Leptons + MET final states in ATLAS

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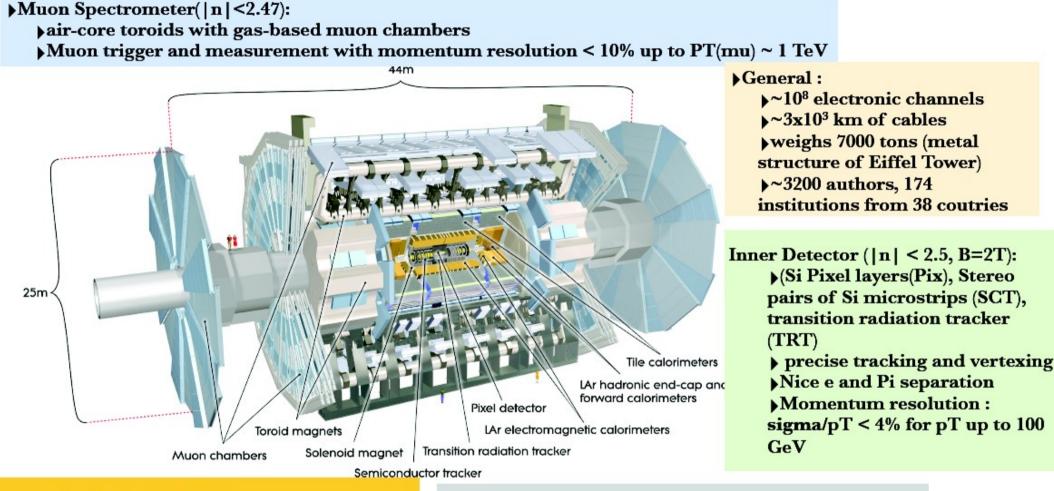
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Outline

- ATLAS detector, datataking
- SUSY, models, signatures, leptons
- Standard Model background
- RPC: 2-lepton searches
 - Opposite-Sign (OS) and Same-Sign (SS) searches
 - OS, flavour-subtraction
 - Exclusion: model-independent, mSUGRA, PhenoGrids
- RPV: OS eµ-resonance (sneutrino)
- Summary

A Toroidal Lhc ApparatuS (ATLAS)



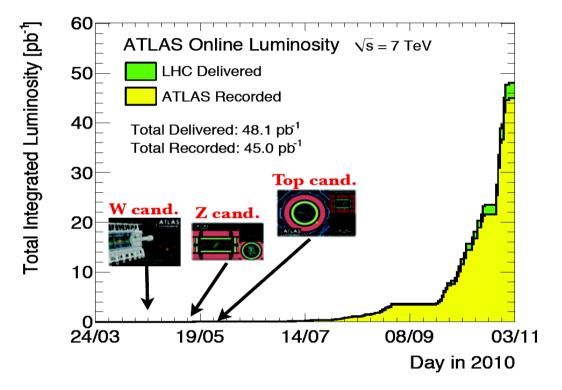
EM calorimeter (|n|<3.2):

 ▶LAr calorimeter with accordion geometry for phi symmetry and faster signal readout
 ▶electron, photon identification and measurement
 ▶energy resolution : sigma/E ~ 10%/sqrt(E)

Hadronic Calorimeter (|n|<5):

- Tile (steel and scintillators) calorimeter (|n|<1.7)
 Cu/LAr sampling calorimeter (1.5<|n|<3.2)
- Forward calorimeter (3.1 < |n| < 5)
- Jets and Missing energy measurement
- >energy resolution : sigma/E ~ 50%/sqrt(E)+0.03

Datataking, integrated luminosity



2010 was a great year

- Calibrating ATLAS
- "Rediscovering" the SM First W, Z, top candidates a small year back
- Lots of data in uncharted territory

Analyses based on 35 pb-1

SUSY models, exp. signatures

SUSY comes in many shapes

mSUGRA

- Nice/concise model, few parameters
- Unification at high values
- RGE running down to EW scale
- Collider signatures
 - _ MET (missing transverse energy)
 - hard jets
 - _ leptons: taus ; e, mu
- 4¹/₂ pars cover lot of pheno-space
- Allows for, well-motivated search strategies
 which can me more or less generic
- Limitations:

- Partially fixed mass structure, e.g. roughly m(gl) : m(N2) : m(N1) = 7 : 2 : 1
- _ Lepton fraction constrained

- Beyond mSUGRA: 24-par MSSM
 - Sparticle masses set at EW scale
 - Allows less model-dependent / more signature-based scan
 - Main signatures remain mostly the same (MET, many jets and maybe leptons)
 - Kinematics (pt) can vary a lot

And some are very different

- R-Parity Violating (RPV) scenarios
 - Lightest Supersymmetri Particle (LSP)
 not stable : no MET signature
 - Sparticles can be singly produced
 - jets?

SUSY lepton sources (RPC)

= electron/muon

PRODUCTION

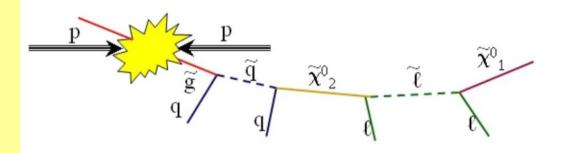
- Strong-force induced dominates if gluino / squark accessible:
 - → pairs of gluinos/squarks produced
 - → cascade decays
- (Otherwise XX and/or di-sleptons)

MAIN SOURCE:

decay of neutralinos&charginos

Depends on:

- gaugino/higgsino composition of neutralinos&charginos
- slepton whereabouts (and type)
- squark whereabouts (and type)



SECONDARY SOURCE:

• W through third-generation squark

Depends on: • stop/sbottom mass / production

Di-lepton combinations (RPC)

 Di-lepton transitions give leptons correlated in flavour and sign:

(A) Opposite-Sign Same-Flavour (OSSF) $e^+e^-, \ \mu^+\mu^-$

• Di-leptons from two single-lepton transitions are uncorrelated in flavour, and often in sign.

(B) OSSF and OSDF (same rate) $e^+e^-, \ \mu^+\mu^-, \ e^\pm\mu^\mp$

(C) SSSF and SSDF (same rate) $e^{\pm}e^{\pm}, \ \mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}, \ e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$

Standard Model background can also be classified in A-C:

- Type A: Z, Drell-Yan
- Type B: Top, (fully/partially) QCD-induced
- Type C: diboson, charge-mismeas., [few]

- (1) Flavour-subtraction OSSF channel
 - uses the identity of OSSF and OSDF from uncorrelated sources to subtract
 - SM background (top)
 - but also SUSY signal (Type B)
 - uses well-identifiable SM Type A bck (Z)

(2) SS channel

• very small SM bck (no type C)

(3) OS channel

- Signal from (A) and (B)
- SM background larger than for SS

SS vs OS

• Simple structure for neutralino/chargino single-lepton transition, e.g.:

SS: $\tilde{u}\tilde{u} \to dd\tilde{\chi}^+\tilde{\chi}^+ \to dd\nu\nu\ell^+\ell^+\tilde{\chi}^0\tilde{\chi}^0$

- SS: $\tilde{d}\tilde{d} \to uu\tilde{\chi}^-\tilde{\chi}^- \to uu\bar{\nu}\bar{\nu}\ell^-\ell^-\tilde{\chi}^0\tilde{\chi}^0$
- OS: $\tilde{u}\tilde{d} \to du\tilde{\chi}^+\tilde{\chi}^- \to du\nu\bar{\nu}\ell^+\ell^-\tilde{\chi}^0\tilde{\chi}^0$

arxiv: 7103.6214

SM bck

SM di-lepton sources:

- $Z/\gamma \rightarrow II$ + jets [partially data-driven estimate]
- ttbar (fully dileptonic) [partially data-driven est.]
- Di-bosons WW, WZ, ZZ [MC only]
- Fakes (one or both leptons not from heavy objects; W, QCD, semi-leptonic ttbar) *[fully data-driven est.]*
- Cosmics [fully data-driven estimate]

Signal region:

- Exactly two leptons of pt > 20 GeV m(II) > 5 GeV
- Considerable MET, above 100/150 GeV
- (No jet requirement)

- Fakes dominate ee and co-dominates eµ, µµ
 - in particular semi-leptonic ttbar where the second lepton comes from a *b*.
- Dibosons
 - WZ/ZZ can produce SS when 1/2 leps are lost
- Charge-flip (of e) mainly in di-leptonic ttbar

OS channel

- ttbar dominates, has real MET
- (Z important in ee)

Flavour-subtracted OSSF channel

- ttbar subtracts to 0 (but large stat uncertainty)
- Z/γ^* , WZ, fakes and ttbar similar size at this lumi

| SAMPLE | GENERATOR | | |
|------------|----------------------|--|--|
| W+jets | Alpgen+Herwig+Jimmy | | |
| Wbb+jets | Alpgen+Herwig+Jimmy | | |
| Z+jets | Alpgen+Herwig+Jimmy | | |
| Drell-Yan | Pythia | | |
| ttbar | McAtNIo+Herwig+Jimmy | | |
| single-top | McAtNIo+Herwig+Jimmy | | |
| QCD | Pythia | | |
| bbbar | Pythia | | |
| Di-bosons | Herwig | | |

BCK estimation: ttbar (OS)

Estimation procedure:

- Define a ttbar-dominated CR region
 - Based on the co-transverse mass tagger
 - 60 GeV < MET < 80 GeV
- Estimate non-top bck in the CR region
- Apply MC to find the ratio of ttbar events in the SR and the CR region
- Get estimated number of ttbar events in SR from simple scaling, e.g.

 $(N_{tt})_{SRee} = \left((N_{data}^{tag})_{CR} - (N_{non-tt,MC}^{tag})_{CR} \right) \frac{(N_{top,MC})_{SRee}}{(N_{top,MC}^{tag})_{CR}}$

Evaluation

- results backed by other "top tagger"
- Contamination of 10-15 % if low-mass SUSY (Reduces discovery significance)
- SR: total uncertainty: 44%

Co-transverse mass tagger

• For two identical decays of heavy particles into two visible particles (or -aggregates), v1 and v2, and invisible particles, as in

 $t\bar{t} \rightarrow (W^+b)(W^-\bar{b}) \rightarrow (\ell^+ \ \nu_\ell \ b) \ (\ell^- \ \bar{\nu}_\ell \ \bar{b})$

the co-transverse mass mCT is defined by $m_{CT}^2(v_1, v_2) = [E_T(v_1) + E_T(v_2)]^2 - [\mathbf{p_T}(v_1) - \mathbf{p_T}(v_2)]^2$ $E_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m^2}$

where v1 can then be a lepton, a jet or a lepton-jet combination, giving three mCT variables (per leg assignment)

- The values are then compared to appropriate distributions and the various leg assignments are rejected or accepted as compatible with dileptonic ttbar
- If at least one leg assignment is ok, the event is toptagged
- (With MET between 60-80 GeV MC dileptonic ttbar has a top-tagging efficiency of 83%)

BCK estimation: Fakes

Matrix method

- Define two lepton definitions/qualities, one "loose", the other "tight".
- Define a "real" region where leptons are expected to be real (from Z, W)
- Define a "fake" region where leptons are expected to be from jets
- Find the probability that a real/fake lepton also passes the tight definition. This gives the real and fake efficiency ("rate"), r and f.
- Then count the number of TT, TL, LT and LL in the Signal Region (SR) of the analysis
- Invert the matrix and get the number of RR, RF, FR and FF events in the SR.

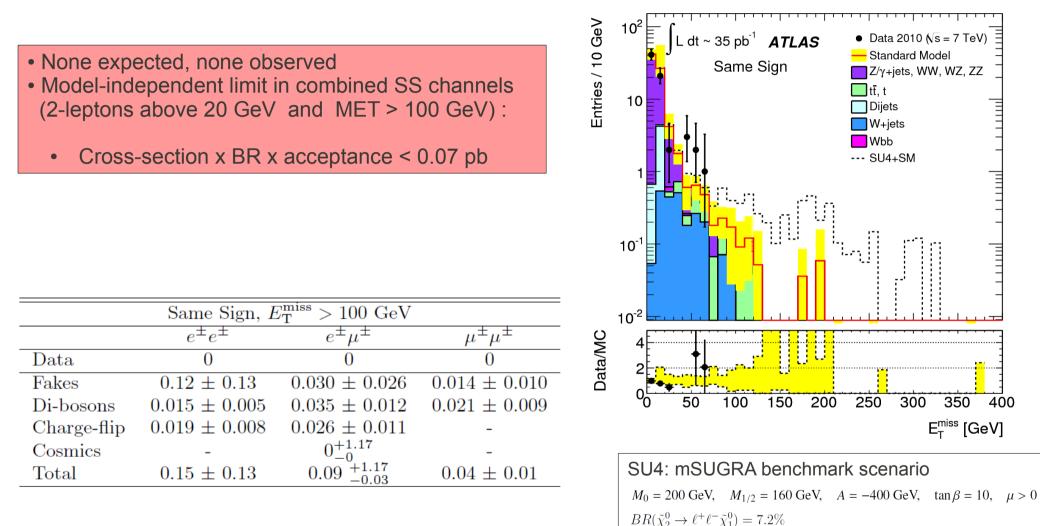
- Estimation done for 6 combinations: (SS, OS) x (ee, μμ, eμ)
- SS: fake contribution dominant. Well described.
- OS: fake contribution less important

| $\left[N_{TT}\right]$ | | [rr | rf | fr | ff | $\left[N_{RR} \right]$ |
|--------------------------|---|------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| N_{TL} | _ | r(1-r) | r(1-f) | f(1-r) | f(1-f) | N_{RF} |
| N_{LT} | _ | (1-r)r | (1-r)f | (1-f)r | (1-f)f | N_{FR} |
| $\lfloor N_{LL} \rfloor$ | | (1-r)(1-r) | (1 - r)(1 - f) | fr $f(1-r)$ $(1-f)r$ $(1-f)(1-r)$ | (1-f)(1-f) | $\left\lfloor N_{FF} \right\rfloor$ |

Limit setting

- If no significant excess of data above bck expectations:
- Use likelihood function to fit event count in SR
 - $L(n|s, b, \theta) = P_S \times C_{\text{syst}}$
 - n: number of observed data events
 - s: new-physics population to be tested
 - b: background
 - θ : systematic uncertainties, treated as nuisance parameters with Gaussian pdf
 - P_S Poisson prob. distr. for the event count in the SR
 - C_{syst} : correlations of systematic errors
- Limits are derived from the profile likelihood ratio
 - $\Lambda(s) = -2(\ln L(n|s, \hat{\hat{b}}, \hat{\hat{\theta}}) \ln L(n|\hat{s}, \hat{b}, \hat{\theta}))$
 - $\hat{s}, \hat{b}, \hat{\theta}$: maximise the likelihood function
 - $\hat{\hat{s}}, \hat{\hat{\theta}}$: maximise the likelihood for a given s
- Exclusion *p*-values are obtained from pseudo-experiments with test statistic $\Lambda(s)$ and one-sided upper limits set.
- Next: from data and SM expectations in the signal regions, 95% confidence limits on cross-section × BR × acceptance are found

SS results



OS results

• Observed 9, estimated 3.7 (+2.2-0.9)

- post-investigations strongly suggest that the high-MET event ($\mu\mu)$ is a cosmic ray

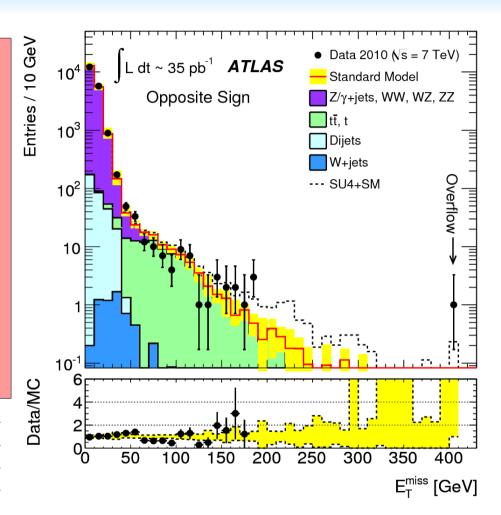
Excess is in eµ and µµ

• The probability for the bck to exceed the number of observed events is 14% and 13% for eµ and µµ

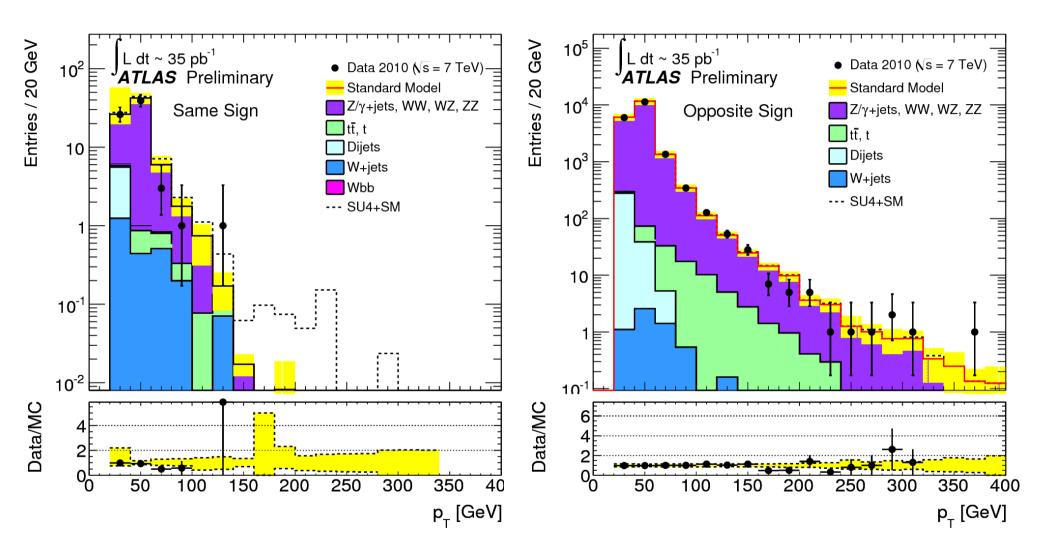
• Limits can still be set on the existence of new physics which produces OS di-leptons (leptons above 20 GeV and MET > 150 GeV) :

- ee: cross-section x BR x acceptance < 0.09 pb
- eµ: cross-section x BR x acceptance < 0.21 pb
- μμ: cross-section x BR x acceptance < 0.22 pb

| (| $\frac{\text{Opposite Sign}}{e^+e^-}$ | $\frac{E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}} > 150 \text{ GeV}}{e^{\pm} \mu^{\mp}}$ | + |
|------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------------------|
| | e^+e^- | e [±] u [∓] | + - |
| | | $e^{-\mu}$ | μ ' μ |
| Data | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| $t\bar{t}$ | $0.62^{+0.31}_{-0.28}$ | $1.24^{+0.62}_{-0.56}$ | $1.00^{+0.50}_{-0.45}$ |
| Z+jets | 0.19 ± 0.15 | 0.08 ± 0.08 | 0.14 ± 0.17 |
| Fakes | -0.02 ± 0.02 | -0.05 ± 0.04 | - |
| Single top | 0.03 ± 0.05 | 0.06 ± 0.08 | 0.10 ± 0.07 |
| Di-bosons | 0.09 ± 0.03 | 0.06 ± 0.03 | 0.15 ± 0.03 |
| Cosmics | - | -0.2 ± 1.18 | -0.43 ± 1.27 |
| Total | $0.92^{+0.42}_{-0.40}$ | $1.43^{+1.45}_{-0.59}$ | $1.39^{+1.41}_{-0.53}$ |



Pt of leading lepton, SS and OS



Flavour-subtracted OSSF analysis

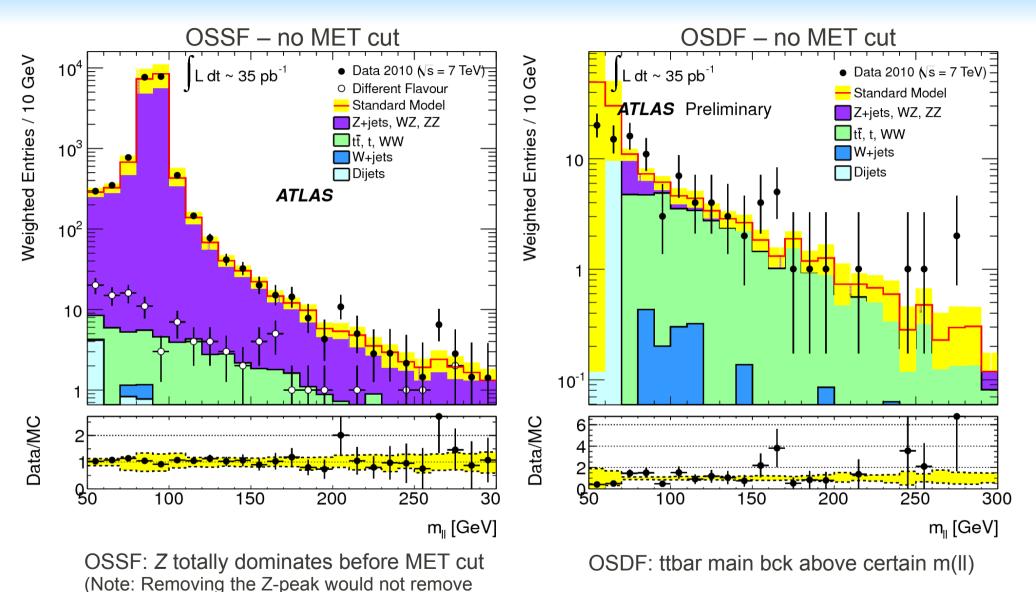
- Uses the observation that some of the most SM dilepton mechanisms, in particular ttbar, give uncorrelated (OS) di-leptons, AND that the combinations come in equal rates, SF = DF.
- This gives opportunity to subtract one with the other.
- Useful if a signal is expected in SF

Unfortunately, experiments break flavour. Corrections are needed to get the subtraction right:

$$S = \frac{N(e^{\pm}e^{\mp})}{\beta(1 - (1 - \tau_e)^2)} - \frac{N(e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp})}{1 - (1 - \tau_e)(1 - \tau_{\mu})} + \frac{\beta N(\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\mp})}{(1 - (1 - \tau_{\mu})^2)}$$

β: ratio of electron to muon efficiency times acceptance $\tau_e(\tau_\mu)$: plateau electron (muon) trigger efficiency β = 0.69(±0.3), $\tau_e = 98.5(±1.1)\%$, $\tau_\mu = 83.7(±1.9)\%$

Flavour-subtracted OSSF analysis



Note the approximate equality between OSSF and OSDF ttbar

the OSSF excess)

Events are appropriately weighted with β , τ_e and τ_{μ}

Flavour-subtracted OSSF results

MET > 100 GeV:

- ttbar: still some, but subracts to zero
- Diboson: significant in all channels, also after flavour subtraction
- Others (including Z): nearly consistent with zero

- Some excess in data relative to SM estimation, eµ and μµ
- Not present after flavour-subtraction

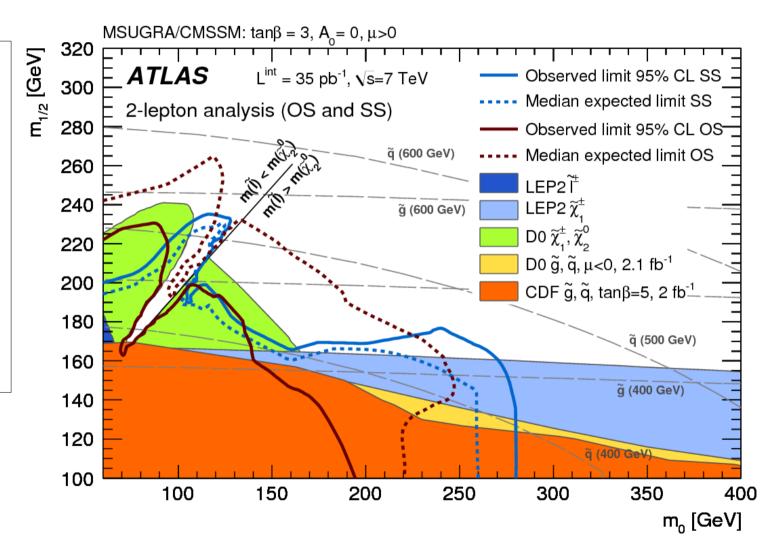
| | $e^{\pm}e^{\mp}$ | $e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$ | $\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$ | Flavour-subtracted | |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|
| Data | 4 | 13 | 13 | Process | \mathcal{S}_b |
| Z/γ^* +jets | $0.40{\pm}0.46$ | $0.36 {\pm} 0.20$ | 0.91 ± 0.67 | Z/γ^* +jets | $0.86 \pm 0.33 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.74 \text{ (sys.)}$ |
| Dibosons | $0.30 {\pm} 0.11$ | $0.36{\pm}0.10$ | $0.61 {\pm} 0.10$ | Dibosons | $0.51 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.12 \text{ (sys.)}$ |
| $tar{t}$ | $2.50{\pm}1.02$ | $6.61 {\pm} 2.68$ | $4.71 {\pm} 1.91$ | $tar{t}$ | $0.34 \pm 0.61 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.13 \text{ (sys.)}$ |
| Single top | $0.13 {\pm} 0.09$ | $0.76 {\pm} 0.25$ | $0.67 {\pm} 0.33$ | Single top | $-0.10 \pm 0.23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.08 \text{ (sys.)}$ |
| Fakes | $0.31 {\pm} 0.21$ | -0.15 ± 0.08 | $0.01 {\pm} 0.01$ | Fakes | $0.46 \pm 0.31 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (sys.)}$ |
| Total SM | $3.64{\pm}1.24$ | $8.08 {\pm} 2.78$ | 6.91 ± 2.20 | SM total | $2.06 \pm 0.79 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.78 \text{ (sys.)}$ |

 $\mathcal{S}_{obs} = 1.98 \pm 0.15(\beta) \pm 0.02(\tau_e) \pm 0.06(\tau_\mu)$

mSUGRA interpretation - OS, SS

• OS seen to have more potentiality ("expected") in mSUGRA plane than SS, though some complementarity

- SS better than expected
- OS worse than expected
- Limits partly extend previous
 2L limits in mSUGRA
- (0 and 1-lepton searches exclude much larger parts of the mSUGRA plane)



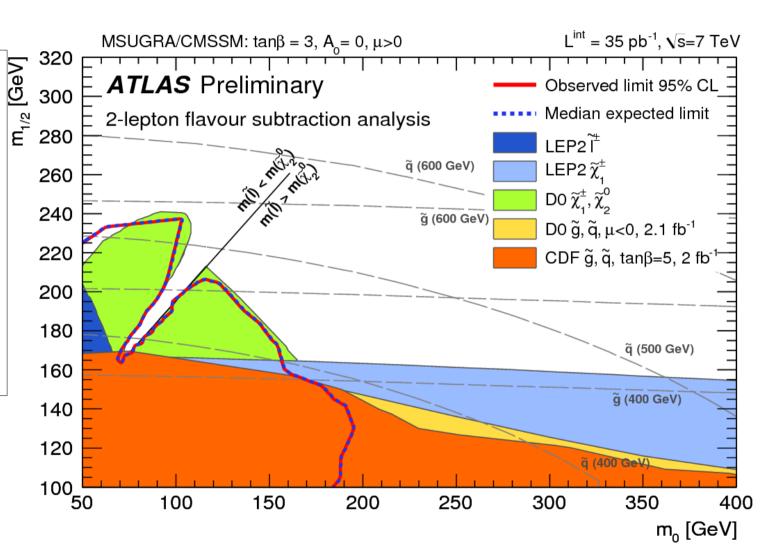
mSUGRA interpretation - OSSF

• OSSF observed and expected limit are identical

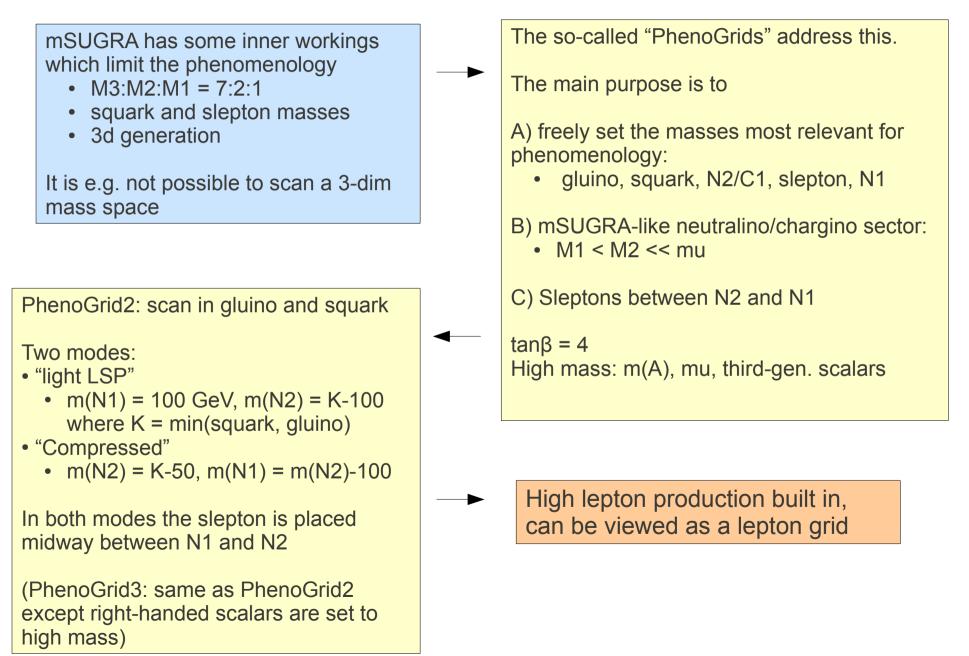
• OSSF expected is less powerful than OS throughout the mSUGRA plane (for the given setup and lumi)

• Observed limit is better than SS and OS in part of the plane

• Follows very closely the D0 direct gaugino trilepton results



PhenoGrids



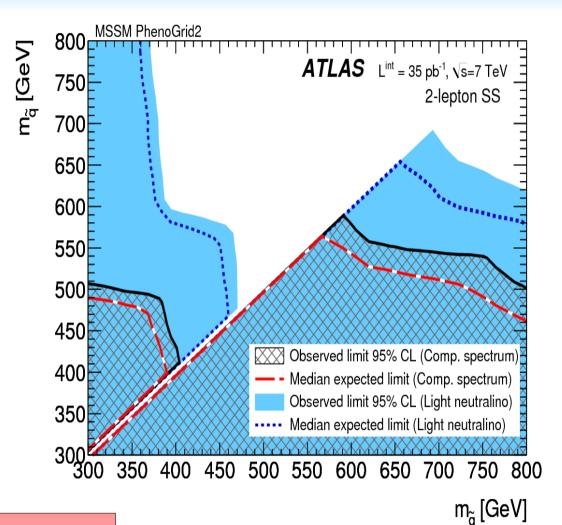
PhenoGrid2 - SS

Plot shows exclusion limits for SS in the two modes, light neutralino and compressed

The reach is highest in the lightneutralino mode

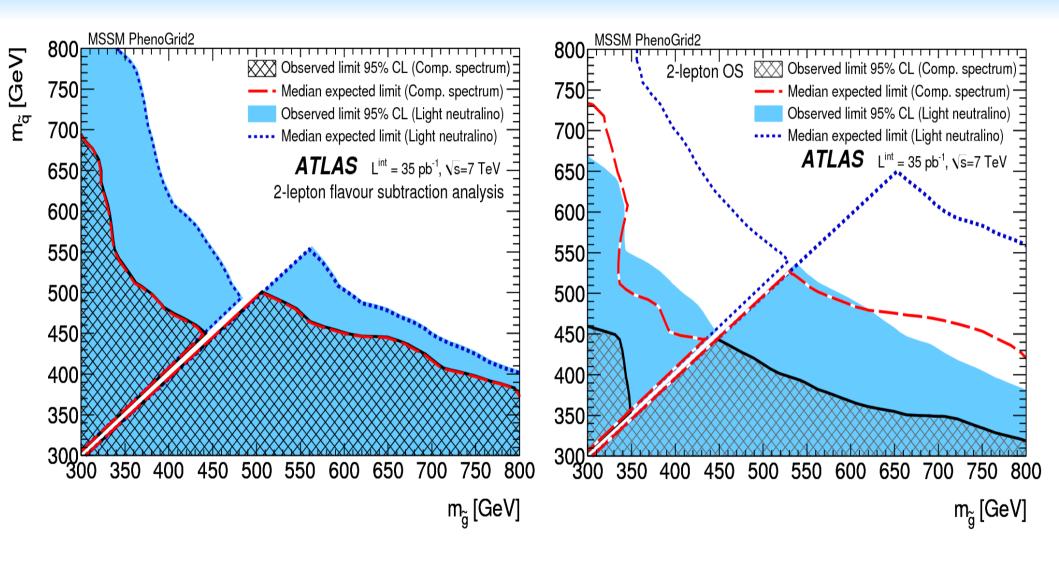
Discontinuity at gluino=squark

For squark > gluino the lepton fraction is lower. The gluino has a strong preference for direct decay into the LSP.



At the diagonal m(gl) = m(sq) + 10 GeV • m(gl) < 690 GeV excluded for light-neutralino mode • m(gl) < 550 GeV excluded for compressed mode

PhenoGrid2 – OS, OSSF flav.subtr.



R-parity violation: eµ resonance

eµ resonance

If R-parity conservation is mere fiction...

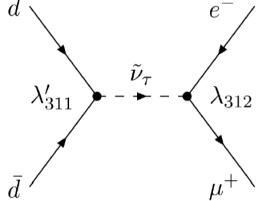
 $R = (-1)^{3B+L+2S}$

then additional terms will be allowed in the superpotential,

We might be producing single sneutrinos, which decay into an electron and a muon.

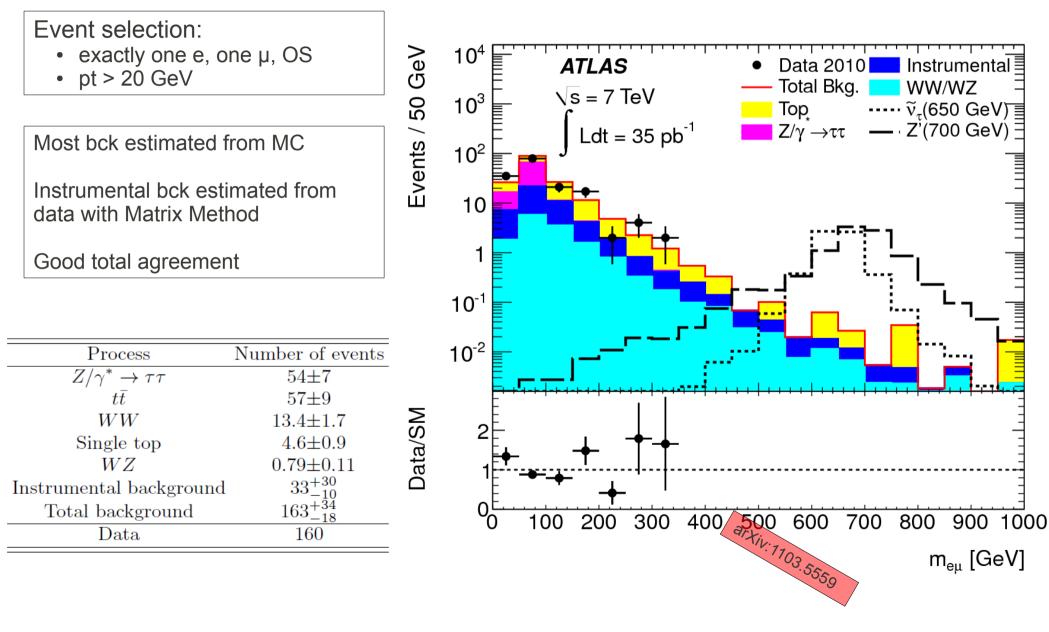
The would be visible as a resonance in $e\mu$.

No MET, no jet.

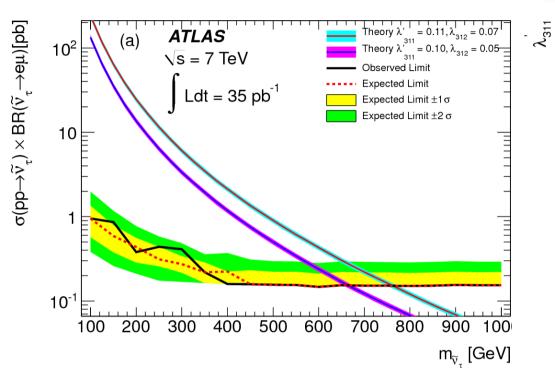


For *e* and μ sneutrino, strong limits exist. Look for tau sneutrino. Benchmark point $\lambda'_{311} = 0.10$ and $\lambda_{312} = 0.05$ Sneutrino mass varied between 0.1-1 TeV

eµ resonance



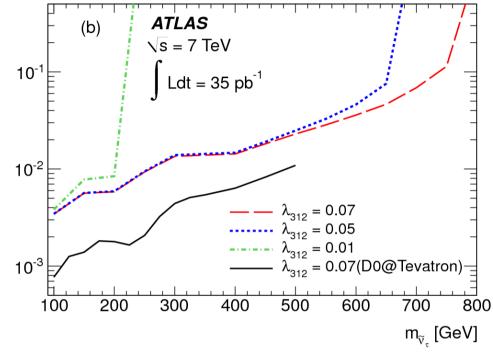
eµ resonance



Scan in m(eµ). Look for excess in window (m(v_T)-3 σ , m(v_T)+3 σ), where σ is the expected resolution

Benchmark $\lambda'_{311} = 0.10$ and $\lambda_{312} = 0.05$:

- CDF: m(vт) > 0.56 TeV
- ATLAS: m(vt) > 0.65 TeV



95% C.L. upper limit on λ'_{311} as a function of m(v_T) for three different λ_{312} values

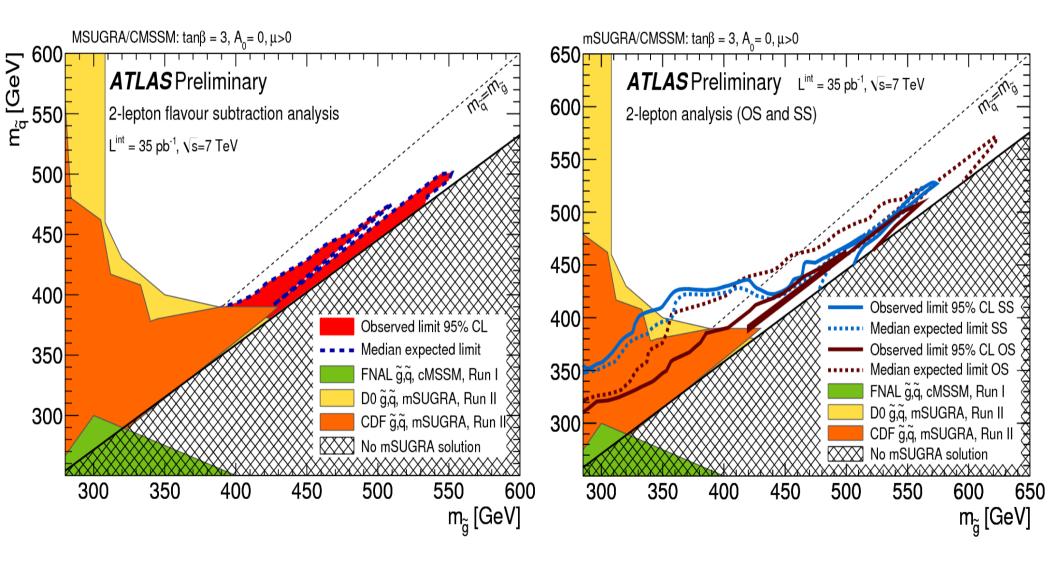
The region above the curve is excluded

Summary, next

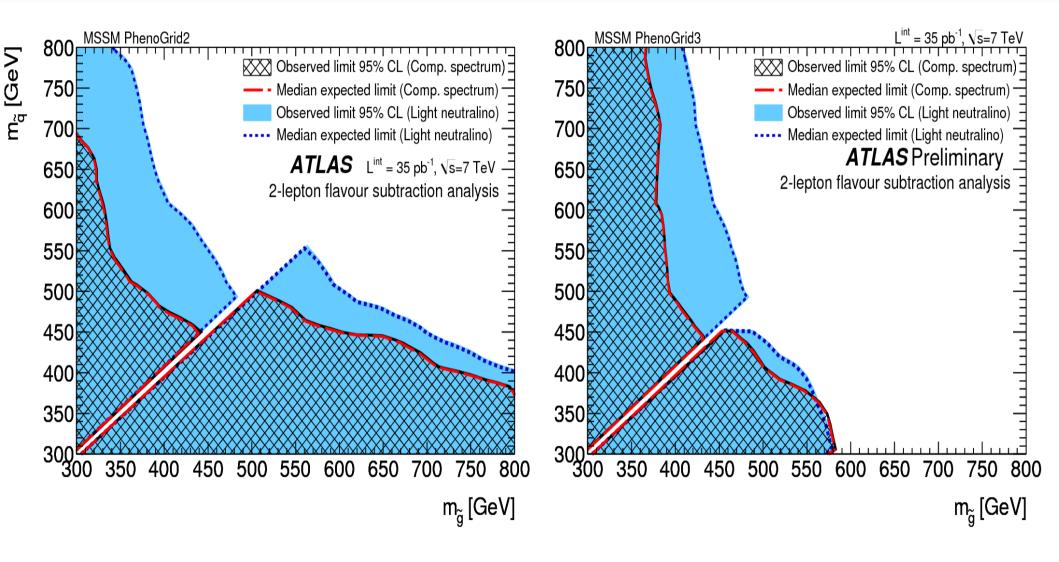
- 2010 was a great year for ATLAS; getting to know the detector; lots of good data
- ATLAS performed three SUSY searches in di-lepton channels with 2010 data
 - OS/SS + MET (arXiv: 1103.6214)
 - OSSF + MET (arXiv: 1103.6208)
 - eµ-resonance search (arXiv: 1103.5559)
- No sign of SUSY yet
- Have started to extend the Tevatron limits
- 2011 data is over us
- The Grid is already running hot with reconstructing data and simulating MC of SM and lots of different signal hypotheses
- Can hope for integrated luminosity in fb-1
- We hope for more

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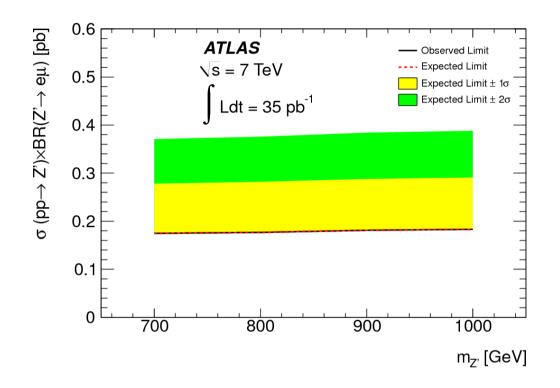
mSUGRA: m(gl) vs m(sq)



PhenoGrid2 and 3, OSSF subtr.



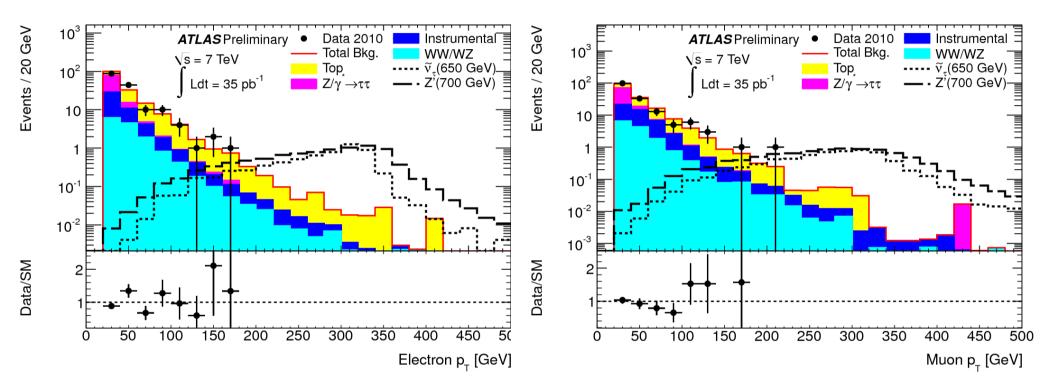
eµ resonance: Z' interpretation



An eµ resonance can also come from a lepton-flavour violating (LFV) decay of an extra gauge boson Z'.

Limits on cross-section x BR can be set as a function of mass extending the Tevatron limits.

eµ-resonance: lepton pt



BCK estimation: Z (OS)

Estimation procedure

- Define a CR by MET < 20 GeV, 81 < m(*II*) < 101
- The SR is the usual, MET > 100 (150) GeV
- From MC find $\beta = \frac{N_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{MC,SR}}}{N_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{MC,CR}}}$
- Then find the number of Z/γ^* events in the CR $N_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{data,CR}} = \left(N^{\text{data}} - N_W^{\text{MC}} - N_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{MC}} - N_{\text{QCD}}^{\text{est}}\right)^{\text{CR}}$

(the non Z/γ^* -contribution in CR is negligible)

- Finally extrapolate this number to the SR $N_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{est,SR}} = \beta \cdot N_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{data,CR}}$
 - For *eµ* MC only since no events in CR

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BCK estimation: Charge-flip (SS)

Charge-flip relevant for SS channel:

- When an electron, typically in di-leptonic ttbar:
 - emits a hard photon
 - and the hard photon undergoes conversion
 - and the electron with sign opposite to the original electron gets the largest energy share ("trident events")

 $e_{\text{hard}}^{\mp} \rightarrow \gamma_{\text{hard}} e_{\text{soft}}^{\mp} \rightarrow e_{\text{soft}}^{\mp} e_{\text{soft}}^{\mp} e_{\text{hard}}^{\pm}$

• Then the reconstructed charge could easily be the "wrong" one and we have an SS event

Method:

- Obtain charge-flip probability in η from largestatistics Zee MC sample
- Apply probability on ttbar MC in SR

Results:

• Non-negligible for ee and more so for eµ

BCK estimation: Cosmics

• Cosmic muons enter the analysis in:

- eµ, if a cosmic muons is incident with a collision event
- µ+µ- if both incoming and outgoing is reconstructed within the same event

Estimation method:

- Use the transverse impact parameter in an additional "quality" cut to select cosmic muons; "cosmic-loose" and "cosmic-tight"
- obtain cosmic and collider efficiencies for "cosmic-loose" to also be "cosmic-tight" from calo-stream and MC
- Matrix method then applied to estimate cosmic contribution in SR

Results:

Consistent with zero, but considerable
 uncertainty