

Soft Single Lepton SUSY Search using α_T at CMS

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Introduction

- ❖ **Supersymmetry Searches at LHC**
- ❖ α_T variable
- ❖ **Hadronic channel results**
- ❖ **Soft Single Lepton Strategy**
 - Low p_T Leptons (10 – 25 GeV)
 - Use Hadronic Search plus Lepton
- ❖ **Background Estimation Method**
 - HT control regions
- ❖ **Future Plans with 2011 Data**





Supersymmetry Searches

Supersymmetry models predict the existence of a heavy, stable final state super-partner which will not interact with the detector

❖ SUSY production mechanisms at the LHC

$$pp \rightarrow \tilde{q}_R \tilde{q}_L \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} q \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \\ q \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} qq \bar{q}' \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{ (all - hadronic)} \\ q \ell^\pm \tilde{\nu}_\ell \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \text{ (1 - lepton mode)} \end{array} \right\} \end{array} \right\}$$

Typical Experimental signature:

- *Large missing transverse energy plus final state objects*

Searches are inclusive - remain model independent

- allows sensitivity to New Physics (SUSY or not SUSY)

Use benchmark points in popular models to assess sensitivity and set limits (notably CMSSM)





QCD Control variable – α_T

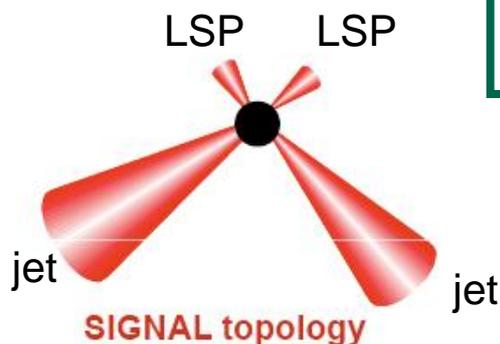
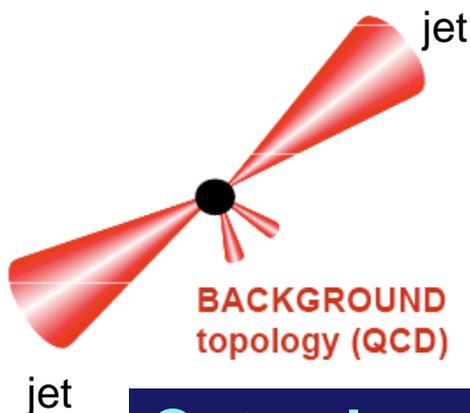
Dominant background from QCD - must be controlled.

Search variable α_T originally proposed for di-jets (hep-ph 0806/1049)

Extend the α_T variable for a N-Jet QCD system:

- Construct 2 Pseudo-jets to resemble QCD di-jet system
- Pseudo-jets balance in HT

$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{2} \frac{H_T - \Delta H_T}{M_T} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{H_T - \Delta H_T}{\sqrt{H_T^2 - MH_T^2}}$$



$$H_T = \sum_{jets} E_T \quad \cancel{H}_T = \left| \sum_{jets} \vec{P}_T \right|$$

Cut value - $\alpha_T > 0.55$ selects events with real missing energy.

(EWK, TOP, SUSY)



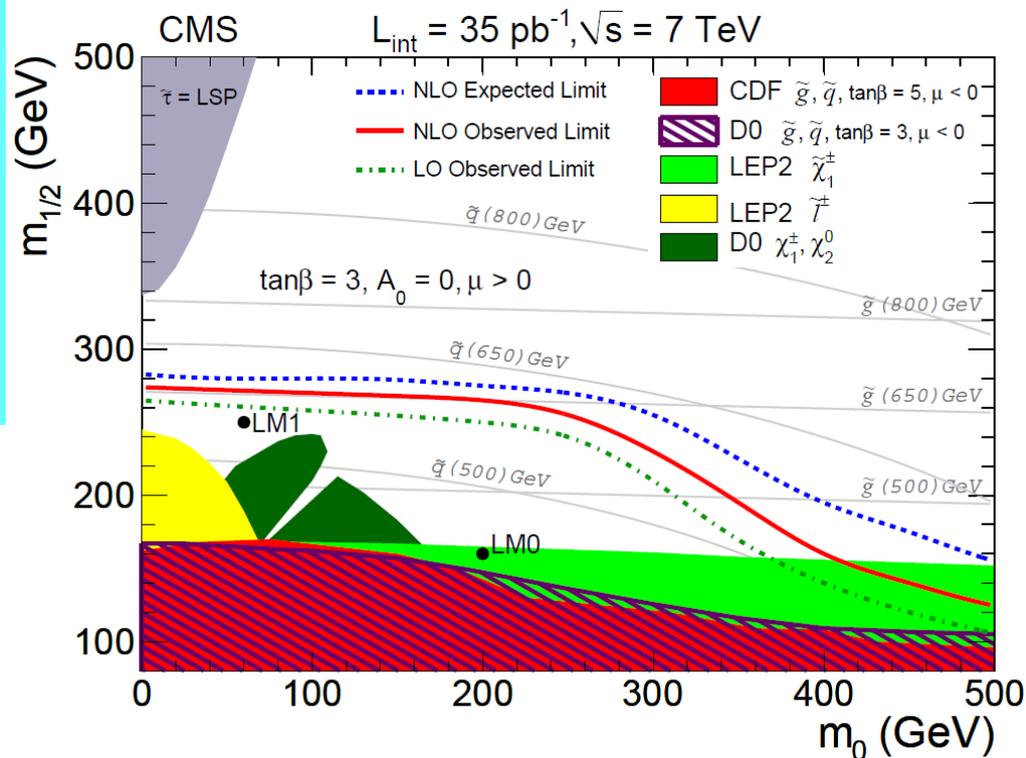


Hadronic α_T Search

❖ Hadronic α_T analysis published : Physics Letters B 698 (2011)

(arXiv:1101.1628v1)

- HT Trigger (100/120/140/150 HT)
- At least 2 jets ($p_T > 50$, $|\eta| < 2.4$)
- Veto leptons ($p_T > 10$ GeV), photons ($p_T > 25$ GeV)
- HT > 350 GeV , $\alpha_T > 0.55$
- Dead ECAL $dR > 0.3$ && MHT/MET < 1.25

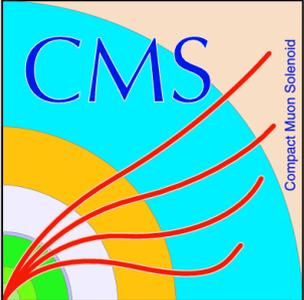


Limits set in CMSSM m_0 - $m_{1/2}$ plane

Upper limit on Signal of 13.4

(very little dependence on $\tan\beta$)

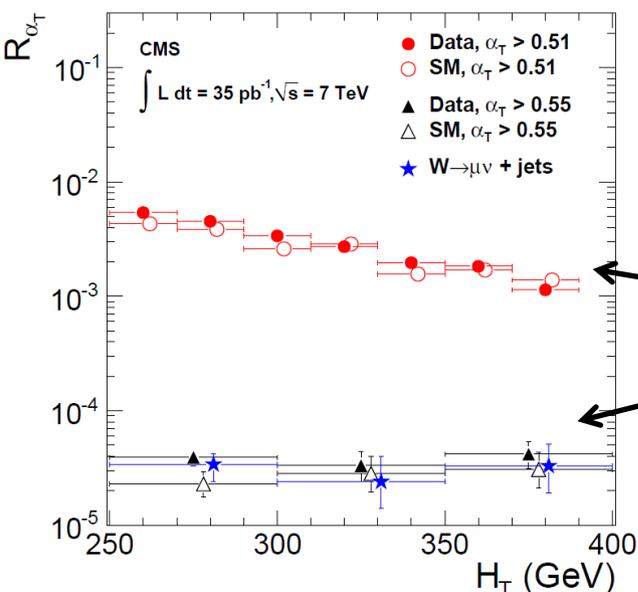
Significant extension to excluded region over previous experiments!



Combined Background Estimation Hadronic Channel

Use lower HT regions to predict total background in signal regions

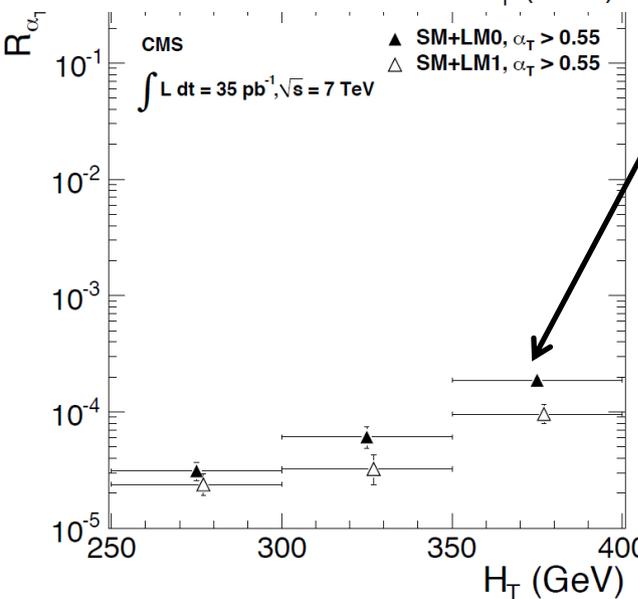
- ❖ Scale jet p_T thresholds in HT regions
- ❖ Define R_{α_T} as the ratio of events pass/fail α_T



$R_{\alpha_T(0.51)}$ expected to fall with increasing HT (QCD)

BUT $R_{\alpha_T(0.55)}$ expected to be flat (EWK, Top)

(rises with increasing HT in presence of SUSY)



○ Fit in Control Region to obtain $R_{\alpha_T(0.55)}$ control

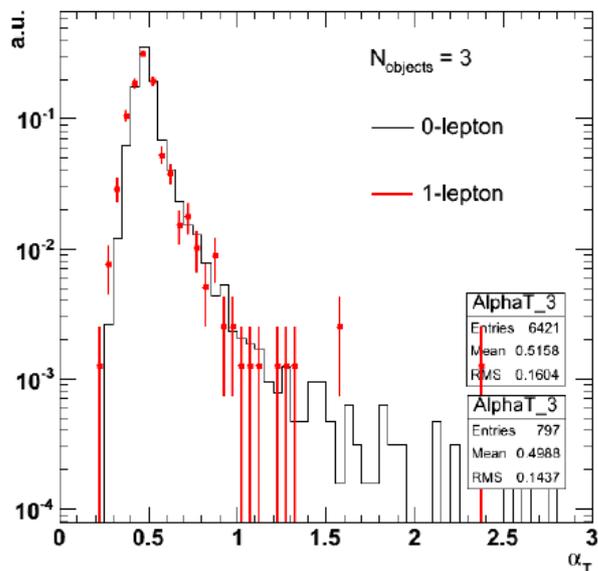
$$Expected\ Events(aT > 0.55) = \frac{N_{Control}(aT > 0.55)}{N_{Control}(aT < 0.55)} * N_{Sig}(aT < 0.55)$$

Predicts $9.4^{+4.8}_{-4.0}$ (stat.) ± 1.0 (syst.) background events for 35pb^{-1} 2010 7TeV Data. There were 13 data events.



Adding a Soft Lepton

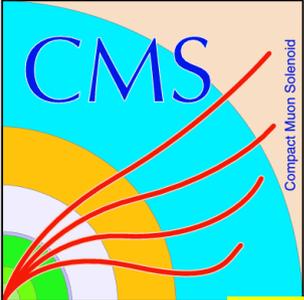
- ❖ **Requiring 1 lepton provides a cleaner signature;**
 - ❖ QCD background is significantly suppressed
 - ❖ EWK backgrounds dominate
 - ❖ **BUT: SUSY leptons appear at the end of long decay chains**
 - ❖ Mass differences between SUSY particles can be small
 - ❖ SUSY lepton p_T can be significantly lower than in EWK/tt decays
 - ❖ Use exclusive low- p_T lepton selection -> EWK depleted search
- SO QCD Dominant – as in hadronic – motivates using α_T approach**



Replace N-Jet system with 1-lepton + (N-1)Jet system

**1-lepton & N-Jet = 2 kinematically similar
to 0-lepton in N-Jet = 3**

**Use leptonic versions of kinematic quantities
-(HT, α_T , etc) where lepton included as a jet.**



Event Selection

Selection is taken from Hadronic search with the reversal of the lepton veto.

- ❖ Trigger - Lowest unprescaled of HT_100/120/140/150U#
- ❖ Jet $p_T > 50$ GeV , $|\eta| < 3.0$, Loose Jet ID
- ❖ First Jet $|\eta| < 2.4$
- ❖ 1 isolated lepton $10 < p_T < 25$ GeV
- ❖ Veto on photons $p_T > 25$ GeV
- ❖ HT > 350 GeV
- ❖ Dead ECAL dR > 0.3
- ❖ MHT/MET < 1.25
- ❖ $\alpha_T > 0.55$

Added single soft lepton requirement.

Use standard lepton ID variables
- from CMS Vector Boson Task Force.



Background Estimation Muon Channel – MC at 300pb⁻¹

Cutflow produced at 300pb⁻¹ for MC Samples (samples shown in backup)
- Possible signal yield for 4 possible LM benchmark points also shown

Cuts	QCD Multijet	W + jets	Z + jets	tt + jets	All SM	LM0	LM1	LM01	LMTau
HT > 250	1067.5	555.1	43.8	317.2	1983.6	173.1	38.4	258.9	239.1
HT > 350	241.8	161.0	12.6	123.6	539.1	128.8	34.2	171.6	164.6
$\alpha_T > 0.55$	0	5.62	0	5.49	11.11	19.58	11.22	34.3	30.9

NB: 300pb⁻¹ is a conservative estimate of data available for summer conferences

Benchmark Points exist to evaluate performance

- CMS LM0-9 ‘Low Mass’ points close to exclusion levels

Created 2 points with a low- p_T lepton spectrum (valid MSSM):

- ‘**LM01**’ (uses LM1 gaugino sector and LM0 ~q/~g mass spectrum)
- ‘**LMTau**’ (enhances production of stau)

Leptonic α_T analysis is **designed** and thus **favoured** to perform optimally in such scenarios.



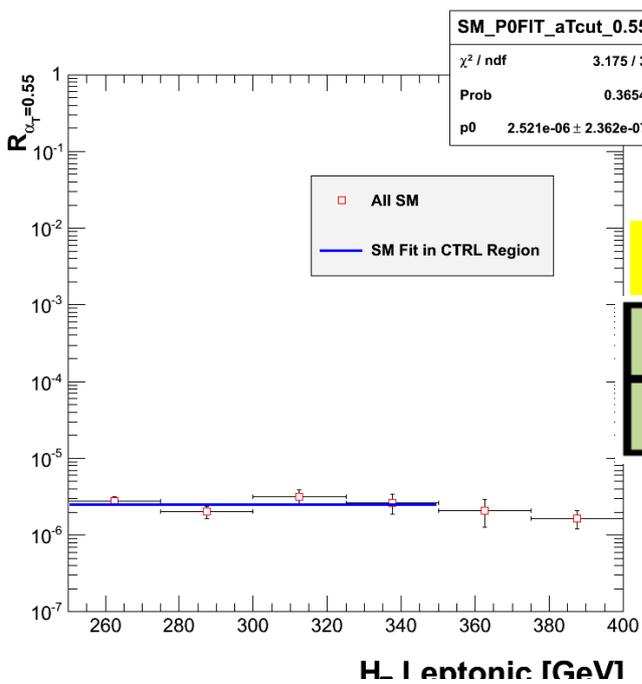


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Monte Carlo 300 pb⁻¹

Predicted RAT	Actual N (aT < 0.55)	Predicted N (aT > 0.55)	Actual N (aT > 0.55)
2.52E-06	6.10E+06	15.73 +/- 1.47	11.11 +/- 2.34

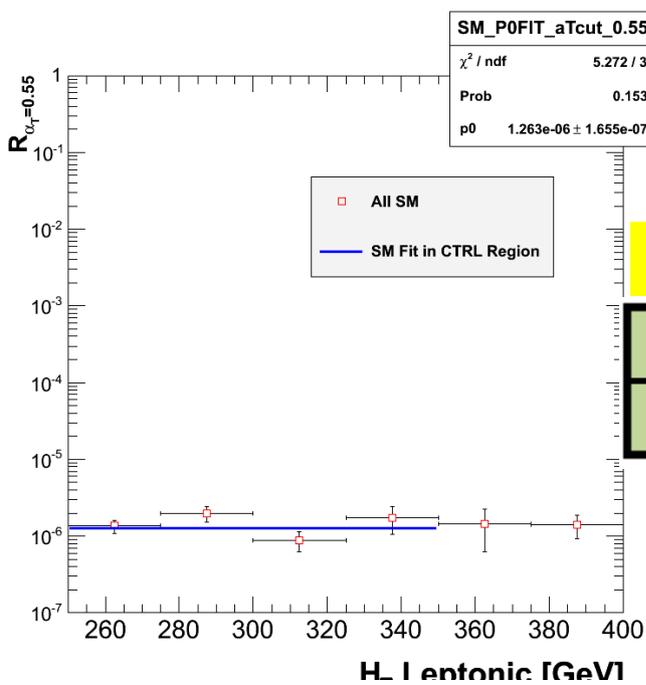


Background Estimation Electron Channel – MC at 300pb⁻¹

Cutflow produced at 300pb⁻¹ for MC Samples (samples shown in backup)
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Cuts	QCD Multijet	W + jets	Z + jets	tt + jets	All SM	LM0	LM1	LM01	LMTau
HT > 250	701.5	312.7	25.3	183.5	1223.0	93.5	20.7	121.6	140.6
HT > 350	211.5	93.6	11.0	70.8	386.8	69.3	18.5	88.3	97.1
$\alpha_T > 0.55$	0	6.55	0	2.43	8.99	10.35	6.27	14.71	19.69

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Monte Carlo 300 pb⁻¹

Predicted RAT	Actual N (aT < 0.55)	Predicted N (aT > 0.55)	Actual N (aT > 0.55)
1.26E-06	6.10E+06	7.86 +/- 1.03	8.99 +/- 2.49

Investigating 2010 Data – but not enough statistics with 35pb⁻¹



Plans for 2011 Datasets

- ❖ Use 1-lepton α_T analysis on 2011 CMS Data
- ❖ Use α_T trigger for Signal Selection
 - ❖ also still need HT triggers for denominator
- ❖ Investigate other background estimation methods
- ❖ Publish results for Summer Conferences
 - 0.5 – 1.0 fb⁻¹ data at 7TeV



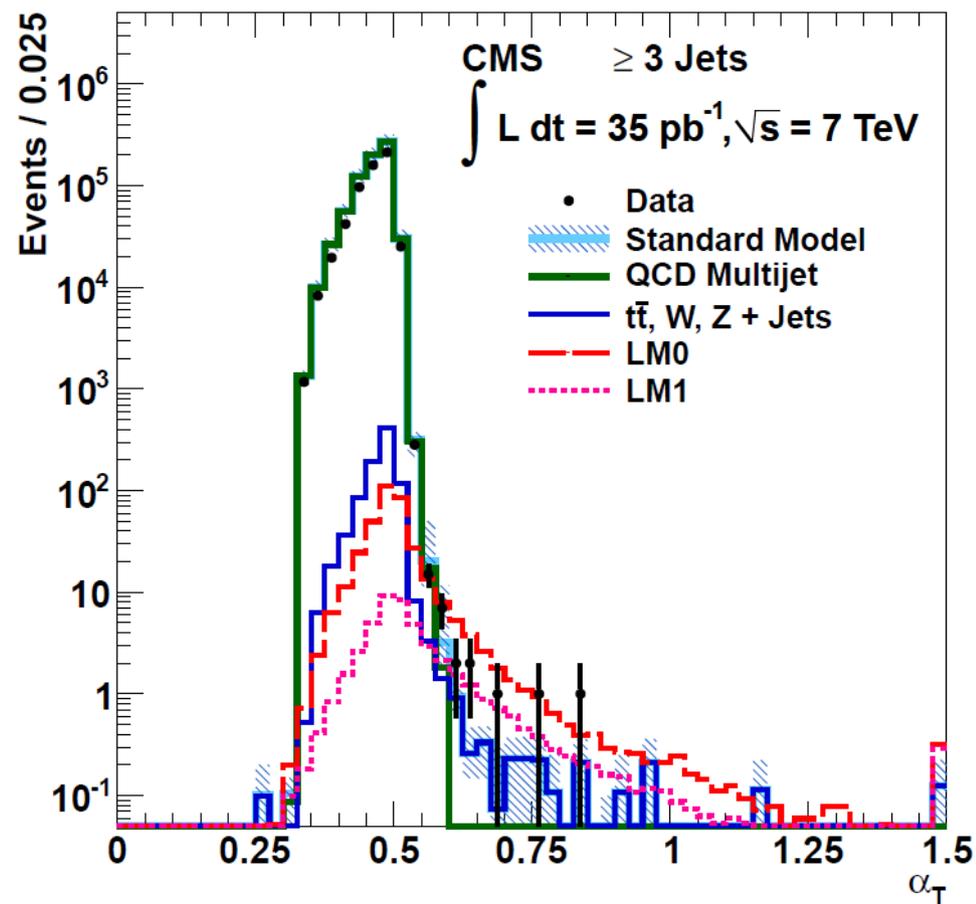
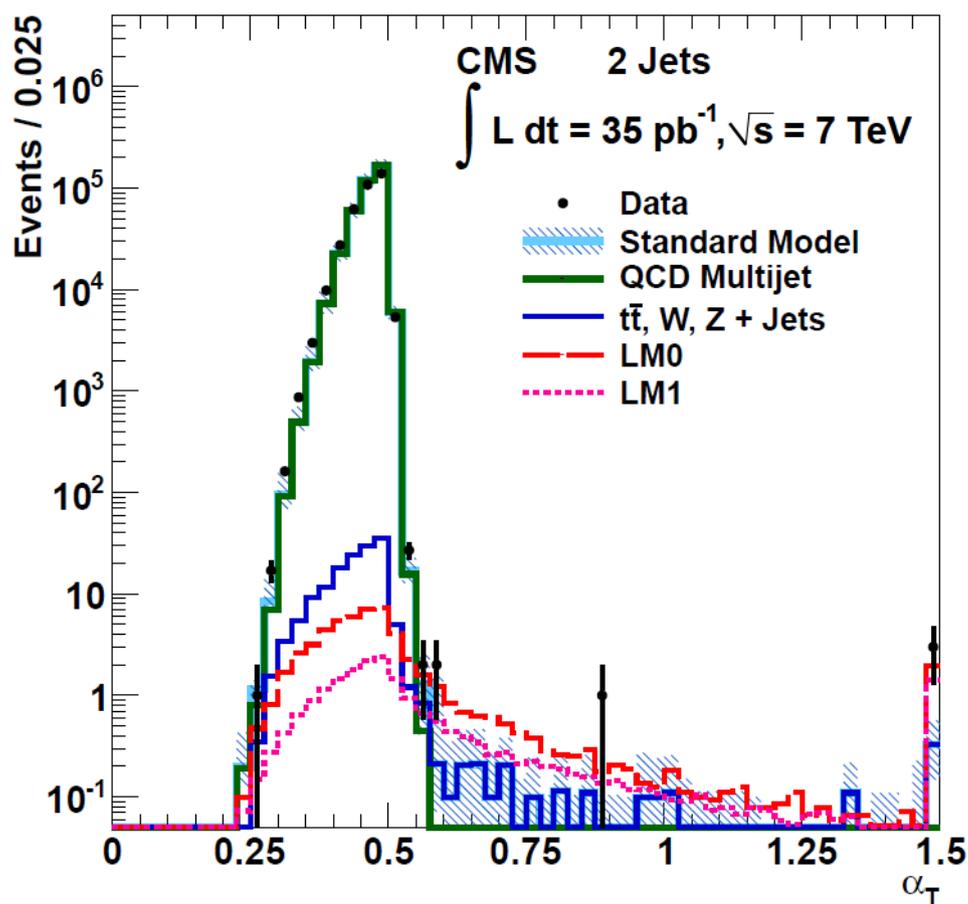


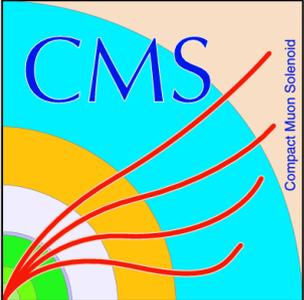
Backup Slides



Hadronic Analysis

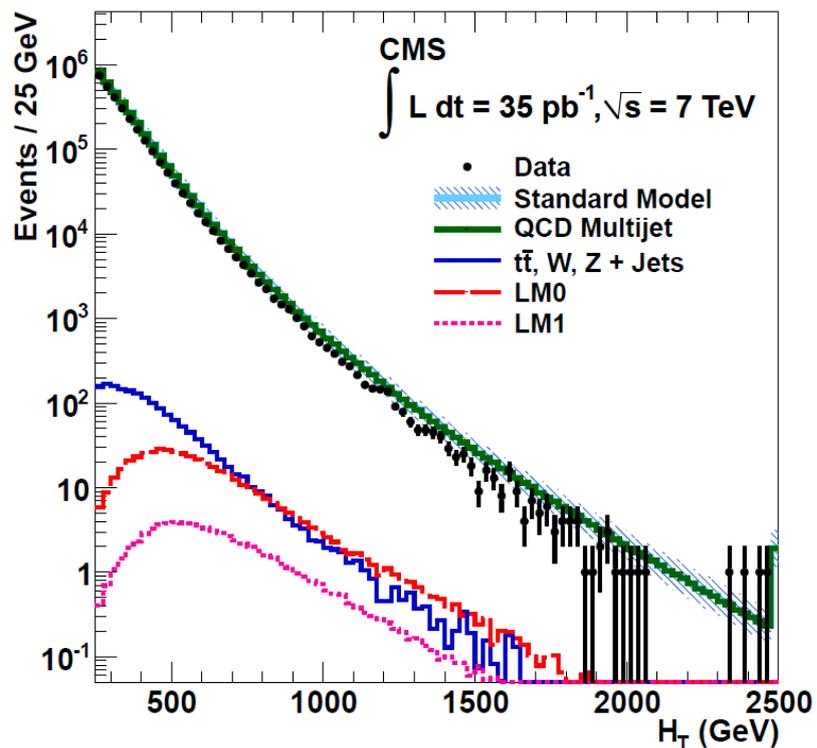
α_T distributions – dijet and >2jets





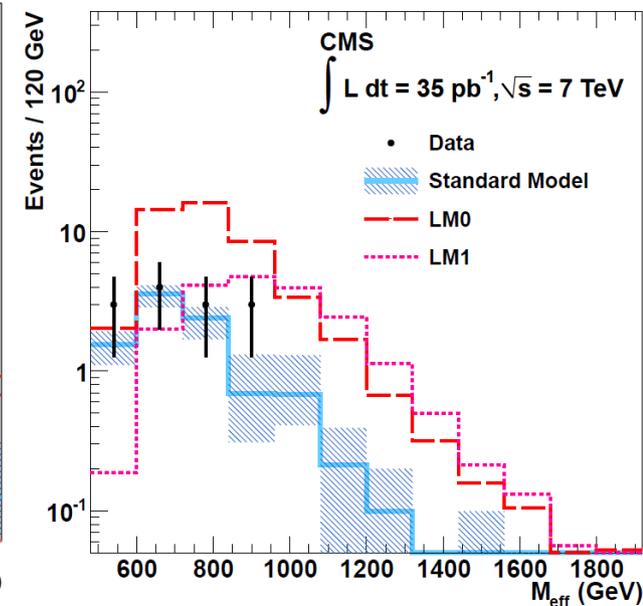
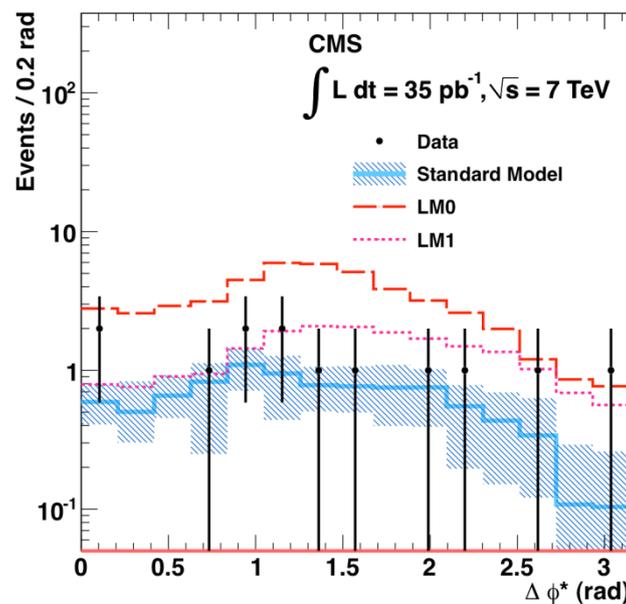
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HT Distributions



Dphi/Meff of 13

passed events





New LM Benchmark Points

Mass Hierarchies in the new benchmark points.

