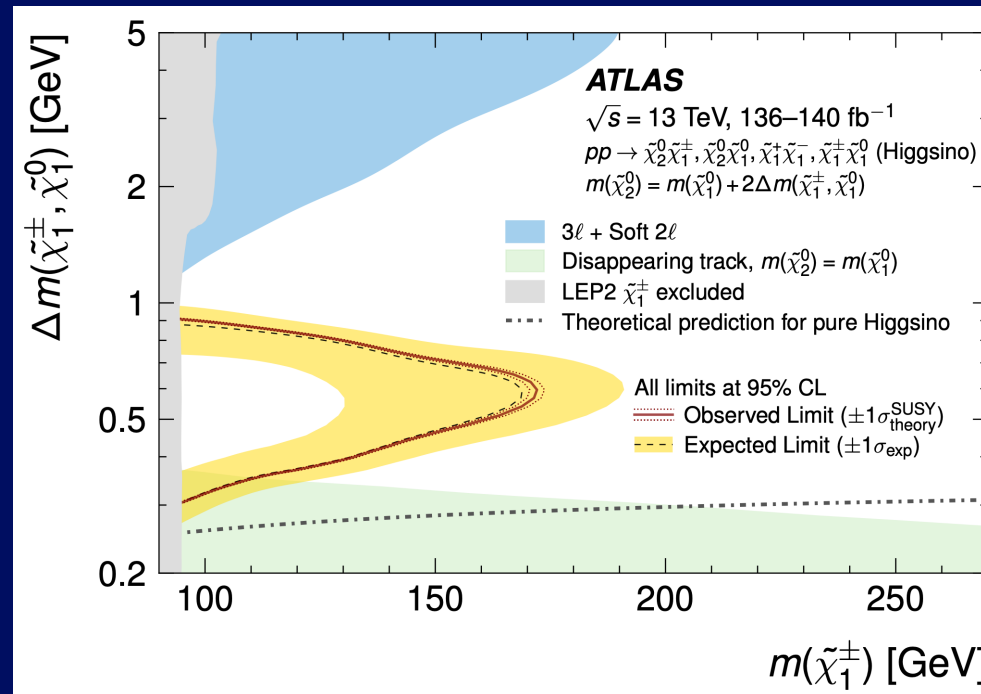
# Higgsinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + displaced track

## ❖ Background estimation

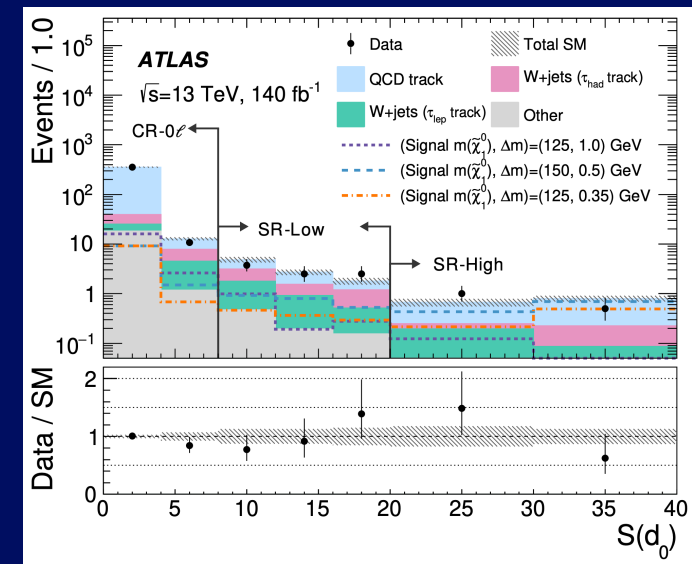
- Tau track: MC normalization using CR with higher track  $p_T$  (8-20 GeV)
- QCD track: data-driven method using  $W(\rightarrow \mu\nu)$  + jets dominated CR

## ❖ Excluded up to higgsino mass of 170 GeV

- A step closer to closing the "higgsino gap" with LHC



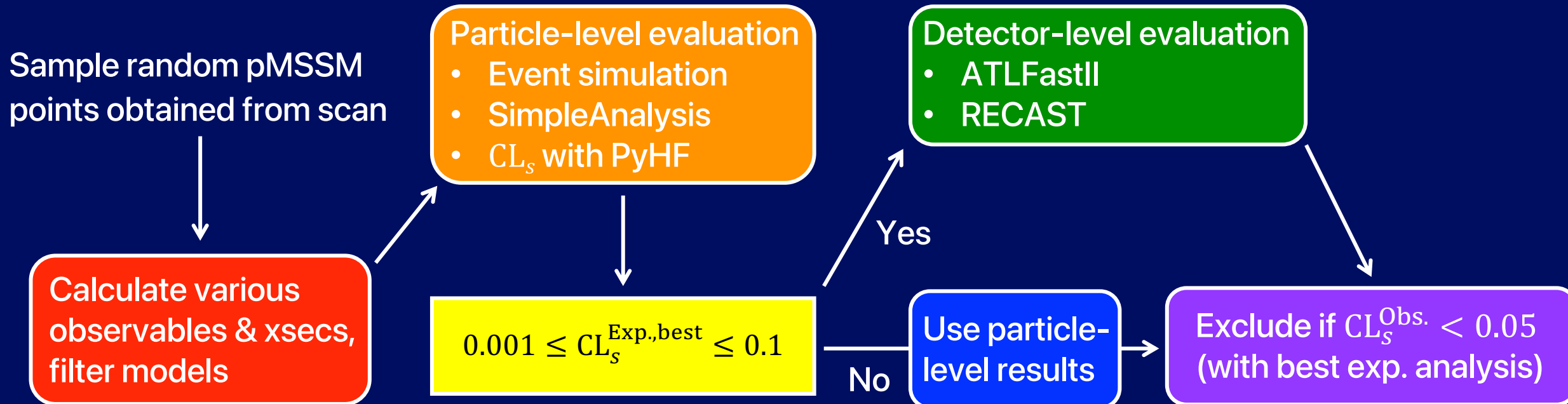
	SR-Low	SR-High
Observed data	35	15
SM prediction	$37 \pm 4$	$14.8 \pm 2.0$
QCD track	$14.0 \pm 1.7$	$10.0 \pm 1.6$
$W(\rightarrow \tau_\ell \nu)$ +jets	$9.6 \pm 1.6$	$2.0 \pm 0.6$
$W(\rightarrow \tau_h \nu)$ +jets	$10.6 \pm 2.0$	$1.9 \pm 0.8$
Others	$3.2 \pm 0.7$	$0.8 \pm 0.4$
$\langle \epsilon \sigma \rangle_{\text{obs}}^{95}$ [fb]	0.10	0.07
$S_{\text{obs}}^{95}$	13.5	9.9
$S_{\text{exp}}^{95}$	$15.1^{+6.3}_{-4.2}$	$9.6^{+4.4}_{-2.8}$



❖ Reinterpretation of eight ATLAS SUSY EWK searches in the context of 19-parameter phenomenological MSSM (pMSSM) model

pMSSM Parameter	Meaning
$\tan \beta$	Ratio of the Higgs vacuum expectation values for the two doublets
$M_A$	Pseudoscalar ( $CP$ -odd) Higgs boson mass parameter
$\mu$	Higgsino mass parameter
$M_1, M_2, M_3$	Bino, wino and gluino mass parameters
$A_t, A_b, A_\tau$	Third generation trilinear couplings
$M_{\tilde{q}}, M_{\tilde{u}_R}, M_{\tilde{d}_R}, M_{\tilde{l}}, M_{\tilde{e}_R}$	First/second generation sfermion mass parameters
$M_{\tilde{Q}}, M_{\tilde{t}_R}, M_{\tilde{b}_R}, M_{\tilde{L}}, M_{\tilde{\tau}_R}$	Third generation sfermion mass parameters

❖ Workflow (simplified)



## ❖ Two pMSSM scans performed for model sampling

- General electroweakino scan (squarks and slepton decoupled)
- Bino DM scan to compensate models in “funnel” regions, surviving the relic density constraint

## ❖ Considered analyses

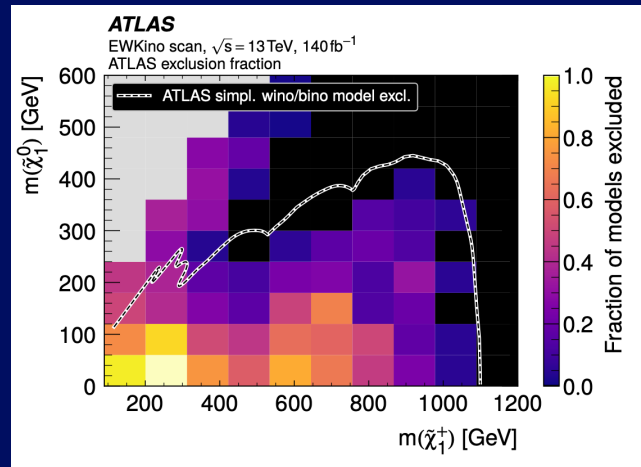
Scan name	EWKino	BinoDM
$ M_1 $ range	0 – 2 TeV	0 – 500 GeV
LSP type	Neutralino	Bino-like neutralino
<b>Number of models generated:</b>		
Sampled	20 000	437 500
Successful generation	16 667	370 017
Correct LSP type	15 321	286 267
Satisfy DM relic density constraint $\Omega h^2 \leq 0.12$	N/A	11 122
Satisfy LEP chargino mass constraint	13 969	10 174
120 GeV < $m(h)$ < 130 GeV	12 280	8 897
Satisfy non-DM external constraints	7 956	5 752
Satisfy all external constraints	2 460	1 769

Analysis	Relevant simplified models targeted
FullHad [24]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $WZ$ , Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $Wh$ , Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$ via $WW$
1Lbb [15]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $Wh$
2L0J [19]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$ via $WW$ , slepton pairs
2L2J [25]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $WZ$
3L [23]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $WZ$ , Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $Wh$ , higgsino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$
4L [22]	Higgsino GGM
Compressed [20]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ via $WZ$ , higgsino $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$
Disappearing-track [27]	Wino $\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$ and $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

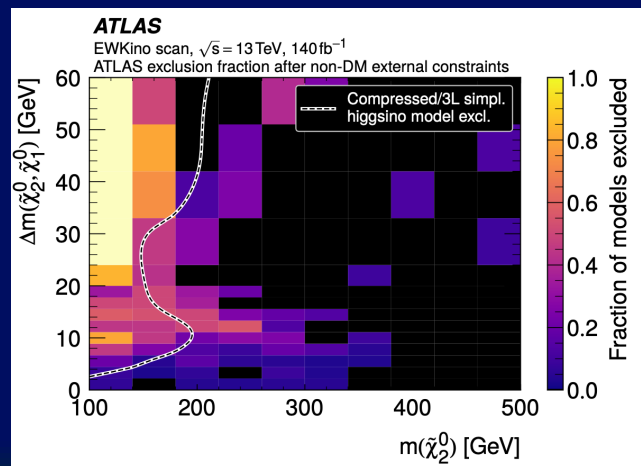
❖ Result interpreted as the fraction of models excluded

- Constraints on pMSSM are generally weaker than those on simplified models
- Bino-LSP (including funnel regions) almost completely excluded, by also considering external constraints

Wino/bino for all considered models



Higgsino for after non-DM external constraints



Search	EWKino scan			BinoDM scan
	Bino-LSP	Higgsino-LSP	Wino-LSP	
FullHad	5.3 %	2.6 %	3.0 %	0.2 %
1Lbb	1.2 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.1 %
Compressed	0.2 %	1.4 %	0.0 %	1.9 %
2LOJ	2.2 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	0.8 %
2L2J	5.6 %	2.9 %	3.1 %	15.9 %
3L (off-shell)	1.4 %	0.6 %	0.0 %	11.7 %
3L (on-shell)	4.7 %	0.8 %	1.2 %	17.7 %
4L	0.3 %	0.1 %	0.0 %	2.4 %
Disappearing-track	0.1 %	0.1 %	45.7 %	1.9 %
<b>Overall ATLAS Run 2 SUSY searches</b>	<b>11.2 %</b>	<b>5.7 %</b>	<b>48.5 %</b>	<b>25.0 %</b>
$m(A) > 480 \text{ GeV}$	0.4 %	1.6 %	0.4 %	4.8 %
$\mathcal{B}(h \rightarrow \text{inv.}) \leq 0.107$	0.4 %	0.0 %	0.0 %	8.1 %
<b>Overall ATLAS Run 2</b>	<b>11.6 %</b>	<b>7.2 %</b>	<b>48.7 %</b>	<b>28.3 %</b>
Flavour constraints	33.8 %	22.8 %	32.5 %	28.8 %
Electroweak precision constraints	9.7 %	9.8 %	9.7 %	10.5 %
Relic density constraint	96.0 %	12.8 %	0.3 %	N/A
Direct detection constraints	83.8 %	67.7 %	24.4 %	64.7 %
All non-DM external constraints	39.3 %	29.3 %	37.8 %	35.4 %
All external constraints	98.8 %	75.8 %	54.0 %	80.1 %
<b>Overall ATLAS Run 2 + non-DM external</b>	<b>46.7 %</b>	<b>33.9 %</b>	<b>67.5 %</b>	<b>53.4 %</b>
<b>Overall ATLAS Run 2 + external</b>	<b>98.9 %</b>	<b>77.3 %</b>	<b>83.0 %</b>	<b>84.1 %</b>

- ❖ Wide variety of search programs are conducted at ATLAS using  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  (MET)
  - DM mediator searches
  - Supersymmetry (staus and electroweakinos)
  - And many more, soon with Run 3 data
- ❖ Many nice results from Run 2 by deep understanding of collected data
- ❖ More results coming soon with Run 3 data
  - Addition of data for further sensitivity
  - A lot of effort put into exploring new phase spaces by detector upgrades, software updates, and sophisticated analyses

*Backup*





## Direct stau production

### Full list of BDT training inputs

$$E_T^{\text{miss}}, p_T(\tau_{1,2}), m_T(\tau_{1,2}), \Delta\phi(\tau_{1,2}, E_T^{\text{miss}}), \Delta\eta(\tau_1, \tau_2), \Delta\eta(\tau_{1,2}, E_T^{\text{miss}}), m(\tau_1, \tau_2), m_{\text{eff}}, m_{T\text{sum}}$$

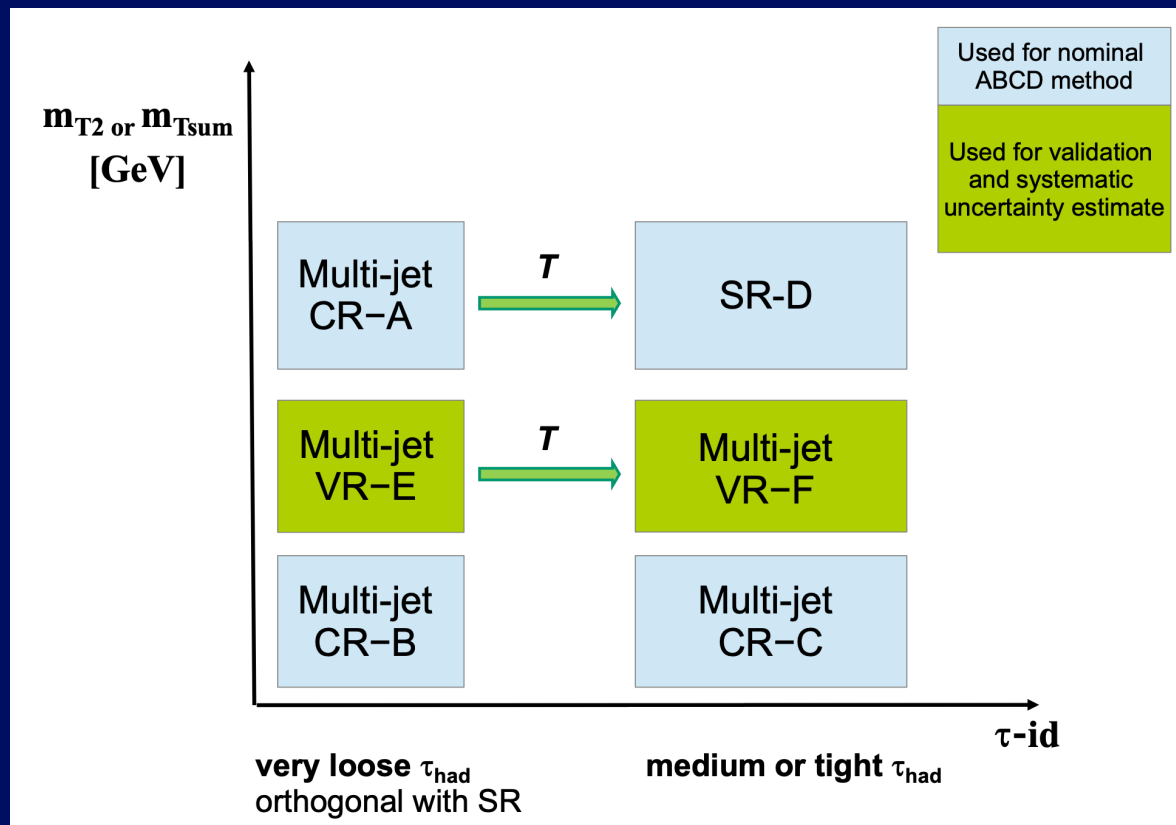
		BDT Training Preselection						
$N$ medium $\tau$		$\geq 2$						
Charge combination		OS						
Trigger		asymm. di- $\tau$						
$N$ $e/\mu$		$= 0$						
$N$ $b$ -jets		$= 0$						
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]		$> 20$						
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]		$> 30$						
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]		$> 120$						
$\Delta R(\tau_1, \tau_2)$		$< 4$						
		SR-BDT1		SR-BDT2		SR-BDT3		SR-BDT4
		Bin 1	Bin 2	Bin 1	Bin 2	Bin 1	Bin 2	
Target scenario		Low $m(\tilde{\tau})$ Small $\Delta m(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$		Mid $m(\tilde{\tau})$ Large $\Delta m(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$		Mid $m(\tilde{\tau})$ Small $\Delta m(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$		High $m(\tilde{\tau})$
$N$ medium $\tau$				$= 2$				
BDT1 score		$\in (0.73, 0.78)$	$> 0.78$	-	-	-	-	-
BDT2 score		-	-	$\in (0.78, 0.82)$	$> 0.82$	-	-	-
BDT3 score		-	-	-	-	$\in (0.79, 0.86)$	$> 0.86$	-
BDT4 score		-	-	-	-	-	-	$> 0.64$

## Electroweakino pair production with intermediate staus

	SR-	C1C1-LM	C1N2OS-LM	C1N2SS-LM	C1C1-HM	C1N2OS-HM	C1N2SS-HM
Trigger $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	asymm. di- $\tau$ < 150			di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ > 150			
$N$ medium $\tau$	= 2	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	= 2	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	
$N$ tight $\tau$	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$	-	-	-	-	
Charge combination	OS	OS	SS	OS	OS	SS	
$N$ $b$ -jets	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	
$N$ jets	-	< 3	< 3	-	-	-	
$ \Delta\phi(\tau_1, \tau_2) $	> 1.6	-	> 1.5	-	-	-	
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]	> 120	> 120	-	> 120	> 120	-	
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	> 60	> 60	-	-	-	-	
$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	-	-	> 200	> 400	> 400	> 450	
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	> 80	> 70	> 80	> 85	> 85	> 80	

# Stau and electroweakinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{di-}\tau$

## Background estimation for direct stau



Process	W+jets		Top	
Region	WCR	WVR	TCR	TVR
Charge combination	OS			
$N$ medium $\tau$	= 1	= 1	= 1	= 2
$N$ tight $\tau$	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0
$N$ $e/\mu$	= 1 $\mu$	= 1 $\mu$	= 1 $\mu$	= 0
$N$ $b$ -jets	= 0	= 0	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$
Trigger	single $\mu$	single $\mu$	single $\mu$	asymm. di- $\tau$
$p_T(\tau_1)$ [GeV]	-	-	-	> 95
$p_T(\tau_2)$ [GeV]	-	-	-	> 65
$\max[p_T(\tau), p_T(\mu)]$ [GeV]	> 95	> 95	> 95	-
$\min[p_T(\tau), p_T(\mu)]$ [GeV]	> 60	> 60	> 60	-
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	> 20	> 20	> 20	> 20
$m_{T,\mu}$ [GeV]	$\in (50, 150]$	$\in (50, 150]$	$\in (50, 150]$	-
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	> 30	> 30	> 30	> 30
$m(\tau, \mu)$ [GeV]	> 120	> 120	> 120	-
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]	-	-	-	> 120
BDT score	All < 0.5	Any > 0.5	-	-

Process	Z+jets		Multi-boson	Multi-jet	Inclusive
Region	ZCR	ZVR	MBVR	MJVR	InclVR
Charge combination	OS				
$N$ medium $\tau$	= 2	= 2	= 2	= 2	= 2
$N$ $e/\mu$	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0
$N$ $b$ -jets	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0
Trigger	asymm. di- $\tau$	asymm. di- $\tau$	asymm. di- $\tau$	asymm. di- $\tau$	asymm. di- $\tau$
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	-	> 20	> 20	< 50	> 20
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	> 30	> 30	> 30	> 30	> 30
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]	< 120	< 120	< 120	> 120	> 120
$\Delta R(\tau_1, \tau_2)$	< 4	< 4	< 4	> 3	< 4
BDT1 score	$\leq 0.10$	> 0.10	-	-	$\leq 0.60$
BDT2 score	-	-	-	-	$\leq 0.70$
BDT3 score	-	-	-	-	$\leq 0.70$
BDT4 score	$\leq 0.60$	$\leq 0.60$	> 0.61	-	$\leq 0.60$

# Stau and electroweakinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{di-}\tau$

## Background estimation for electroweakino

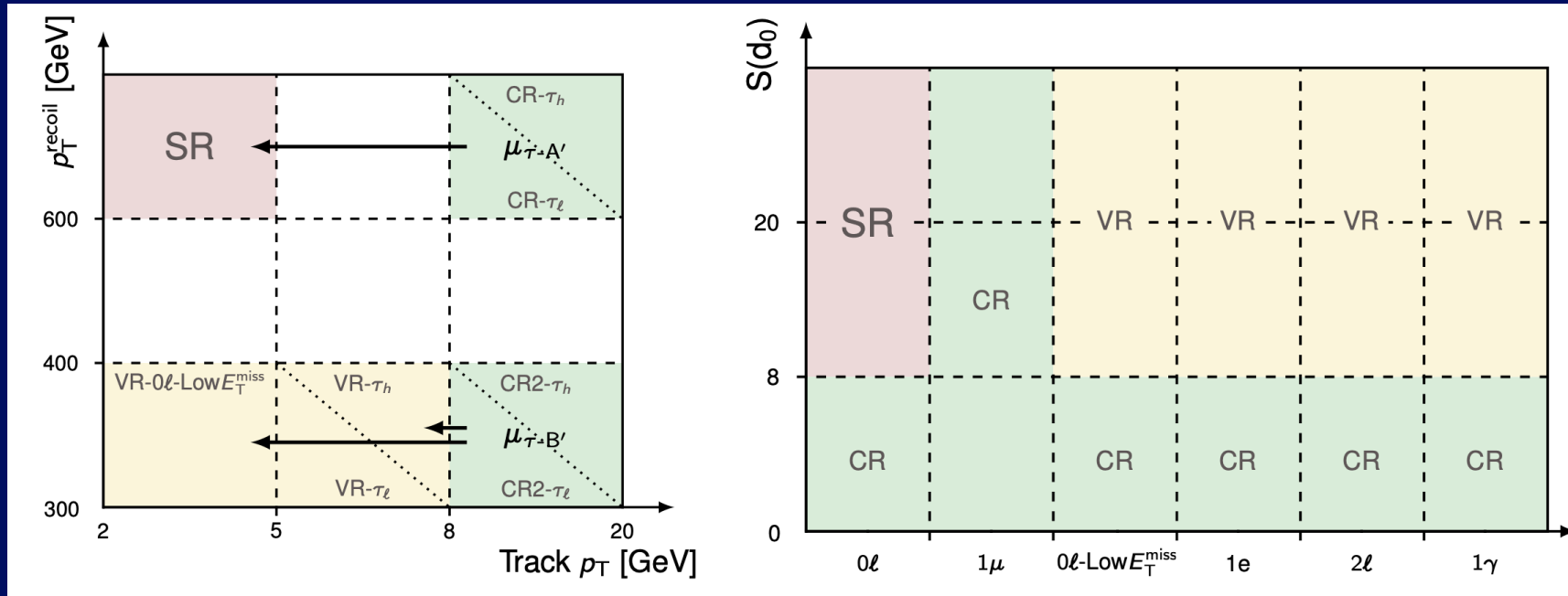
Channel	variable	CR-B / CR-C	VR-E / VR-F	CR-A / SR
C1C1-LM	$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$\in (15, 35]$	$\in (35, 80]$	$> 80$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$\in (10, 150]$	$\in (10, 150]$	$\in (60, 150]$
C1C1-HM	$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$\in (35, 60]$	$\in (60, 85]$	$> 85$
	$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	$\in (100, 300]$	$\in (200, 400]$	$> 400$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 50$	$> 50$	$> 150$
C1N2OS-LM	$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$\in (15, 35]$	$\in (35, 70]$	$> 70$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$\in (10, 150]$	$\in (10, 150]$	$\in (60, 150]$
C1N2OS-HM	$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$\in (35, 60]$	$\in (60, 85]$	$> 85$
	$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	$\in (150, 300]$	$\in (200, 400]$	$> 400$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 50$	$> 50$	$> 150$
C1N2SS-LM	$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	$< 100$	$\in (100, 200]$	$> 200$
	$ \Delta\phi(\tau_1, \tau_2) $	$< 1.5$	$< 1.5$	$> 1.5$
C1N2SS-HM	$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	$\in (100, 200]$	$\in (200, 450]$	$> 450$
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 50$	$> 50$	$> 150$

Process	W+jets				Top			
	WCR-OS	WVR-OS	WCR-SS	WVR-SS	TCR-SS-HM	TVR-SS-HM	TVR-OS-LM	TVR-OS-HM
Charge combination	OS		SS		SS		OS	
Trigger	single $\mu$				di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$		asymm. di- $\tau$   di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	
$N$ medium $\tau$	= 1				$< 2$		$\geq 2$	
$N$ tight $\tau$	-				-		$\geq 1$	
$N$ loose $\tau$	-				$\geq 1$		-	
$N$ "very loose" $\tau$	-				$\geq 2$		-	
$N e/\mu$	= 1 $\mu$				-		-	
$N b$ -jets	= 0				$\geq 1$		$\geq 1$   = 0	
$p_T(\tau)$ [GeV]	$> 50$				-		-	
$p_T(\mu)$ [GeV]	$> 40$				-		-	
Top tagged	veto		-		-		-	
$m_{T,\mu}$ [GeV]	$< 140$		$\in (50, 150]$		-		-	
$m_{T,\mu} + m_{T,\tau}$ [GeV]	-		$> 80$		-		-	
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 60$		$> 50$		$> 150$		$\in (20, 150]$   $> 150$	
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]	-	-	-	-	-	-	$> 120$	$> 120$
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$\in (40, 70]$	$> 70$	$< 60$	$> 60$	-	-	$> 40$	$> 30$
$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	-	-	-	-	$< 400$	$> 400$	$> 150$	$> 150$
$ \Delta\phi(\tau_1, \tau_2) $	-	-	-	-	-	-	$> 1.0$	$> 1.0$

Process	Z+jets		Multi-bosons		
	ZVR-OS-LM	ZVR-OS-HM	MBVR-OS-LM	MBVR-OS-HM	MBVR-SS
Charge combination	OS		OS		SS
Trigger	asymm. di- $\tau$   di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$		asymm. di- $\tau$   di- $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$		single $\mu$
$N$ medium $\tau$	$\geq 2$		$\geq 2$		= 1
$N$ tight $\tau$	$\geq 1$		$\geq 1$		-
$N \mu$	-		-		= 2
$N b$ -jets	= 0		= 0		= 0
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$\in (40, 150]$	$> 150$	$\in (70, 150]$	$> 150$	$> 100$
$m(\tau_1, \tau_2)$ [GeV]	$< 70$	$< 60$	$< 80$	$< 90$	-
$\Delta R(\tau_1, \tau_2)$	$< 1.0$	$< 1.0$	$< 1.2$	$< 1.2$	-
$ \Delta\phi(\tau_1, \tau_2) $	-	-	$< 1.0$	$< 1.0$	-
$ \Delta\phi(\tau_1, E_T^{\text{miss}}) $	-	-	-	-	$\leq 1.75$
$m_{T\text{sum}}$ [GeV]	-	-	$> 180$	$> 180$	-
$m_{T2}$ [GeV]	$< 60$	$< 60$	$> 60$	$> 60$	-

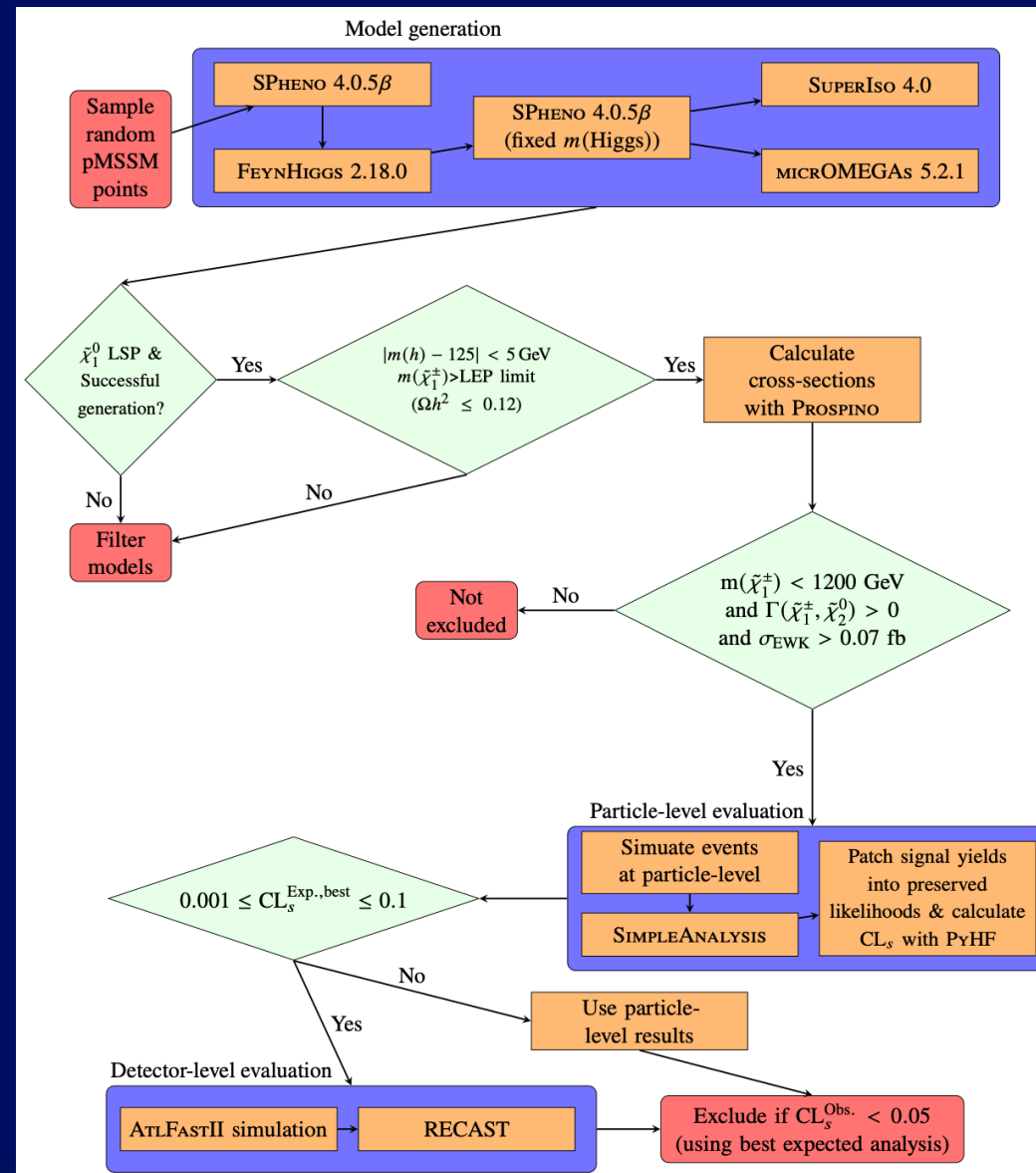
# Higgsinos: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + displaced track



Variable	SR	CR- $\tau_h$	CR- $\tau_\ell$	VR(CR2)- $\tau_h$	VR(CR2)- $\tau_\ell$
$N_\ell$	= 0	= 0	= 1	= 0	= 1
$m_T$ [GeV]	–	–	< 50	–	< 50
$p_T^{\text{recoil}}$ [GeV]	> 600	> 600		[300,400]	
Track $p_T$	[2,5]	[8,20]		[5,8] ([8,20])	
Track $S(d_0)$	> 8	> 3		> 3	

Variable	SR (CR-0ℓ)	CR-1μ	VR(CR)-0ℓ-low $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	VR(CR)-1e	VR(CR)-2ℓ	VR(CR)-1γ
Trigger	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Single- $e$	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ or Single- $e$	Single Photon
$N(e)$	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 1	–	= 0
$N(\mu)$	= 0	= 1	= 0	= 0	–	= 0
$N(e \text{ or } \mu)$	= 0	= 1	= 0	= 1	= 2	= 0
$N_\gamma$	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 0	= 1
$p_T(\ell_1)$ [GeV]	–	> 10	–	> 30	$p_T(\mu) > 10$ ( $p_T(e) > 30$ )	–
$p_T(\ell_2)$ [GeV]	–	–	–	–	> 10	–
$m_\mu$ [GeV]	–	–	–	–	[66.2, 116.2]	–
$m_T$ [GeV]	–	[56, 106]	–	[56, 106]	–	–
$p_T^{\text{recoil}}$ [GeV]	> 600	> 300	[300, 400]	> 300	> 300	> 600
Track $S(d_0)$	> 8 (< 8)	–	–	–	> 8 (< 8)	–

## ❖ Actual workflow



## ❖ Applied constraints

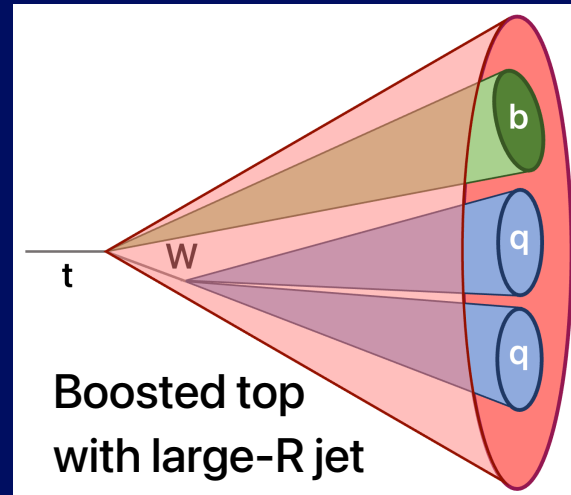
➤ Chargino LEP constraint and Higgs mass constraint also applied

Category	Constraint	Lower bound	Upper bound	Notes
Flavour	$\mathcal{B}(b \rightarrow s\gamma)$	$3.11 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.87 \times 10^{-4}$	2022 PDG average ( $2\sigma$ window) [58]
	$\mathcal{B}(B_s \rightarrow \mu\mu)$	$1.87 \times 10^{-9}$	$4.31 \times 10^{-9}$	Most recent LHCb result ( $2\sigma$ window) [59]
	$\mathcal{B}(B^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu)$	$6.10 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.57 \times 10^{-4}$	2022 PDG average ( $2\sigma$ window) [58]
Precision electroweak	$\Delta\rho$	-0.0004	0.0018	Updated global electroweak fit by GFITTER group [60] (not including CDF $W$ mass measurement [61])
	$\Gamma_{\text{inv}}^{\text{BSM}}(Z)$	-	2 MeV	Beyond-the-Standard Model contributions to precision electroweak measurements on the $Z$ -resonance from experiments at the SLC and LEP colliders [62].
	$m(W)$	80.347 GeV	80.407 GeV	2022 PDG result (excluding CDF $W$ mass measurement [61]) [58] but with the $2\sigma$ window expanded by 6 MeV to allow for uncertainty due to the top-quark mass in the MSSM Higgs calculation [63]
DM	Relic density	-	0.12	Latest bound from Planck [64]
	Direct detection $\sigma_{\text{Spin-independent}}$			Exclusion contour on direct detection of DM from the LZ Collaboration [65]
	Direct detection $\sigma_{\text{Spin-dependent}}$			Exclusion contour on direct detection of DM from PICO-60 [66]

# Top associated DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + mono-top

## ❖ Target physics

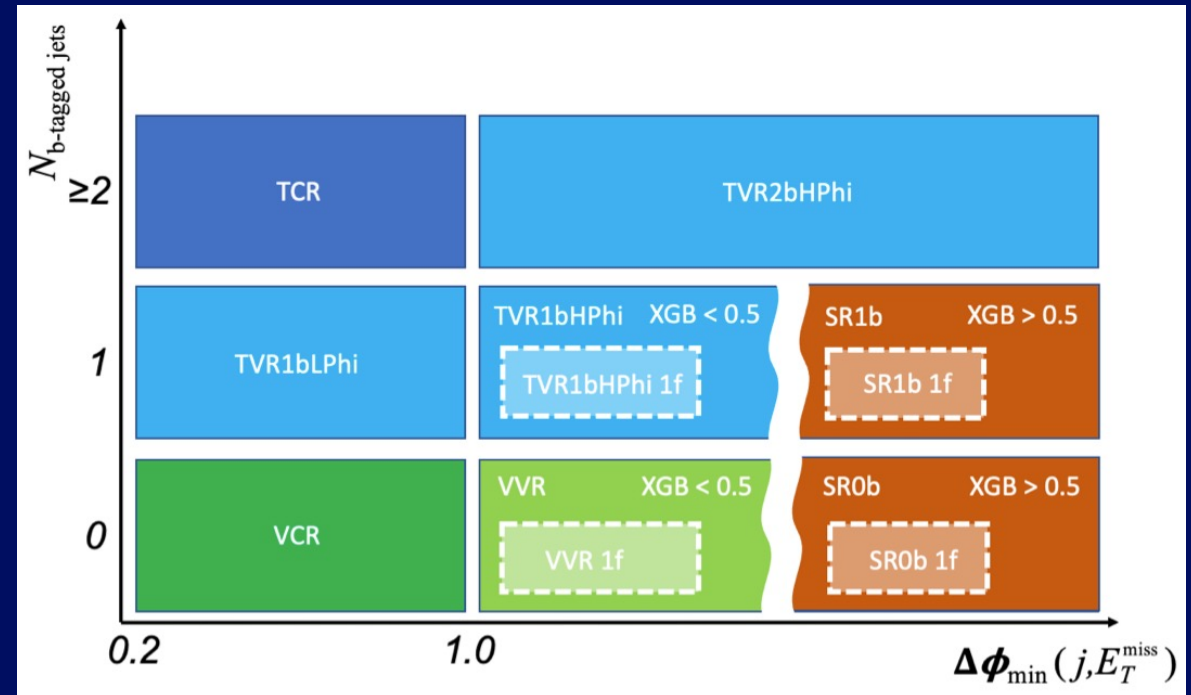
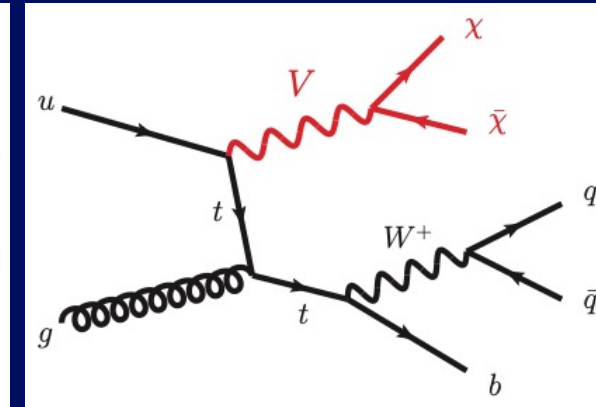
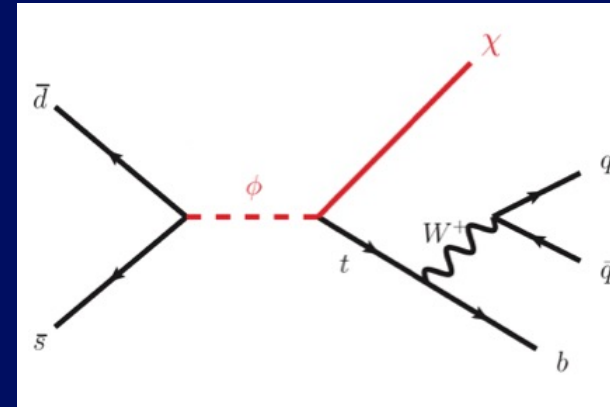
- Scalar/vector DM mediator associated with top



## ❖ Signature

- Main selections

- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 250$  GeV + top-tagged large-R jet ( $350 < p_T < 2500$  GeV)
- $\Delta\phi(j, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 1$  to suppress  $t\bar{t}$  background
- BDT (XGBoost) trained for each target mainly with  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and jet-related variables



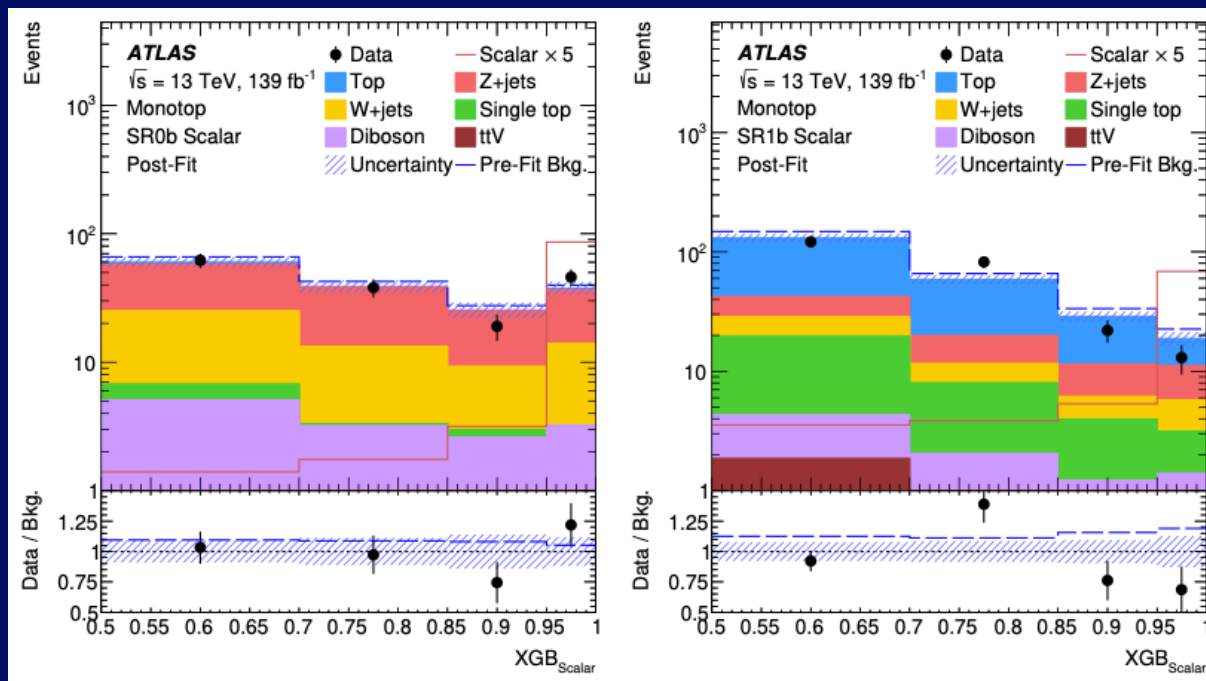


# Top associated DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + mono-top

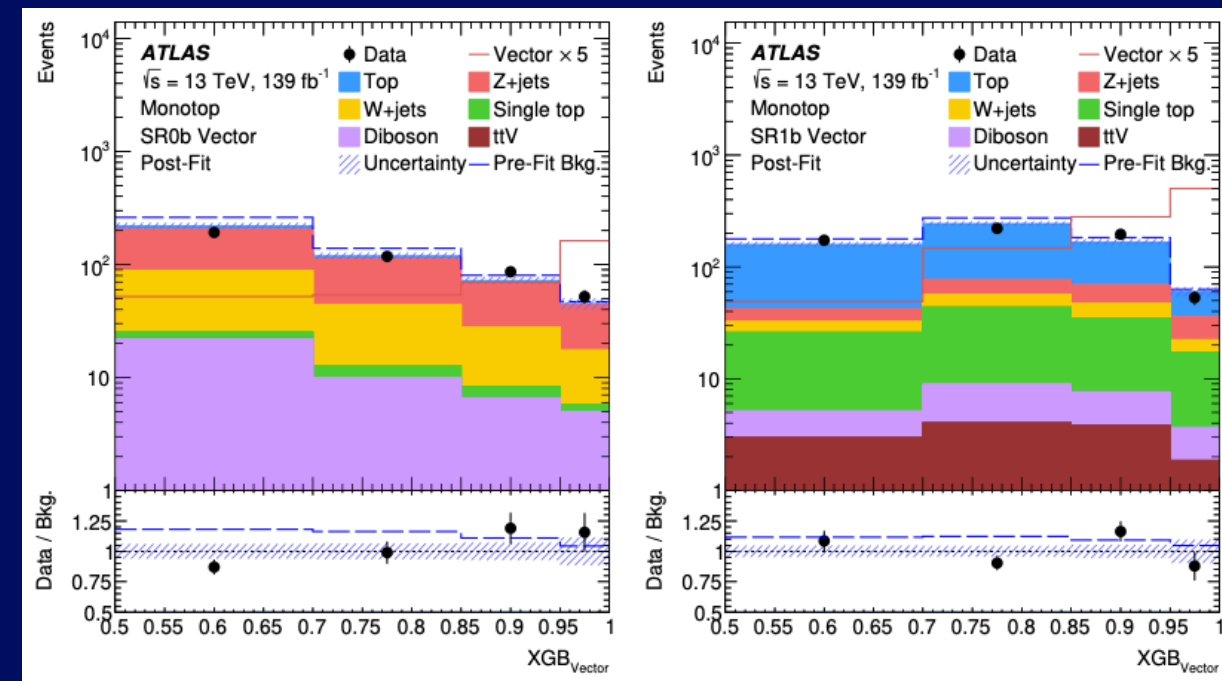
## ❖ Background components and estimation

- $t\bar{t}$  in SR1b and  $V$  + jets in SR0b normalized using dedicated CRs
- Background predictions validated in dedicated VRs

### Scalar mediator SRs



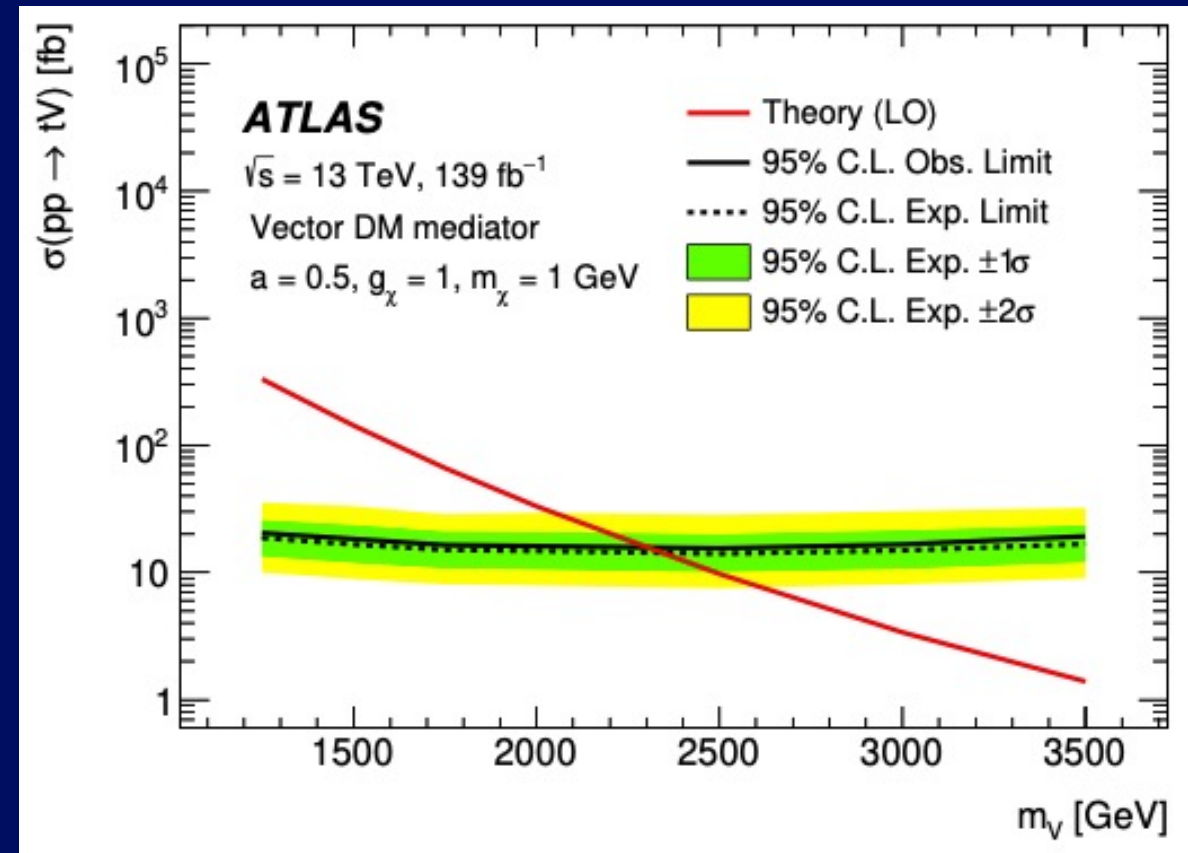
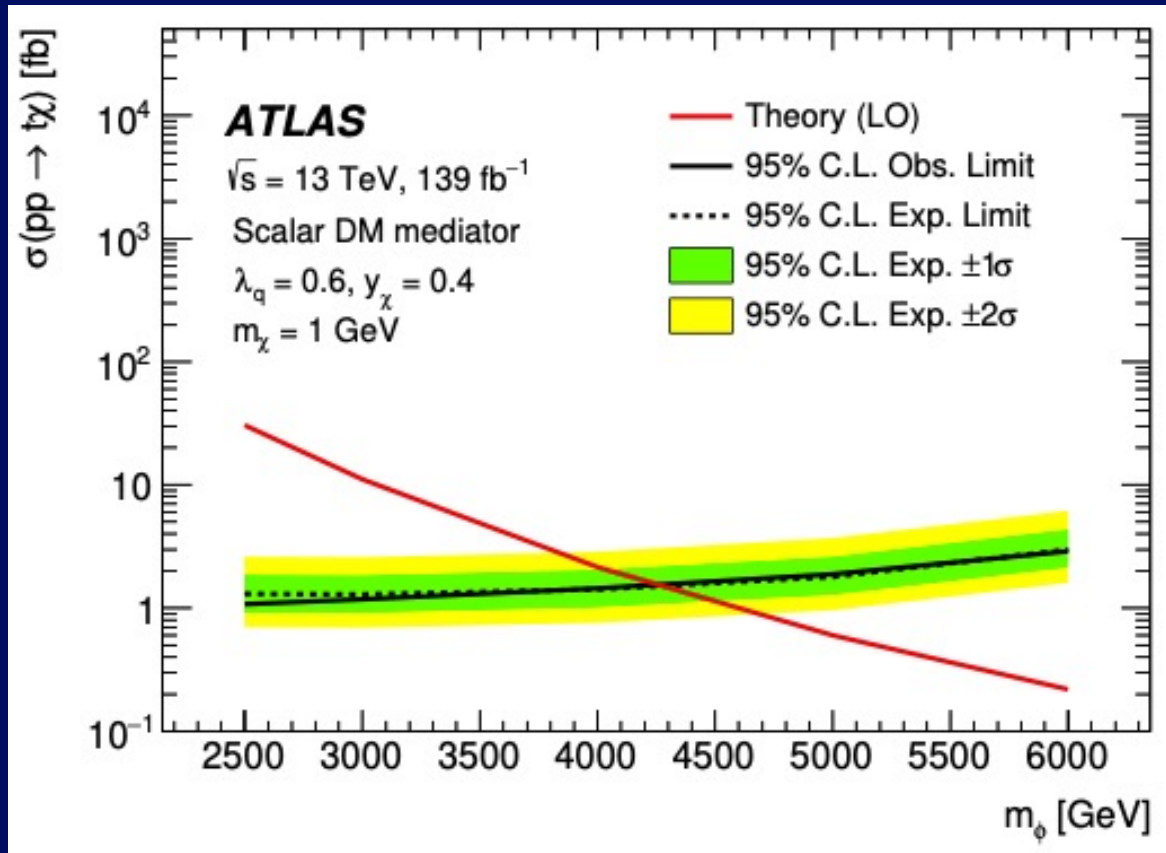
### Vector mediator SRs



# Top associated DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + mono-top

## ❖ Exclusion limits on signal cross sections

- Limits extended with respect to early Run-2 by 800 (300) GeV for considered models of scalar (vector) mediator



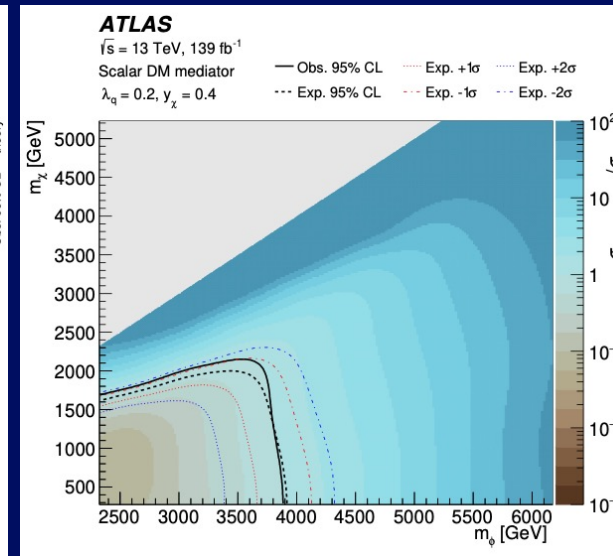
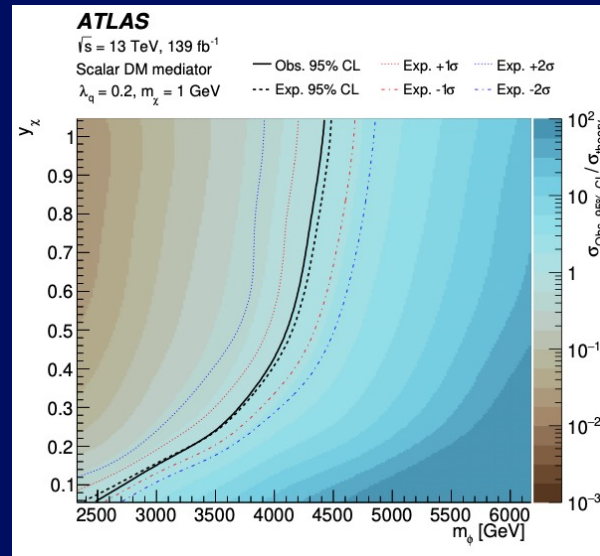
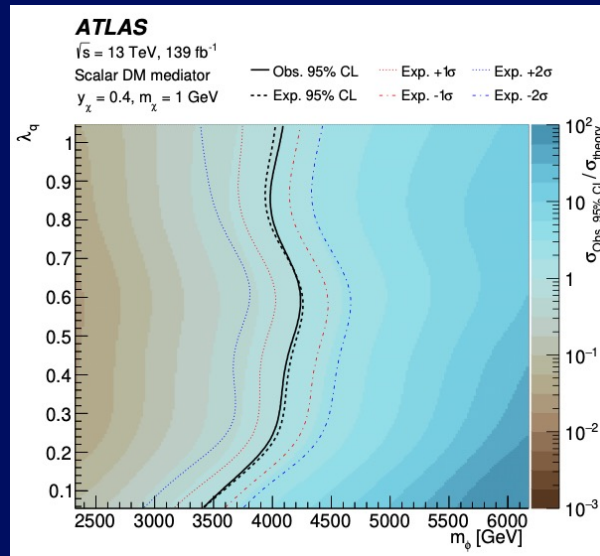
## XGBoost inputs

Variable	Description	Scalar	Vector	VLQ
		DM mediator	DM mediator	
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Missing transverse momentum	✓	✓	✓
$\Omega$	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ and large- $R$ jet $p_T$ balance: $\frac{E_T^{\text{miss}} - p_T(J)}{E_T^{\text{miss}} + p_T(J)}$	✓	✓	✓
$N_{\text{jets}}$	Small- $R$ jet multiplicity	✓	✓	✓
$\Delta R_{\text{max}}$	Maximum $\Delta R$ between two small- $R$ jets	✓	✓	✓
$m_{T,\text{min}}(E_T^{\text{miss}}, b\text{-tagged jet})$	Transverse mass of $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ and the closest $b$ -tagged jet	✓	✓	✓
$m_{\text{top-tagged jet}}$	Mass of the large- $R$ top-tagged jet	✓		✓
$\Delta p_T(J, \text{jets})$	Scalar difference of large- $R$ jet $p_T$ and the sum of $p_T$ of all small- $R$ jets.	✓	✓	
$H_T$	Sum of all small- $R$ jet $p_T$		✓	✓
$H_T/E_T^{\text{miss}}$	Ratio of $H_T$ and $E_T^{\text{miss}}$		✓	✓
$\Delta E(E_T^{\text{miss}}, J)$	Energy difference between $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ and the large- $R$ jet		✓	✓
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, J)$	Angular distance in the transverse plane between $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ and large- $R$ jet		✓	✓
$p_T(J)$	Large- $R$ jet $p_T$			✓
$m_T(E_T^{\text{miss}}, J)$	Transverse mass of the $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ and large- $R$ jet			✓
$\Delta\phi(b\text{-tagged jet}, J)$	Angular distance in the transverse plane between the large- $R$ jet and the leading $b$ -tagged jet			✓

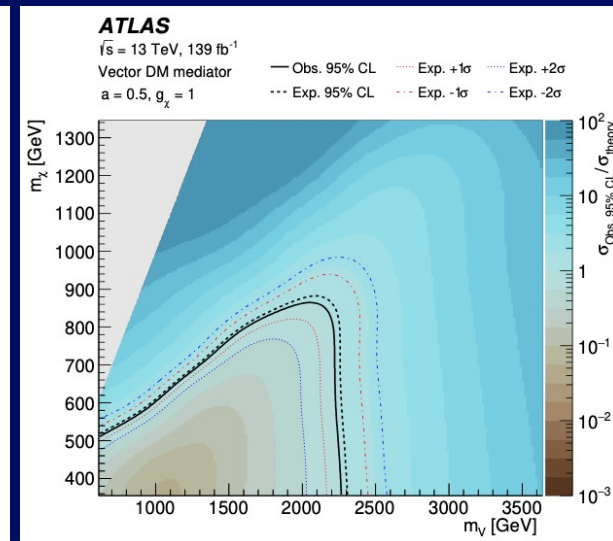
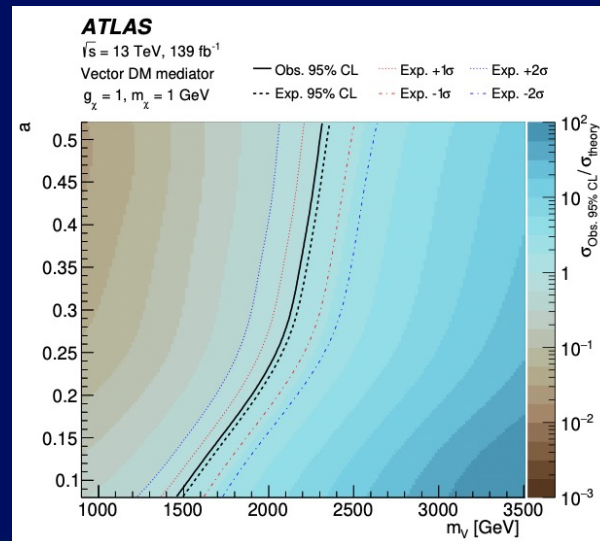
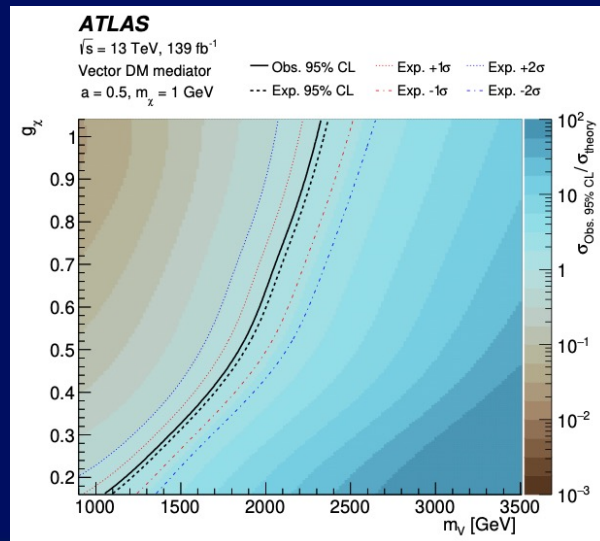
# Top associated DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + mono-top

## ❖ Exclusion limits on various parameters

Scalar med.

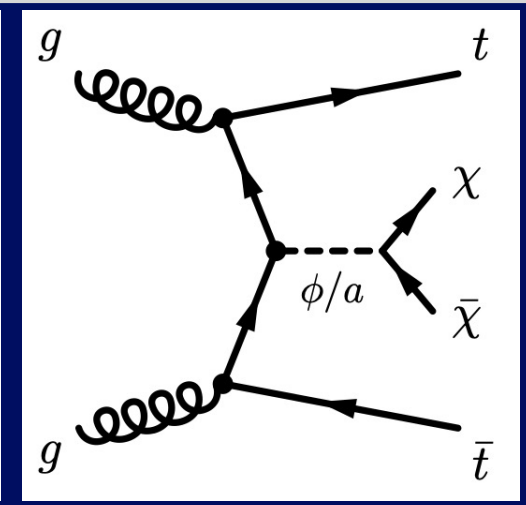
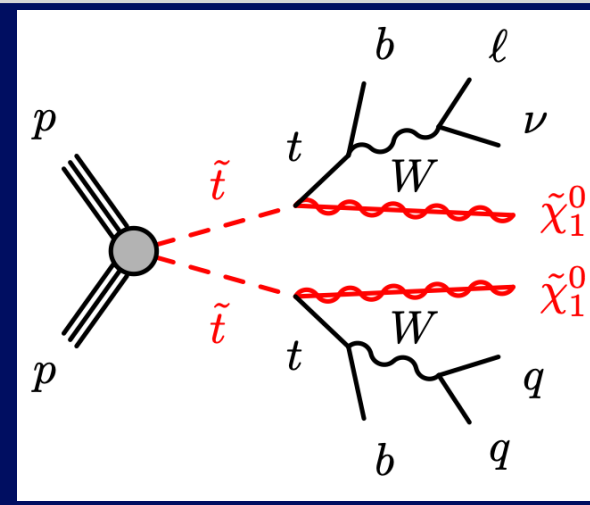


Vector med.



# Stop and DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + top pairs (l+h)

- ❖ Target physics
  - Stop pair production
  - SM-singlet DM + (pseudo) scalar mediator
- ❖ Signature:  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + one leptonic top + one hadronic top
  - Main selections
    - Single lepton and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  triggers
    - Resolved hadronic tops identified with dedicated "top-NN"
    - Event categorization based on large- $R$  jet,  $b$ -jet, and top requirements



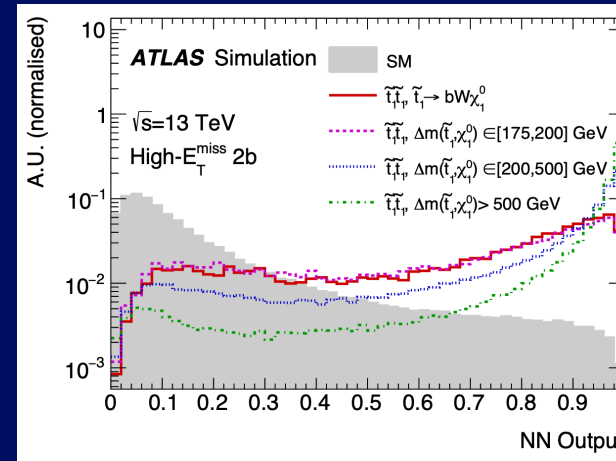
Analysis Category	Stop/DM		Stop only					
	High- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 1b	High- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 2b	1b-lep-0t	1b-had-0t	Boosted		1b-had-1t	2b-1t
					2b-0t	1b-lep-1t		
$N(\text{IR jet}, p_T > 600 \text{ GeV})$	0				$\geq 1$			
$N(\text{top-tagged IR jet})$	-			0			$\geq 1$	
$N_{b\text{-jet}} \text{ with } \Delta R(b, \text{IR jet}) < 1.1$	-		0	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$	0	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$
$N_{b\text{-jet}} \text{ with } \Delta R(b, \text{IR jet}) > 1.1$	-		$\geq 1$	0	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$	0	$\geq 1$
top-NN-tagged multiplet		✓			-			
$N_{b\text{-jet}}$	1	$\geq 2$			-			
$N_{\text{light-jet}}$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 1$			-			
top <sub>had</sub> candidate	top-NN multiplet		IR jet					
top <sub>lep</sub> candidate	$\ell + j$	$\ell + b$	$\ell + b$	$\ell(+j)$	$\ell + b$	$\ell + b$	$\ell(+j)$	$\ell + b$
Event NN selection	See Table 3							

# Stop and DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + top pairs (l+h)

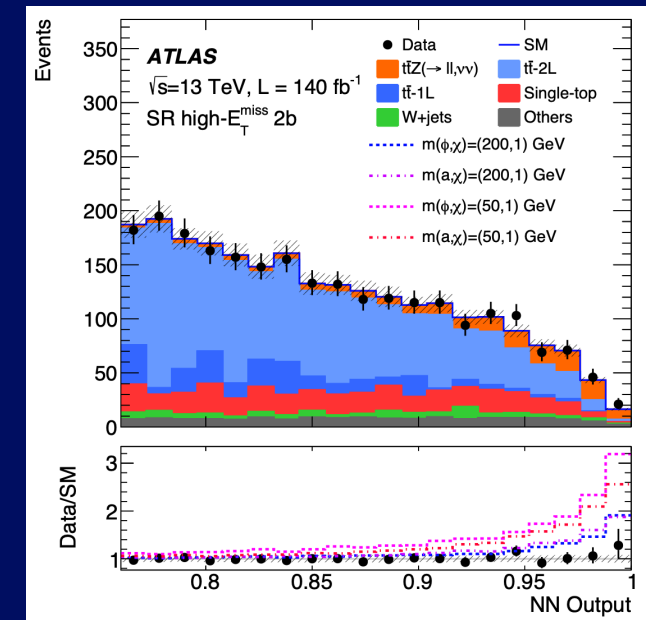
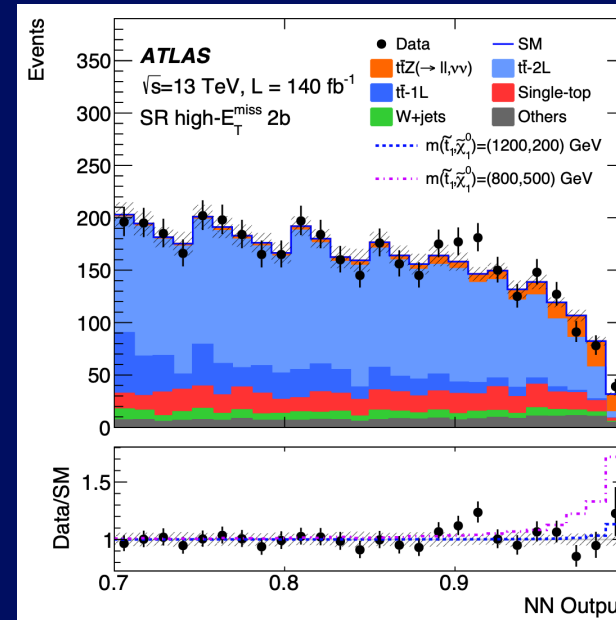
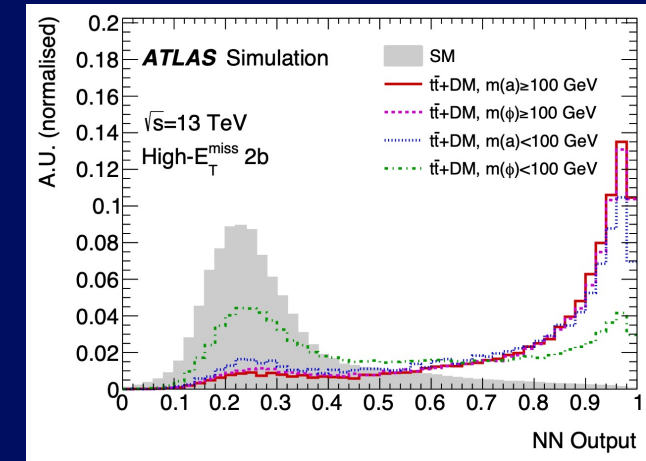
- ❖ Event NN trained in each category
  - "Stop-NN" and "DM-NN" using momentum components of each object

- ❖ Background components and estimation
  - $t\bar{t}$ , single-top,  $W$  + jets, and  $t\bar{t}Z(\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu})$
  - All backgrounds estimated from MC with fits to low-NN-score CRs

## Stop-NN

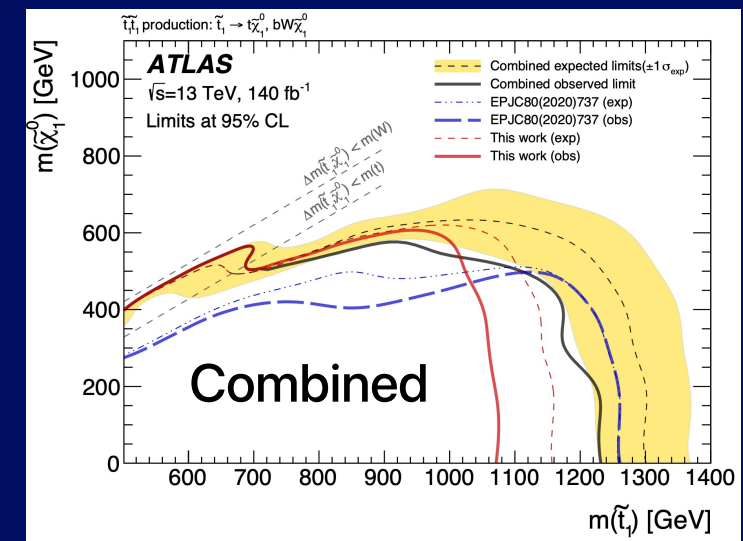
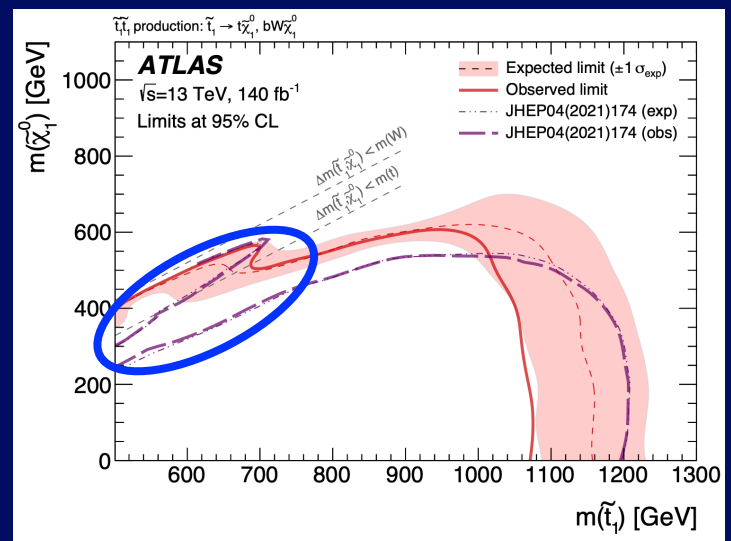


## DM-NN

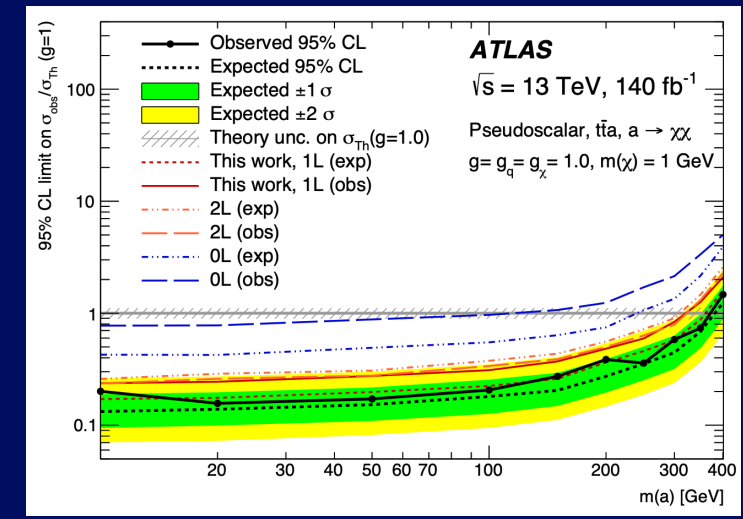
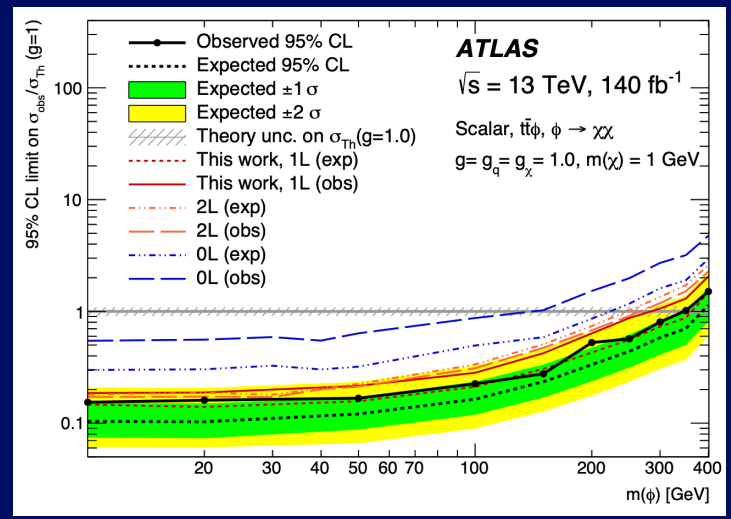


# Stop and DM: $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ + top pairs (l+h)

- ❖ Exclusion on stop pair production
  - Significant improvement in mass regions with  $\Delta m(\tilde{t}_1, \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \sim m(t)$
  - Statistical combination with all-hadronic  $t\bar{t} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$



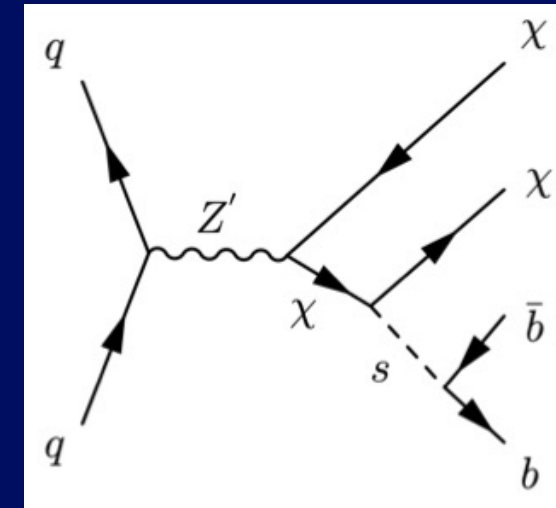
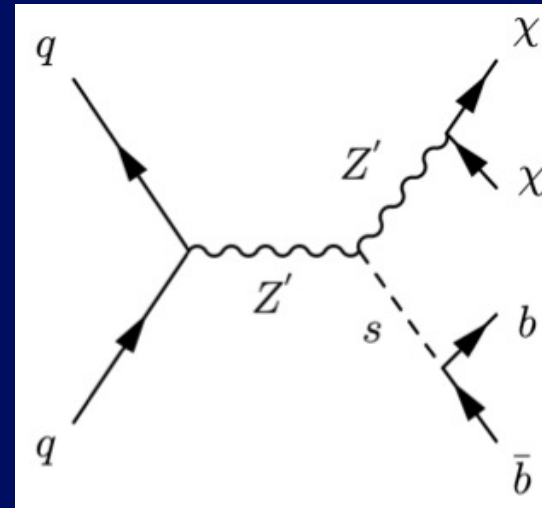
- ❖ Exclusion on  $t\bar{t} + \text{SM-singlet DM}$ 
  - Combined limits with 0L and 2L channels drawn as a function of (pseudo) scalar mediator mass
  - Mediator mass excluded up to 350 GeV for this assumption



# Dark Higgs: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + b\bar{b}$

## ❖ Target physics

- Two-mediator DM model with  $Z'$  and dark Higgs  $s$
- Three interpretation scenarios
  - $m_\chi = 200 \text{ GeV}$
  - $m_\chi = 900 \text{ GeV}$
  - $m_s = 70 \text{ GeV}$



## ❖ Signature: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + b\bar{b}$

### ➤ Main selections

- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150 \text{ GeV}$
- Two  $b$ -tagged small- $R$  jets (resolved) or one large- $R$  jet with two  $b$ -quarks (merged)

### ➤ Leading backgrounds

- $Z(\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) + \text{jets}$  for both topologies
- Resolved:  $t\bar{t}, W(\rightarrow \ell\nu) + \text{jets}$
- Merged: Diboson,  $W(\rightarrow \ell\nu) + \text{jets}$



# Dark Higgs: $E_T^{\text{miss}} + b\bar{b}$

- ❖ Background estimation
  - $Z$  + jets,  $W$  + jets, and  $t\bar{t}$  MC are normalized in dedicated CRs
- ❖ Exclusion limits for three scenarios
  - Scenario 1: up to  $m_{Z'} = 3.4$  TeV excluded for  $m_S = 70$  GeV
  - Scenario 2: up to  $m_{Z'} = 4.1$  TeV excluded for  $m_S = 75$  GeV
  - Scenario 3: up to  $m_{Z'} = 4.8$  TeV excluded for  $m_\chi = 700$  GeV

