



Search for supersymmetric gauginos and third generation squarks with the ATLAS detector

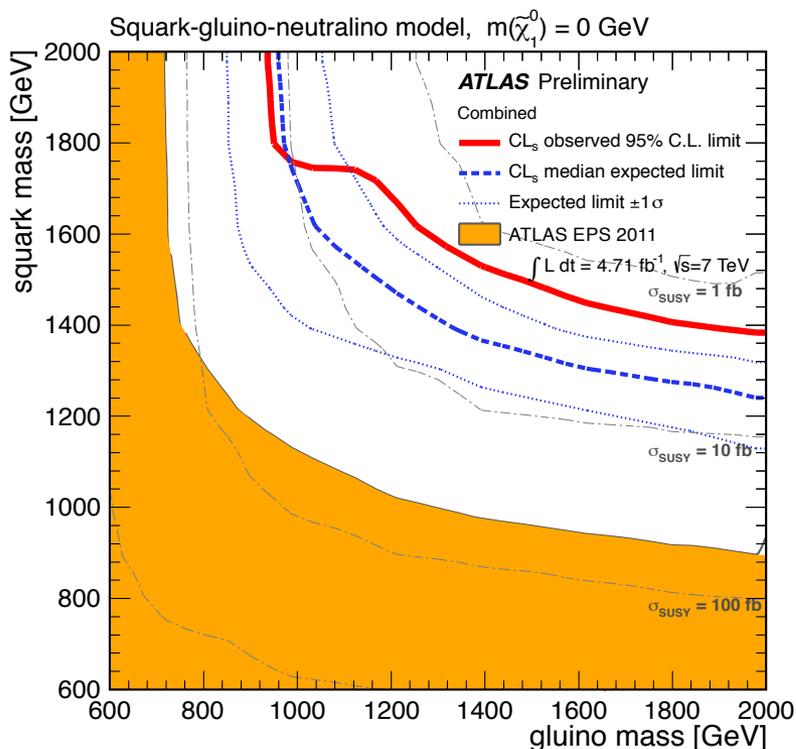
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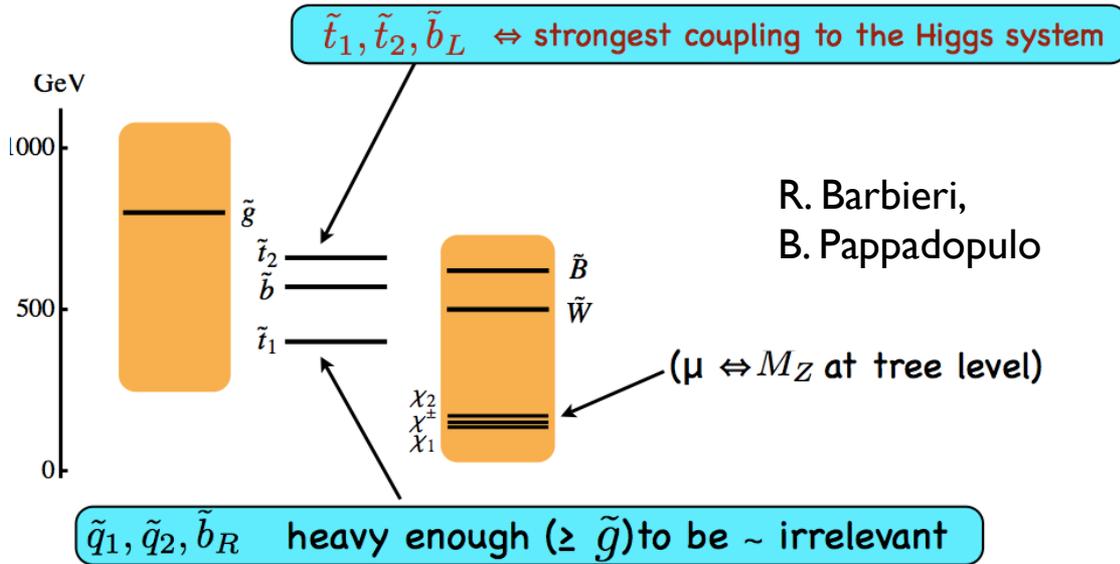
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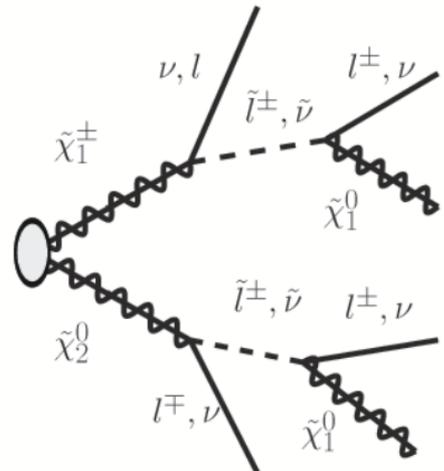
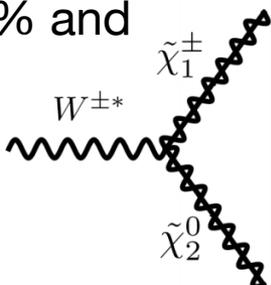


Gauginos scenarios

▶ Weak gaugino search results are interpreted in the following scenarios:

▶ **Simplified models** for direct gaugino production:

- ▶ $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ are assumed to be Wino-like.
- ▶ Assuming $BR(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{l}\nu, \tilde{\nu}l)=50\%, 50\%$ and $BR(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}^\pm l^\mp)=1$.
- ▶ s-channel production mode:



▶ **Phenomenological MSSM:**

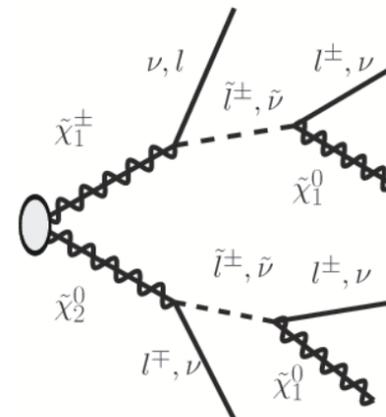
- ▶ Neutralino/chargino mass eigenstates are mainly dependent on the SU(2), U(1) and higgsino mass parameters.
- ▶ Scenarios with light sleptons increase the number of leptons in final state.
- ▶ Chosen parameters:
 - ▶ $M_1 = 100 \text{ GeV}$
 - ▶ $\tan\beta = 6$
 - ▶ $m_A = 500 \text{ GeV}$



3-lepton | Analysis outline & backgrounds



- ▶ Search for chargino and neutralino production in the **3-lepton** final state with **2.06 fb⁻¹**.
- ▶ Next-to-lightest neutralino can decay
 - ▶ via sleptons and **off-shell Zs** (non-resonant final state)
 - ▶ via **on-shell Zs**.
- ▶ Two signal regions:
 - ▶ **3 leptons, E_T^{miss} > 50 GeV, Same flavour opposite sign (SFOS) lepton pair**



Z-enriched signal region:

- ▶ SFOS pair in the Z peak (m_{ll} within 10 GeV of the nominal Z mass)

Z-depleted signal region:

- ▶ SFOS pair Z-veto (m_{ll} within 10 GeV of the nominal Z mass)
- ▶ b-jet veto

Dominant backgrounds

- ▶ **Irreducible background**, 3 real leptons - WZ/γ^* , ZZ/γ^* , $t\bar{t}+V$ - estimated from MC.
- ▶ **Reducible background** from fake leptons - Estimated using DD matrix method.
 - ▶ 2 real leptons and 1 fake lepton - $t\bar{t}$, single top (Wt), WW , Z/γ^* .
 - ▶ 1 real lepton and 2 fake leptons - W , single top (s-channel, t-channel).



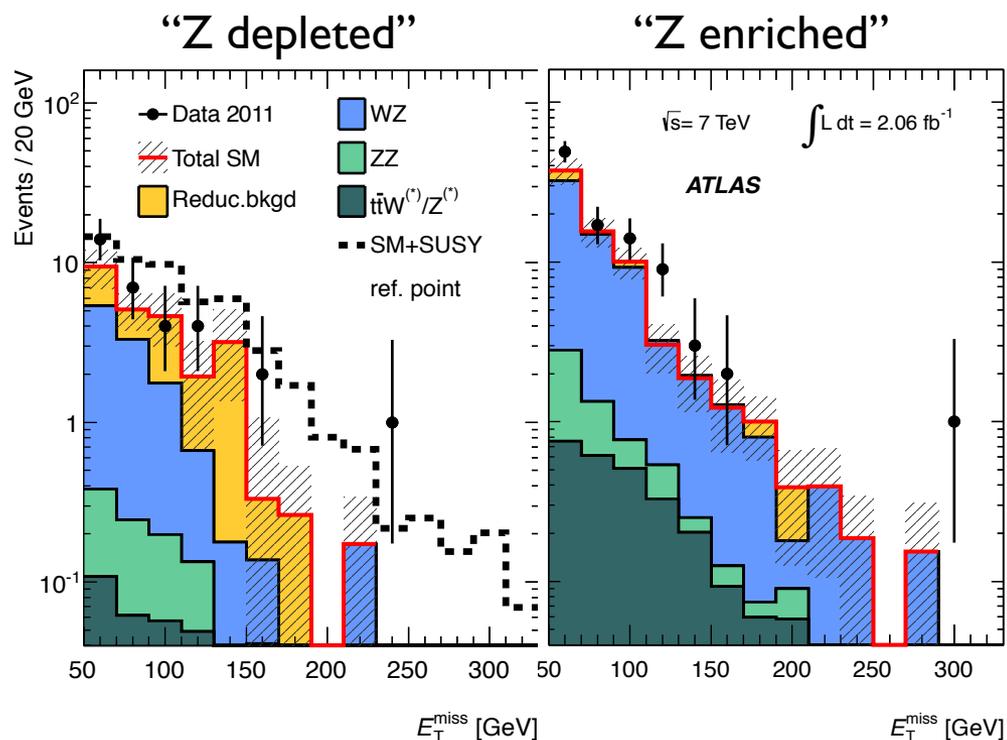
3-lepton | Results

- ▶ Generally good agreement is observed between data and SM expectation is observed in both the validation and signal regions.

Selection	VR1	VR2	SR1	SR2
$t\bar{t}W^{(*)}/Z^{(*)}$	1.4 ± 1.1	0.7 ± 0.6	0.4 ± 0.3	2.7 ± 2.1
$ZZ^{(*)}$	6.7 ± 1.5	0.03 ± 0.04	0.7 ± 0.2	3.4 ± 0.8
$WZ^{(*)}$	61 ± 11	0.4 ± 0.2	11 ± 2	58 ± 11
Reducible Bkg.	56 ± 35	14 ± 9	14 ± 4	7.5 ± 3.9
Total Bkg.	125 ± 37	15 ± 9	26 ± 5	72 ± 12
Data	122	12	32	95

- ▶ Systematic uncertainties:

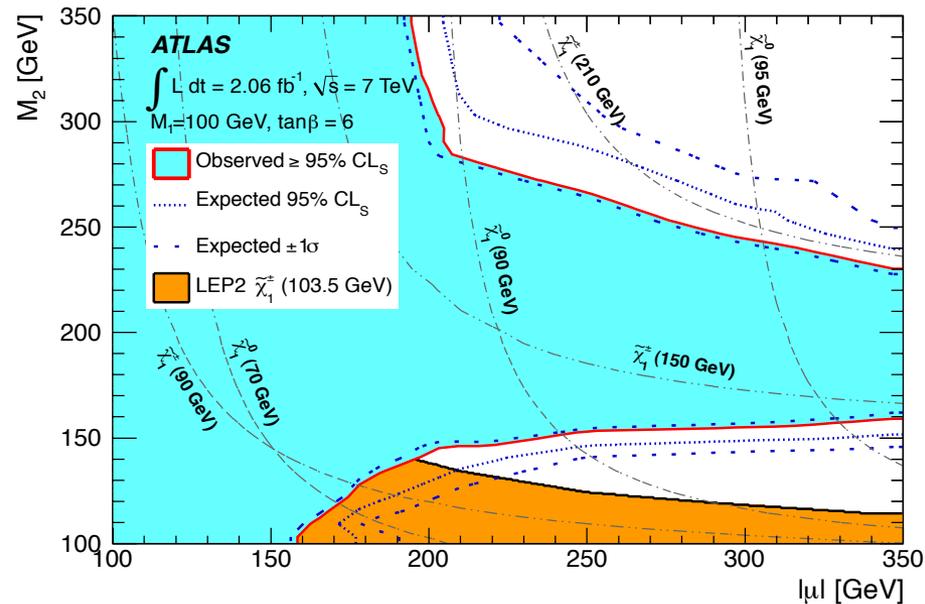
- ▶ **Reducible backgrounds: 29%**
 - ▶ Largely coming from object misidentification uncertainties
- ▶ **Irreducible backgrounds: 17%**
 - ▶ Dominated by uncertainty on acceptance due to PDFs.
- ▶ **Signal: 10-15%**
 - ▶ From renormalisation scale, factorisation scale, α_s and PDF variations.



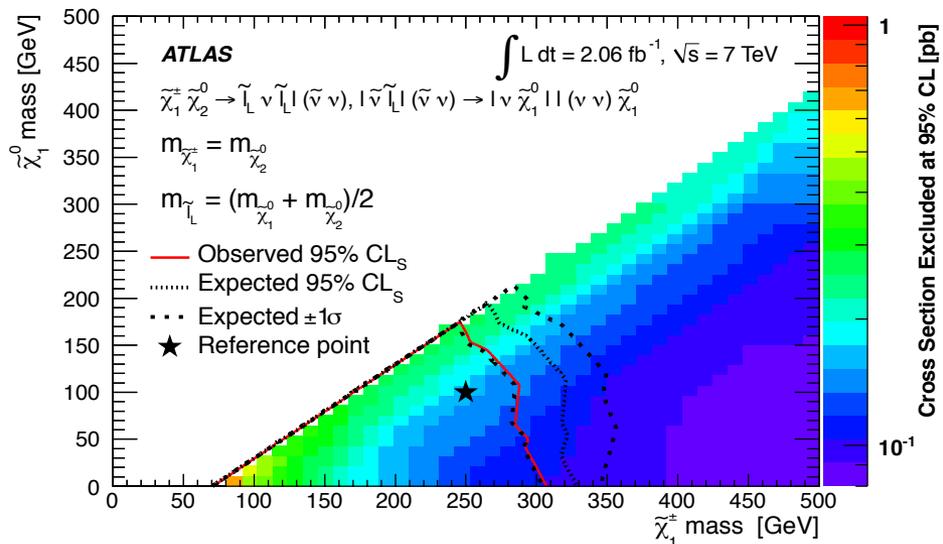


3-lepton | Interpretation

- ▶ Exclusion limits at 95% confidence level are set using the CL_s prescription
- ▶ Interpretation in MSSM scenario with $M_1=100$ GeV
 - ▶ $M_2 < 200$ GeV excluded for $|\mu| < 150$ GeV.
 - ▶ $|\mu| < 350$ GeV excluded for $150 < M_2 < 230$ GeV.



- ▶ Interpretation in simplified models
 - ▶ Limits are set in the $m(\tilde{\chi}^\pm) - m(\tilde{\chi}^0)$ plane.
 - ▶ $m(\tilde{\chi}^0) < 170$ GeV excluded for $70 < m(\tilde{\chi}^\pm) < 300$ GeV.



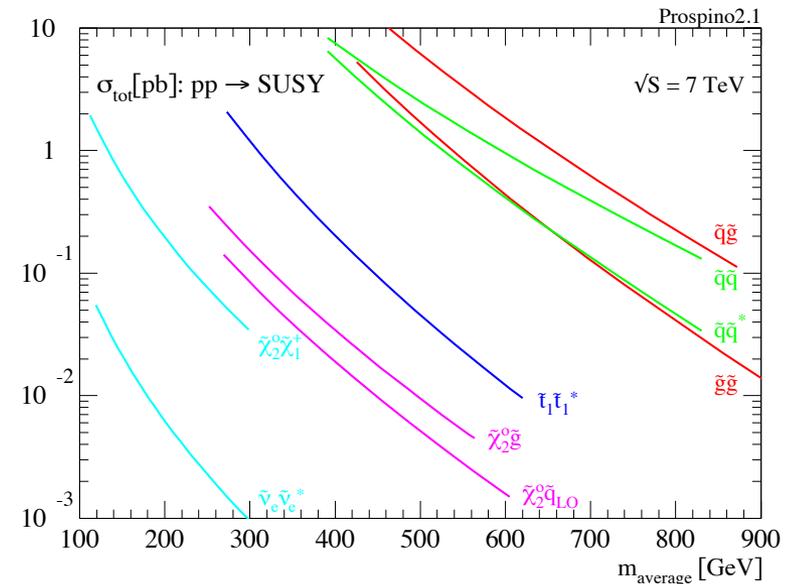


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 - ▶ Very rich final states.
- ▶ Direct pair production
 - ▶ Significantly lower cross section.
 - ▶ More standard model-like final states.



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- ▶ **Direct sbottom pair**
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- ▶ **Light stop**
- ▶ **Gluino mediated stop/sbottom**

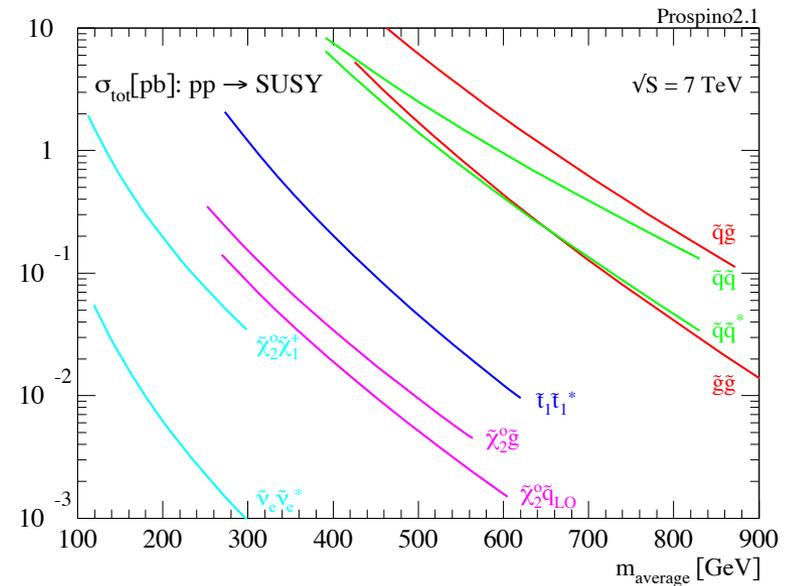


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Direct sbottom | Analysis & results

▶ Search for **direct sbottom** production in the 0-lepton channel with **2.05 fb⁻¹**.

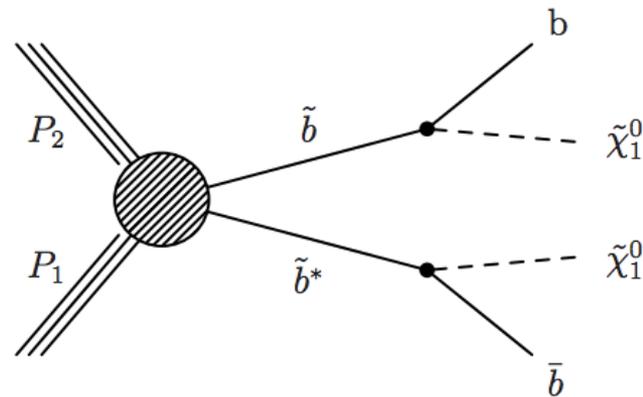
▶ Events are selected with:

- ▶ **E_T^{miss} > 130 GeV**
- ▶ **Exactly 2 b-jets (p_T > 130, 50 GeV)**
- ▶ **Contransverse mass, m_{CT} cuts of 100, 150 and 200 GeV** define the signal regions.

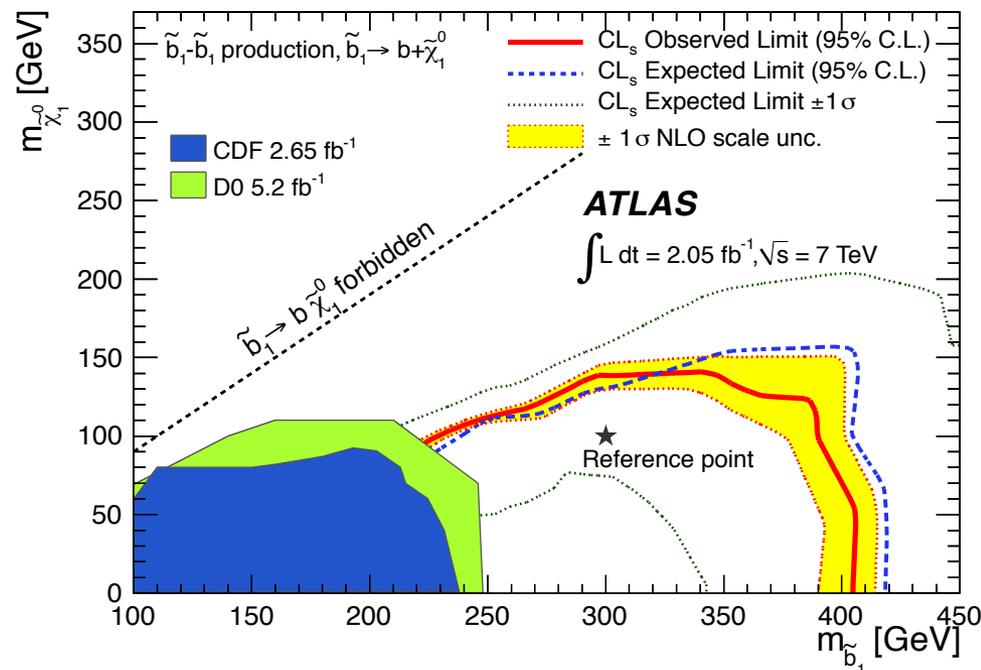
▶ Good agreement between data and SM expectation.

▶ Exclusion limits at 95% confidence level are set in the **m(**\tilde{b}**) - m(**$\tilde{\chi}^0$**) plane:**

- ▶ **m(**\tilde{b}**) < 390 GeV** excluded for **m(**$\tilde{\chi}^0$**) < 60 GeV.**



$$M_{CT}^2 = (E_{T1} + E_{T2})^2 - (\mathbf{p}_{T1} - \mathbf{p}_{T2})^2$$





- ▶ Search for **direct stop pair** production in **GMSB scenario** with **2.05 fb⁻¹**.

▶ To enhance the signal sensitivity the selection is as follows:

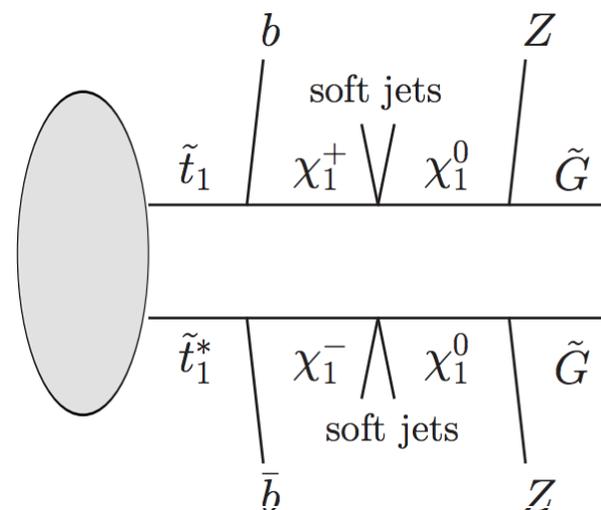
- ▶ **2 jets (1 b-tagged)**
- ▶ **Large E_T^{miss}**
- ▶ **OSSF lepton pair - in Z window m_Z ± 5 GeV**

▶ Signal regions

- ▶ **E_T^{miss} > 50 GeV** - large mass splittings
- ▶ **E_T^{miss} > 80 GeV** - small mass splittings

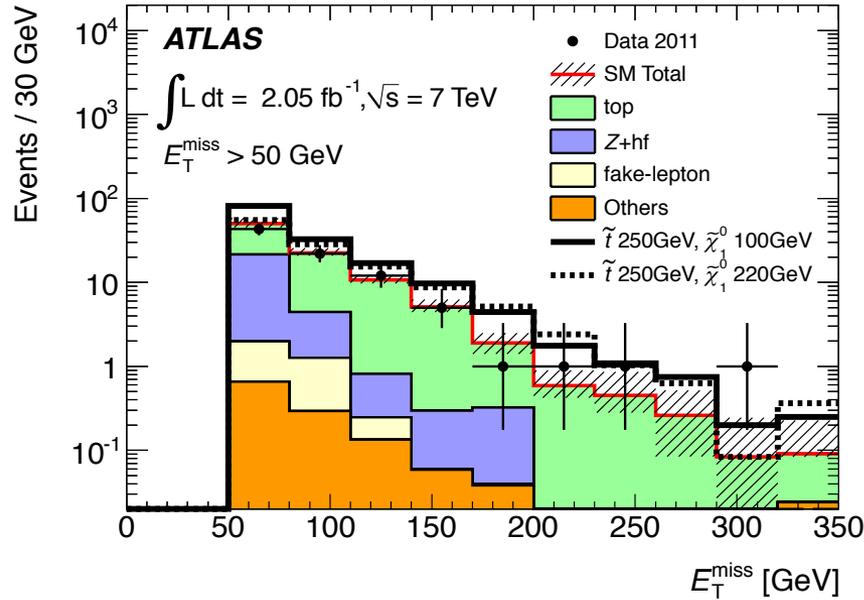
▶ Background estimation

- ▶ Semi-data driven estimation using **Top** and **Z/γ*+jets** control regions.
- ▶ Data-driven matrix method estimation of **W+jets** and **multijets** events with fake leptons.





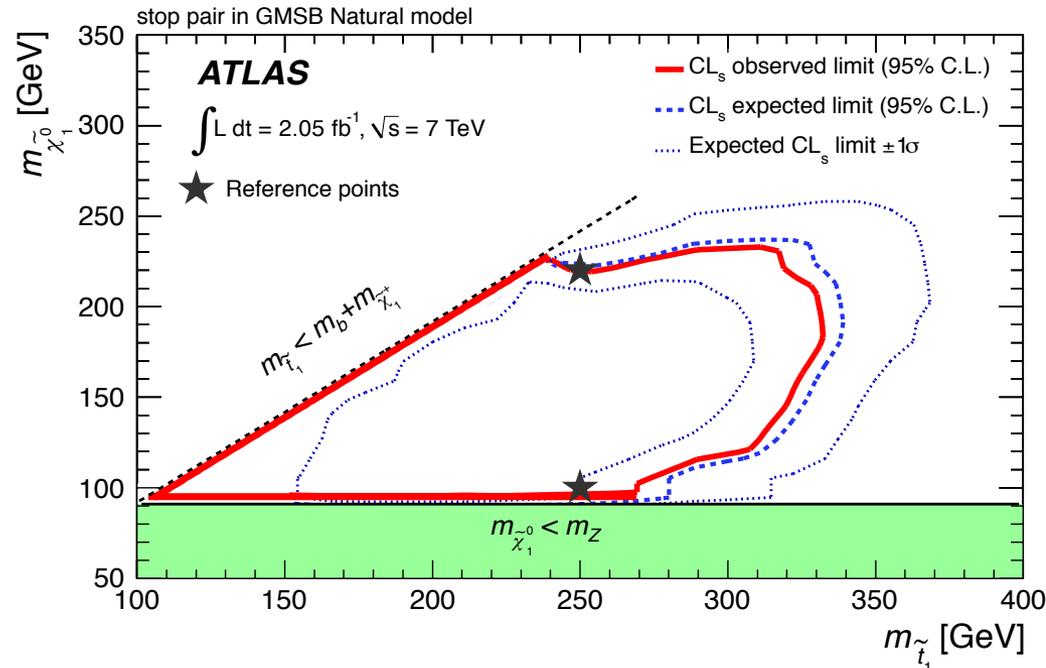
Stop pair - GMSB | Results & interpretation



	$ee+\mu\mu$	
Data	86	43
SM	92 ± 19	40.7 ± 6.0
top	64.3 ± 7.7	34.8 ± 5.0
Z+hf	24 ± 16	4.2 ± 3.2
fake lepton	2.4 ± 0.9	1.1 ± 0.6
Others	1.2 ± 1.2	0.6 ± 0.6

► Interpreted in GMSB Natural model:

- $m(\tilde{t}) < 310 \text{ GeV}$ excluded for $115 < m(\tilde{\chi}^0) < 230 \text{ GeV}$
- $m(\tilde{t}) < 330 \text{ GeV}$ excluded for $m(\tilde{\chi}^0) = 190 \text{ GeV}$





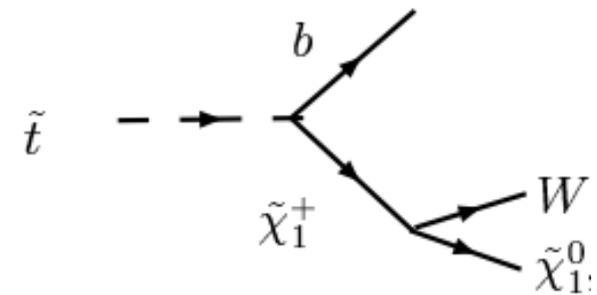
Light stop | Analysis outline



- ▶ Search for light scalar tops with **2 leptons (e,μ)** with **4.7 fb⁻¹**
- ▶ Large mixing can lead to one squark mass eigenstate being significantly lighter than others - **can be lighter than the top.**
- ▶ Expect signature of **leptons**, **E_T^{miss}** and **at least one jet** in the final state.

▶ Selection:

- ▶ **Electron (muon) p_T > 17 (12) GeV**
- ▶ **Highest lepton p_T < 30 GeV**
- ▶ **≥ 1 jet p_T > 25 GeV**
- ▶ **E_T^{miss} > 20 GeV**
- ▶ **E_T^{miss} significance > 7.5 √GeV**



$$m(t) > m(\tilde{t}_1) > m(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm)$$

▶ Background estimation

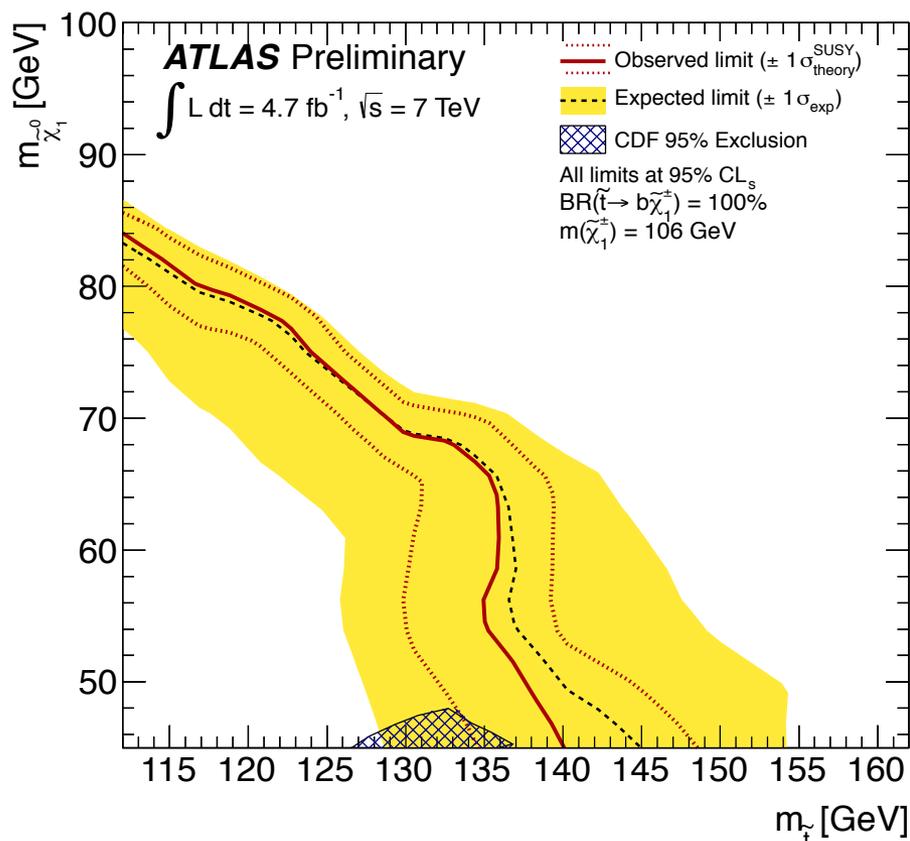
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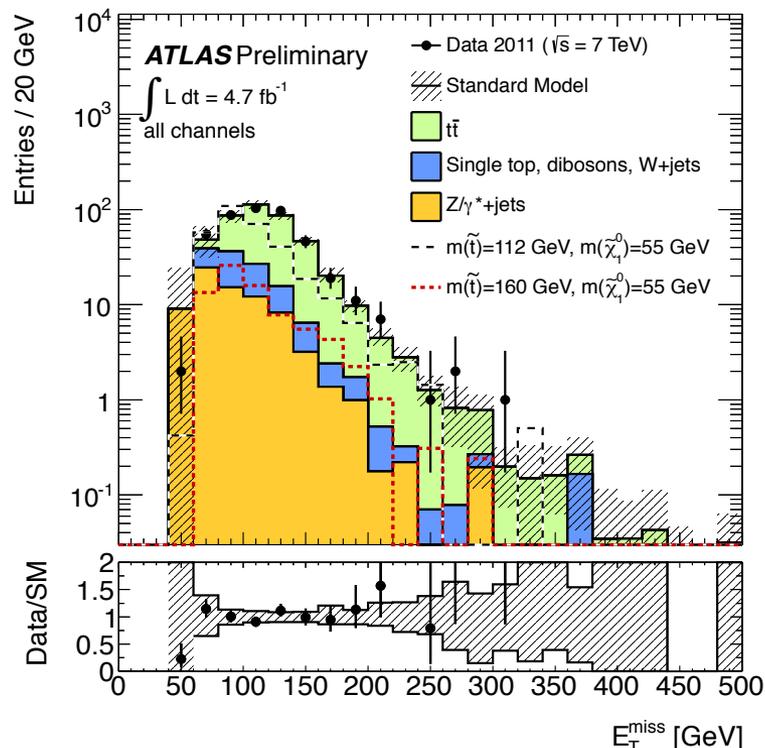
Light stop | Results & interpretation

- Exclusion limits at 95% confidence level are set in the $m(\text{stop})$ - $m(\text{neutralino})$ plane.

- $m(\tilde{t}) < 130 \text{ GeV}$ excluded for $m(\tilde{\chi}^0) < 65 \text{ GeV}$



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$t\bar{t}$	$293 \pm 12 \pm 34$
$Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$	$76 \pm 16 \pm 27$
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$W + \text{jets}$	$13 \pm 3 \pm 3$
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Total	$440 \pm 21 \pm 43$
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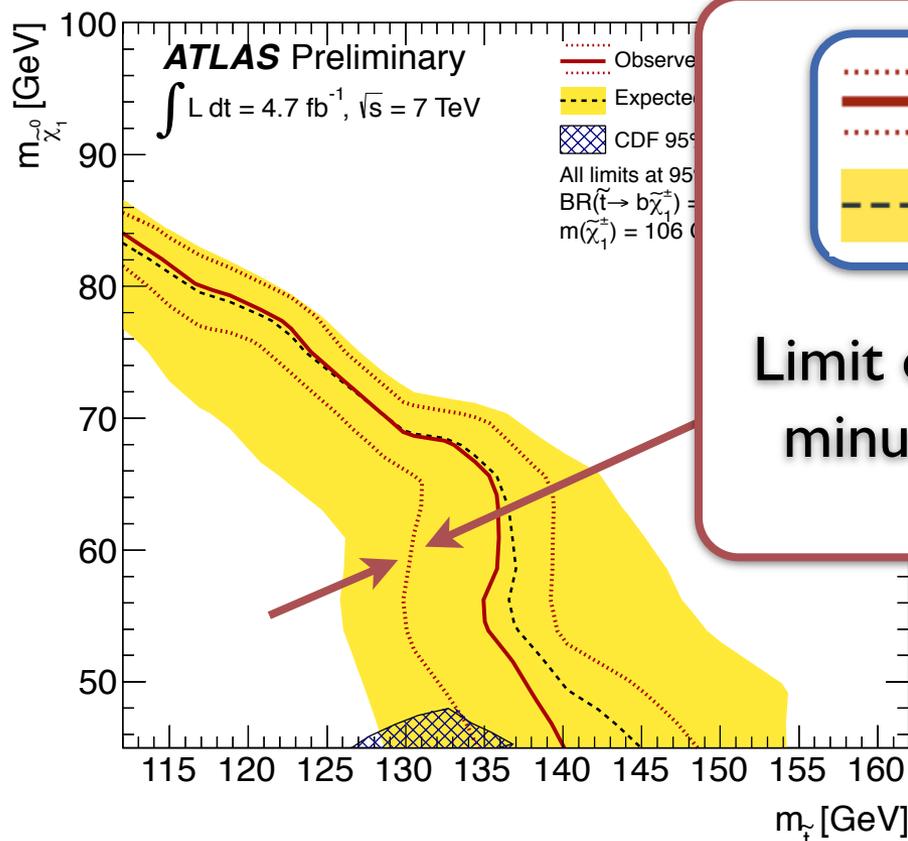


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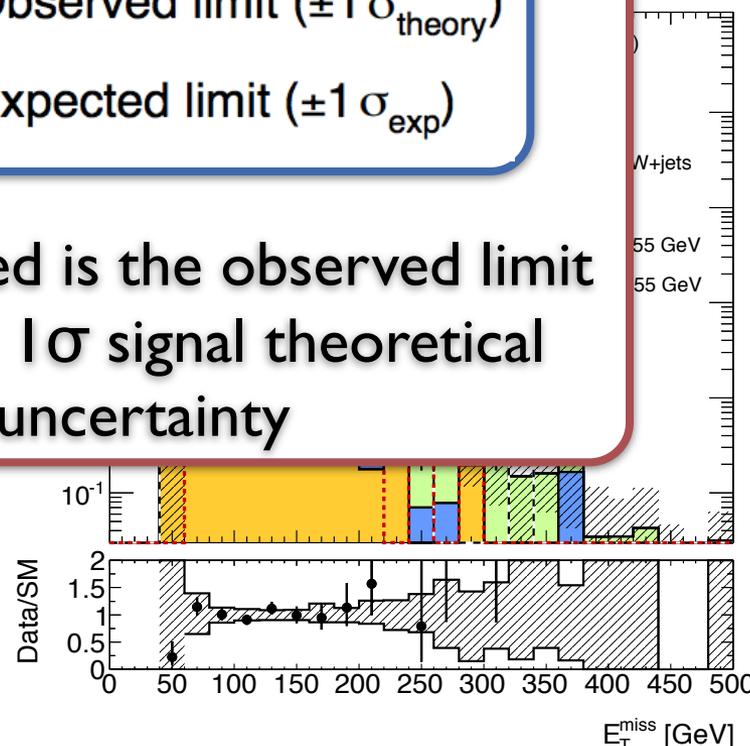
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— Observed limit ($\pm 1 \sigma_{\text{theory}}^{\text{SUSY}}$)
- - - Expected limit ($\pm 1 \sigma_{\text{exp}}$)

Limit quoted is the observed limit minus the 1σ signal theoretical uncertainty

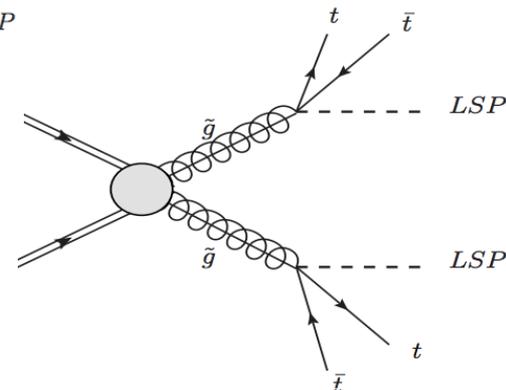
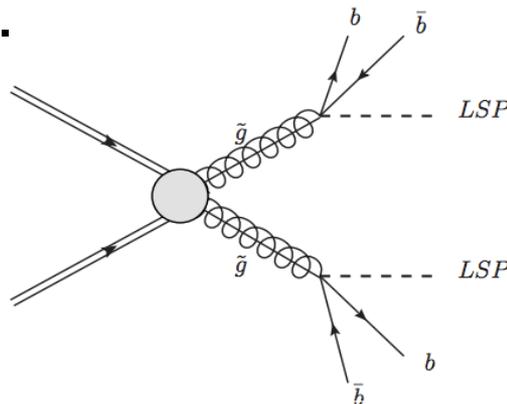




- Search for **gluino-mediated sbottom** and **stop** production in the **3 b-jet** final states with **4.7 fb⁻¹**.

Basic selection:

- Leading jet $p_T > 130$ GeV
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 160$ GeV
- veto events with leptons
- ≥ 3 b-jets $p_T > 30$ GeV



Common criteria: lepton veto, $p_T^{J1} > 130$ GeV,
 ≥ 3 b-jets, $E_T^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}} > 0.2$, $\Delta\phi_{\text{min}} > 0.4$

SR	N_J	E_T^{miss}	m_{eff}	b-tag OP
SR4-L	$\geq 4j$	>160 GeV	>500 GeV	60%
SR4-M	$\geq 4j$	>160 GeV	>700 GeV	60%
SR4-T	$\geq 4j$	>160 GeV	>900 GeV	70%
SR6-L	$\geq 6j$	>160 GeV	>700 GeV	70%
SR6-T	$\geq 6j$	>200 GeV	>900 GeV	75%

Optimised for:

← gluino mediated **sbottom**

← gluino mediated **stop**



Guino-mediated stop and sbottom | Results

SR	$t\bar{t}$ +jets (MC)	others	SM	data
SR4-L	33.3 ± 7.9 (32.6 ± 15.4)	11.1 ± 4.9	44.4 ± 10.0	45
SR4-M	16.4 ± 4.1 (16.1 ± 8.4)	6.6 ± 2.9	23.0 ± 5.4	14
SR4-T	9.7 ± 2.1 (11.4 ± 5.4)	3.8 ± 1.6	13.3 ± 2.6	10
SR6-L	10.3 ± 3.3 (10.0 ± 6.2)	2.4 ± 1.4	12.7 ± 3.6	12
SR6-T	8.3 ± 2.4 (7.9 ± 5.3)	1.6 ± 1.1	9.9 ± 2.6	8

▶ Background estimation

▶ Top background

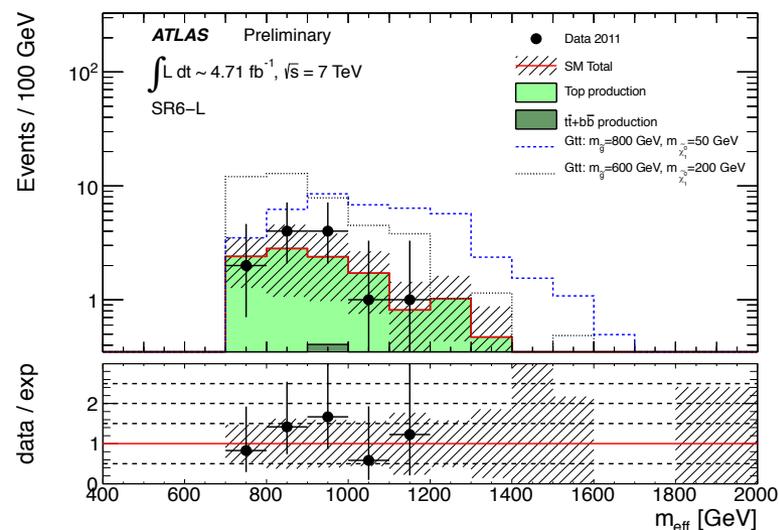
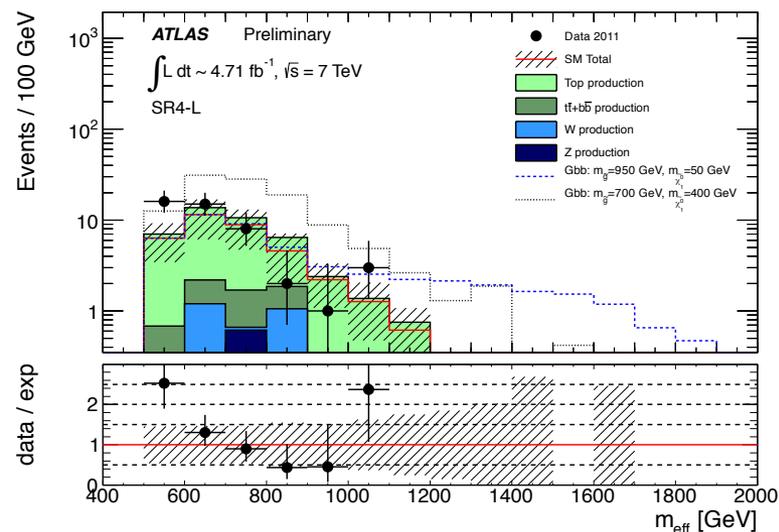
- ▶ Extrapolate from **2 b-tag control region** to **3 b-tag signal region**.

▶ QCD multijet background

- ▶ Estimated using a data driven approach.

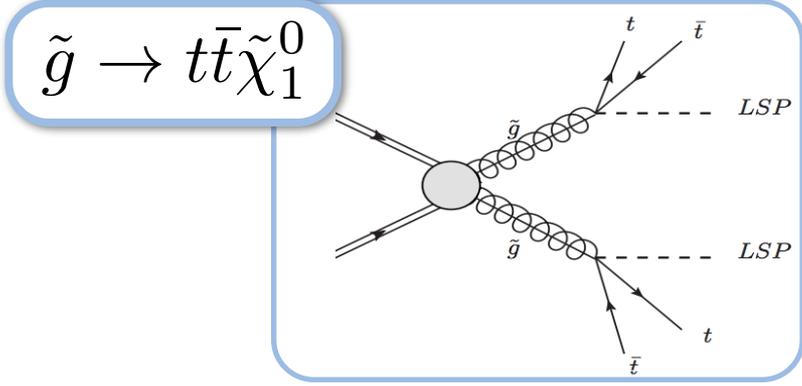
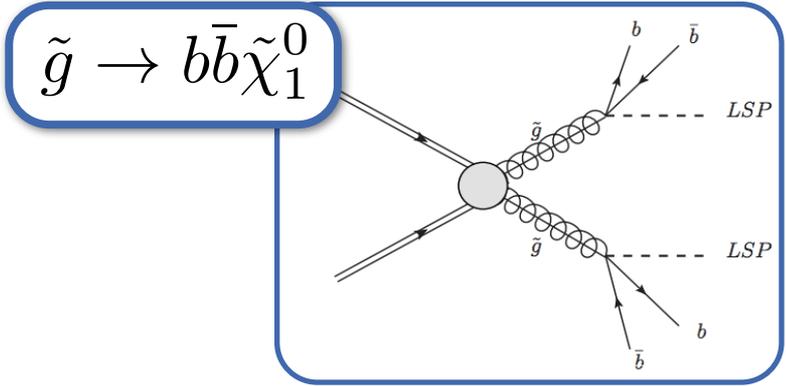
▶ Systematic errors

- ▶ Dominated by **b-tagging uncertainties**
~18-23%



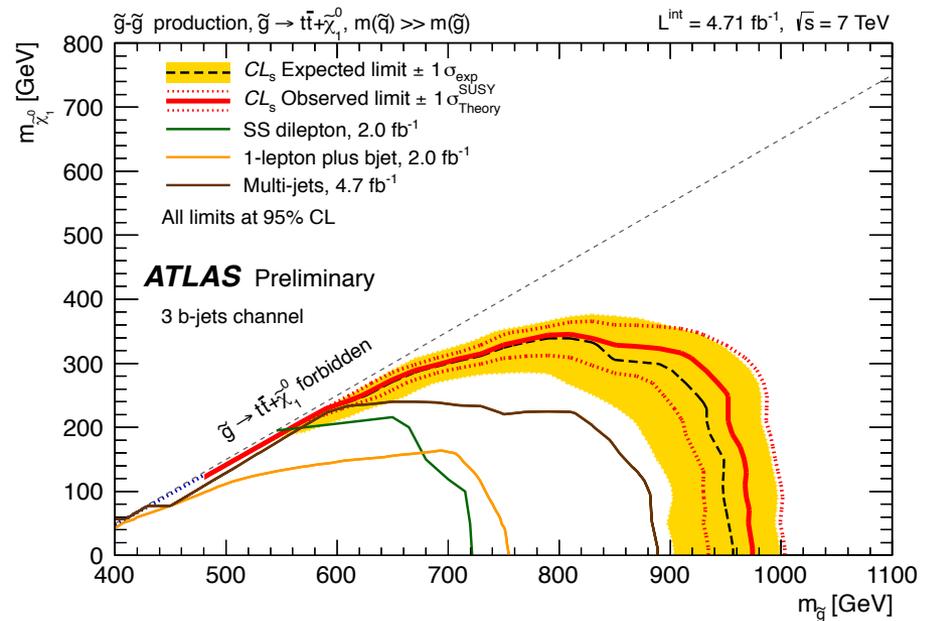
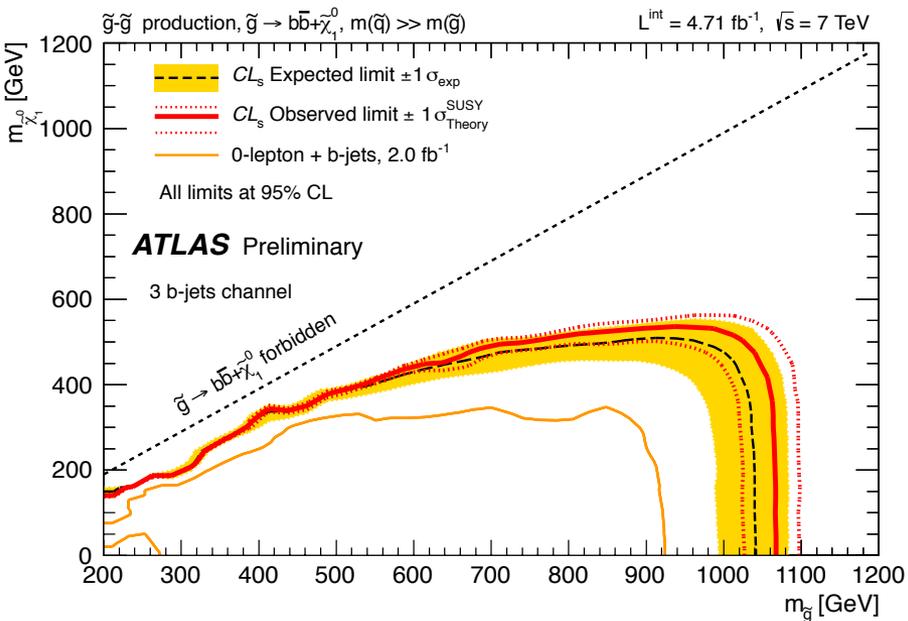


- Exclusion limits at 95% C.L. are set in the **guino-neutralino** mass plane for **Gbb** and **Gtt** simplified model scenarios.



- $m(\tilde{g}) < 1020 \text{ GeV}$ excluded for $m(\tilde{\chi}^0) < 400 \text{ GeV}$

- $m(\tilde{g}) < 940 \text{ GeV}$ excluded for $m(\tilde{\chi}^0) < 50 \text{ GeV}$





Summary

- ▶ Results have been presented here in searches for supersymmetric **gauginos** and **3rd generation squarks** with 2-5 fb⁻¹ of 2011 ATLAS data.
- ▶ Previous exclusion limits have been extended in a number of scenarios - no sign of SUSY yet!
- ▶ A number ATLAS of searches are expected to be released with new or updated 5 fb⁻¹ analyses soon!
 - ▶ Gaugino searches
 - ▶ Direct stop searches
- ▶ Looking forward to 8 TeV 2012 data with considerably higher integrated luminosity.



Back-ups



Di-lepton | Analysis outline

▶ Search for supersymmetric weak gauginos with a final state of the **2-leptons (e,μ)** and $\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$ with 1 fb^{-1} of ATLAS data.

▶ **Inclusive:**

▶ **Opposite sign (OS)**

▶ **Same sign (SS)**

▶ **Flavour subtraction (FS)**

▶ Subtract different flavour (DF) from same flavour (SF)

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\chi}_i^0 &\rightarrow l^\pm l^\mp \tilde{\chi}_j^0 && \text{Opposite sign} \\ \tilde{\chi}_i^\pm &\rightarrow l^\pm l^\mp \tilde{\chi}_j^\pm && \text{same flavour} \end{aligned}$$

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Signal Region	OS-SR1	OS-SR2	OS-SR3	SS-SR1	SS-SR2	FS-SR1	FS-SR2	FS-SR3
E_T^{miss} [GeV]	250	220	100	100	80	80	80	250
Leading jet p_T [GeV]	-	80	100	-	50	-	-	-
Second jet p_T [GeV]	-	40	70	-	50	-	-	-
Third jet p_T [GeV]	-	40	70	-	-	-	-	-
Fourth jet p_T [GeV]	-	-	70	-	-	-	-	-
Number of jets	-	-	-	-	-	-	≥ 2	-
m_{ll} veto [GeV]	-	-	-	-	-	80-100	-	-



Di-lepton | Backgrounds & results

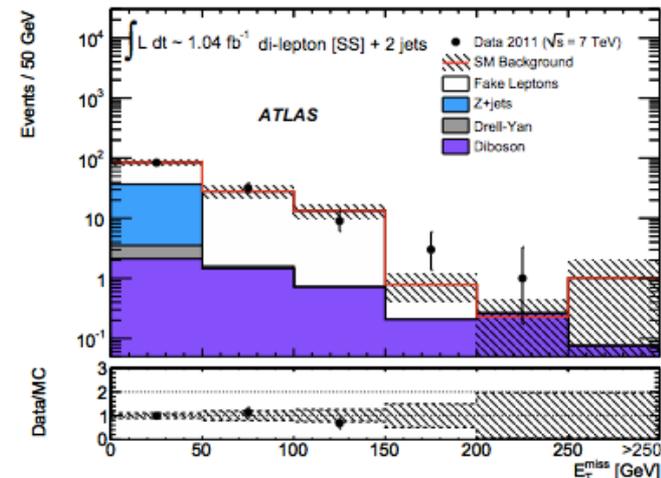
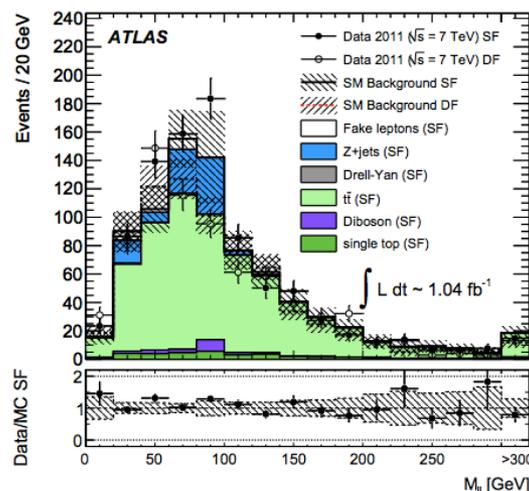
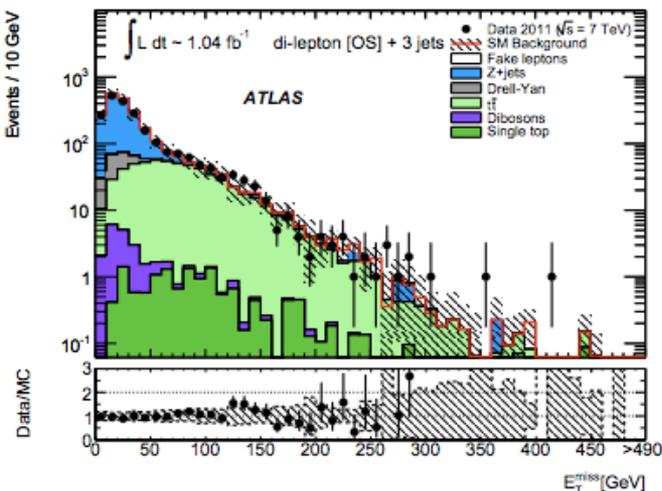
- ▶ Background estimation
 - ▶ **$t\bar{t}$ and $Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$ backgrounds** - estimated using MC normalised in control regions.
 - ▶ **Fakes** - data driven estimation.
 - ▶ **Charge misidentification** - probability taken from $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ events in MC.

▶ Generally good agreement is found between data and the SM expectation.

▶ Dominant systematic uncertainties

- ▶ **Background** - Jet energy scale, jet energy resolution, generator and ISR/FSR.
- ▶ **Signal** - cross section and jet energy scale.

	Background	Obs.	95% CL
OS-SR1	15.5 ± 4.0	13	9.9 fb
OS-SR2	13.0 ± 4.0	17	14.4 fb
OS-SR3	5.7 ± 3.6	2	6.4 fb
SS-SR1	32.6 ± 7.9	25	14.8 fb
SS-SR2	24.9 ± 5.9	28	17.7 fb





Di-lepton | Interpretation



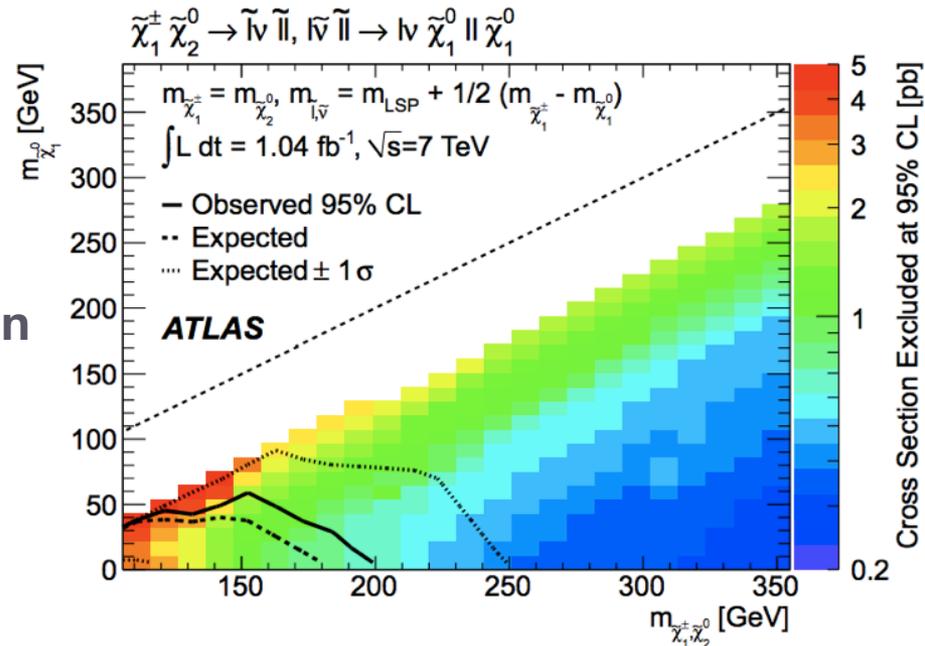
- ▶ Exclusion limits at 95% confidence level (CL) are set.

▶ Inclusive SS and OS

- ▶ Interpretation in $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ **direct production gaugino simplified models.**
- ▶ Visible cross section is corrected for acceptance and efficiency.
 - ▶ Acceptances of ~5-15% for low mass region and efficiencies of ~20%.

▶ Flavour subtraction

- ▶ Limits are set on \mathcal{S} , a measure of the excess in the number of opposite-sign same-flavour events.
- ▶ This can be interpreted by setting a limit on $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_s$, the mean contribution to number of events to \mathcal{S} from new phenomena.



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

	$\mathcal{S} > \mathcal{S}_{obs}$ (%)	Limit $\bar{\mathcal{S}}_s$ (95% CL)
FS-no Z	39	94
FS-2j	6	158
FS-inc	79	4.5



m_{CT}	Top, W + hf TF (MC)	Z + hf TF (MC)	Others MC + JS	Total SM	Data
0	67 ± 10 (60 ± 25)	23 ± 8 (16 ± 9)	3.6 ± 1.5	94 ± 16 (80 ± 35)	96
100	36 ± 10 (34 ± 16)	23 ± 9 (12 ± 7)	3.1 ± 1.6	62 ± 13 (49 ± 25)	56
150	12 ± 5 (13 ± 8)	12 ± 6 (8.3 ± 4.7)	2.7 ± 0.9	27 ± 8 (24 ± 13)	28
200	3.2 ± 1.6 (4.1 ± 3.4)	3.9 ± 3.2 (2.8 ± 1.5)	1.0 ± 0.9	8.1 ± 3.5 (8.0 ± 4.9)	10

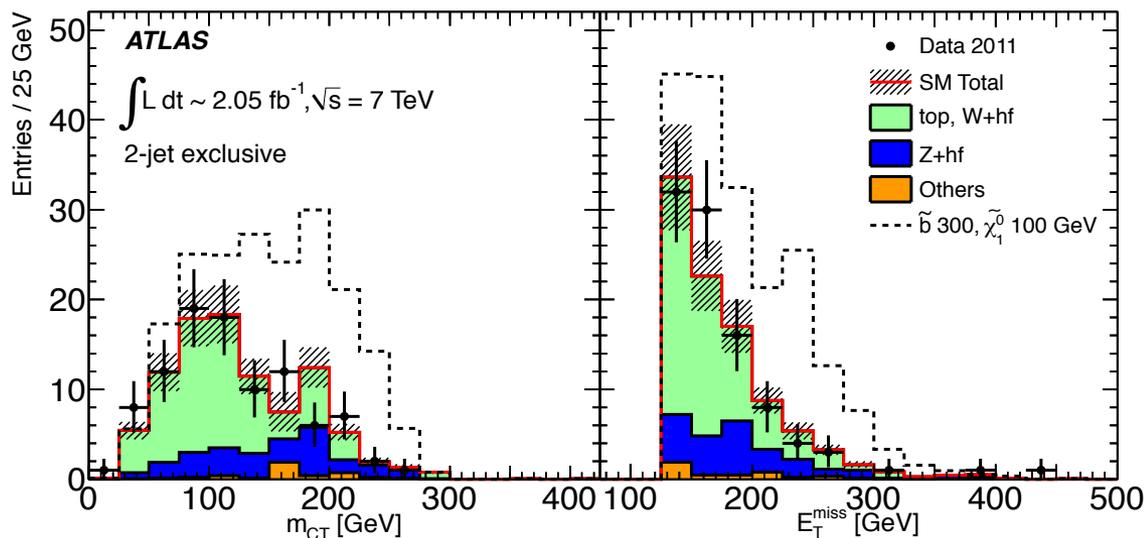
Systematic uncertainties

Background: 21-44%

- Dominant uncertainties coming from finite statistics in CR and theoretical modelling of $t\bar{t}$.

Signal:

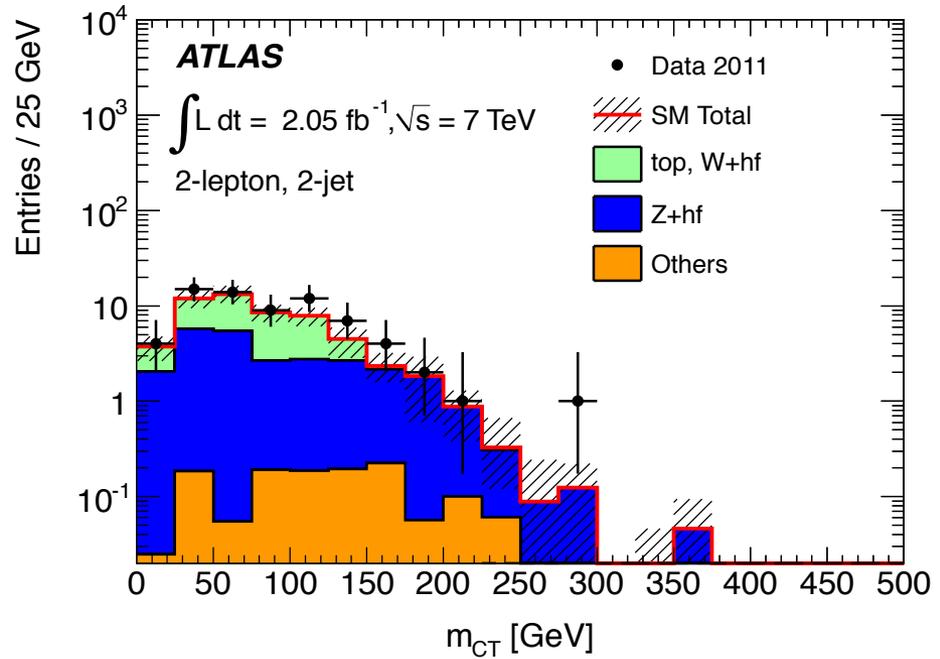
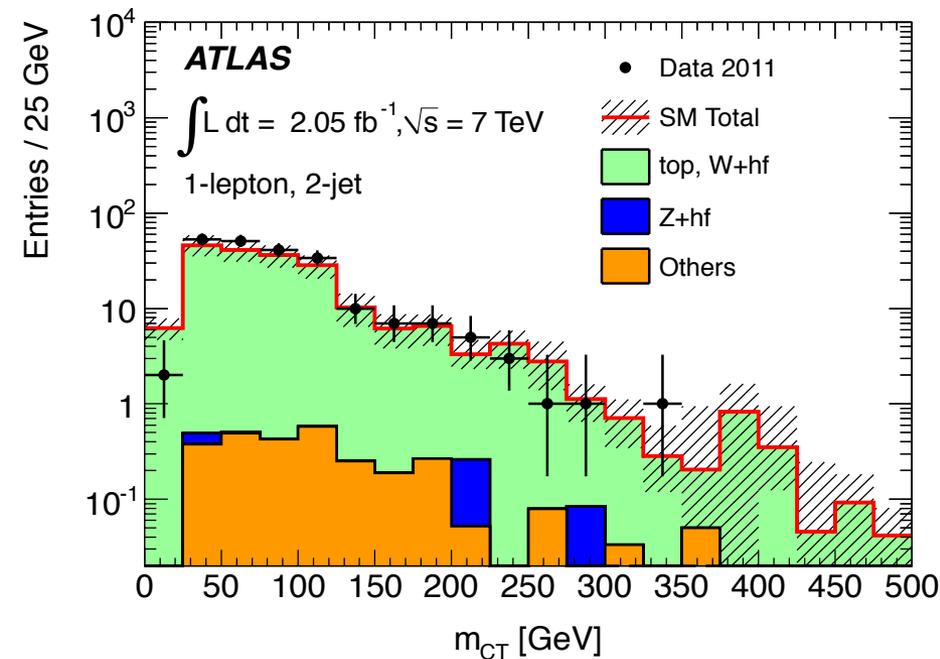
- Detector effects 35-45%: jet energy scale and b-tagging efficiency uncertainties.





2 b-jet m_{CT} | Background estimation

- ▶ **Semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$** - 1-lepton control region, transfer factor from CR to SR.
- ▶ **Z + heavy flavour** - 2-lepton control region, leptons added to E_T^{miss} .





Direct stop - GMSB | Model

▶ GMSB Natural model -

- ▶ See M. Asano et al., JHEP 12, 019 (2010)
- ▶ χ^0_1 is pure higgsino-like and lighter than the stop
- ▶ The following parameters are assumed:

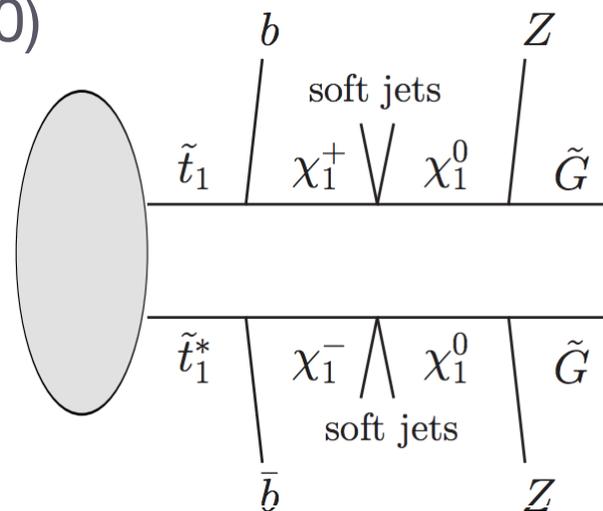
$$m_{\tilde{q}_3} = m_{\tilde{u}_3} = -A_t/2; \quad \tan\beta = 10$$

- ▶ First and second generation and gluinos are set to 2 TeV
- ▶ Stop decay:
 - ▶ $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}^+$ or $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t\tilde{\chi}^0_{1(2)}$

$$\tilde{\chi}^{\pm}_1 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^0_1 f f'$$

$$\tilde{\chi}^0_1 \rightarrow Z\tilde{G}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\tilde{\chi}^0_1 \rightarrow Z\tilde{G}) = 1 - 0.65 [m_{\tilde{\chi}^0_1} : 100 - 350 \text{ GeV}]$$

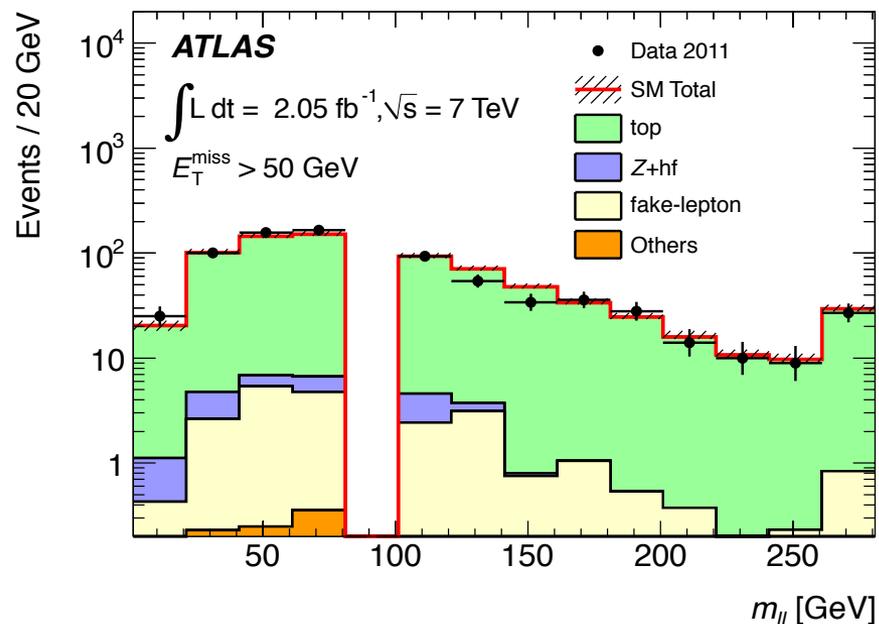
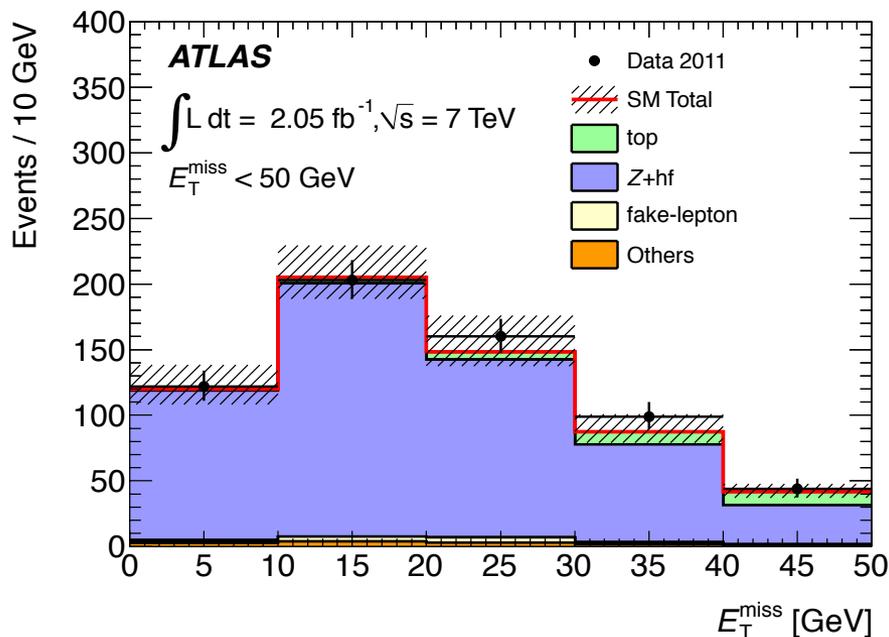


Experimental signature is largely determined by the nature of the next-to-lightest SUSY particle ($\tilde{\chi}^0_1$)



Stop pair in GMSB | Background estimation

- ▶ **Top** - Identical to signal region but with reversed m_{ll} Z window.
 - ▶ Transfer factor from CR to SR is derived from Monte Carlo.
- ▶ **Z + Heavy Flavour (HF)** - Low $E_T^{\text{miss}} (<50 \text{ GeV})$
 - ▶ Taken from Monte Carlo, validated in control region.
- ▶ **Fake lepton** - from W +jets and multijets estimated with data-driven matrix method.





Light stop | Selection & results



Requirement	ee channel	$e\mu$ channel	$\mu\mu$ channel
Signal Region			
lepton p_T	> 17 GeV	$> 17(12)$ GeV for $e(\mu)$	> 12 GeV
highest lepton p_T	< 30 GeV	< 30 GeV	< 30 GeV
m_{ll}	> 20 GeV and Z veto	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV and Z veto
jet p_T	≥ 1 jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 1 jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 1 jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV
E_T^{miss}	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV
$E_T^{\text{miss,sig}}$	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}
Top Control Region			
lepton p_T	> 17 GeV	$> 17(12)$ GeV for $e(\mu)$	> 12 GeV
highest lepton p_T	> 30 GeV	> 30 GeV	> 30 GeV
m_{ll}	> 20 GeV and Z veto	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV and Z veto
jet p_T	≥ 2 (b)jets, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 2 (b)jets, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 2 (b)jets, $p_T > 25$ GeV
b jet p_T	≥ 1 b jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 1 b jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV	≥ 1 b jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV
E_T^{miss}	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV	> 20 GeV
$E_T^{\text{miss,sig}}$	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}	> 7.5 GeV ^{1/2}
Z Control Region			
lepton p_T	> 17 GeV	n/a	> 12 GeV
highest lepton p_T	< 30 GeV	n/a	< 30 GeV
m_{ll}	> 81 GeV and < 101 GeV	n/a	> 81 GeV and < 101 GeV
jet p_T	≥ 1 jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV	n/a	≥ 1 jet, $p_T > 25$ GeV
E_T^{miss}	> 20 GeV	n/a	> 20 GeV
$E_T^{\text{miss,sig}}$	> 4.0 GeV ^{1/2}	n/a	> 4.0 GeV ^{1/2}

	ee	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	all
$t\bar{t}$	$44 \pm 4 \pm 5$	$139 \pm 7 \pm 22$	$111 \pm 8 \pm 10$	$293 \pm 12 \pm 34$
Z/ γ^* +jets	$5 \pm 1 \pm 2$	$23 \pm 2 \pm 8$	$48 \pm 16 \pm 27$	$76 \pm 16 \pm 27$
Single top	$3 \pm 0.5 \pm 1$	$12 \pm 1 \pm 2$	$12 \pm 1 \pm 2$	$28 \pm 2 \pm 5$
W+jets	$3 \pm 3 \pm 3$	$5 \pm 2 \pm 1$	$6 \pm 2 \pm 1$	$13 \pm 3 \pm 3$
Diboson	$4 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.5$	$9 \pm 0.7 \pm 2$	$10 \pm 0.7 \pm 1$	$22 \pm 1 \pm 3$
multijet	$2.9^{+3.2}_{-2.9} \pm 2.2$	$2.0 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.3$	$3.0 \pm 2.8 \pm 0.3$	$8.0 \pm 3.7 \pm 2.3$
Total	$61 \pm 6 \pm 6$	$189 \pm 8 \pm 21$	$190 \pm 19 \pm 31$	$440 \pm 21 \pm 43$
Data	48	188	195	431
σ_{vis} (exp. limit) [fb]	4.9	11.1	16.2	22.0
σ_{vis} (obs. limit) [fb]	3.3	10.9	16.9	21.0
$m(\tilde{t}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = (112, 55)$ GeV	44.1 ± 4.8	137 ± 8	140 ± 8	322 ± 13
$m(\tilde{t}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = (160, 55)$ GeV	8.8 ± 1.5	31.4 ± 2.7	36.5 ± 2.9	76.6 ± 4.3



Light stop | Background estimation

- ▶ Dominant background is expected to be:
 - ▶ di-leptonic $t\bar{t}$
 - ▶ $Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$.
- ▶ Estimated by extrapolating from a suitable control region (CR) to the signal region (SR).

$$(N_{t\bar{t}})_{\text{SR}} = ((N_{\text{data}})_{\text{CR}} - (N_{\text{non-}t\bar{t},\text{MC}})_{\text{CR}}) \frac{(N_{t\bar{t},\text{MC}})_{\text{SR}}}{(N_{t\bar{t},\text{MC}})_{\text{CR}}}$$

- ▶ **Top CR** - requirement of a b-jet and one extra jet.
- ▶ **$Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$ CR** - reverse Z veto.



3 b-jet | Background estimation

Top background

- Semi-leptonic top with a W decaying to c and τ that are mis-tagged as b-jets.
- Extrapolate from **2 b-tag control region** to **3 b-tag signal region**:

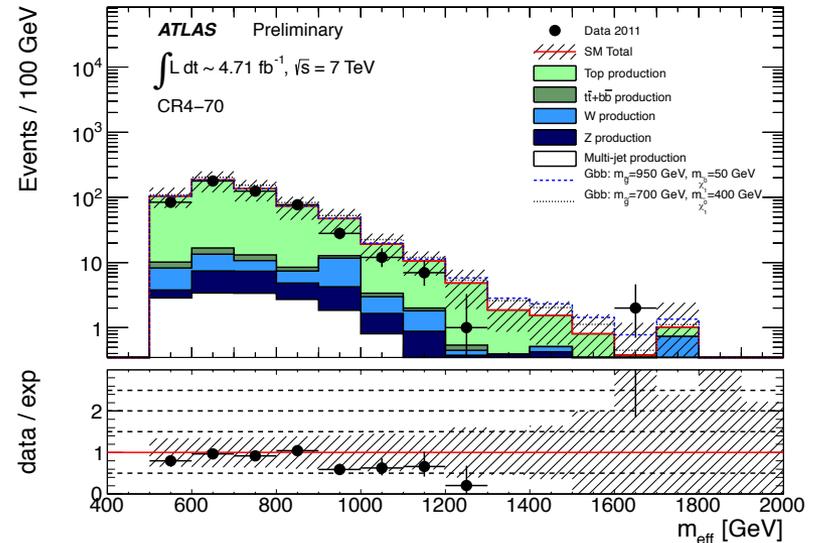
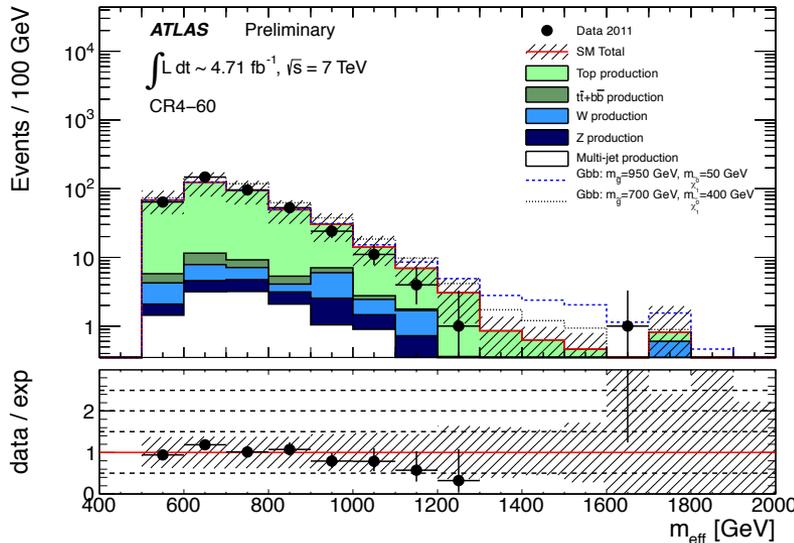
$$N_{3b}^{Pred,top} = (N_{2b}^{data} - N_{2b}^{MC,notop}) \times \frac{N_{3b}^{MC,top}}{N_{2b}^{MC,top}} = (N_{2b}^{data} - N_{2b}^{MC,notop}) \times T_f(2b \rightarrow 3b)$$

- Validated in a **1-lepton validation region** and by a **fake b-tag matrix method**.

CR	$t\bar{t}$ +jets	others	SM	data
CR4-60	329 ± 92	66 ± 26	395 ± 115	402
CR4-70	489 ± 125	102 ± 37	590 ± 160	515
CR6-70	38 ± 11	7 ± 3	45 ± 13	46
CR6-75	40 ± 12	10 ± 4	50 ± 15	52

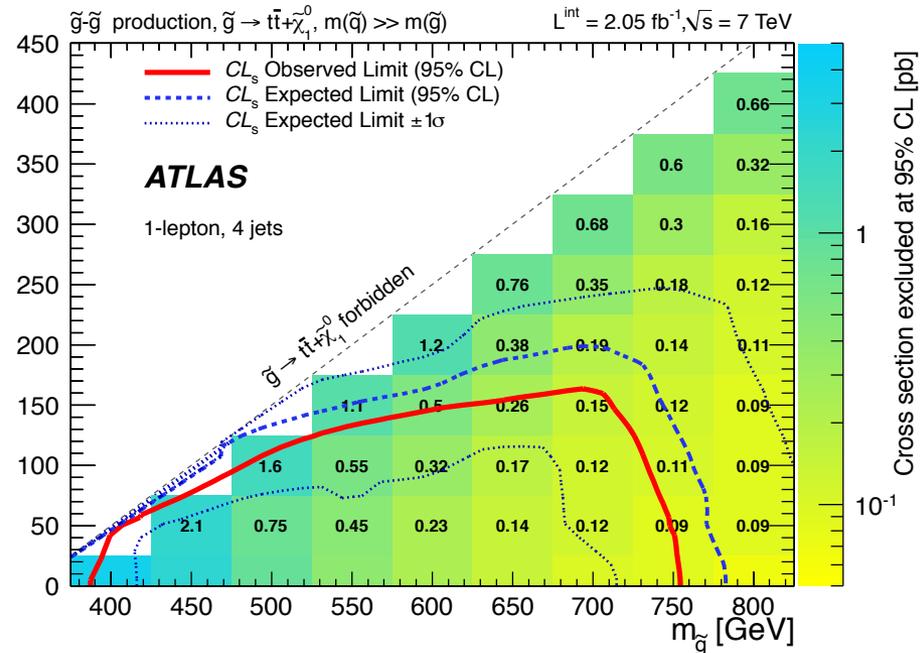
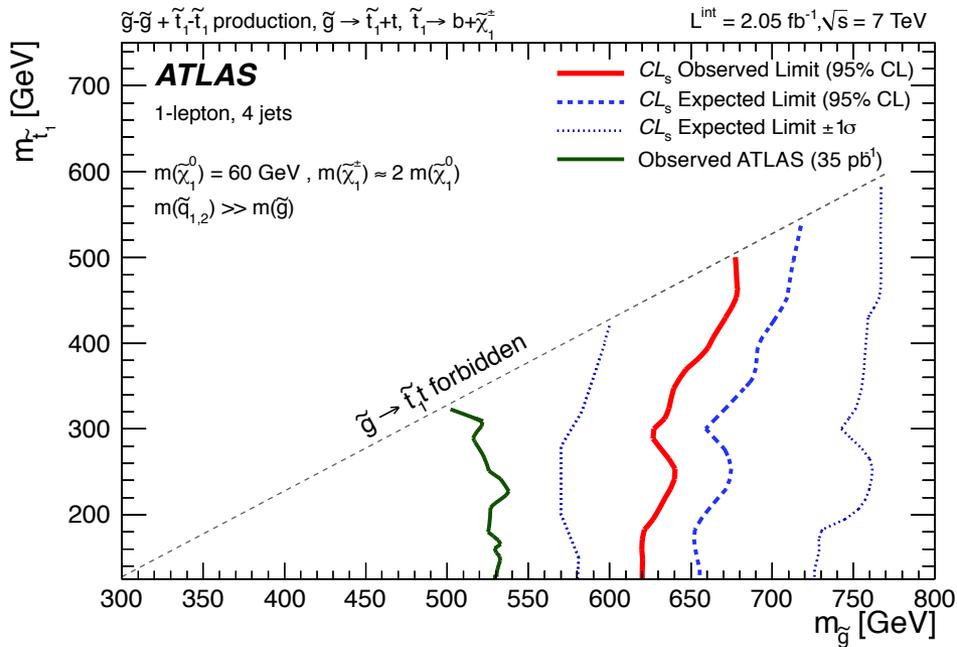
QCD multijet background

- Estimated using a data driven approach.





- ▶ Previous **2.05 fb⁻¹ 1-lepton** gluino mediated stop search.
- ▶ Interpretation in pMSSM and simplified model scenarios.





Quick review of m_{CT}

- ▶ **Contranverse mass, m_{CT}** , is a kinematic variable that can be used to measure the masses of particles in events with pairs of semi-invisible decays.

- ▶ Definition: $M_{CT}^2 = (E_{T_1} + E_{T_2})^2 - (\mathbf{p}_{T_1} - \mathbf{p}_{T_2})^2$

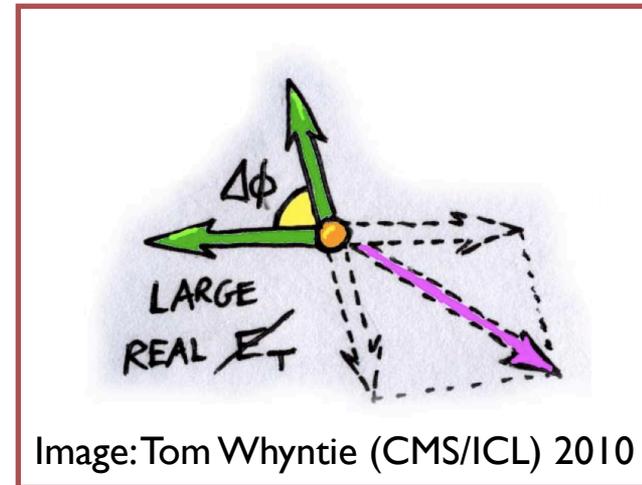
- ▶ Offline analysis variable is **boost corrected** m_{CT} .

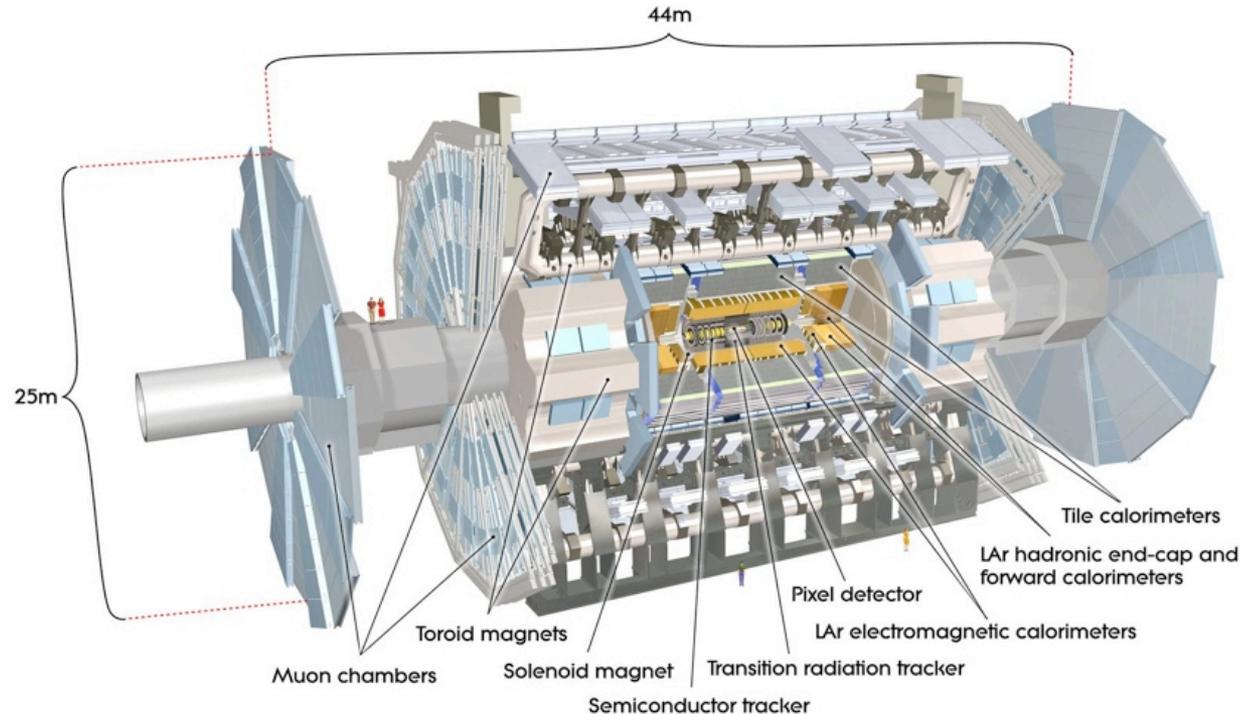
- ▶ Frame is re-boosted in transverse plane to account for any ISR which can smear out the m_{CT} endpoint.

- ▶ m_{CT} is low for back-to-back QCD dijets as the small $\cos(\Phi_{12})$ dominates.
- ▶ m_{CT} is high for jets boosted in transverse plane.

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- ▶ ATLAS has forward-backward symmetric cylindrical geometry.
 - ▶ **Inner tracker:** 2 T magnetic field providing precision tracking of charged particles.
 - ▶ **Calorimeter systems:** Liquid argon or scintillating tiles provide energy measurements.
 - ▶ **Muon spectrometer:** Surrounded by air-core superconducting magnets providing a magnetic field strength varying from 1 to 8 T·m the muon spectrometer provides trigger and high precision tracking capabilities.