

RECAST workflows in ATLAS SUSY

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Overview

1) What is RECAST and why do we need it?

2) My experience authoring RECAST workflows

- Anatomy of a workflow
- Challenges

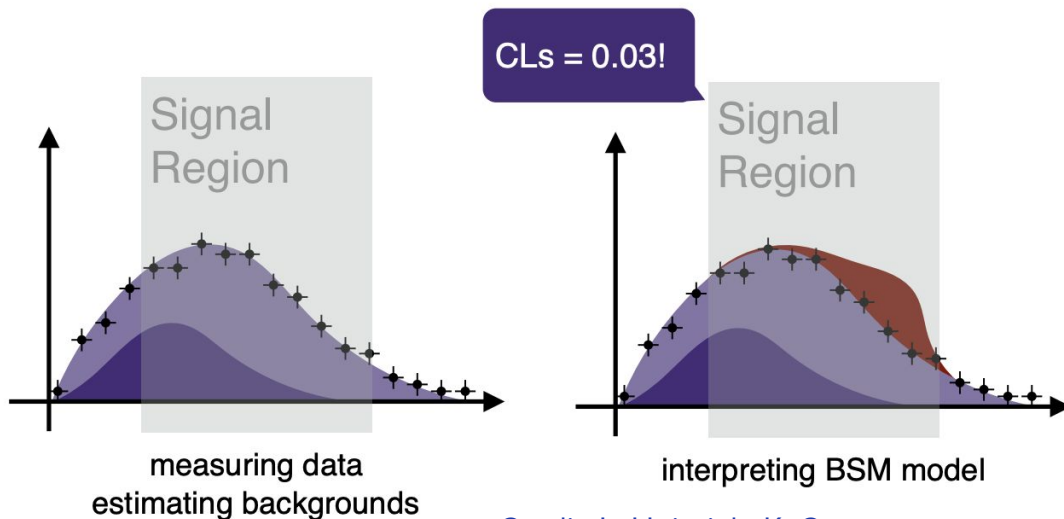
3) My experience using existing RECAST workflows

- ATLAS pMSSM scan
- Other ATLAS reinterpretation efforts
- Challenges

4) Incentivising RECAST

Introduction

- Goal of the ATLAS SUSY group: discover new physics!
- An ATLAS search takes o(years) from initial idea to publication
 - Most of the work goes into taking data, designing/validating the analysis strategy, understanding Standard Model backgrounds
 - Plugging in a SUSY signal model at the end to discover/exclude is the easy bit
- In the absence of a discovery, how do we extract maximum value from this work?



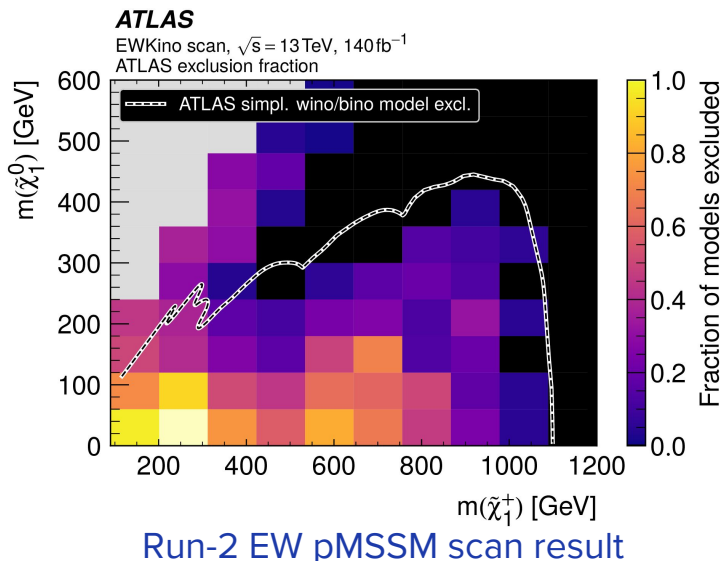
[Credit: L. Heinrich, K. Cranmer](#)

Re-using ATLAS SUSY analyses

Project 19-dim pMSSM into 2D planes and evaluate our sensitivity:

(Re-)use cases:

- Process new signal points for [statistical combinations](#)
- Apply SUSY searches to non-SUSY models and vice versa
- Check new models aren't already excluded
 - Concentrate our efforts on viable scenarios
- Interpretation in wider SUSY parameter spaces (eg. pMSSM scans)
 - Build a coherent picture of the **global** ATLAS constraints on SUSY
 - Identify gaps in our search programme



How do we do any of this once the original analysis team has disbanded?

This requires **preservation** of an analysis workflow

RECAST

- RECAST: Complete preservation of ATLAS analysis software environment and workflow

Analysis environment

→ Preserved in Docker images



Analysis commands

→ How to use the preserved software



Analysis workflow

→ How to connect each analysis step

Automate the re-execution of an analysis on a new signal:

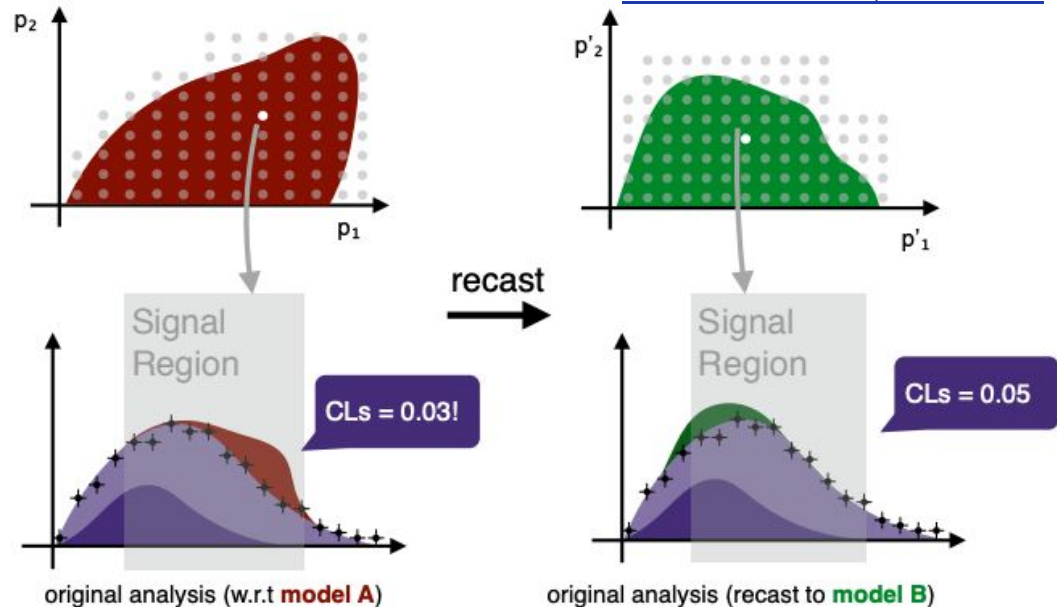
Initial event sample → Calculate kinematic variables → Event selections → Statistical analysis



- REANA: Infrastructure for running RECAST on the cloud
 - I've run over 5000 analysis jobs with REANA for 1000s models and eight analyses!

RECAST

- Only re-processing the **signal** (eg. a SUSY model)
 - Data and Standard Model backgrounds were already processed and preserved originally
- Analysis code and workflow preserved such that it can be re-run on new input
 - Most analyses have their own code framework and scripts
- Only used **internally** in ATLAS
 - Requires ATLAS-simulated signal event samples



RECAST user experience

Two types of “user”:

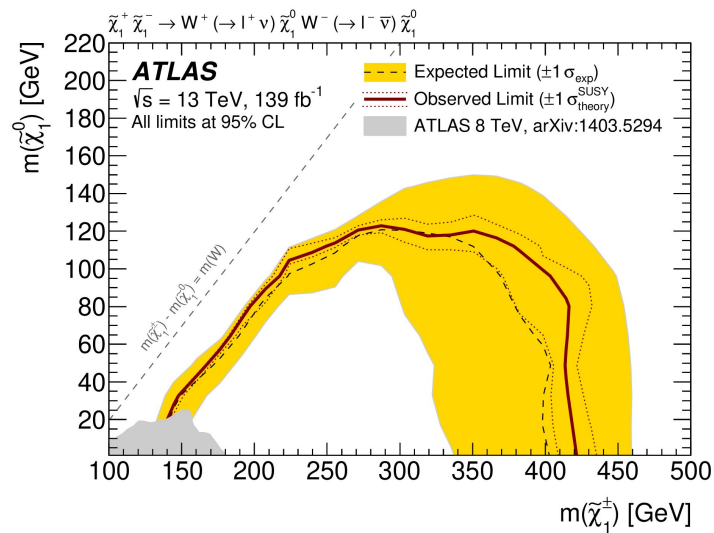
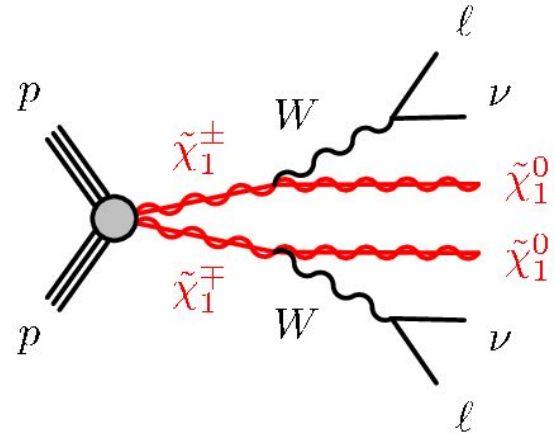
- i. Analyser authoring a RECAST implementation for their analysis
- ii. Analyser using RECAST to reinterpret an existing analysis

I will discuss my experience with both

(i) RECASTing an analysis

Anatomy of a RECAST workflow

- Example: [ATLAS two lepton + MET search](#)
- Inputs:
 - Dataset ID
 - Cross-section, K-factor, filter efficiency
 - Sample name
 - EOS path to pile-up re-weighting files
 - XRootD path to signal samples
- Outputs:
 - Fit result (CLs)
 - Intermediate files (ntuples, workspace etc.)
- Steps:
 - Calculate kinematic variables and produce flat ntuple X 3 (simulated samples for each year of data-taking)
 - Merge ntuples
 - Calculate region yields
 - Perform fit



Anatomy of a RECAST workflow



recast

Example: [ATLAS two lepton + MET search](#)

```
1 ewkme1:
2 process:
3   process_type: interpolated-script-cmd
4   interpreter: bash
5   script: |
6     /recast_auth/getkrb.sh #used to acquire kerberos tokens
7     # Set up the shell environment
8     source /home/atlas/release_setup.sh
```

Steps.yml specifies workflow steps

“Ewkme1” is one of five steps in this workflow

→ performs initial preselections

[Bash script for running this step]

```
22 # Run
23 python RunLocally.py --directory {XROOTD_PATH} --isatlfast --driver {DRIVER} --syst --submitDir {SUBMIT_DIR} --campaign {CAMPAIGN}
24 cd {SUBMIT_DIR}/data-output
25 N=$(ls *.root | wc -l)
26 echo =====
27 echo $N root files created
28 echo =====
29 if [ $N -ne 1 ]; then echo ERROR $N ROOT FILES CREATED - expected one. EXITING.; exit 1; fi;
30 publisher:
31   publisher_type: interpolated-pub
32   publish:
33     output: '{SUBMIT_DIR}'
34 environment:
35   environment_type: 'docker-encapsulated'
36   image: gitlab-registry.cern.ch/bhodkins/ewkme1
37   #imtag: master-c152a3f6
38   imtag: master-77fb58e3
```

Output to be used by next step

Docker image – built automatically using gitlab CI

Anatomy of a RECAST workflow



recast

Example: [ATLAS two lepton + MET search](#)

workflow.yml specifies how the steps are chained together

```
stages:  
- name: ewkme1_mc16a  
  dependencies: [init]  
  scheduler:  
    scheduler_type: singlestep-stage  
    parameters:  
      XROOTD_PATH: {'step': init, output: XROOTD_PATH}  
      PRW_PATH: {'step': init, output: PRW_PATH}  
      DRIVER: xrootd  
      SUBMIT_DIR: '{workdir}/submitDir_mc16a'  
      CAMPAIGN: mc16a  
      DSID: {'step': init, output: DSID}  
  step: {$ref: 'steps.yml#/ewkme1'}
```

This step needs to run after **ewkme1**

```
- name: loopsusy_mc16a  
  dependencies: [init, ewkme1_mc16a]  
  scheduler:  
    scheduler_type: singlestep-stage  
    parameters:  
      INPUT_PATH: {'step': ewkme1_mc16a, output: output}  
      DRIVER: local  
      SUBMIT_DIR: '{workdir}/submitDir_mc16a'  
      XSEC_PB: {'step': init, output: XSEC_PB}  
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      KFACTOR: {'step': init, output: KFACTOR}  
      DSID: {'step': init, output: DSID}  
      POINT: {'step': init, output: POINT}  
  step: {$ref: 'steps.yml#/loopsusy'}
```

Where to find necessary output from ewkme1 step

User-specified inputs

2L + MET workflow

Convert to flat
tuple with initial
preselections

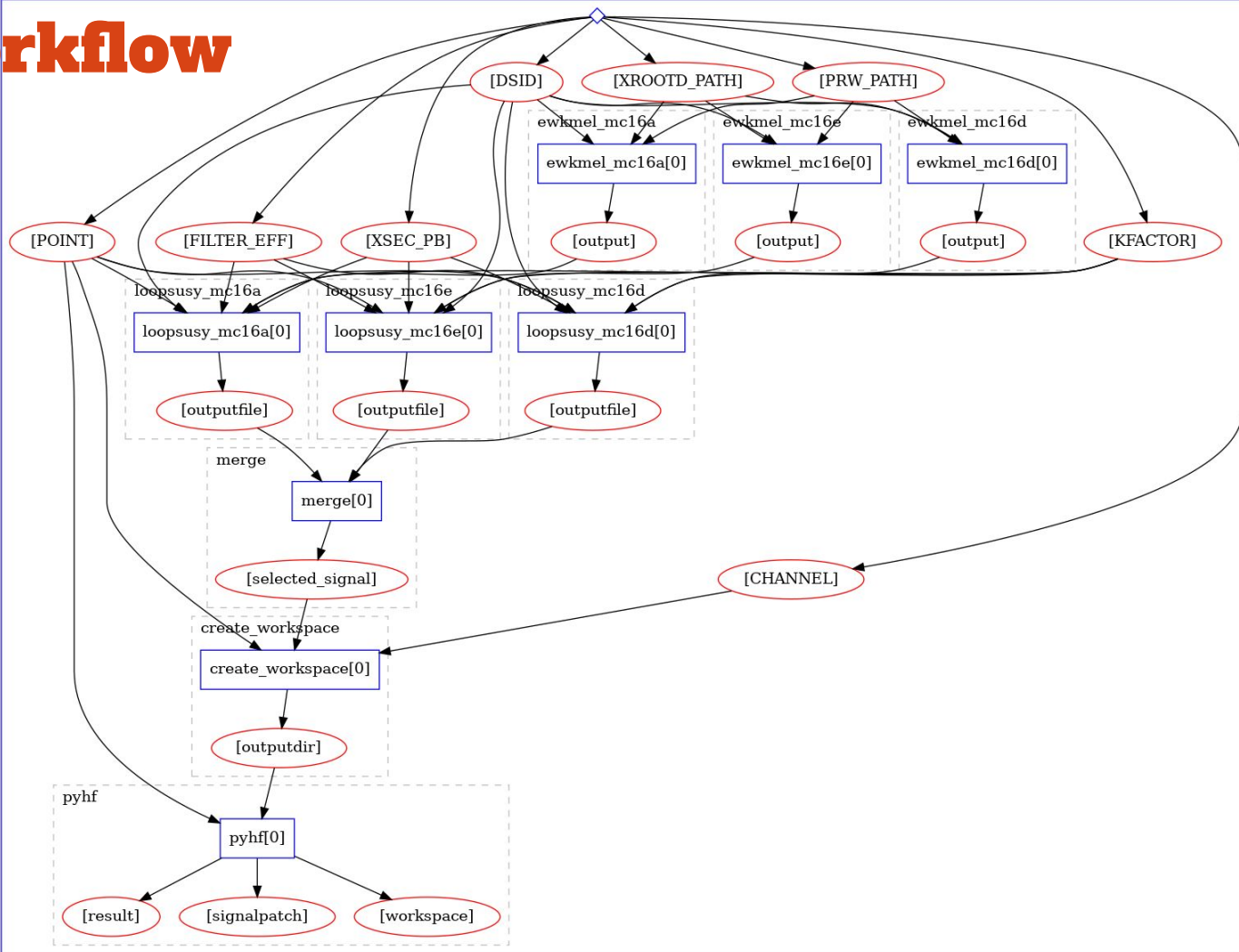
Merge files from each MC campaign

Calculate region yields
(HistFitter workspace format)

Perform statistical fit

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2L + MET workflow



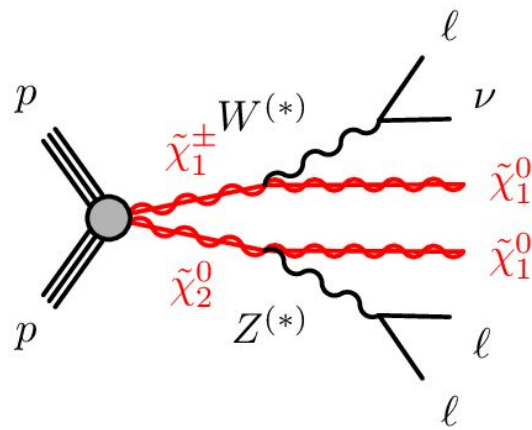
User experience as a RECAST author

- **It is in principle “easy” to implement an analysis in RECAST**
 - Just have to write two YAML files (steps.yml and workflow.yml)
 - Many pieces should already exist (gitlab CI docker images + analysis scripts)
- **But in practice:**
 - Docker, gitlab CI, YAML, kubernetes, RECAST, REANA aren't necessarily in the typical HEP PhD student toolkit
 - User might not be familiar with every step of their analysis
- **My experience:** Looks simple on paper but debugging was not straightforward
- **Often RECAST is a bit of an afterthought – cultural issue**
 - Understandably lower priority than the publication
 - Analysis team may have disbanded / students graduated
 - In my case, I wasn't on the original analysis team and implemented the RECAST over a year after the paper publication

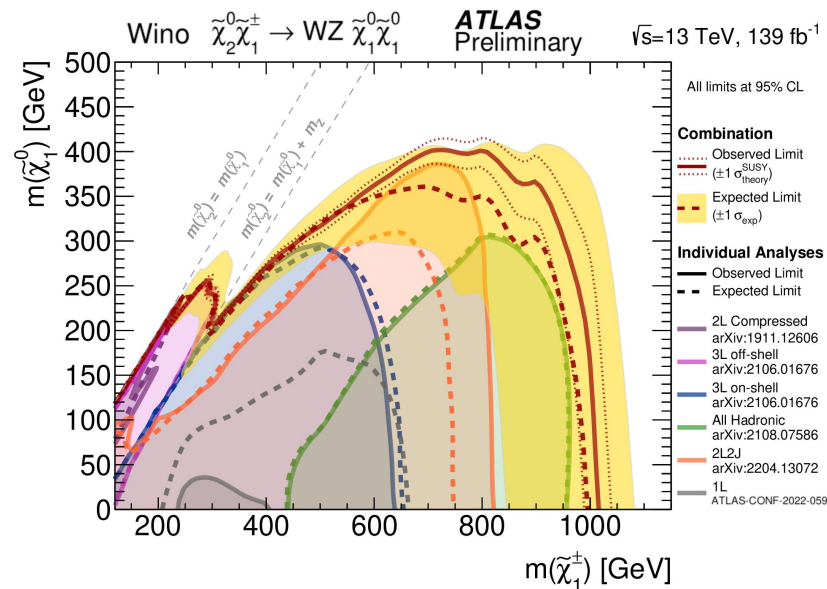
(ii) RECAST in action

Supersymmetry

- Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM) has **> 100** unknown parameters
- Searches are optimized & interpreted using **2D** slices of the MSSM
 - **“Simplified models”**
 - Results in easy-to-interpret 2D exclusion plots
 - Far from a complete picture of our sensitivity/exclusion of the full MSSM
 - How do we connect searches for different simplified models?

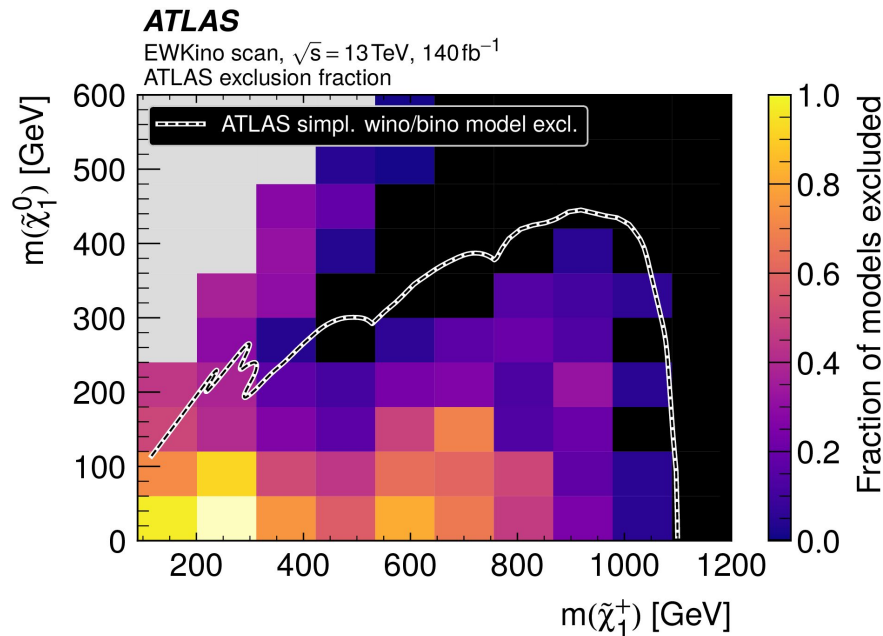


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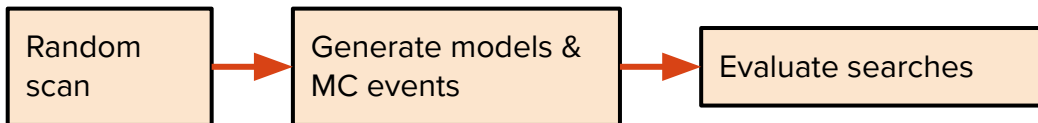


pMSSM scans

- **pMSSM** = 19-dimensional space of viable SUSY models
- Includes a range of production and decay modes
- pMSSM scans are important for understanding our **sensitivity** to realistic SUSY scenarios and highlight **gaps** to be targeted



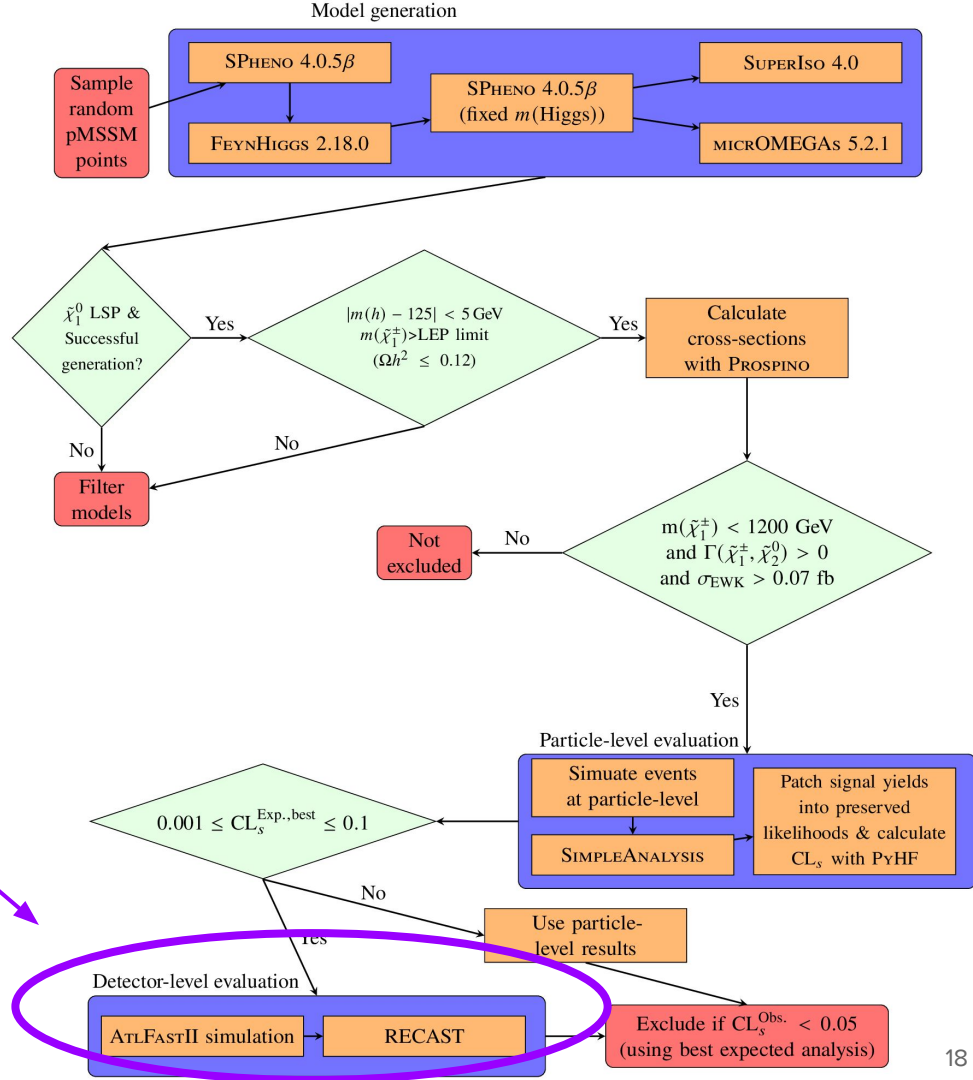
[Run-2 EW pMSSM scan result](#)



This requires re-running our searches on 1000s of new signal models

Workflow

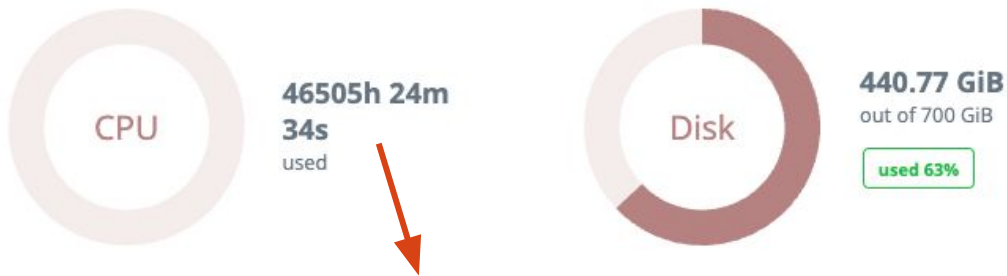
- Workflow to evaluate exclusion for a sample of pMSSM models
- Implemented in python using MySQL database to store results of each step
- Various constraints applied to pick out interesting models
- **RECAST** is used to apply SUSY searches to these models



recast and reana in the pMSSM scan

- Eight analyses run using RECAST
- 1878 models were processed with RECAST
 - 9% of the 21,177 models in the scan
- 9561 REANA jobs
 - Including many failed tests and re-runs
 - Web-page monitoring very useful

Your quota



4.9 hrs per job on average

Your workflows

Refreshed at 15:41:35 UTC

Search...

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Finished 10 months ago
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pMSSM results

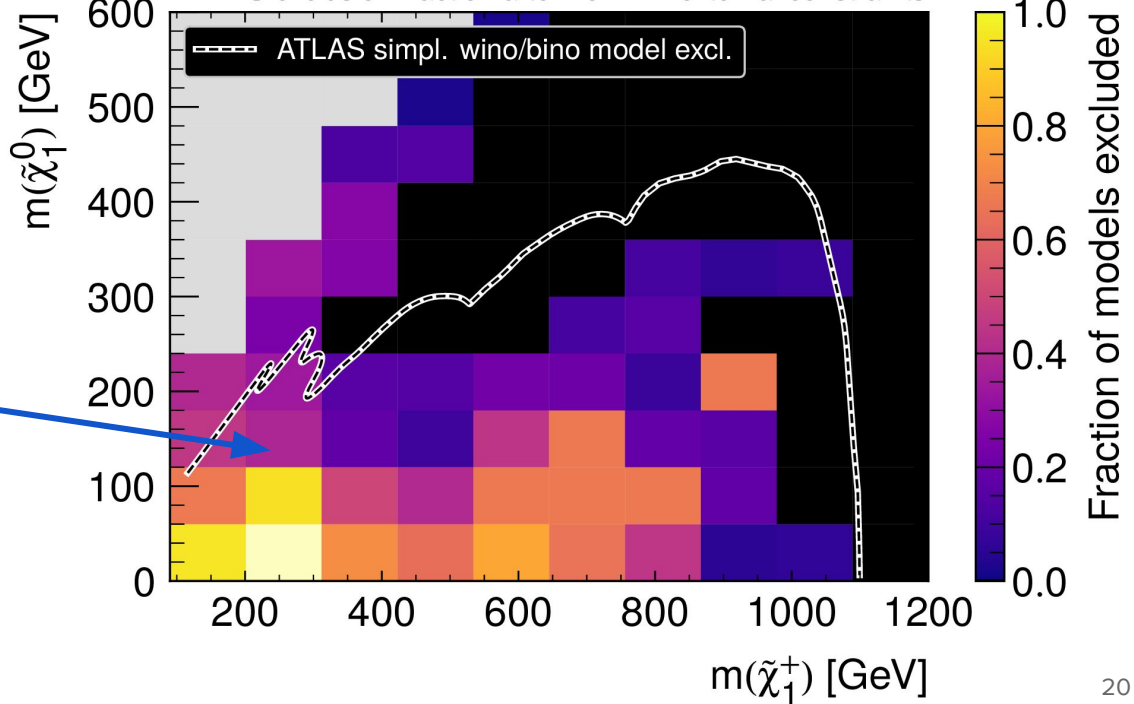
Project 19D models into 2D planes and compare to simplified model results

Reveal that bins inside simplified model contours don't have 100% exclusion...

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ATLAS

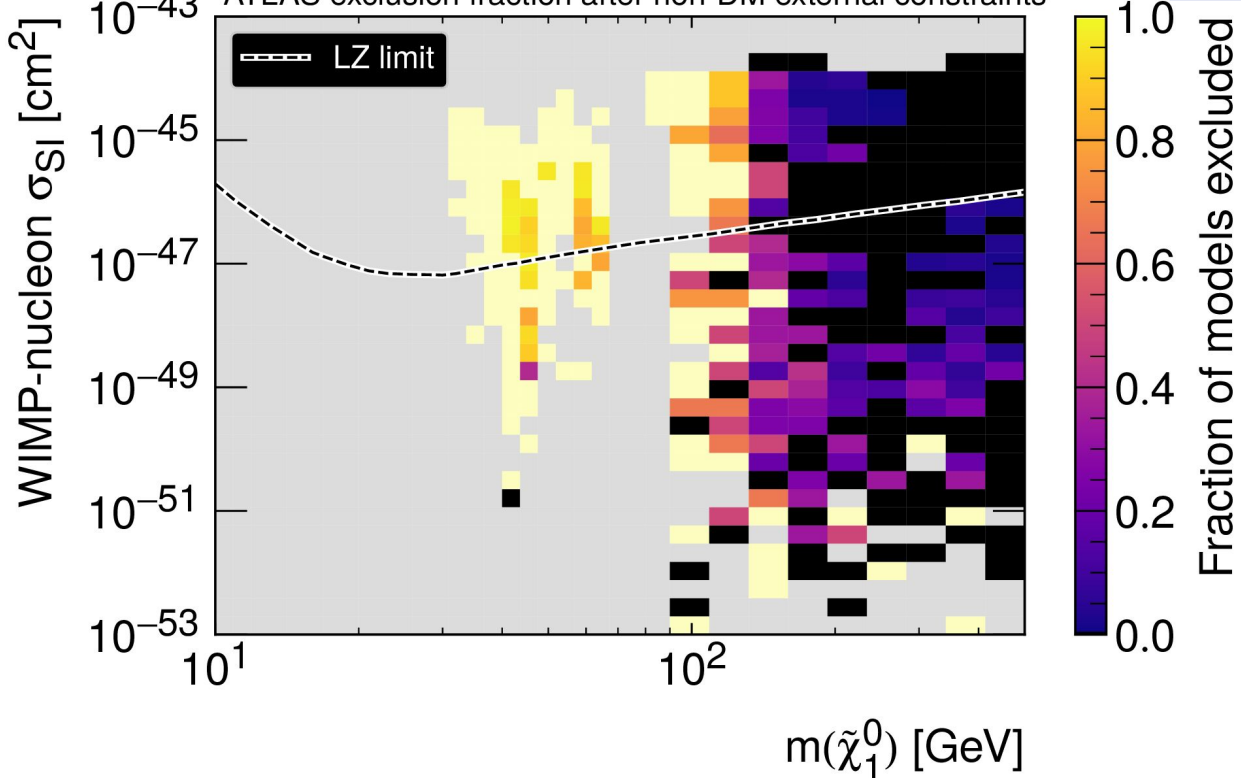
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ATLAS exclusion fraction after non-DM external constraints



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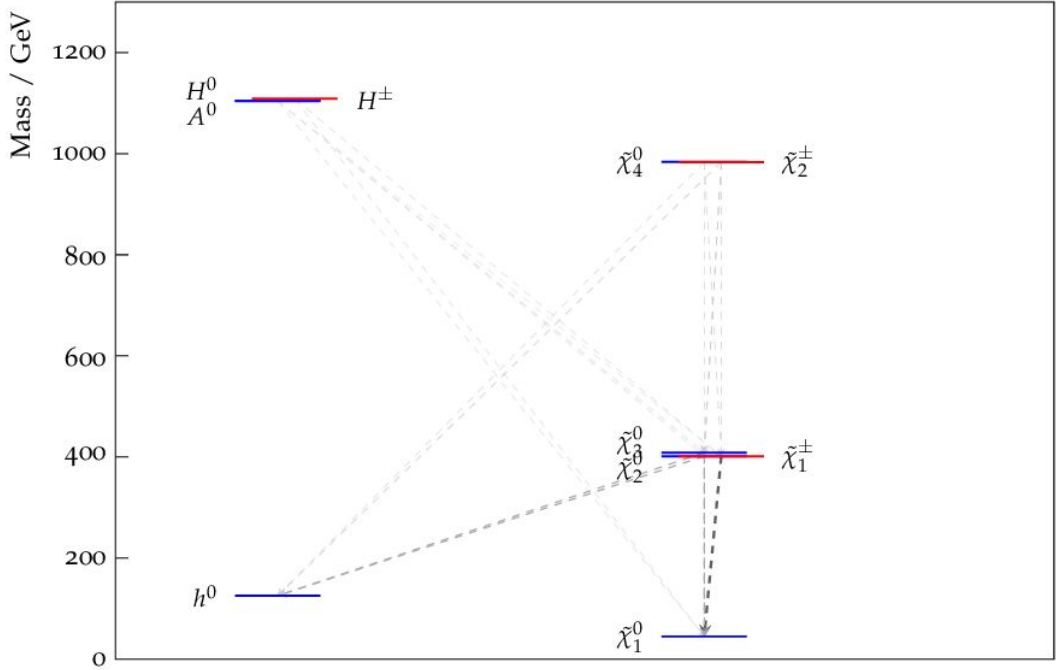
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- **pMSSM models come with dark matter interaction cross-sections**
- **Can compare ATLAS to direct detection experiments**

Benchmark models



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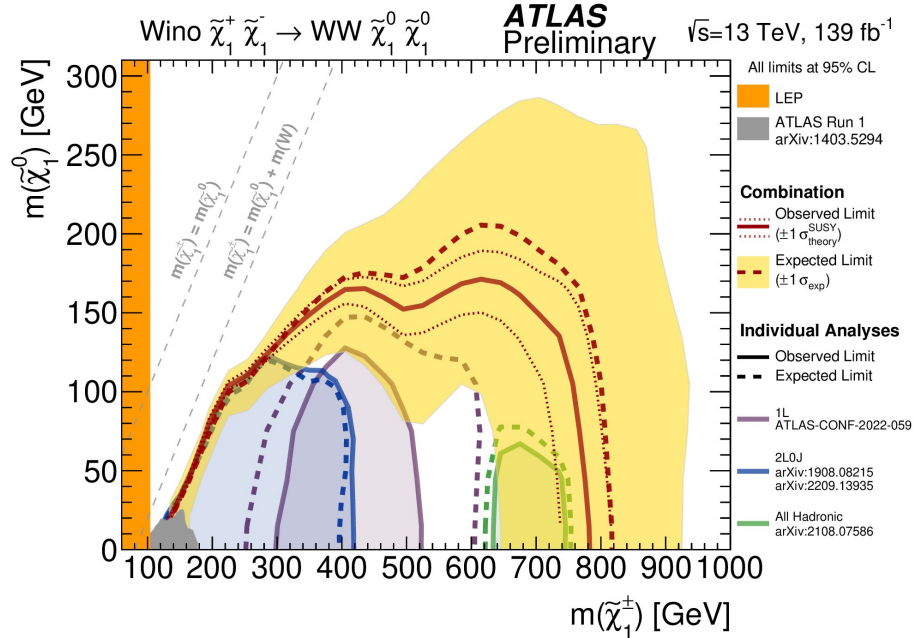
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Identified SUSY models that have not been excluded

Smaller production cross-section than typical simplified models
→ Greater “Higgsino” content of $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm / \tilde{\chi}_2^0$

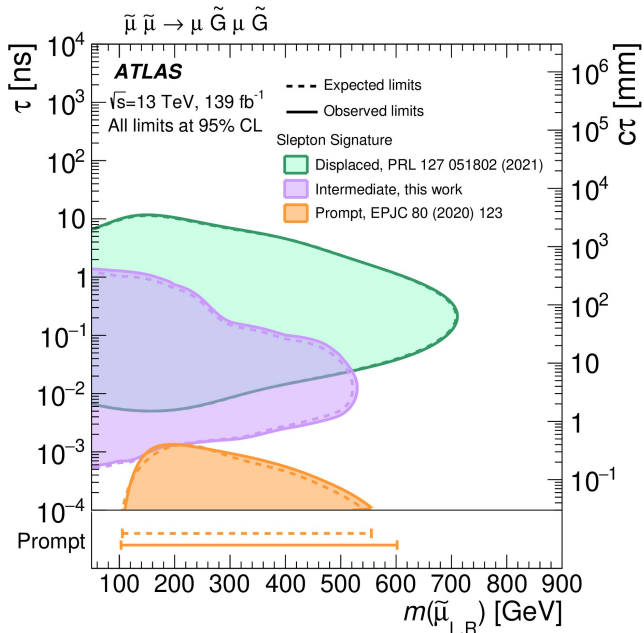
RECAST in action: ATLAS SUSY Combinations

- Statistical combinations of multiple searches which targeted the same simplified models
- Problem: Lack of harmonization in the signal points available from each analysis
- Solution: Generate new signal points and use RECAST to produce necessary inputs for the combination
- More details in [the paper](#)

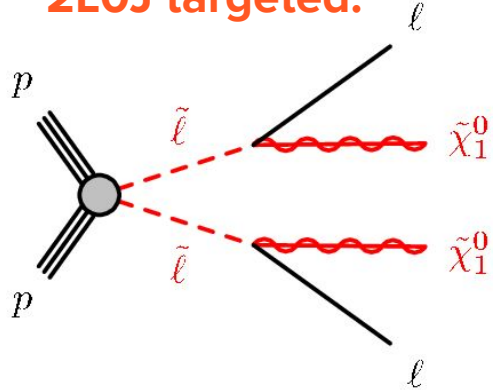


RECAST in action: Displaced smuon reinterpretation

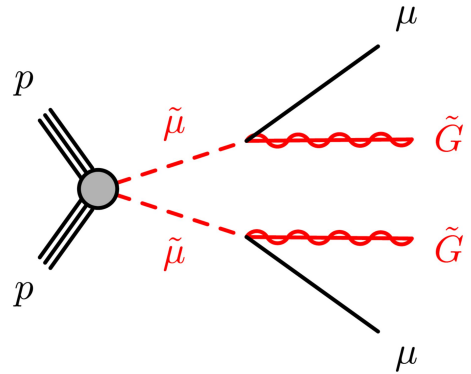
- Recent search for **displaced muons** targeted GMSB model with long-lived smuons
- RECAST reinterpretation allowed comparison with **2LOJ** search for prompt sleptons
 - Puts the **micro-displaced** search in context and makes the message of the paper stronger



2LOJ targeted:



RECAST
reinterpretation



Challenges using RECAST

- **Harmonisation/standardisation of inputs**

- Every analysis works slightly differently
- How are inputs accessed (eg. cross-sections, pile-up reweighting files)?
 - CVMFS, input parameter, file on EOS?
- Theoretical uncertainties?
- Event yield normalization → inconsistent approaches
 - Impacts whether to provide total or per-sub-process cross-section as input
- pMSSM team created a framework to handle automated submission of REANA jobs with the various input formats

- **Hidden dependencies on original analysis samples (ie. simplified models) and input file naming**

- Hard-coded if-statements related to sample ID's or names
- Appropriate sample format (“derivation”) not documented properly

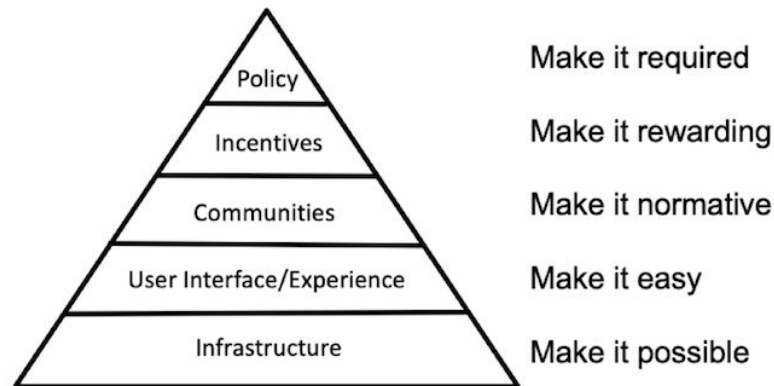
Challenges using RECAST

- **Ideally RECAST implementations work out of the box**
 - When this is the case, the experience is very smooth
- **In practice:**
 - pMSSM team spent a lot of time on technical implementation, validation and debugging of RECASTs
 - RECASTs which don't reproduce original analysis results
 - RECASTs which don't work with new signal points
 - Paper was descoped somewhat due to time spent on this
- **Found it difficult to get analysis support – often analysis experts have moved on**
 - This is precisely the problem RECAST is supposed to solve!

RECAST incentives

Two types of “user”:

- i. Analyser authoring a RECAST implementation for their analysis
- ii. Analyser using RECAST to reinterpret an existing analysis (eg. the pMSSM analysis team)

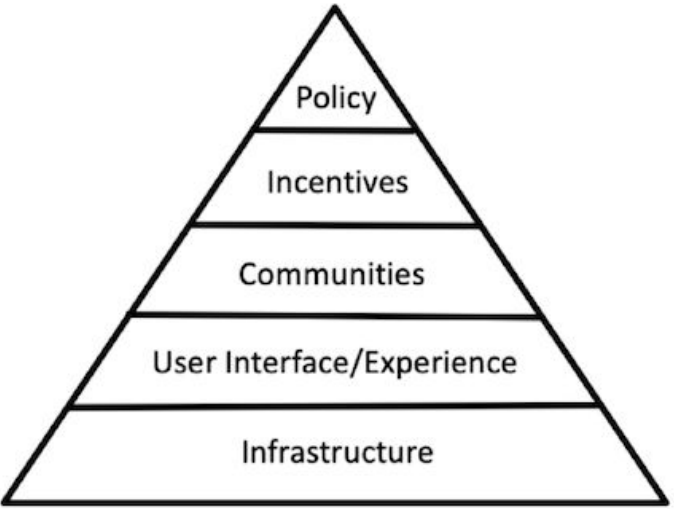


Open science pyramid

What is the incentive for user (i) to make a (good quality) RECAST for user (ii) ?

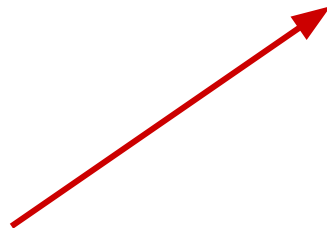
- User (i) already has a publication from their analysis and has higher priorities than RECAST-development (thesis-writing, moved to new analysis/experiment/field)
- It's user (ii) who gets the publication a few years later from using RECAST
- Often user (ii) has to finish/fix a RECAST, which defeats the purpose!

RECAST incentives



Open science pyramid

Make it required



Would be very unpopular
(Student can't graduate
because a paper is held up by
RECAST development?)

Make it rewarding



???

Make it normative



~50 SUSY RECASTs available*
19 available* for use in pMSSM
scans via intermediary framework

Make it easy



**Easy in principle, teething
problems in practice**

Make it possible



* in various states of development and validation

Conclusions

- **Reinterpretation produces very valuable physics results**
 - Link our searches, build a coherent picture of sensitivity, identify gaps in sensitivity
- **RECAST is an important tool for preserving and re-deploying analyses**
- **REANA provides a smooth experience running RECAST workflows at scale**
- **Open question:** How to incentivise current analysers to produce good-quality, validated RECAST workflows that work out-of-the-box for future users?
- **The ATLAS SUSY group has a large and growing collection of RECAST implementations – how should we use them?**
 - Currently used internally for ATLAS reinterpretation efforts
 - [Original RECAST proposals](#) envisaged cross-collaboration between theorists and experimentalists → “Request” / “Response” system

Backup

EWK pMSSM scan

Random scan with uniform priors over parameters relevant to production of **charginos** and **neutralinos**:

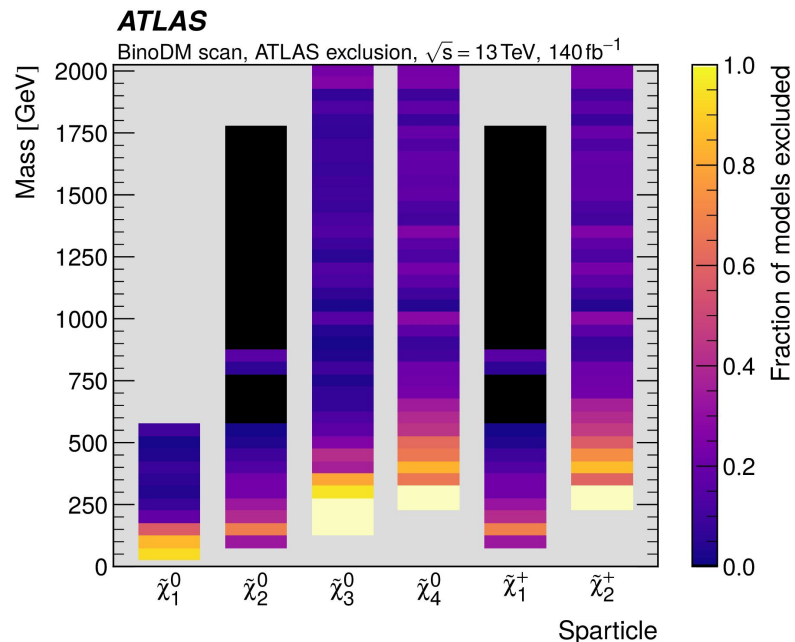
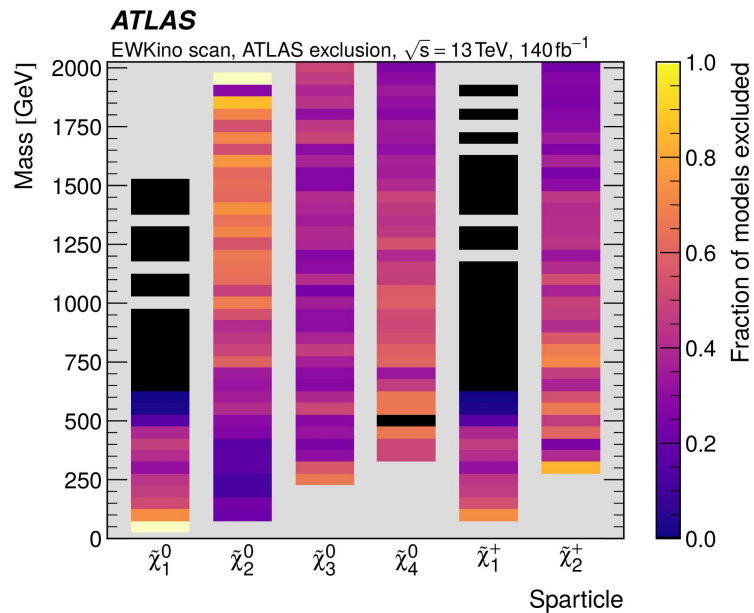
Parameter	min	max	Note
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$M_{\tilde{d}_3}$	2 TeV	5 TeV	Right-handed bottom squark mass
M_1	-2 TeV	2 TeV	Bino mass parameter
M_2	-2 TeV	2 TeV	Wino mass parameter
μ	-2 TeV	2 TeV	Bilinear Higgs mass parameter
M_3	1 TeV	5 TeV	Gluino mass parameter
A_t	-8 TeV	8 TeV	Trilinear top coupling
A_b	-2 TeV	2 TeV	Trilinear bottom coupling
A_τ	-2 TeV	2 TeV	Trilinear τ lepton coupling
M_A	0 TeV	5 TeV	Pseudoscalar Higgs boson mass
$\tan \beta$	1	60	Ratio of the Higgs vacuum expectation values

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Overall exclusion

ATLAS exclusion of each sparticle (after all external and dark matter constraints)



EWKino scan
Mainly wino/higgsino LSP

Bino-DM scan

pMSSM model samples

The pMSSM team can provide analysis teams with pMSSM MC samples from the Run-2 scans
How should we use these?

1) Validation

- Check RECAST works with new signal points
- CI check?

$O(1)$ models

2) Benchmarks used in analysis development

- Check selections aren't over-tuned to simplified models
- See what unique pMSSM sensitivity you are accessing

$O(10)$ relevant non-excluded models

$O(100)$ non-excluded models

3) Integrate pMSSM workflow with developing analyses → evaluation on full Run-2 pMSSM model sets

- Rather than packing up and re-doing this exercise in 3 years, can we make pMSSM interpretations a central and continuous part of our analysis?
- Analyses document pMSSM interpretation plots → show what unique models your search is sensitive to.
- The pMSSM team can then focus on the global picture rather than processing individual analyses.