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Exotic Physics and SUSY in ATLAS

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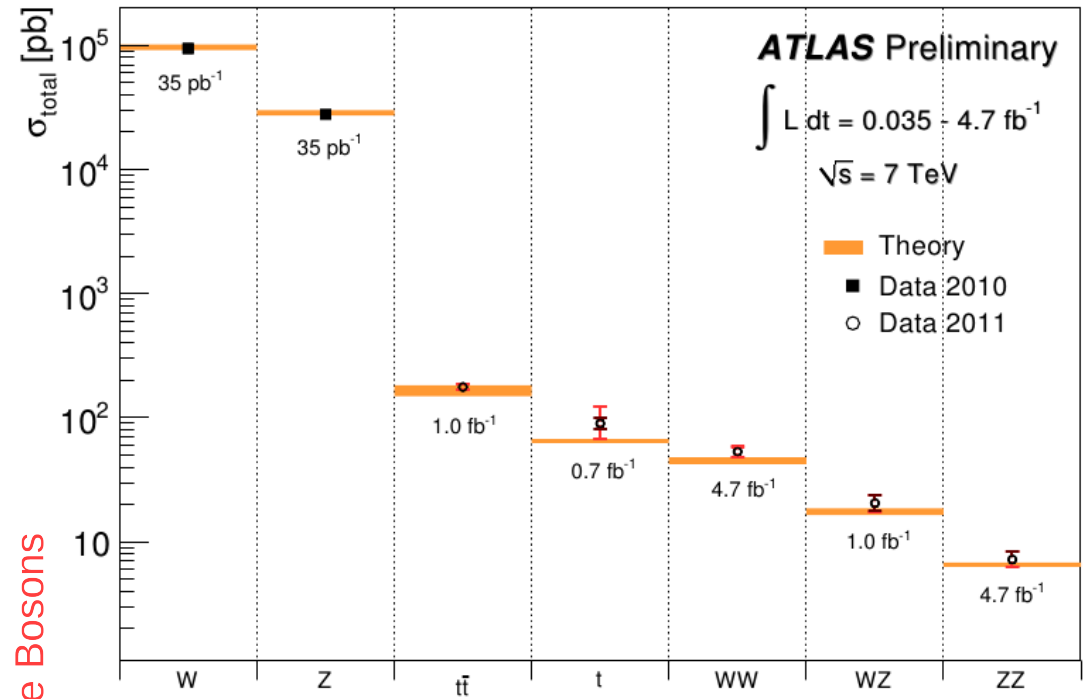
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ATLAS has rediscovered the expected...

Three Generations of Matter (Fermions)





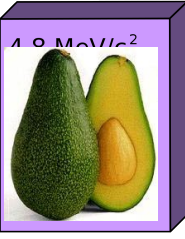
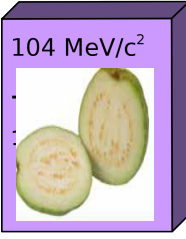


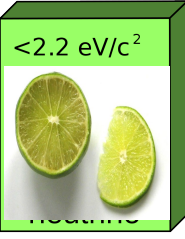







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charge →	2/3	2/3	2/3	0
spin →	1/2	1/2	1/2	1
name →	u up	c charm	t top	γ photon
Quarks	4.8 MeV/c ²	104 MeV/c ²	4.2 GeV/c ²	0
	-1/3	-1/3	-1/3	0
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1
	d down	s strange	b bottom	g gluon
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	ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino	Z⁰ Z boson
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	-1	-1	-1	±1
	1/2	1/2	1/2	1
	e electron	μ muon	τ tau	W[±] W boson

Summary plot of SM cross sections vs theory expectations



...but what about the unexpected?

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Leptons				auge Bosons

Looking **beyond** the Standard Model

Exotic physics:

- **Dijet searches:** look for new phenomena in dijet final states
- **Dark matter:** look for escaping particles (missing mass)
- Look for **magnetic monopoles**
- **Excited leptons:** look for signs of lepton compositeness

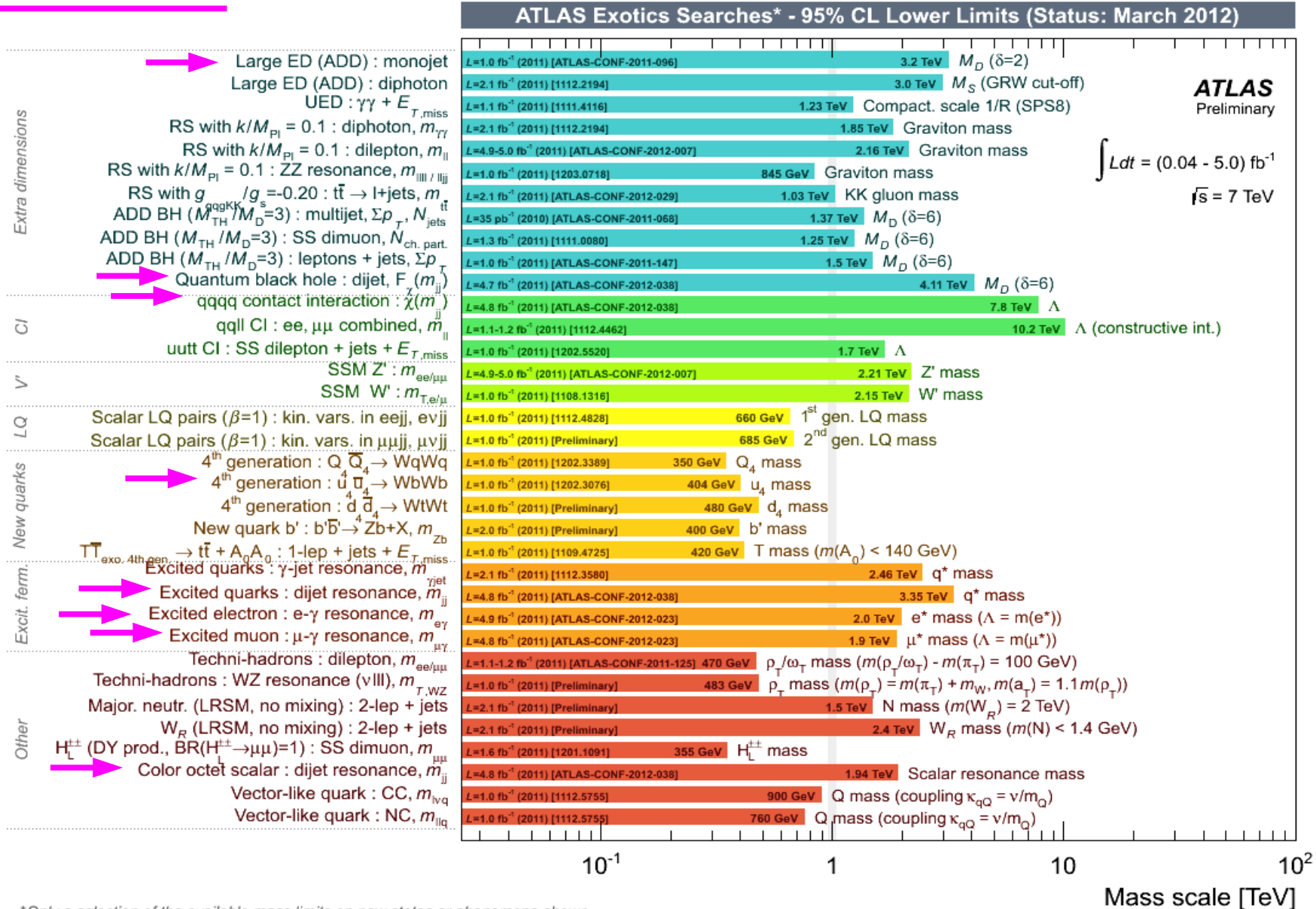
Supersymmetry:

- **Compressed SUSY:** look for SM partner particles manifesting as missing energy

This talk: (short) selection of ATLAS results with DPNC involvement

Non-SUSY, beyond the Standard Model

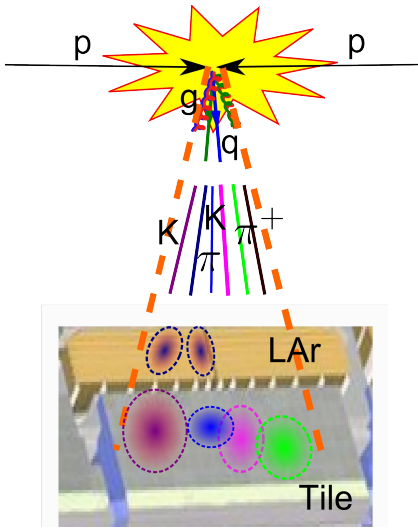
UniGe involvement



*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena shown

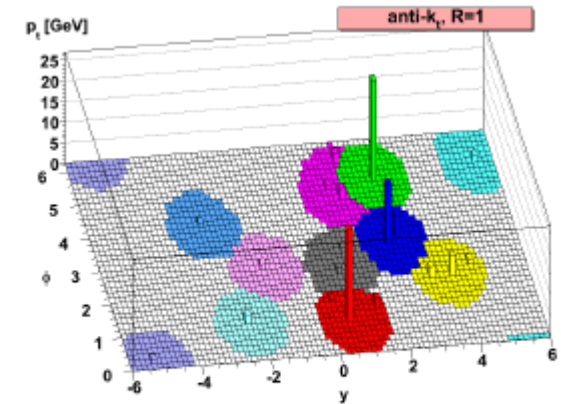
Input to dijet searches: jet performance

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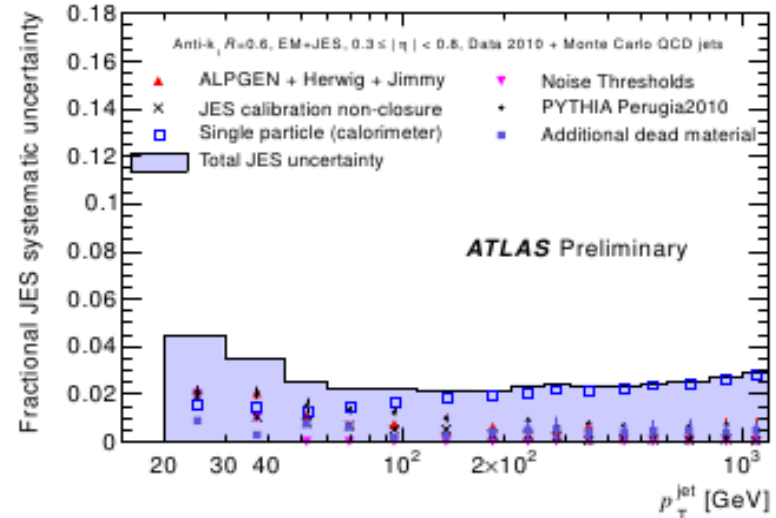
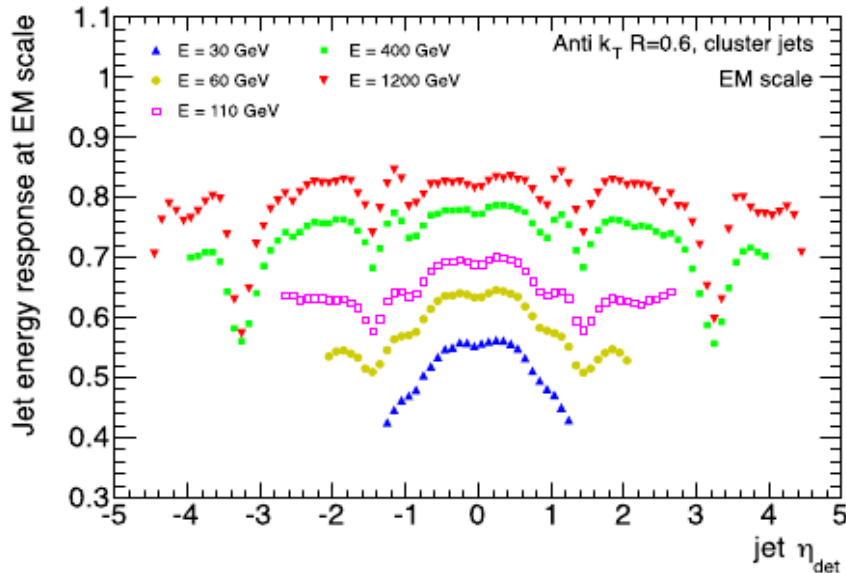
From calorimeter **energy deposits** to **hadronic jets**:
DPNC input to

- Jet **reconstruction and calibration**
- Jet energy scale uncertainty (dominant systematic for many LHC measurements)



[Cacciari, Salam, Soyez JHEP 0804:063,2008]

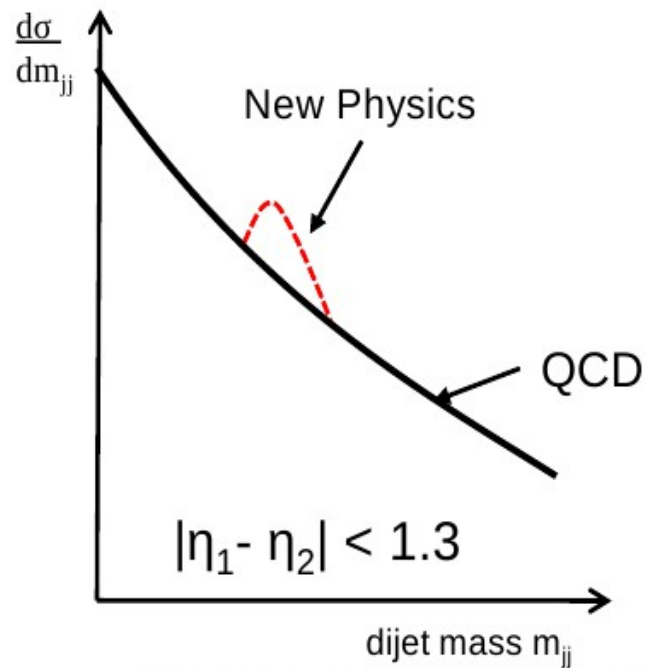
< 2.5% for central jets, $p_T = 100$ GeV
< 9 (14)% for endcap (forward) jets



Beyond the SM with dijets: 2011

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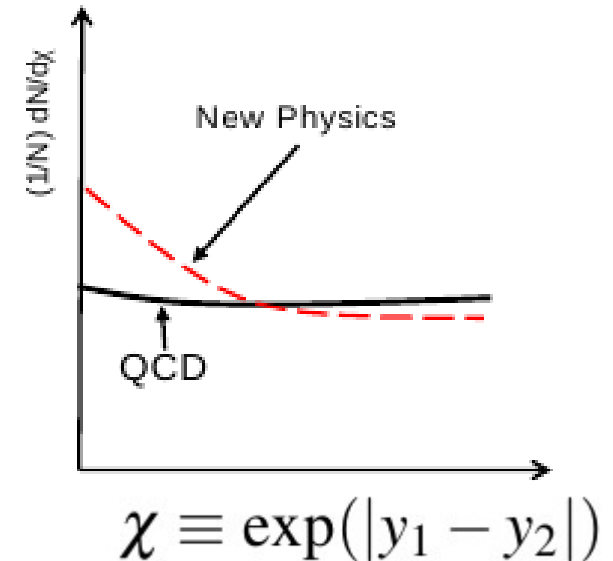
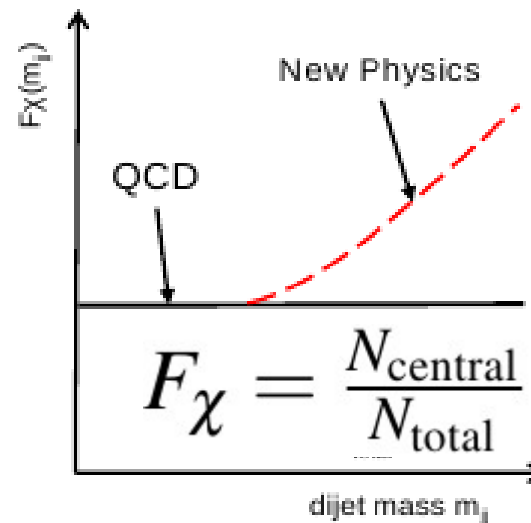
Search in the **m_{jj} mass spectrum**



[F. Ruehr, [LPCC Workshop on Higgs/BSM](#)]

Sensitive to invariant mass '**bumps**': signs of i.e. excited quarks (→ parton substructure)

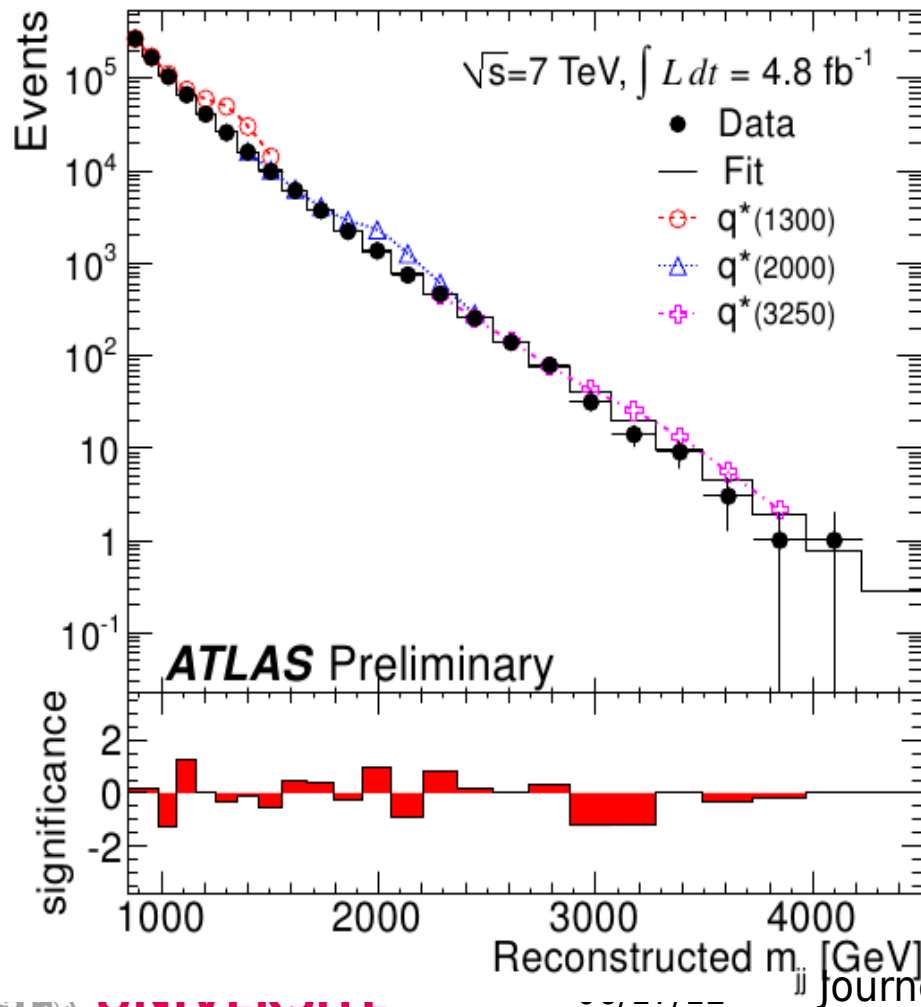
Search in **dijet angular distributions**



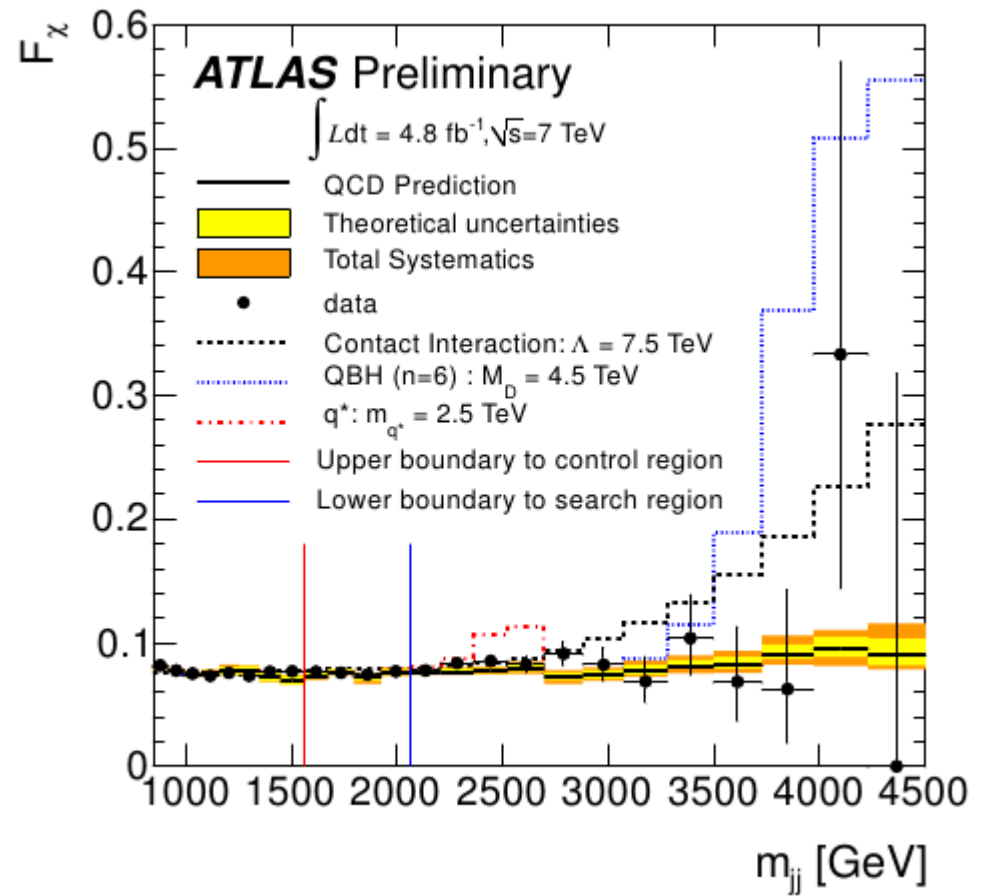
Sensitive to slow **deviations from QCD** (excesses at high scattering angles): signs of i.e. micro-black-holes, contact interactions...

Beyond the SM with dijets: 2011

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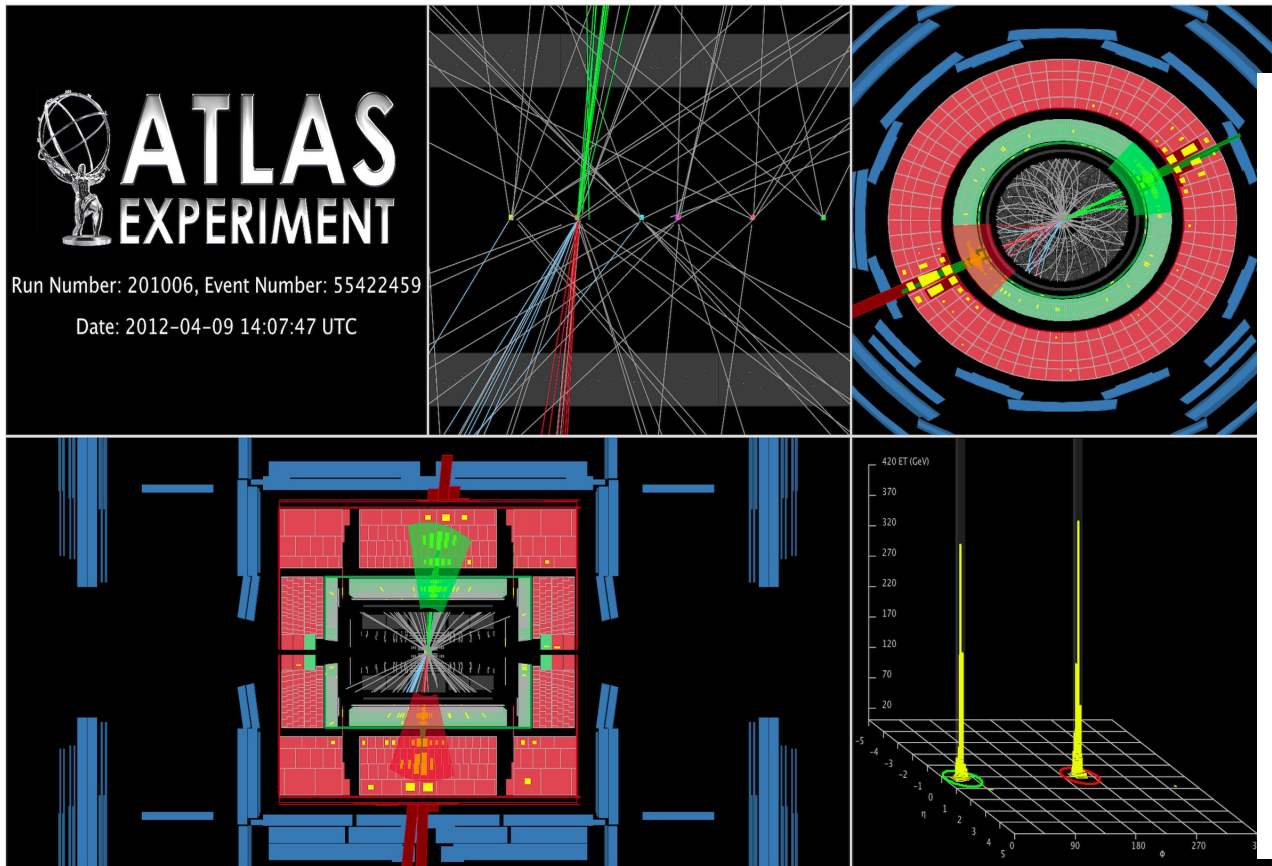
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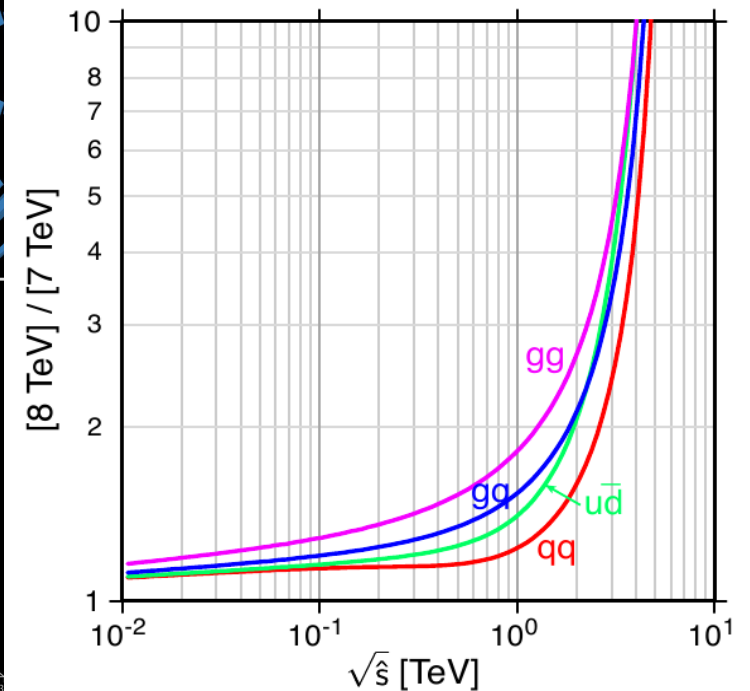
Beyond the SM with dijets: 2012

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Highest dijet mass event recorded up to end of April 2011: $m_{jj} \sim 3.6$ TeV



CTEQ6L1: Parton Luminosity Ratios



LHC: $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV \rightarrow $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV: increase in cross sections (\rightarrow sensitivity)

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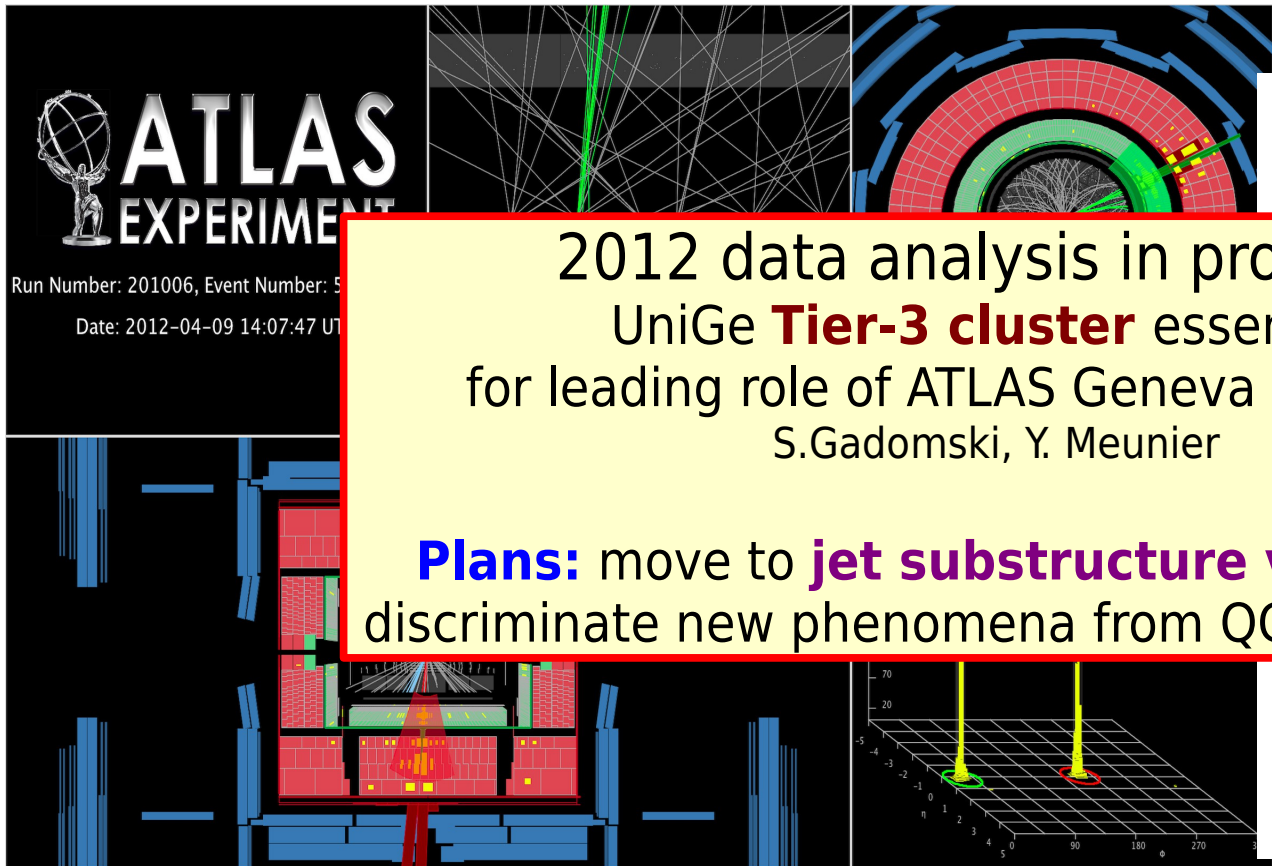
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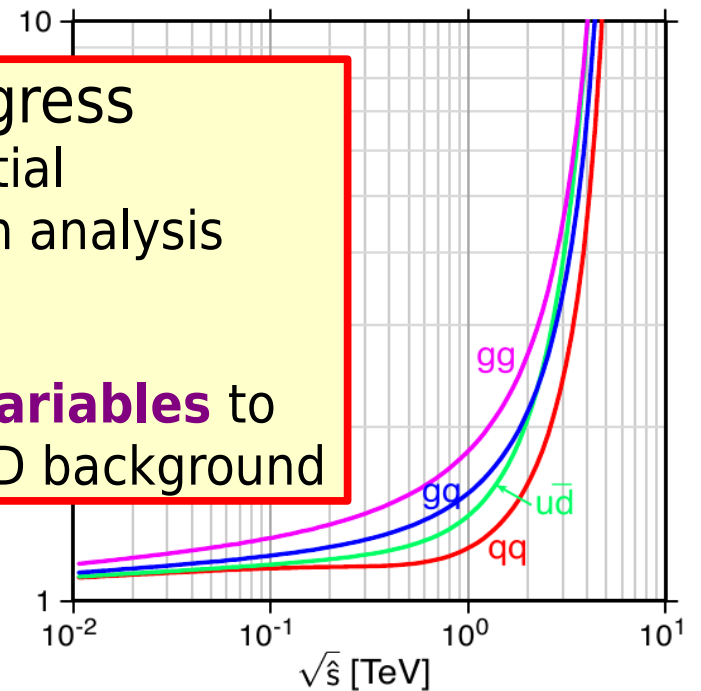
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2012 data analysis in progress
UniGe **Tier-3 cluster** essential
for leading role of ATLAS Geneva in analysis
S.Gadomski, Y. Meunier

Plans: move to **jet substructure variables** to
discriminate new phenomena from QCD background

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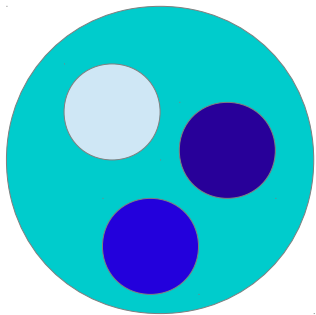
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Excited leptons

Ahmed Abdelalim, Gauthier Alexandre, Bertrand Martin

Highest dielectron-photon invariant mass event in 2011 (550 GeV)

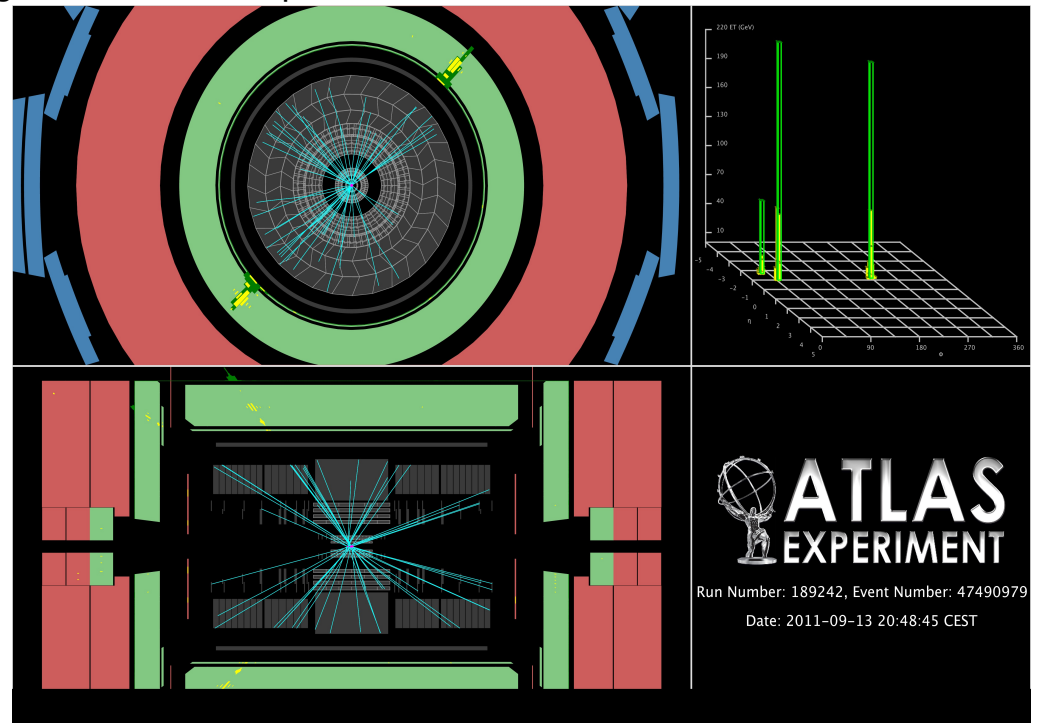
Composite leptons:
can be excited
and emit radiation



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$$l^{*\pm} \rightarrow l^{\pm} \gamma$$

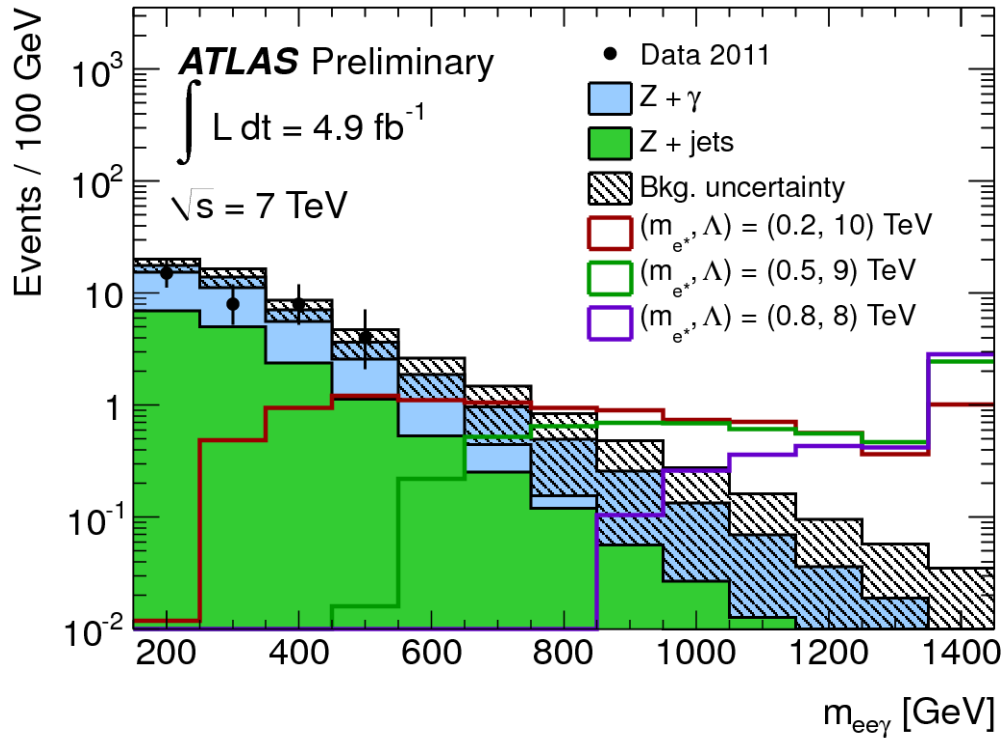


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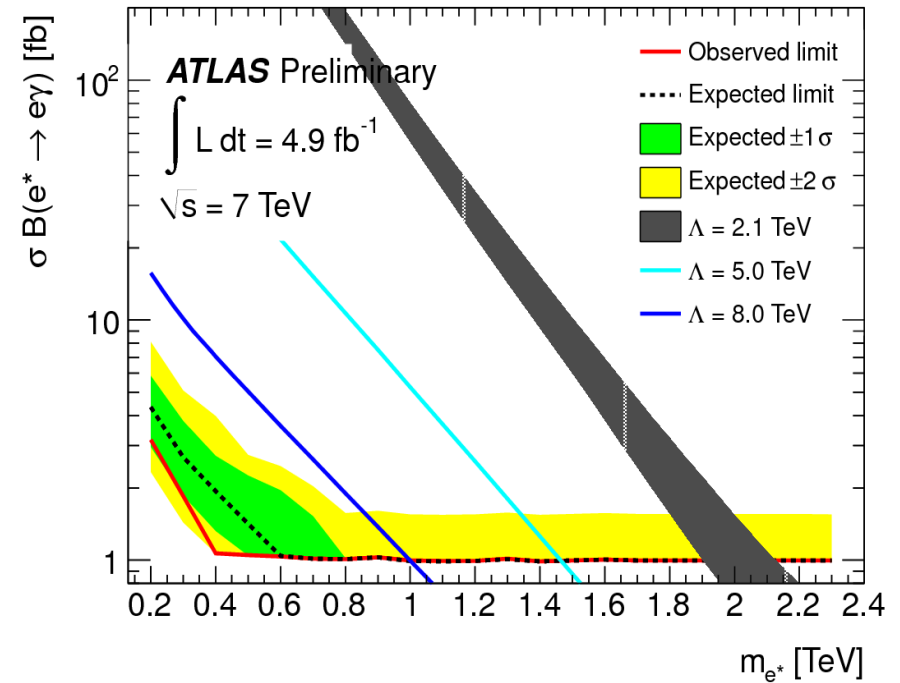
Search for excesses in tails of $l\gamma$ distribution

Evaluate backgrounds by extrapolation from control to signal region

Excited leptons



Dielectron-photon invariant mass



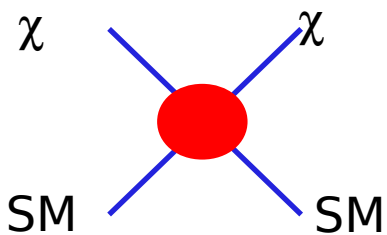
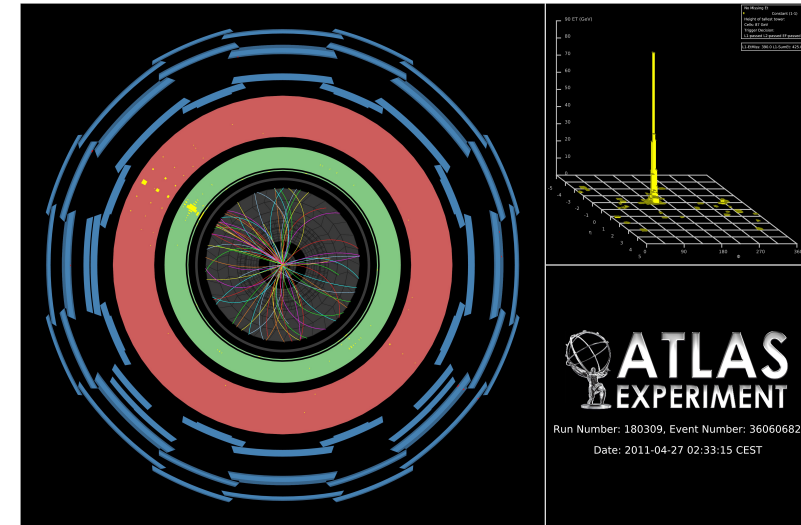
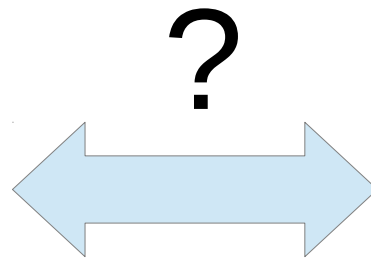
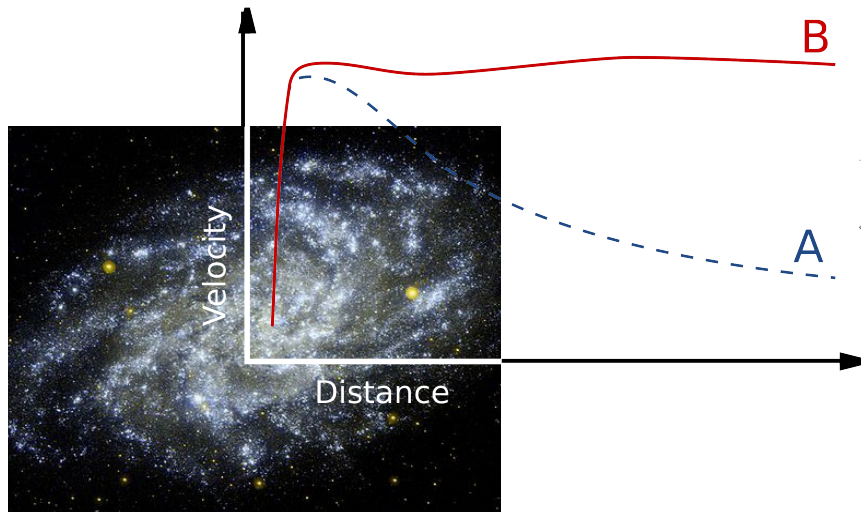
95% CL exclusion limits for excited electrons

Plans: join starting 2012 effort, add decay channel $l^* \rightarrow ll'l'$
 (4-lepton final state \rightarrow lower backgrounds,
 more favourable branching ratio for high l^* masses)

Dark Matter Search at LHC: jets + MET

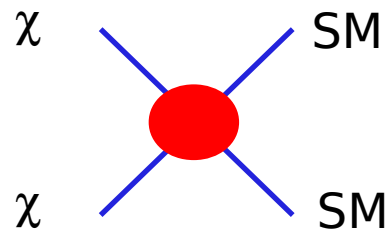
Johanna Gramling, Xin Wu

- Evidence for Dark Matter: Mass determined by light emission \neq mass determined by motion \Rightarrow **Dark “Mass”!**



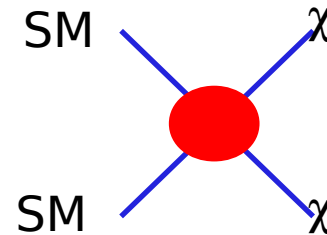
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hadronic recoil:
deep underground,
cryogenic



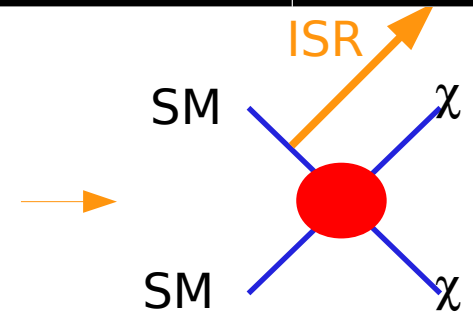
indirect

cosmic rays:
ground-based or space
observatories



collider: invisible \longrightarrow

missing transverse
energy in particle
collisions

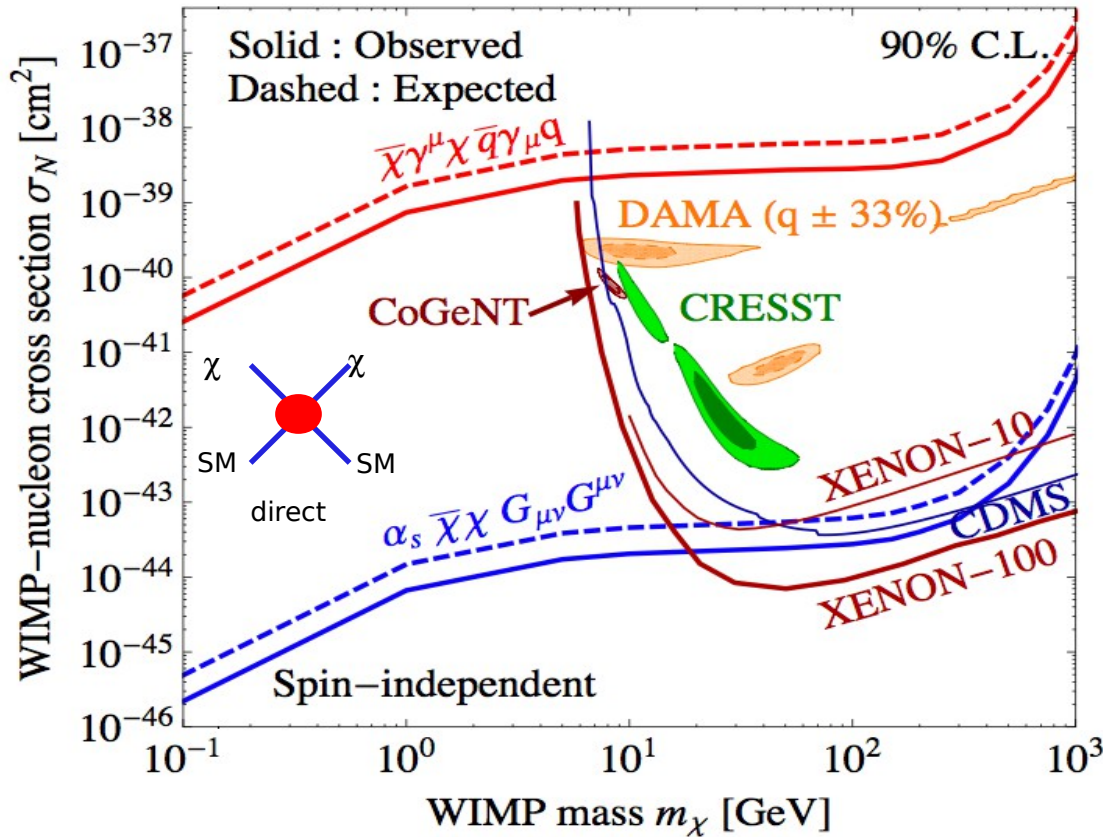


visible \longrightarrow

Monojets
Monophotons

WIMP limits from Monojets

ATLAS 7TeV, 1fb^{-1} VeryHighPt

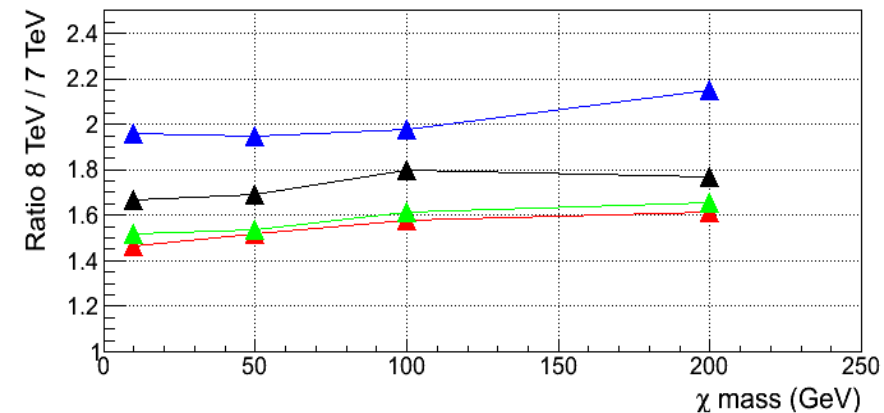
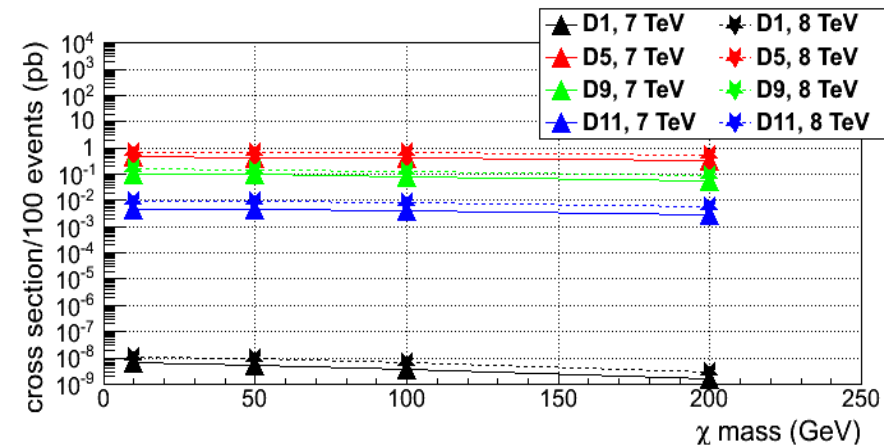


arXiv:1109.4398

- LHC limits do not suffer from astrophysical uncertainties
- LHC limits reach to low WIMP masses \rightarrow complementary to direct detection!
- Reach of LHC limits comparable to other experiments

Outlook for WIMPs @ LHC

- Finalising analysis of 2011 dataset (4.7 fb⁻¹)
- 2012 data: pp collisions @ 8 TeV:
DPNC involvement
 - **x-sections: 1.5 - 2 times higher wrt 7 TeV!**
 - Focus on cut optimization for WIMP signals
 - Further studies of background/performance
 - MC generation and validation ongoing
- “Take over” interpretation of ATLAS results: direct & indirect detection results
 - Better knowledge of systematic effects
 - Profit from close exchange with theorists



DPNC-wide collaboration planned

– C. Doglioni

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Monopole Searches at LHC & beyond

Akshay Katre, Philippe Mermod

Dirac argument (1931)

- Pole of magnetic charge would explain electric charge quantisation: $g/e = 68.5n$
- Large coupling to the photon \rightarrow very high dE/dx

Strong **DPNC involvement** in several **complementary** monopole searches:

- Flying through ATLAS
- Trapped in LHC accelerator material
- Trapped inside the Earth

Large Hadron Collider



SQUID magnetometer

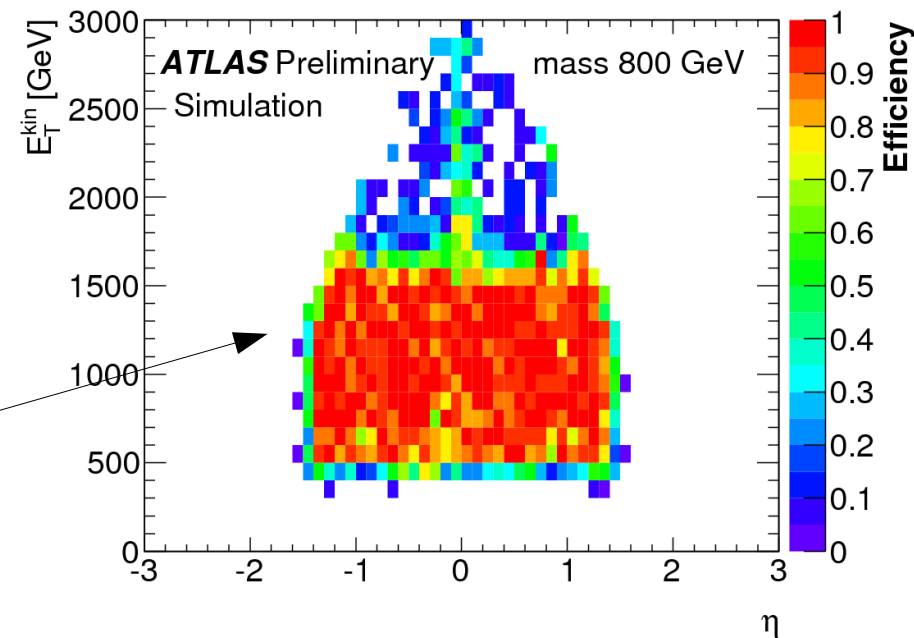
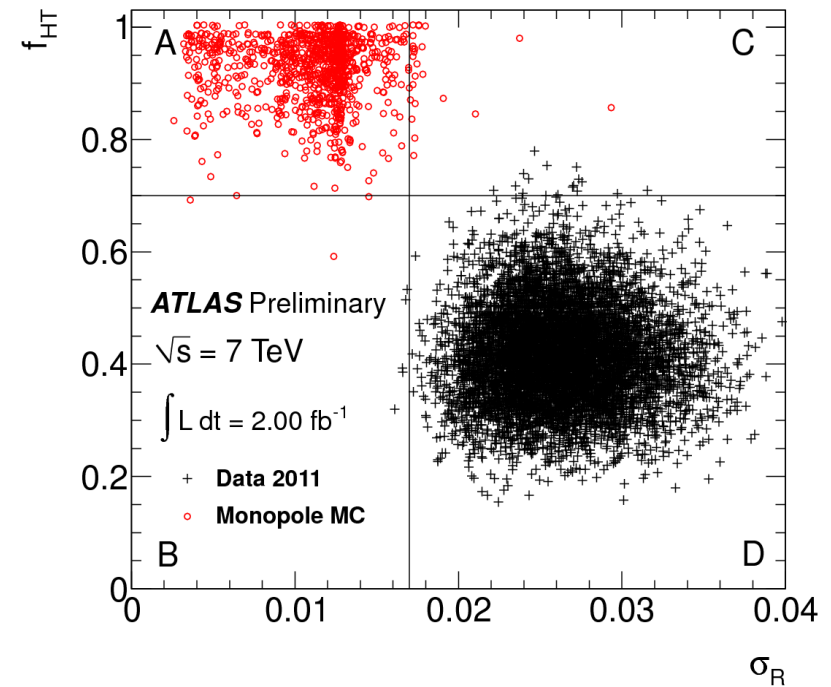
Monopoles in ATLAS

First ATLAS monopole search (almost) published: [insert reference here]

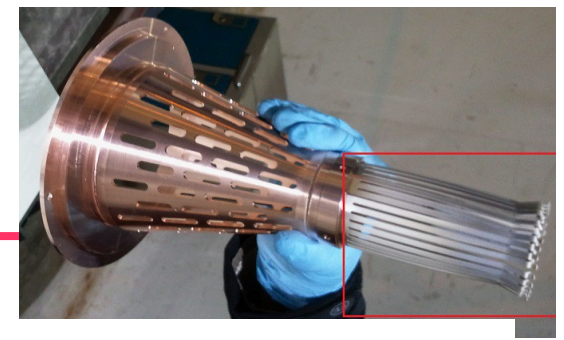
- Signature: high ionisation in TRT and narrow cluster
- Uses standard EM triggers → **sensitive only to high energy or low charge ($1g_D$)**

New high-level trigger algorithm under development in our group

- Based on TRT HT hit fraction
- Recover low-energy monopoles → **large acceptance increase**
- Validation ongoing, expected to run for second half of 2012



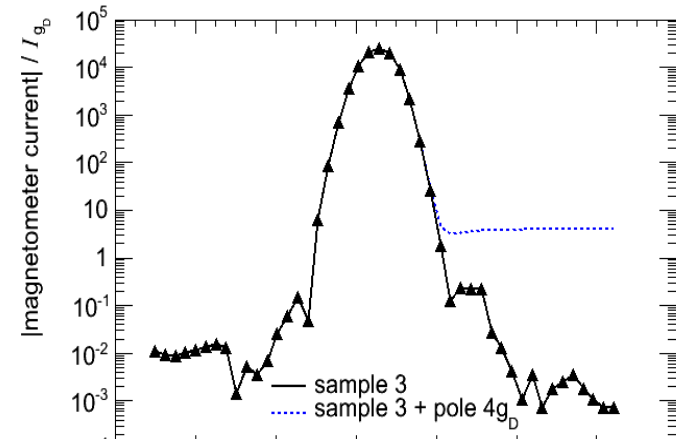
Trapped monopoles



SQUID magnetometer measurements

performed at ETH Zürich

- Using accelerator material in full view of CMS collisions
- **Proof of principle - article under publication**



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Future proposals

1) **ATLAS and CMS beam pipes** to be replaced next year

- Sensitivity to very high magnetic charges

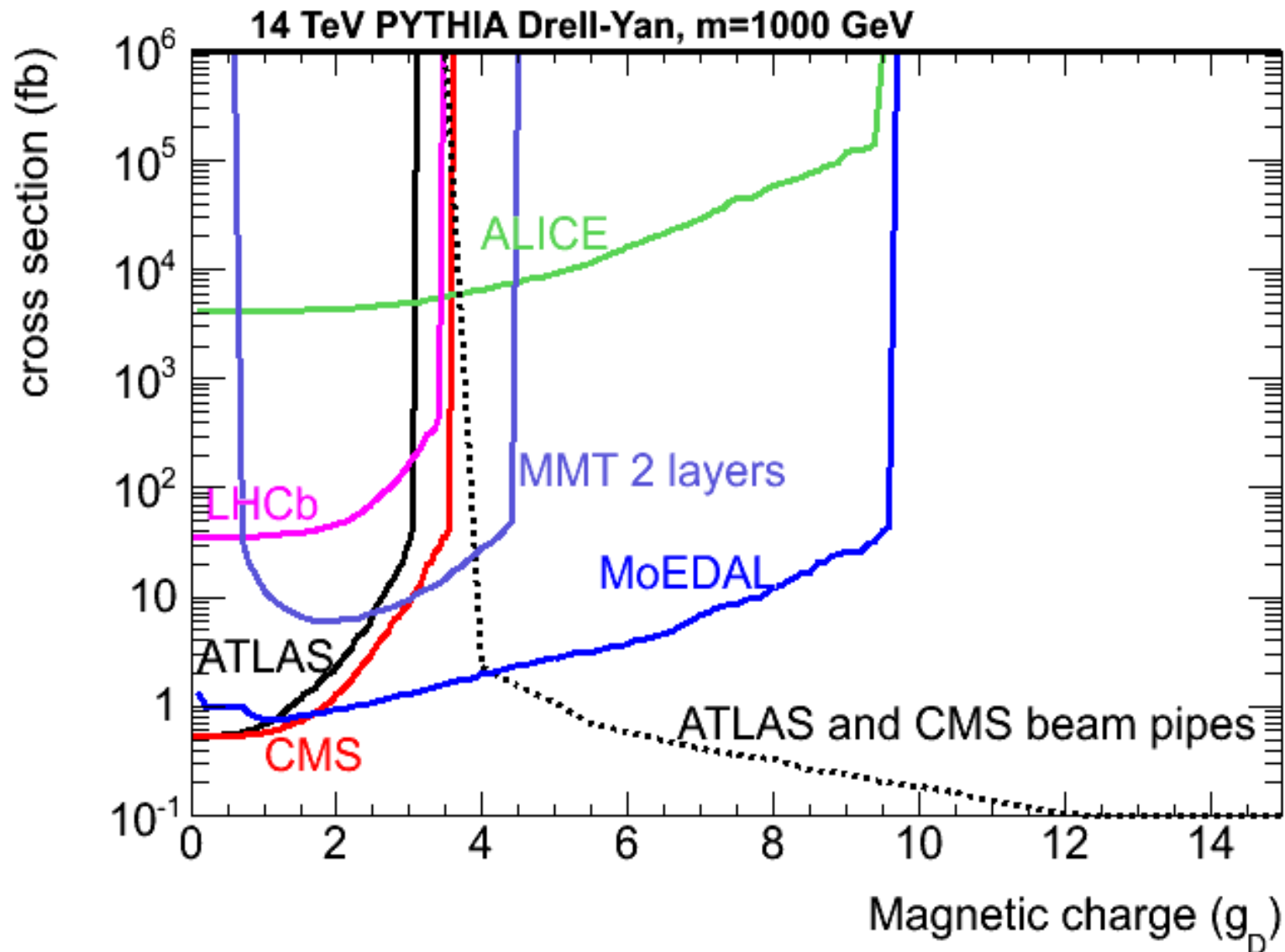
2) **MoEDAL monopole trap (MMT)** near LHCb

- **DPNC is joining the MoEDAL experiment!**
- Complementary MoEDAL **subdetector**: array of Aluminium modules on the floor of the VELO cavern
- Analysis is QUICK → **first 14 TeV monopole results**



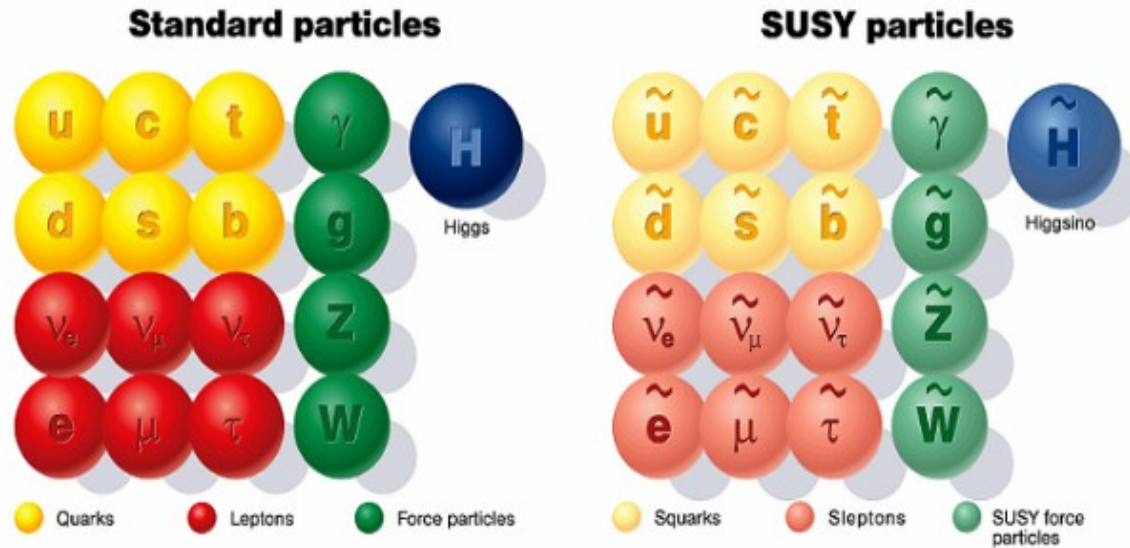
Monopoles at the LHC: summary

Cross-section needed for discovery



Compressed SUSY analysis

Moritz Backes



ATLAS SUSY searches to date:

Final states with **jets**, **missing transverse energy** ($E_{T,miss}$)
and ≥ 0 **isolated high p_T leptons** in the final state

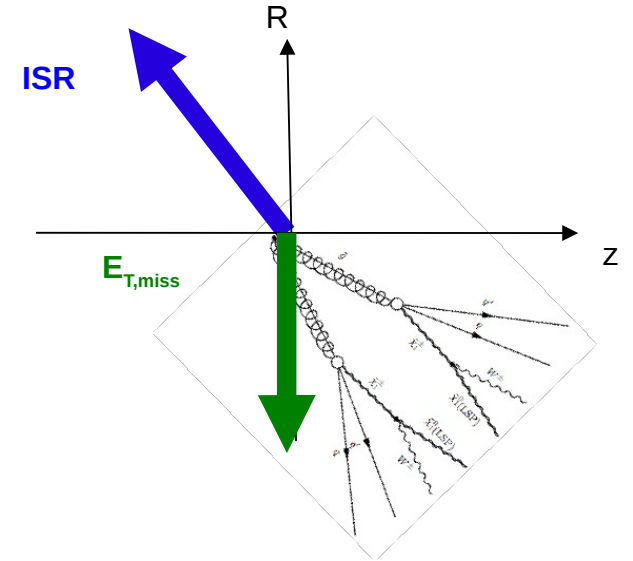
→ stringent limits on scenarios (cMSSM/mSUGRA) where **mass differences** between pair-produced superparticles and lightest supersymmetric particles (LSP) are **large**.

...what if mass differences are small (compressed SUSY)? DPNC analysis

Compressed SUSY analysis results

Select events with:

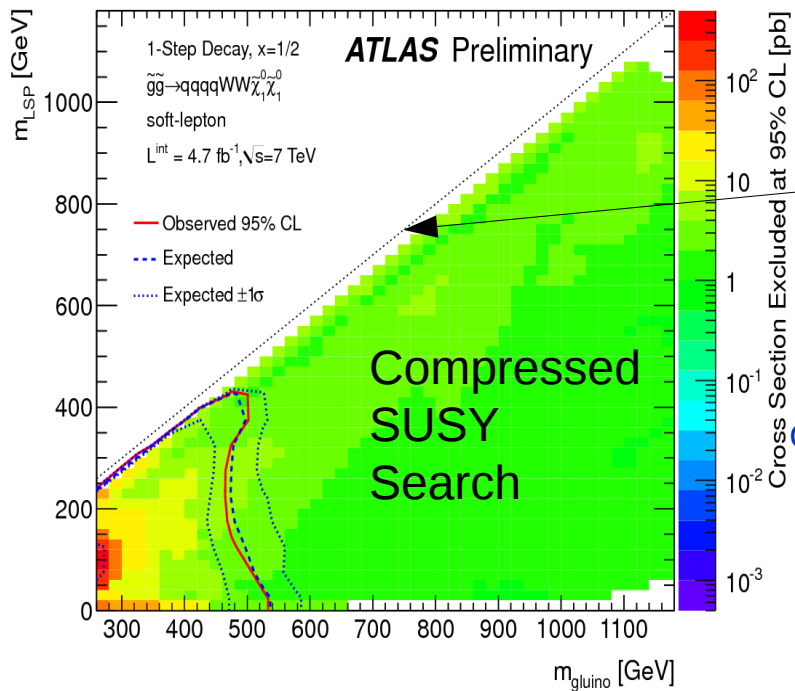
Exploit ISR of jet recoiling against SUSY particle
 Low p_T electrons, High p_T jets, High $E_{T,miss}$



Backgrounds:

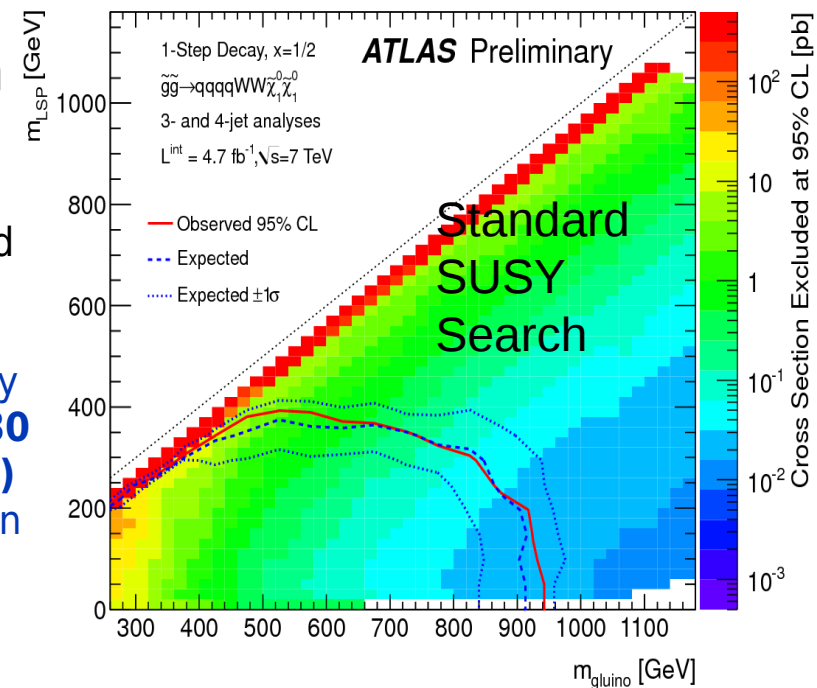
take from control regions, data-driven method, MC simulation (small contributions)

Use **Simultaneous Global Likelihood Fit** to constrain/extrapolate dominant backgrounds



Improvement in exclusion limits
 near diagonal region
 interesting for compressed SUSY

Cross-section **excluded** by compressed search is **20-30 times lower (i.e. better)** than the standard search in this region.



Conclusions

Looking **beyond** the Standard Model → **no** new physics yet!
DPNC ATLAS group **keeps on looking** and contributing to:

Supersymmetry

Compressed SUSY models: *new paper will be published soon*

Exotic physics

Dijet searches: *2011 paper in final stages, 2012 analysis ongoing*

Dark matter: *2012 monojet analysis ongoing*

Magnetic monopoles: *2011 paper in final stages, work for 2012
(within and beyond ATLAS) started*

Excited leptons: *2011 paper in final stages*

We're just at the **beginning** of searches at the LHC!



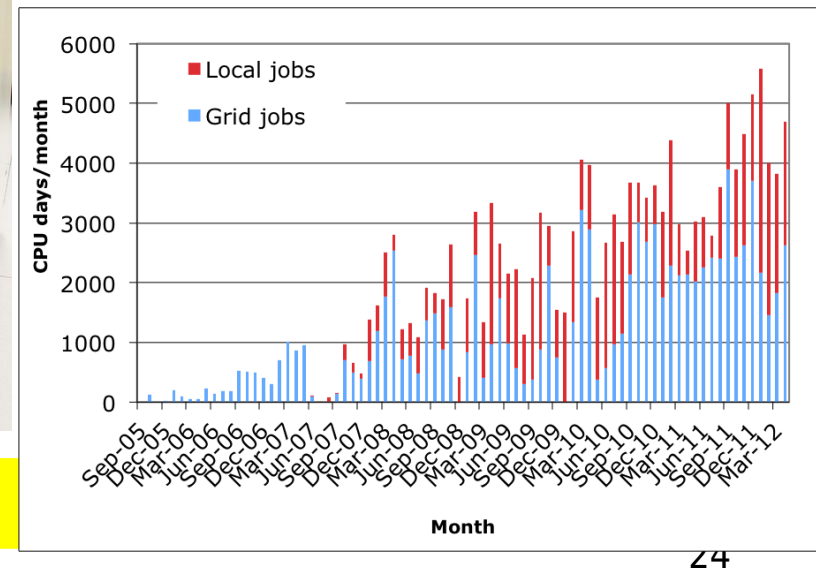


Backup slides

The ATLAS Tier-3 at the Uni of Geneva



- **368 CPU cores**
- **466 TB net**
 - 284 in a grid SE (DPM)
 - 129 NFS, 54 reserve
- **10 Gb/s direct to CERN IT**
 - now also to Swiss academic network
- **used for ATLAS, T2K et FAST**
- **ATLAS grid jobs using spare CPU cycles**
- **managed in collaboration with the Dinf**



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Compressed SUSY searches - Introduction

Inclusive Supersymmetry searches published to date by ATLAS:

- Searches with jets, missing transverse energy ($E_{T,miss}$) and ≥ 0 isolated **high p_T leptons** in the final state.
- Stringent limits on cMSSM / mSUGRA scenarios and simplified models, where the mass differences (ΔM) between the pair-produced super-particles and the lightest supersymmetric particle (LSP) are large.

Idea of this analysis:

- Search for models where the mass splittings between SUSY particles are small ('compressed' models).

Challenge:

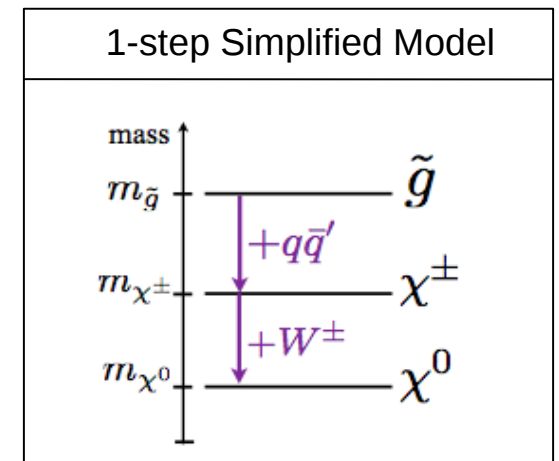
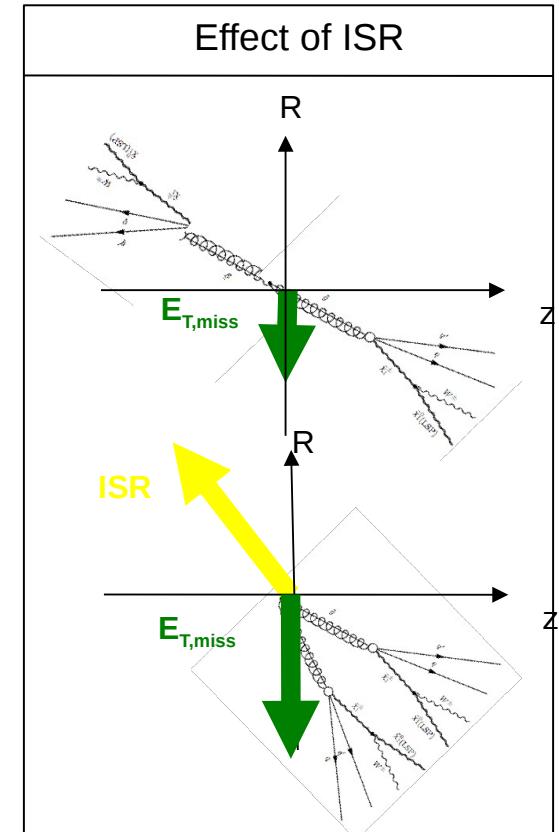
- Small acceptance due to soft decay products (leptons, jets) and small missing transverse energy ($E_{T,miss}$) due to oppositely aligned LSPs.

→ Select events with an additional **hard jet** from initial state radiation (ISR) which recoils against the SUSY particles leading to more collinear LSPs and thus **increased $E_{T,miss}$** .

→ Select events with additional **soft jets** and one isolated **low p_T lepton** from the SUSY decay in the final state.

Interpretation of results in **Simplified Models**:

- Simple decay chains with a limited spectrum of SUSY particles.
 - Parameterization in terms of SUSY production cross-section, masses, decay branching ratios.
- Cover models with small and large ΔM



Compressed SUSY searches – Analysis Overview

Event Selection:

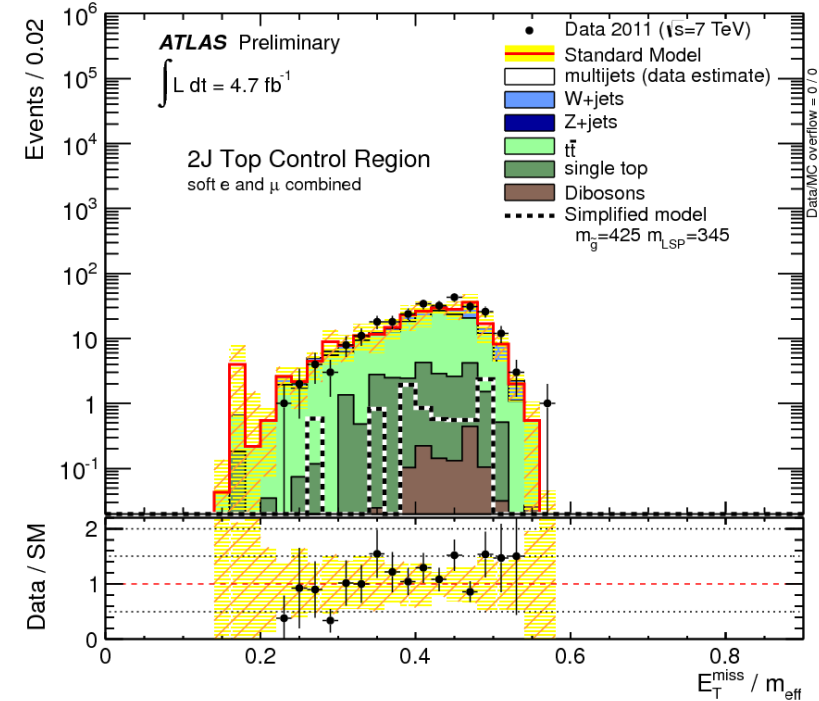
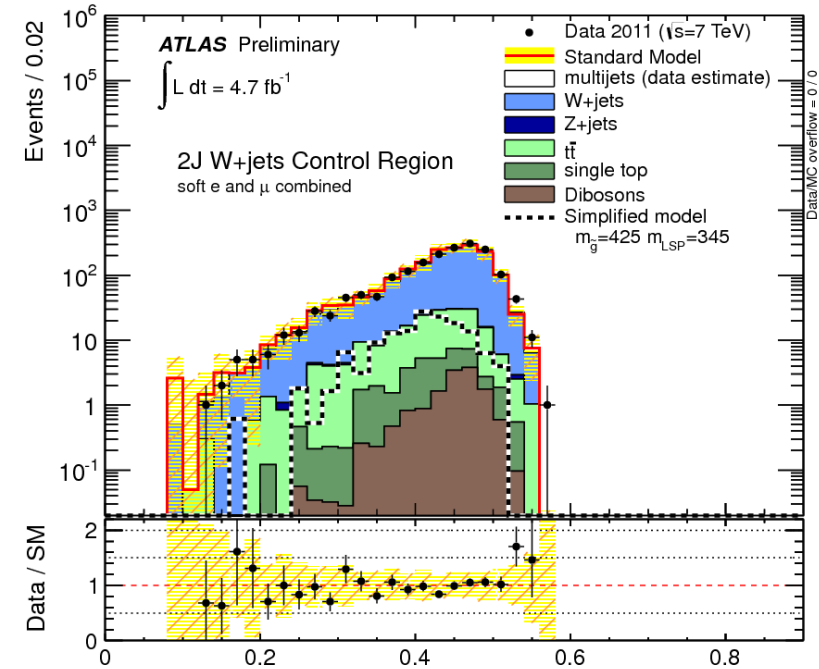
- $E_{T,miss}$ triggers
- One lepton with $7(6) \text{ GeV} < p_T < 25(20) \text{ GeV}$ for electrons (muons)
- Leading jet $p_T > 130 \text{ GeV}$, subleading jet $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{T,miss} > 250 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_T > 100 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{T,miss} / M_{eff} > 0.3$, where $M_{eff} = \sum p_T(\text{jets}) + p_T(\text{lepton}) + E_{T,miss}$

Backgrounds:

- Dominant contribution from W+jets, ttbar – estimated from dedicated control regions
- Small contribution from QCD (estimated with a data-driven method)
- Small contribution from remaining backgrounds taken from simulation (single top, diboson)

Simultaneous Fit:

- All information is combined into a global likelihood fit.
- Dominant backgrounds are constrained in the control regions and extrapolated to the signal regions using simulation.
- Validation regions in between the control and signal regions are used to test the validity of the method.



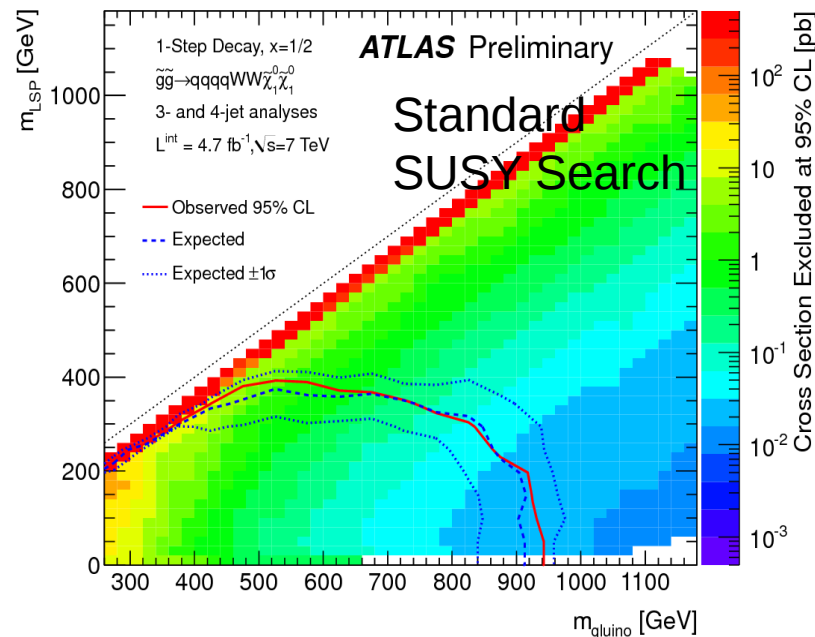
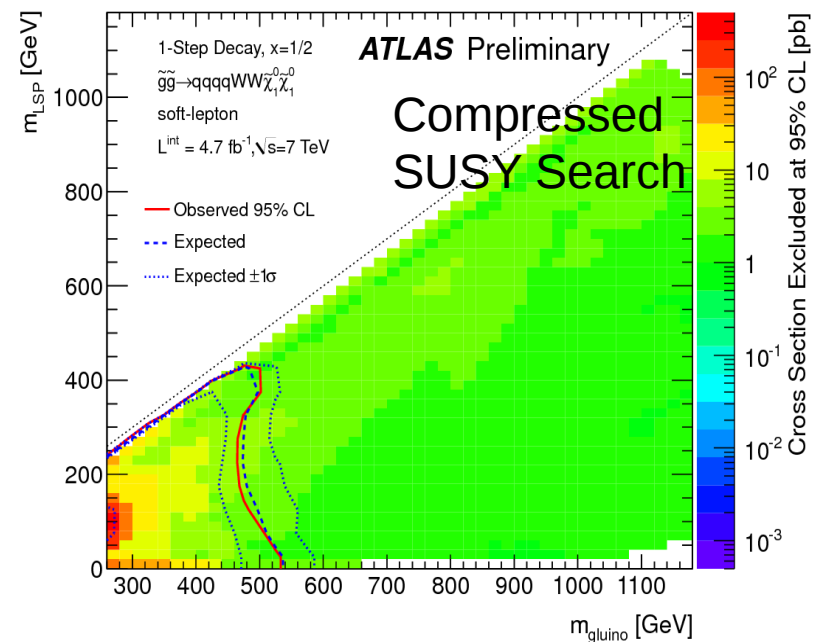
Compressed SUSY searches – Results and Outlook

Results:

- No excess observed over the Standard Model expectation in 4.7 fb^{-1} (full 2011 ATLAS dataset)
- Derived limits in terms of a 1-step simplified model with gluino-gluino production and decay to the LSP via an intermediate chargino (see bottom Fig. page 1)
- Clear improvement of the compressed search (top) over the existing standard search (bottom) in the compressed region with low ΔM close to the diagonal.
- Cross-section excluded by the compressed search is 20-30 times lower (i.e. better) than the standard search in this region.
- Results public as conference note in ATLAS-COM-CONF-2012-038, <https://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/1426982>, March 2012.

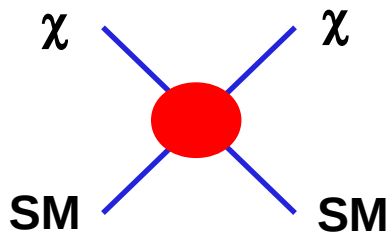
Outlook:

- A combined paper of all inclusive analysis with jets, $E_{T,\text{miss}}$ and ≥ 1 isolated lepton is undergoing ATLAS review at the moment and will be published in July.
- The analysis was carried out in close collaboration with the CERN SUSY group. Future involvement of the ATLAS Geneva group in SUSY searches to be determined.



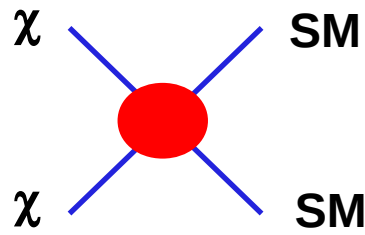
Dark Matter Search at LHC: jets + MET

- Evidence for Dark Matter: Mass determined by light emission \neq mass determined by motion \Rightarrow **Dark “Mass”!**
- Different experimental approaches for WIMP DM searches:



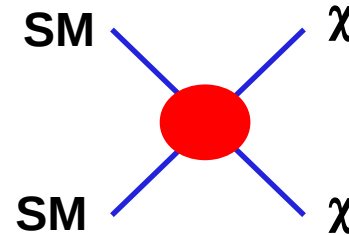
direct

hadronic recoil:
deep underground,
cryogenic



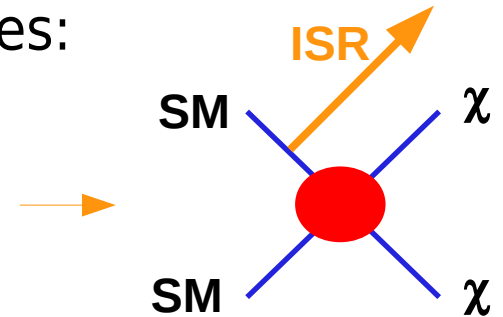
indirect

cosmic rays:
ground-based or space
observatories



collider: invisible

missing transverse
energy in particle
collisions



visible

Monojets
Monophotons

- To predict signals and to “translate” and interpret different searches:
Assumption about “red Bubble” needed \rightarrow **Contact interaction!**
14 operators possible! Pick characteristic set:
 - Only χ in reach of LHC \rightarrow EFT
 - Coupling to SM set by m_χ and cutoff-scale M_* \rightarrow constrained by thermal relic density
 - χ is Dirac-Fermion

$$\frac{m_q}{M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q \quad \text{(D1)}$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q \quad \text{(D9)}$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q \quad \text{(D5)}$$

$$\frac{1}{4M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \alpha_s (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \quad \text{(D11)}$$

Full List of Interaction Operators

$$\frac{m_q}{M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q \quad (\text{D1})$$

$$\frac{m_q}{M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \gamma^5 \chi \bar{q} q \quad (\text{D2})$$

$$\frac{m_q}{M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} \gamma^5 q \quad (\text{D3})$$

$$\frac{m_q}{M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \gamma^5 \chi \bar{q} \gamma^5 q \quad (\text{D4})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q \quad (\text{D5})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q \quad (\text{D6})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu u \gamma^5 q \quad (\text{D7})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 q \quad (\text{D8})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q \quad (\text{D9})$$

$$\frac{1}{M_*^2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \bar{\chi} \sigma_{\mu\nu} \chi \bar{q} \sigma_{\alpha\beta} q \quad (\text{D10})$$

$$\frac{1}{4M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \alpha_s (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \quad (\text{D11})$$

$$\frac{1}{4M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \gamma^5 \chi \alpha_s (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2 \quad (\text{D12})$$

$$\frac{1}{4M_*^3} \bar{\chi} \chi G_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{G}^{a,\mu\nu} \quad (\text{D13})$$

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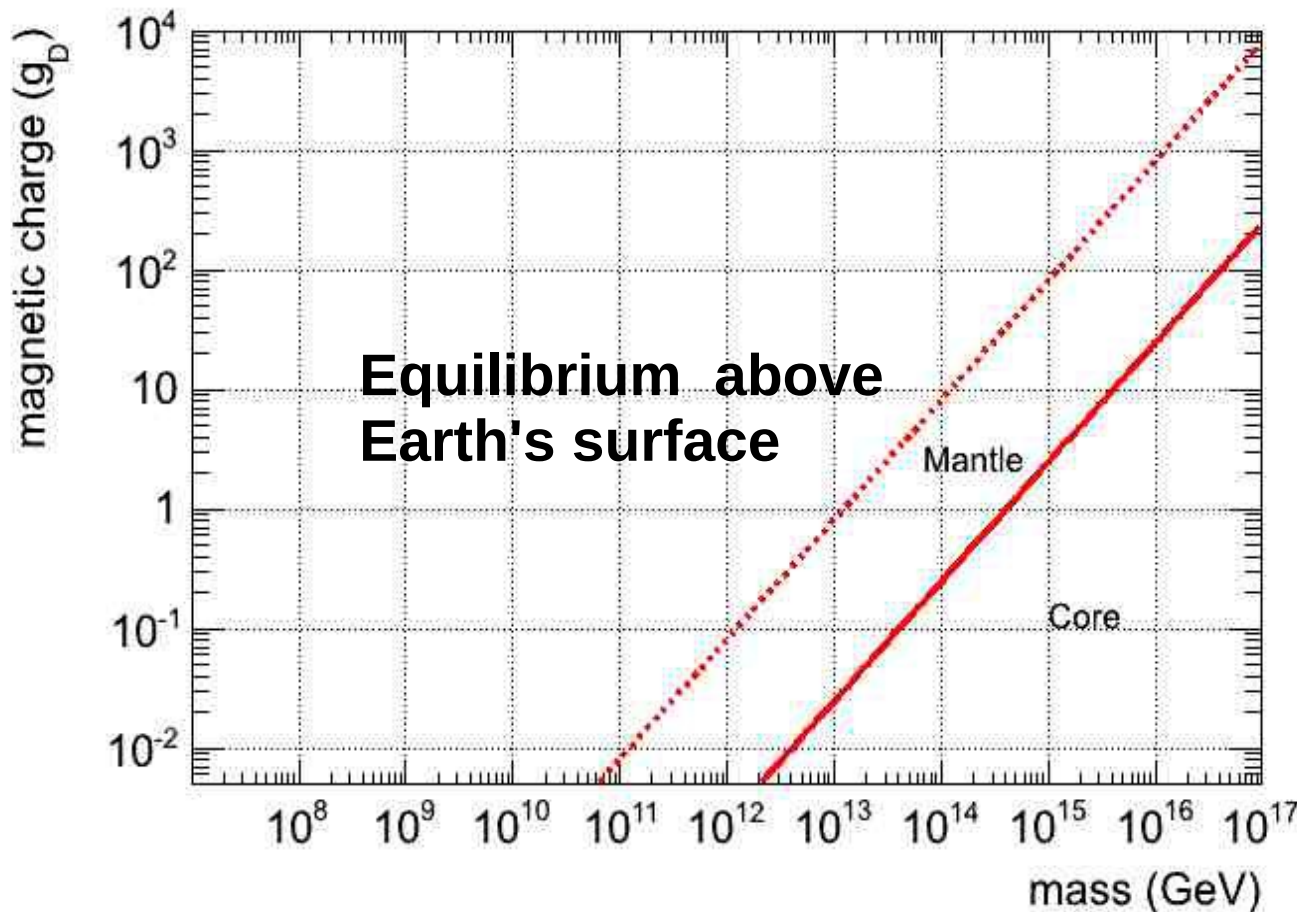
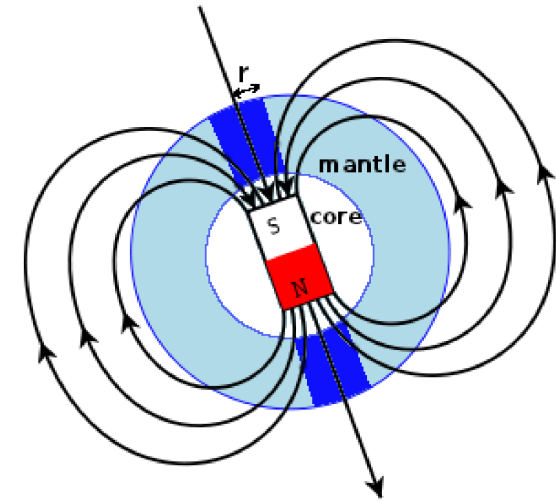
Analysis Cuts for 2011 analysis

- Trigger on E_T^{miss} at 60 GeV
- $\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet2}) > 0.5$
- Not more than two jets with a transverse momentum above 30 GeV
- Events that contain at least one electron or muon passing loose quality cuts are vetoed
- 3 signal regions almost symmetric in E_t^{miss} and p_T^{jet1} :

SR1	SR2	SR3
$p_T^{\text{jet1}} > 120 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\text{jet1}} > 250 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^{\text{jet1}} > 350 \text{ GeV}$
$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 120 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 220 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 300 \text{ GeV}$

Side project: polar volcanic rocks

- **Primordial monopoles inside Earth** would migrate along the Earth's magnetic field
 - Position with all forces in equilibrium
 - May be found in polar volcanoes!



Measurements next week and early July
~10 kg of samples from Antarctica, Greenland, Jan Mayen and Gakkel Ridge

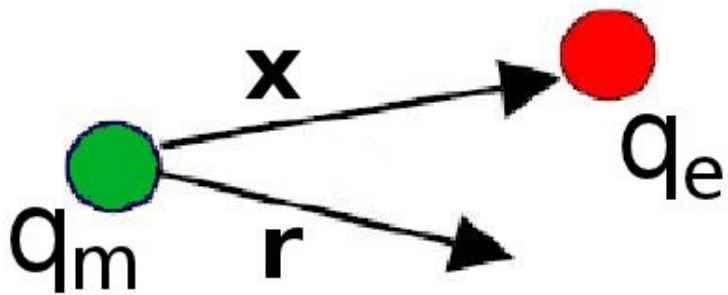


Dirac's argument

Proc. Roy. Soc. A 133, 60 (1931)



- Field angular momentum of electron-monopole system is quantised:



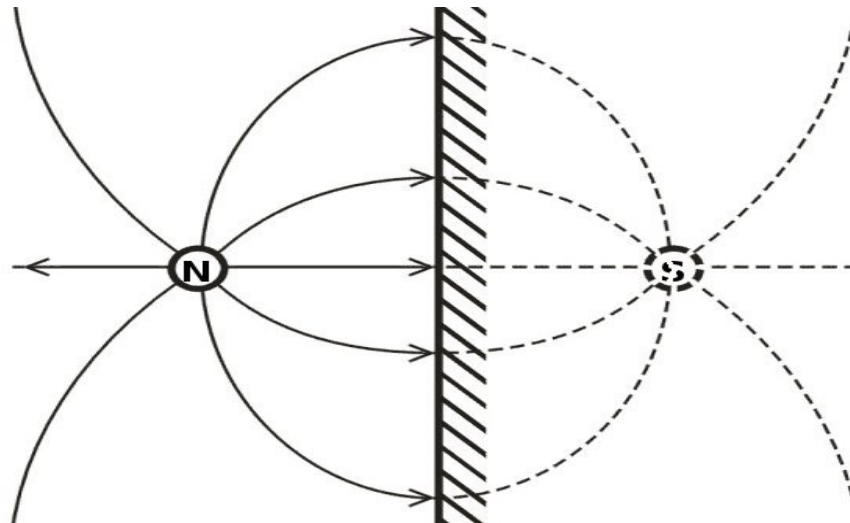
$$\mathbf{L} = \int \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{B} \, d\mathbf{r} = \frac{\mu_0 q_e q_m}{4\pi} \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$
$$\Rightarrow q_e q_m = n \frac{h}{\mu_0} \quad (n \text{ integer number})$$

- Explains quantisation of electric charge!
 - Fundamental magnetic charge ($n=1$):

$$g_D = \frac{1}{2\alpha} = 68.5 \quad (\text{with } q_m = gec \text{ and } q_e = e)$$

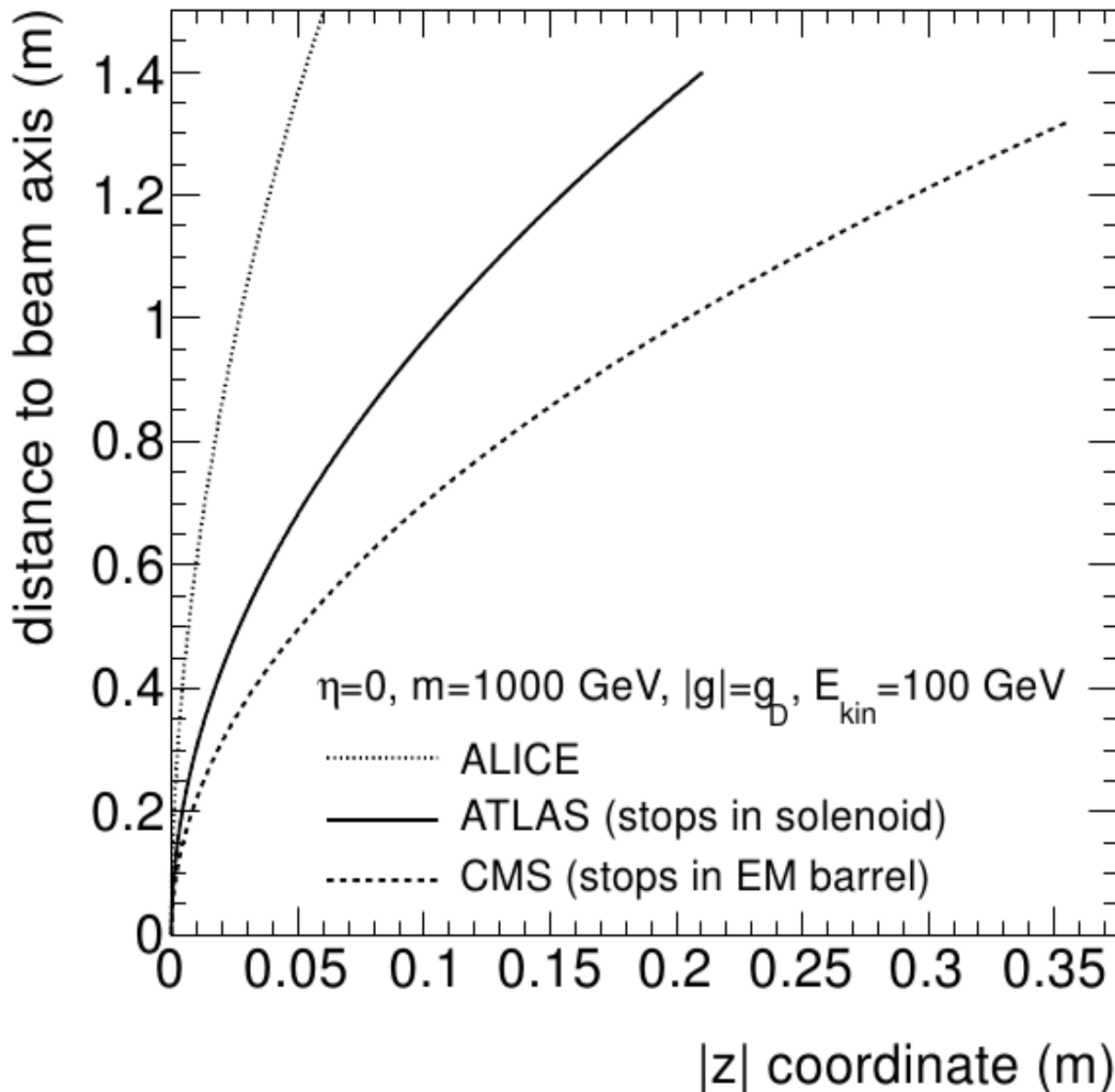
Monopole binding in matter

- **To atoms**
 - Binding energies of the order of a few eV
- **To nuclei with non-zero magnetic moments**
 - Binding energies of the order of 200 keV
- **At the surface of a ferromagnetic**
 - Image force of the order of 10 eV/\AA
 - **Robust prediction** (classical)



Monopole bending

arXiv:1112.2999



Acceleration along magnetic field:

$$F_m = q_m \cdot B$$

- Straight line in xy plane
- Parabola in rz plane

Monopole ionisation energy loss

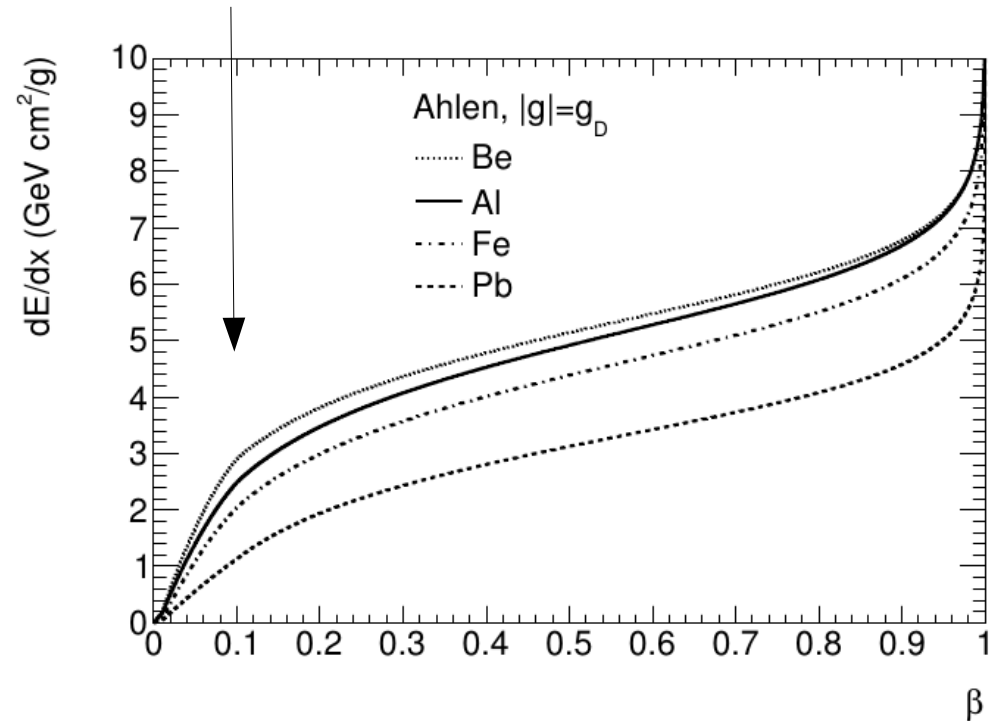
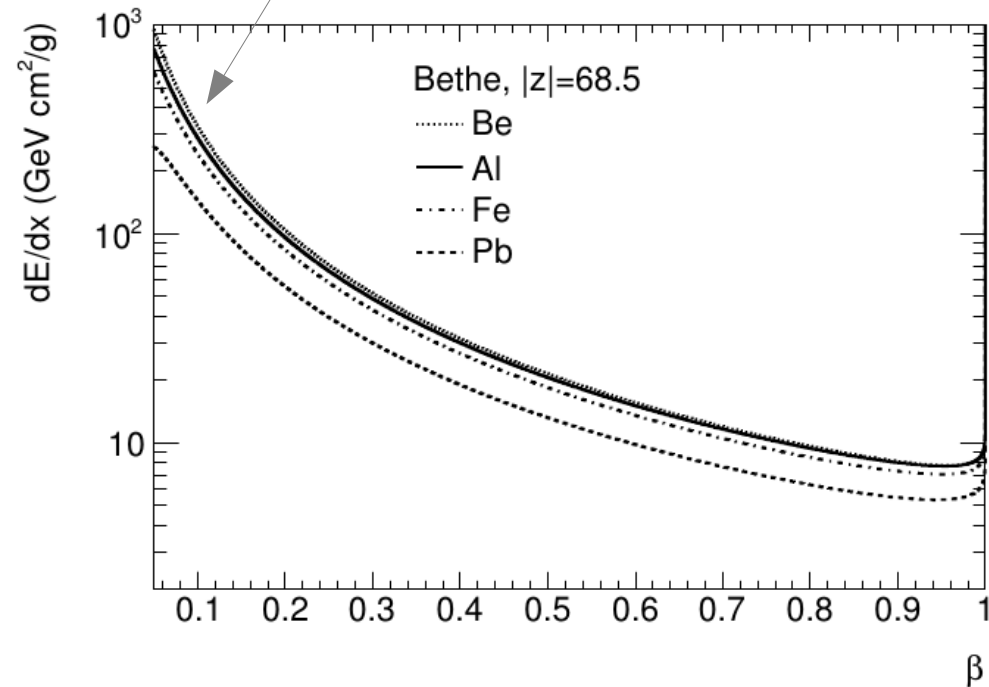
Electric

Magnetic

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K \frac{Z}{A} \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I} - \beta^2 \right]$$

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K \frac{Z}{A} g^2 \left[\ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2}{I_m} + \frac{K(|g|)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} - B(|g|) \right]$$

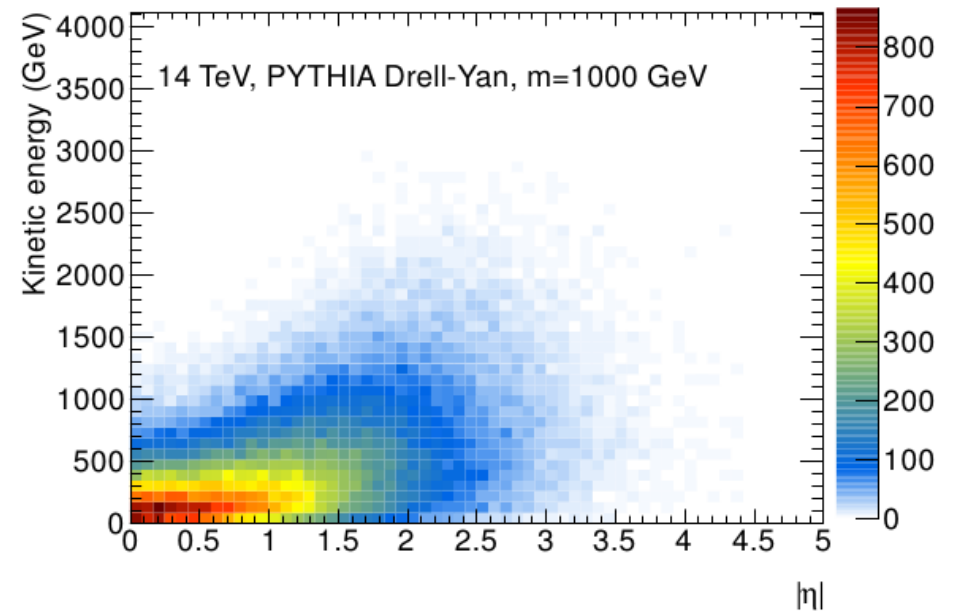
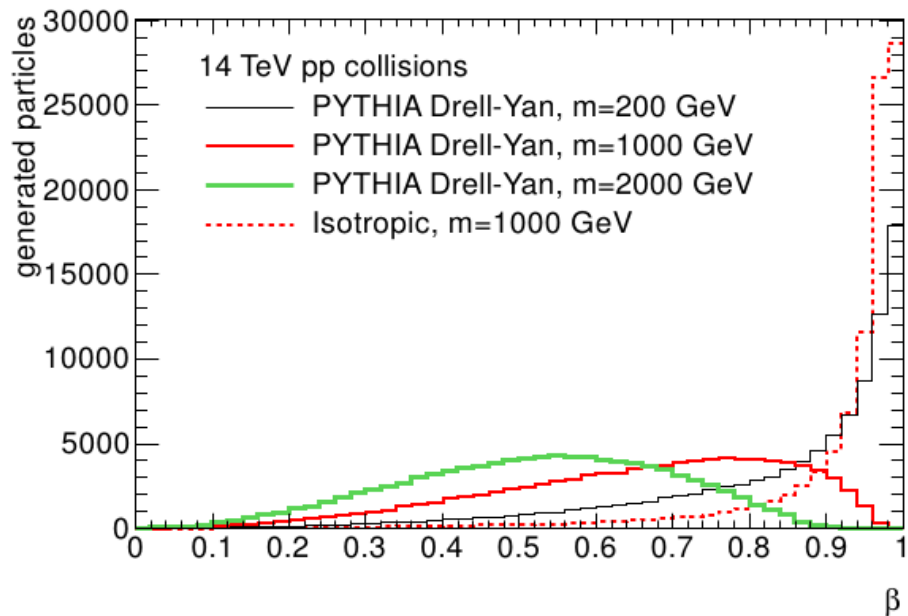
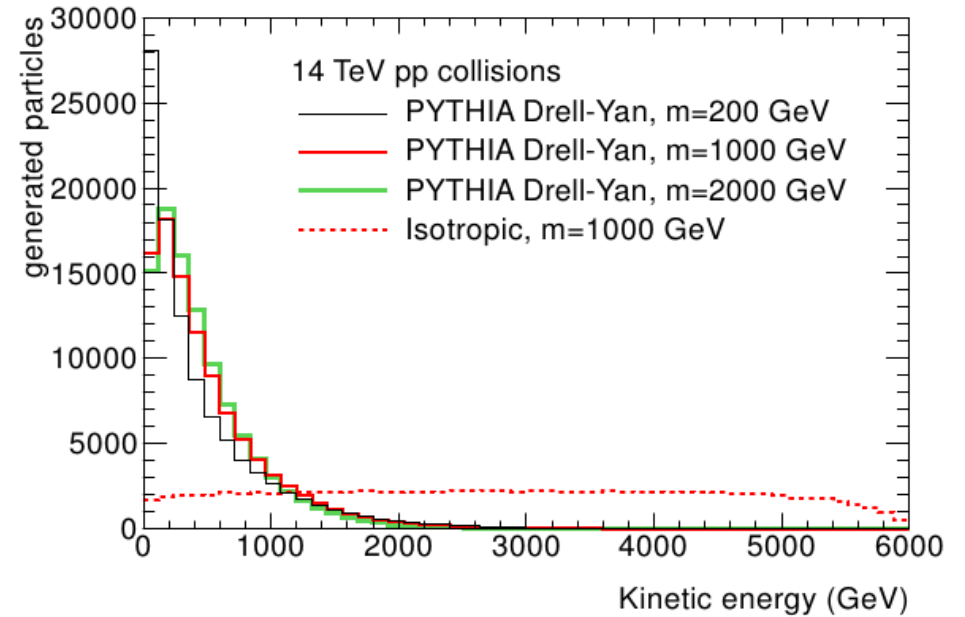
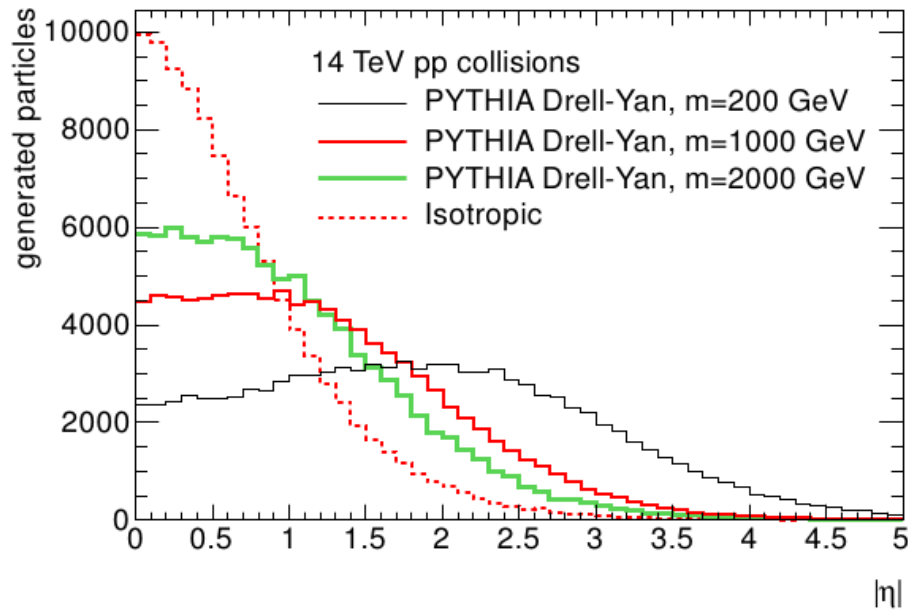
No Bragg peak!



Dirac monopole: $|g_D| = 68.5 \rightarrow$ several thousand times greater dE/dx than a minimum-ionising $|z|=1$ particle

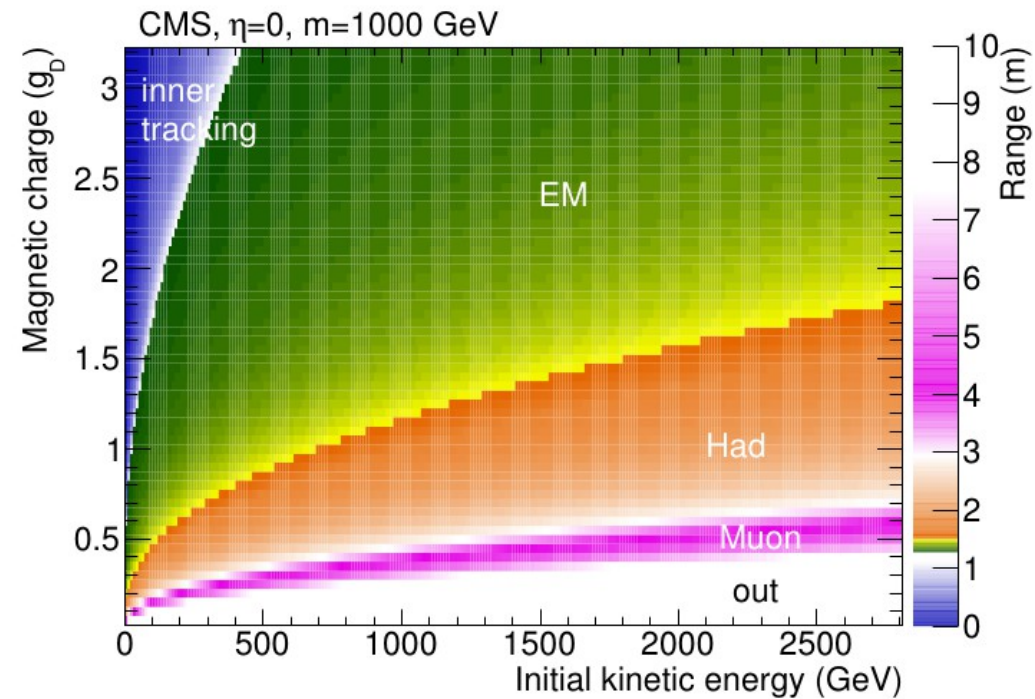
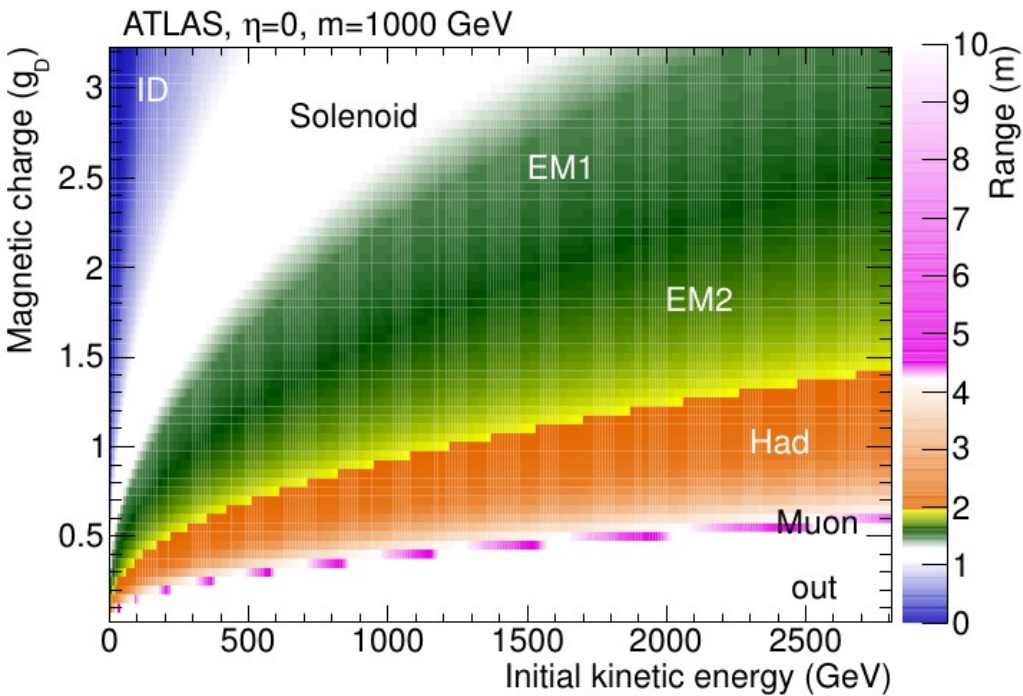
Monopole production kinematics

arXiv:1112.2999



Range of monopoles in ATLAS and CMS

arXiv:1112.2999 (2012)

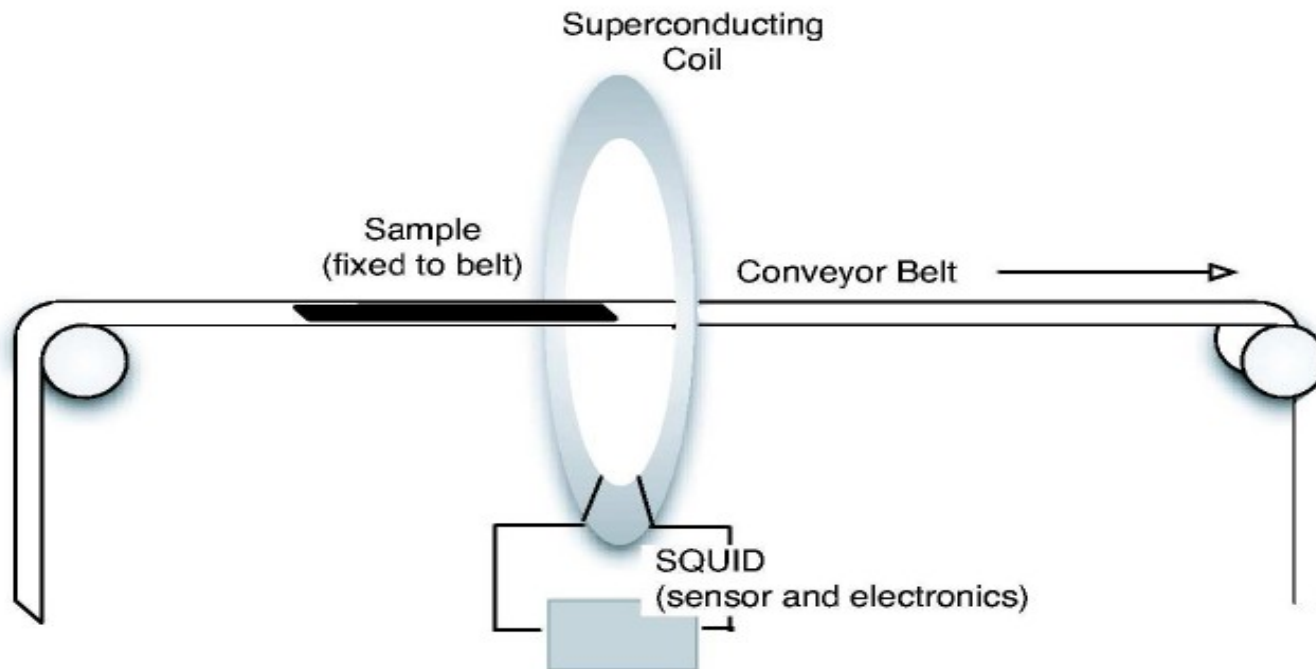


Induction technique

Principle: moving magnetic charge induces electric field

Tiny permanent current measured after passage of sample through superconducting coil

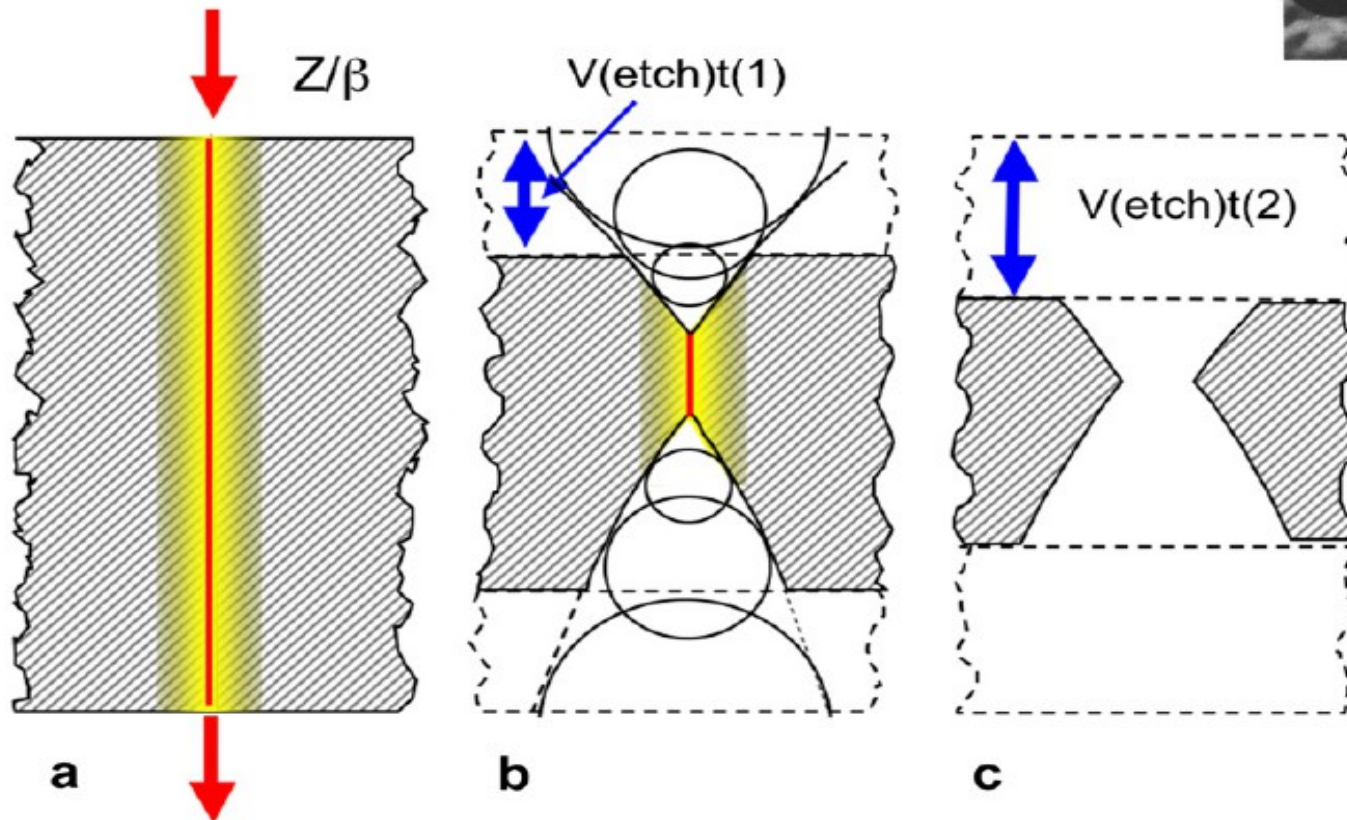
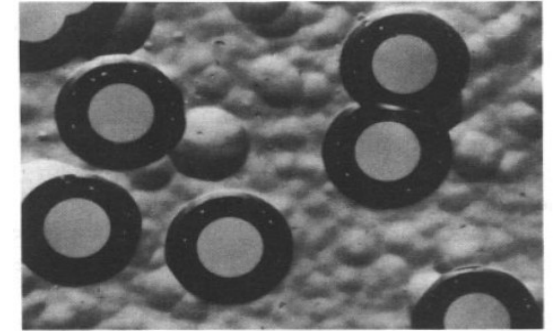
- Directly proportional to magnetic charge
- No mass dependence



Track-etch technique

Principle: passage of highly ionising particle causes permanent damage in plastic foils

- Etching reveals the etch-pit cones
- Easily tested with ion beams

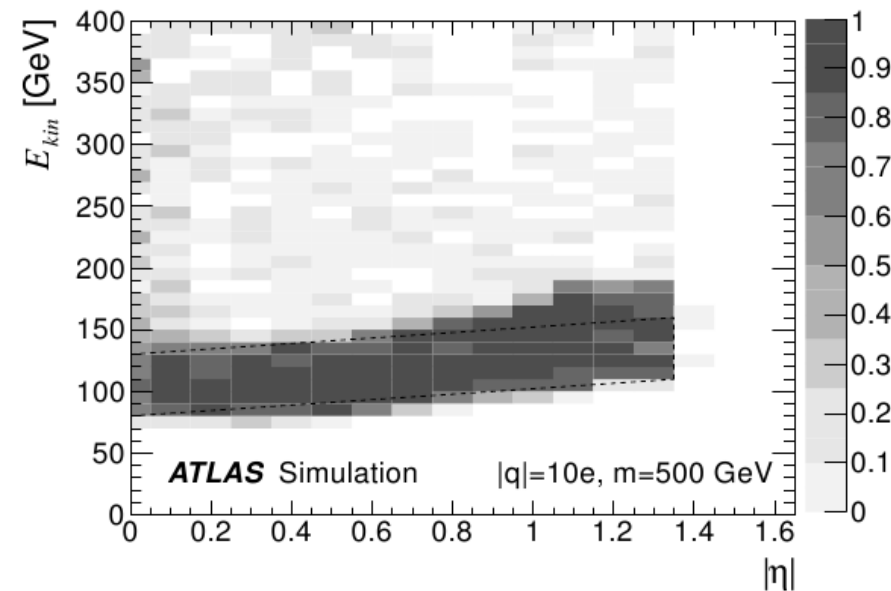
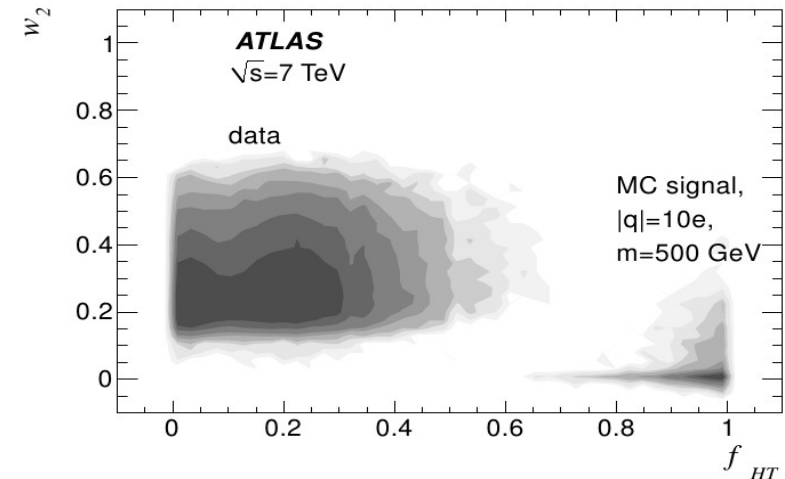


ATLAS search multiply-charged particles

First HIP search at the LHC

- Very first data (summer 2010)
- Standard EM trigger and reco
- Interpretation $6e < |q_e| < 17e$

arXiv:1102.0459 (2011)

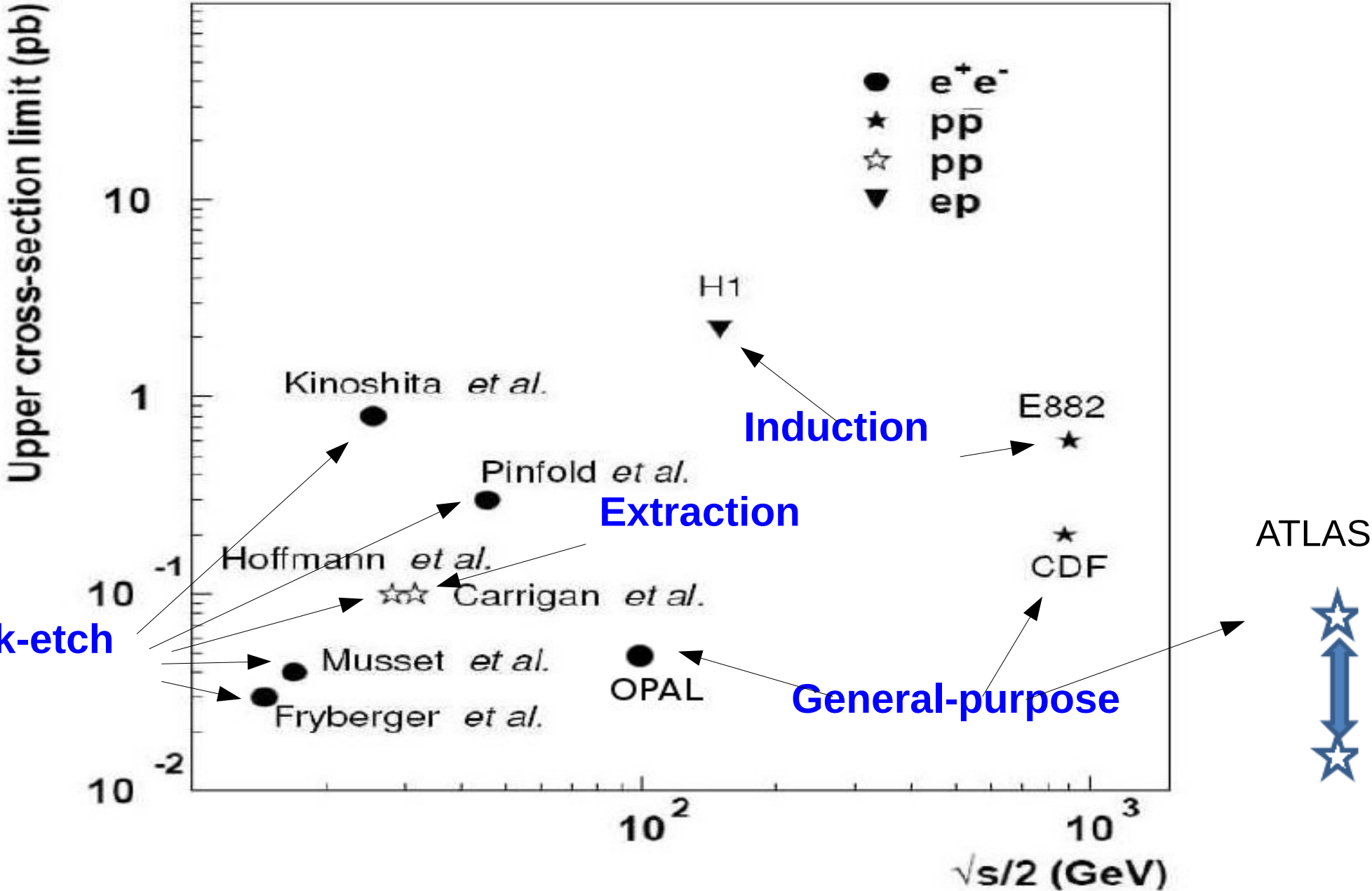


Major source of inefficiency comes from acceptance (punch through)

→ **Model-independent approach:**
1-2 pb limits set in well-defined kinematic ranges

Sequel: monopole search with 2011 data with dedicated reconstruction and simulation

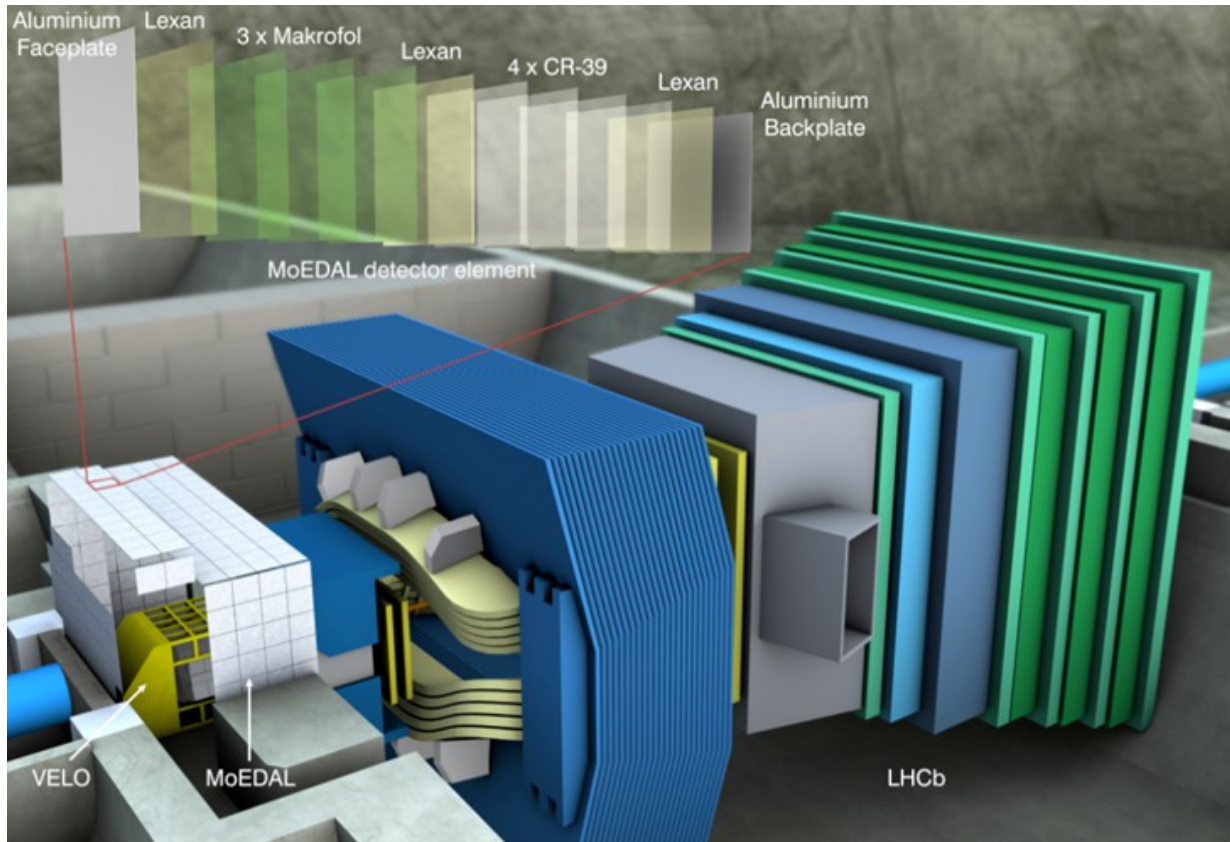
Current collider cross section limits for a Dirac monopole (generally assuming Drell-Yan-like kinematics)



MoEDAL

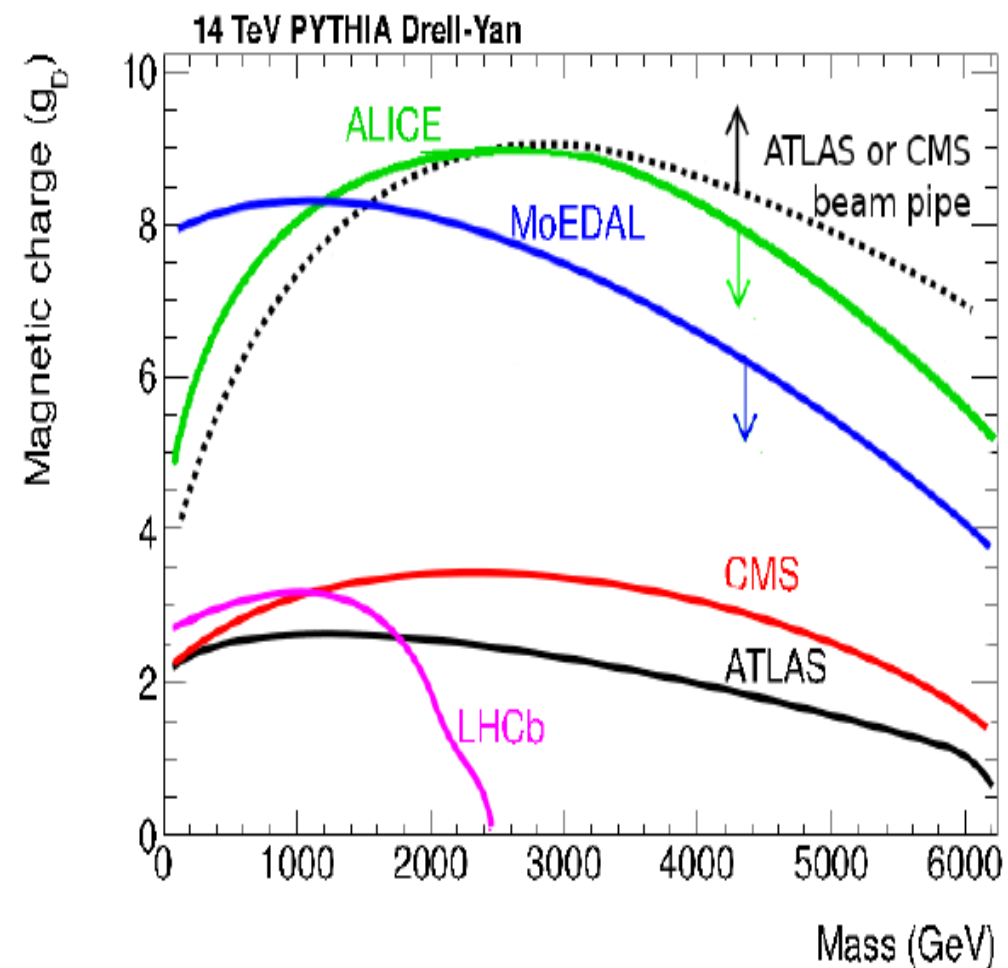
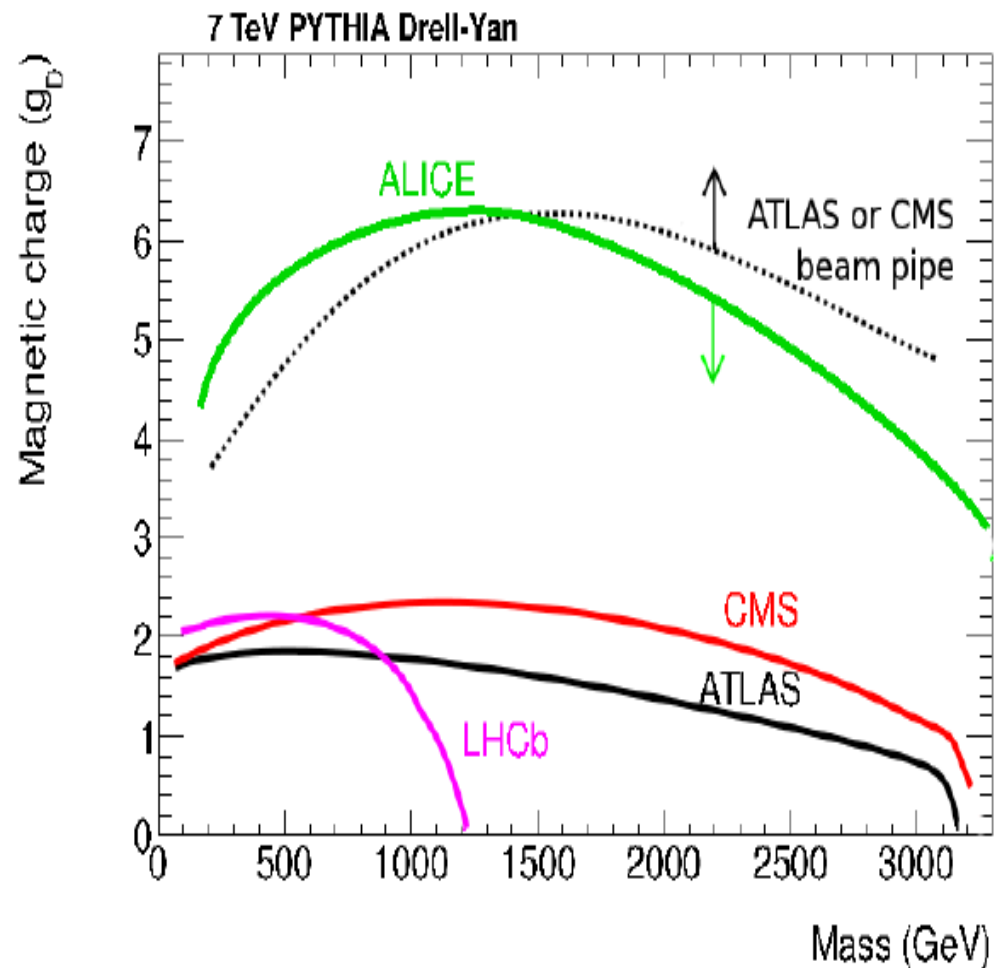
The seventh LHC experiment, dedicated to highly ionising particle detection

<http://moedal.web.cern.ch/>



Test array already deployed around LHCb interaction point
Main run planned for 2014-2015

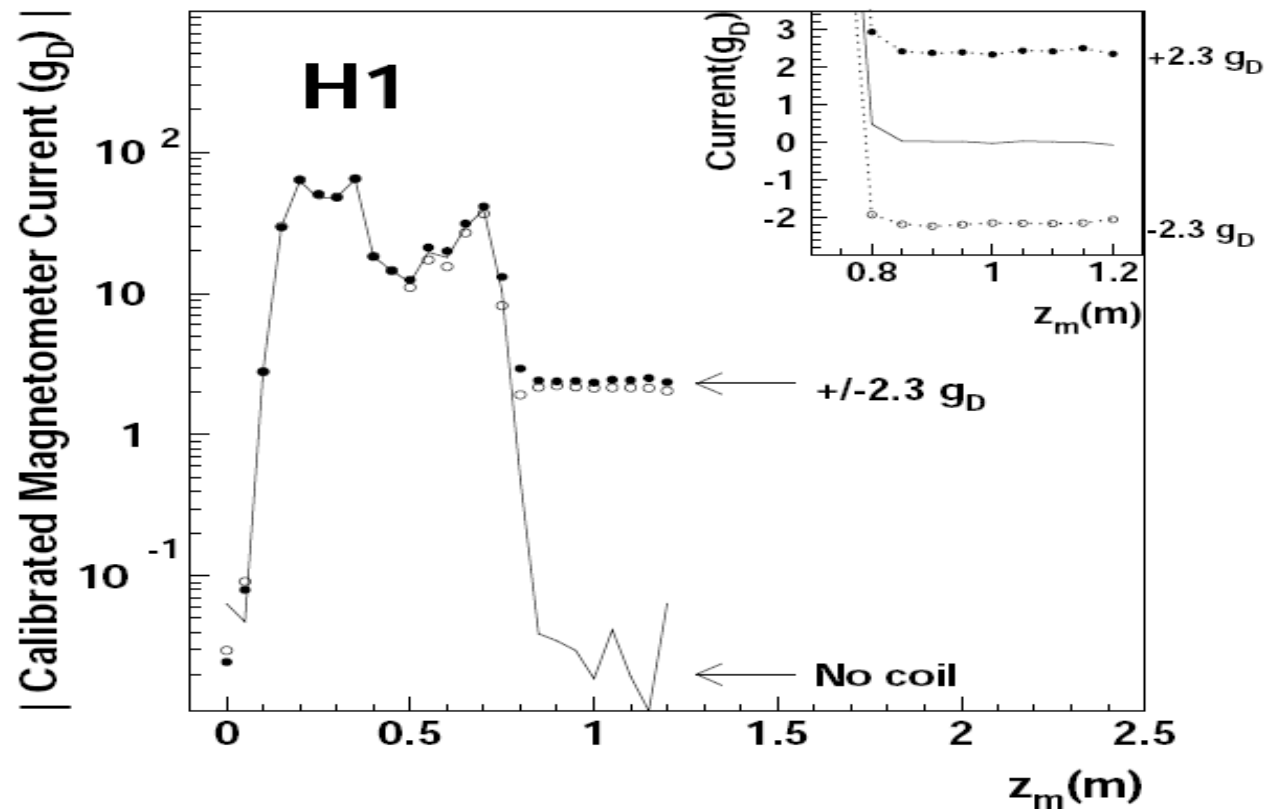
LHC reach in mass and charge



H1 beam pipe (HERA, induction)

- Monopoles and dyons with very high magnetic charges would stop in the Al beam pipe!
- 0.1 – 1 pb limit (up to 140 GeV monopole with $g \geq g_D$)

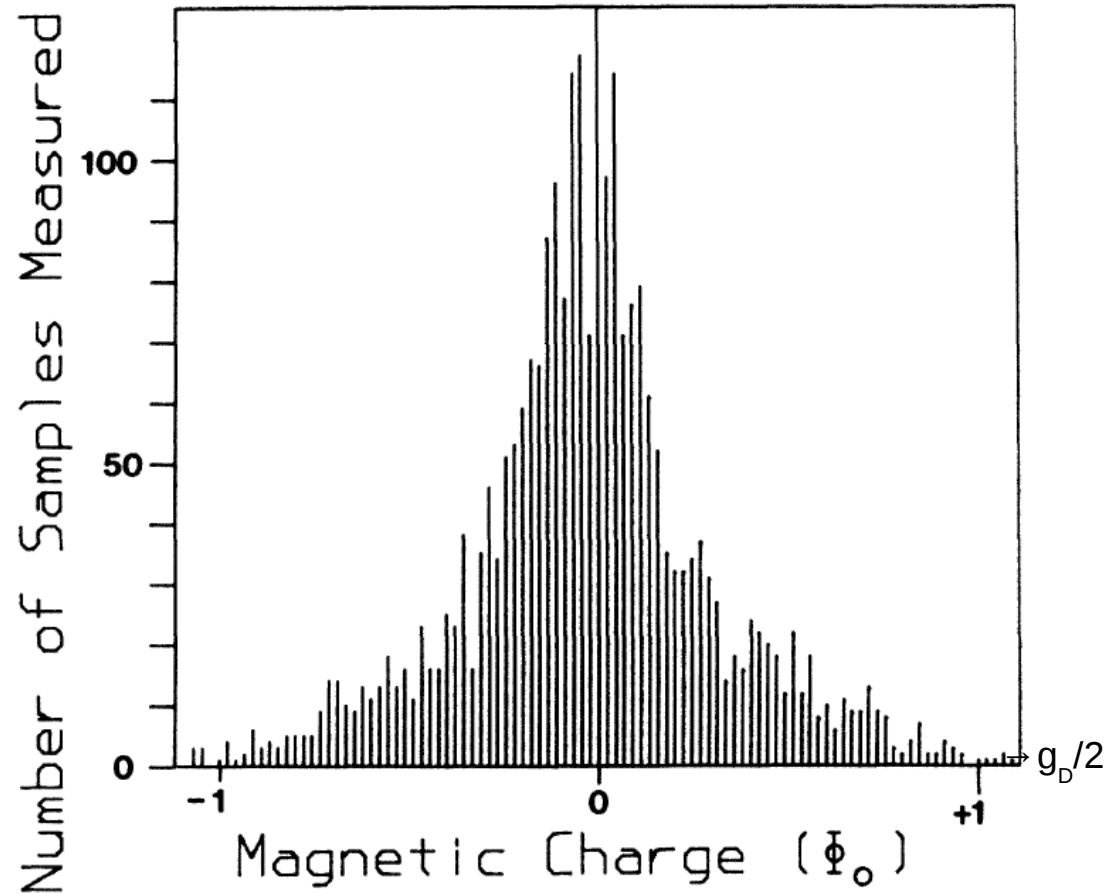
arXiv:hep-ex/0501039 (2005)



Deeply buried rocks and seawater (induction – cosmic)

PRA 33, 1183 (1986)

- Hundreds of kilograms of material analysed with large superconducting detector
- Depths of up to 25 km → stop higher-energy monopoles
- $\rho < 5 \cdot 10^{-30}$ mon./nucleon

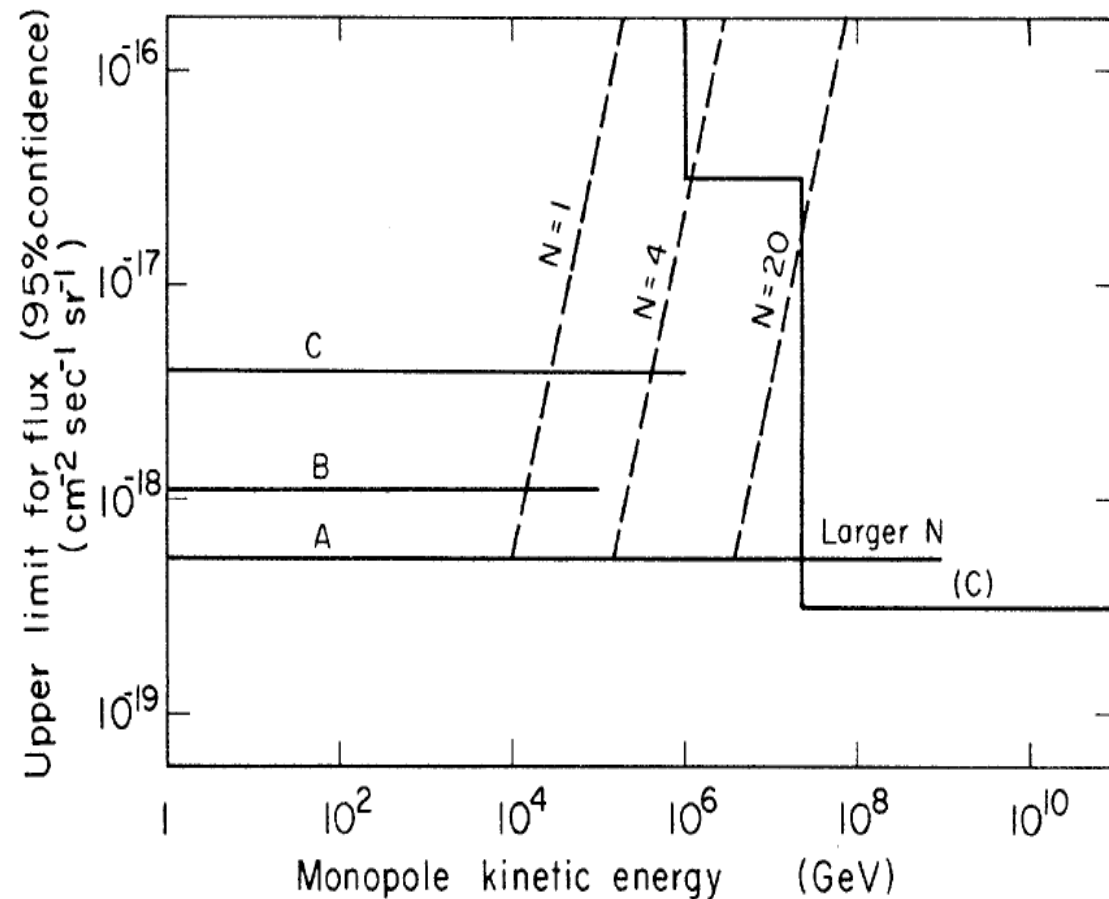
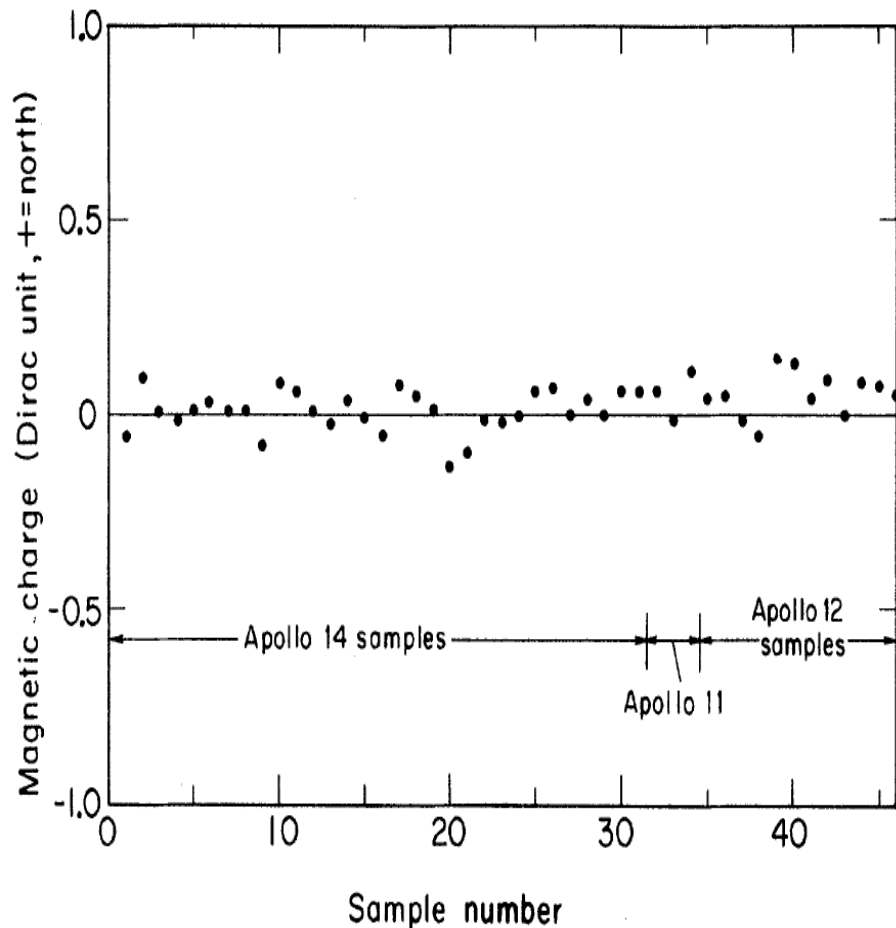


Moon rocks (induction – cosmic)

- Exposure: 4 billion years!
 - No movement (few meters depth)
- No atmosphere and no magnetic field
 - Robust assessment of monopole fate after stopping

PRD 4, 3260 (1971)

PRD 8, 698 (1973)



Meteorites (induction – stellar)



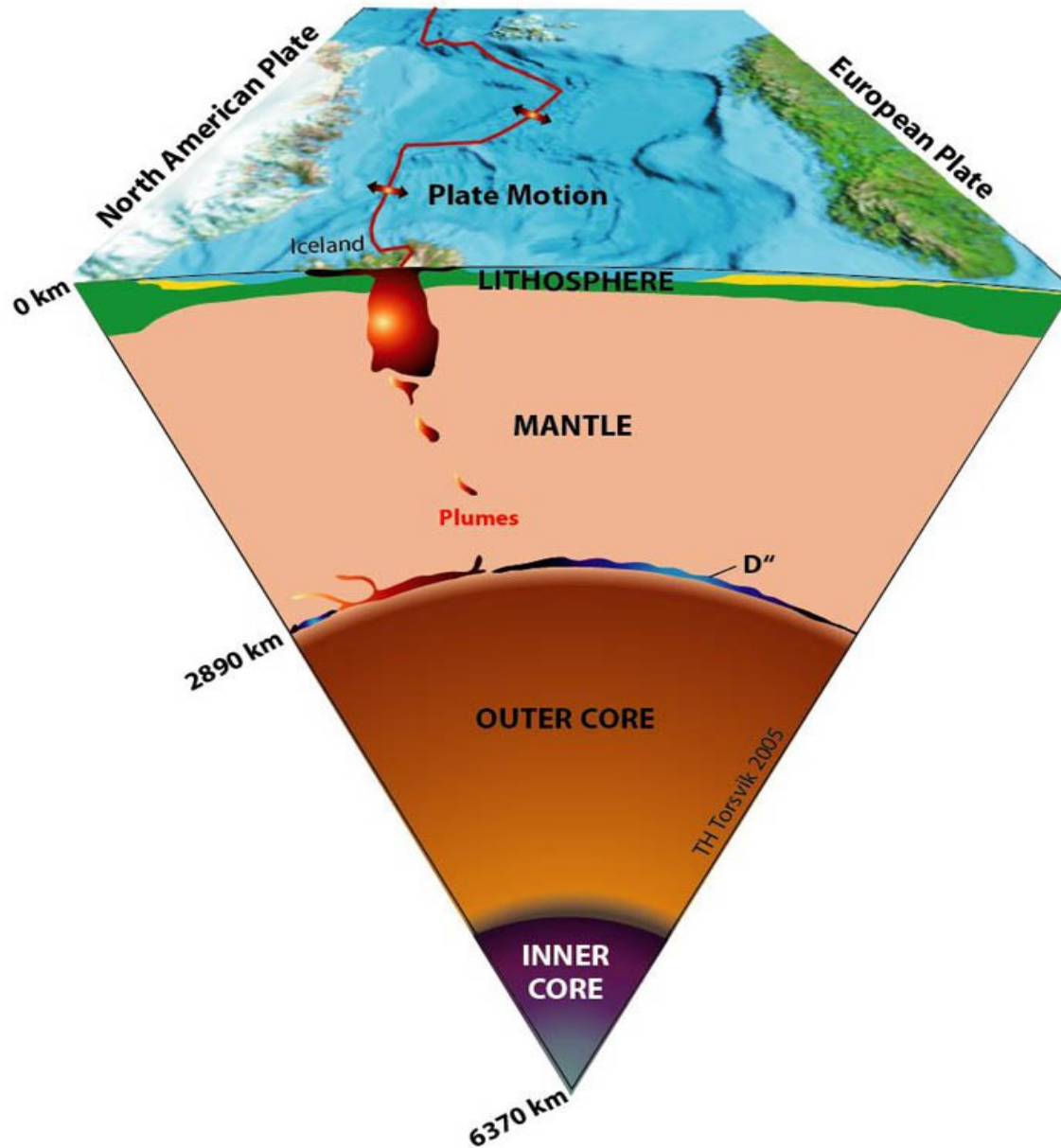
- **Stellar monopoles** heavier than the heaviest nuclei
 - Sank to the Earth's interior during Earth's formation
 - Crust depleted today
- Motivates searching in meteorites, **assuming**:
 - **Impact did not dislodge monopole**
 - **Meteoroid does not originate from planetary crust**
- 112 kg of meteorites analysed
- $\rho < 3 \cdot 10^{-29}$ mon./nucleon PRL 75, 1443 (1995)

Possible future search: comets

- Contain materials that the solar system formed from

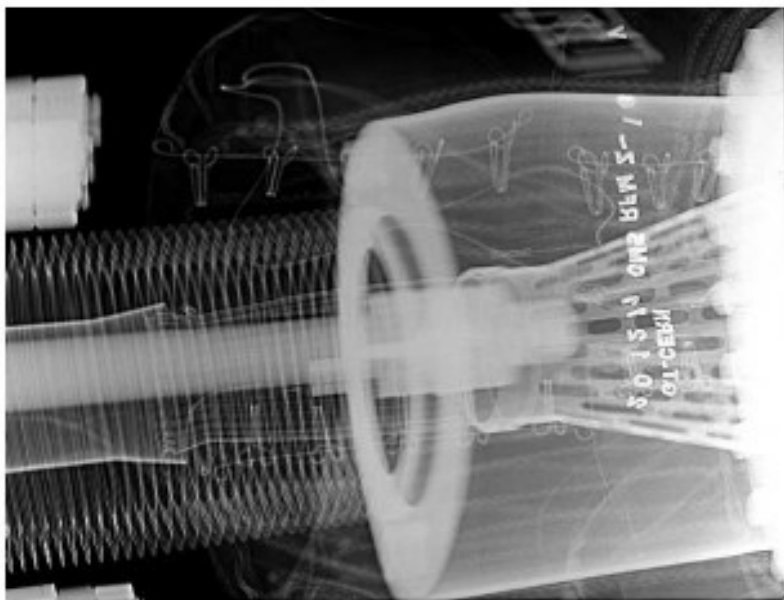


“Hot spot” plume in the Earth's mantle



LHC plugin module (18 m from CMS interaction point)

BEFORE



AFTER

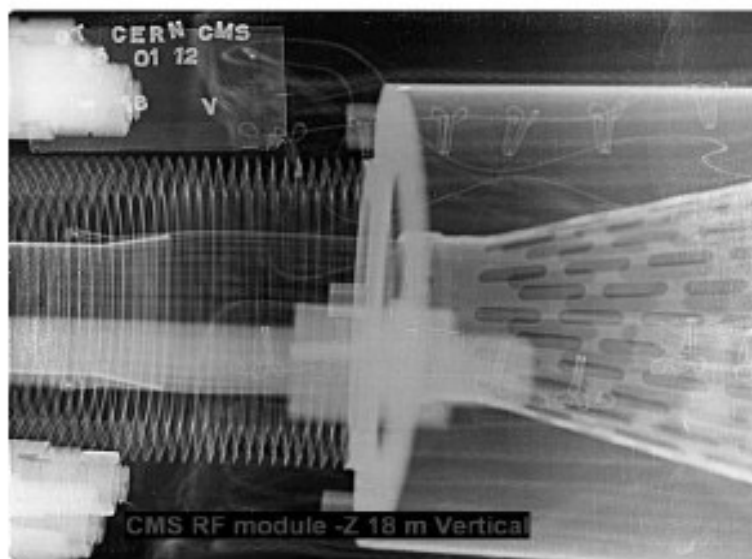


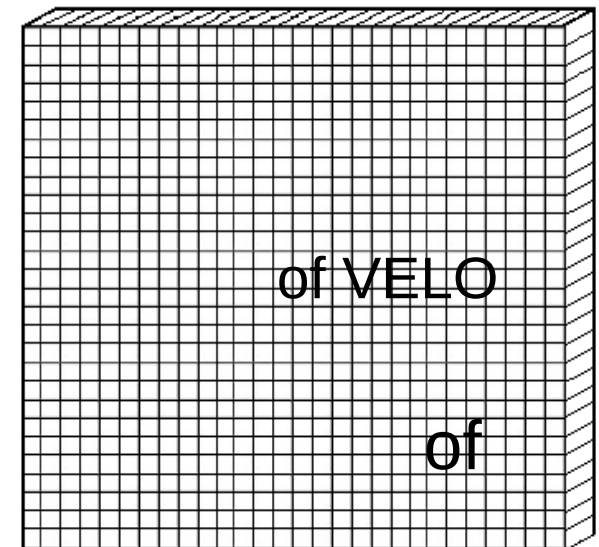
Figure 1: X-ray pictures (from above) of the plugin module with buckled fingers (left) and the new one after replacement with fingers around the beampipe (right). The sample used in this search corresponds to the fingers of the plugin module in the left picture, which reach to a position nearer the beam than the beampipe (36 mm diameter, to be compared to 40 mm diameter for the beampipe).

LHC plugin module fingers after cutting

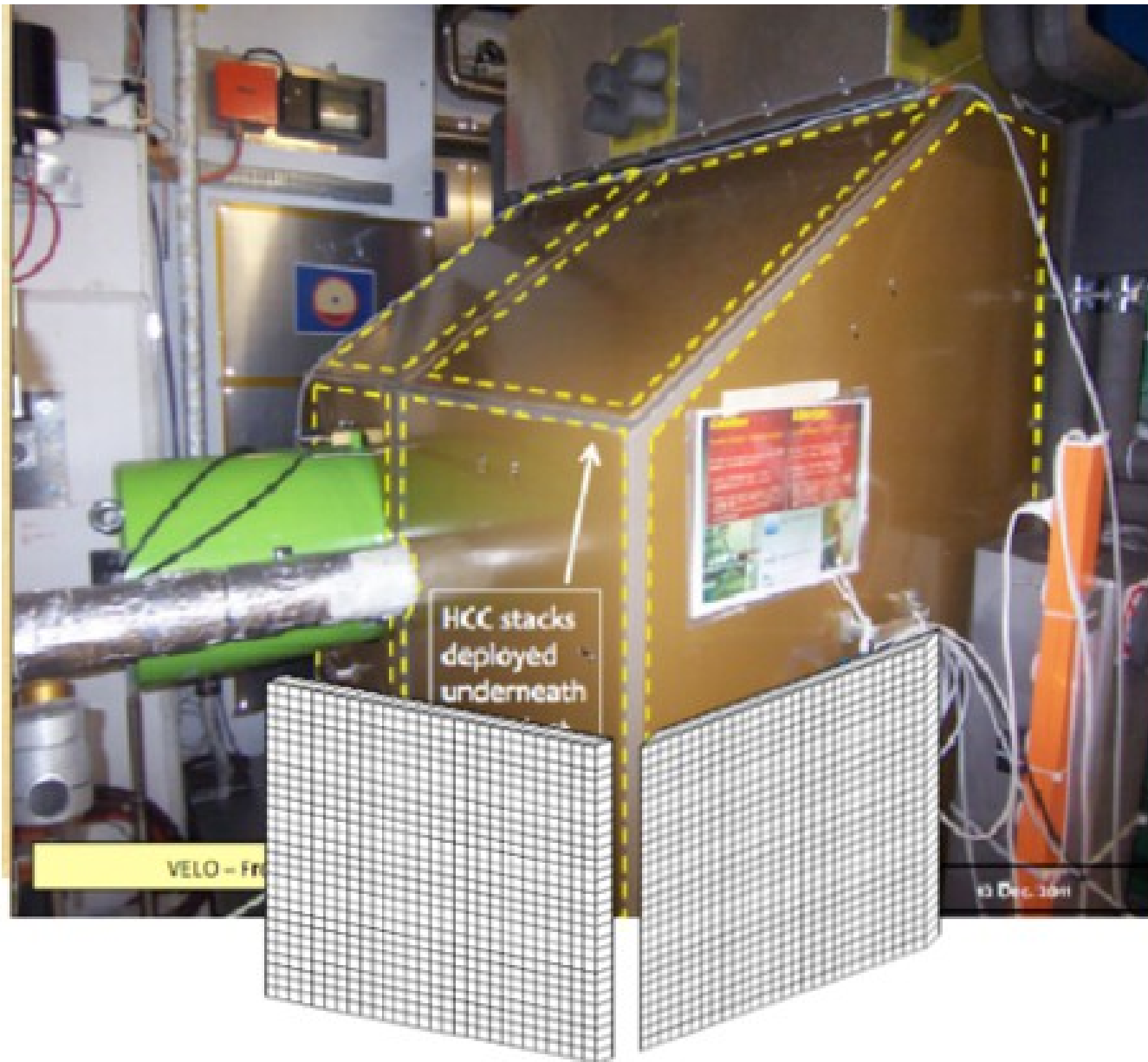


MMT preliminary design

- **Material:** Aluminium
 - Large nuclear dipole moment (spin 5/2) → likely to bind to monopoles
 - Cheap
- **Module:** parallelepiped 1.75 x 1.75 x 5 cm
 - Nicely fits magnetometer sample holder
- **Array:** 49 x 49 cm
 - **1 layer:** 784 modules, 32.4 kg, depth 5 cm
 - **2 layers:** 1568 modules, 64.8 kg, 10 cm
- **Two arrays**
 - one in front and one on the side vacuum chamber
- MoEDAL track-etch module in front each array

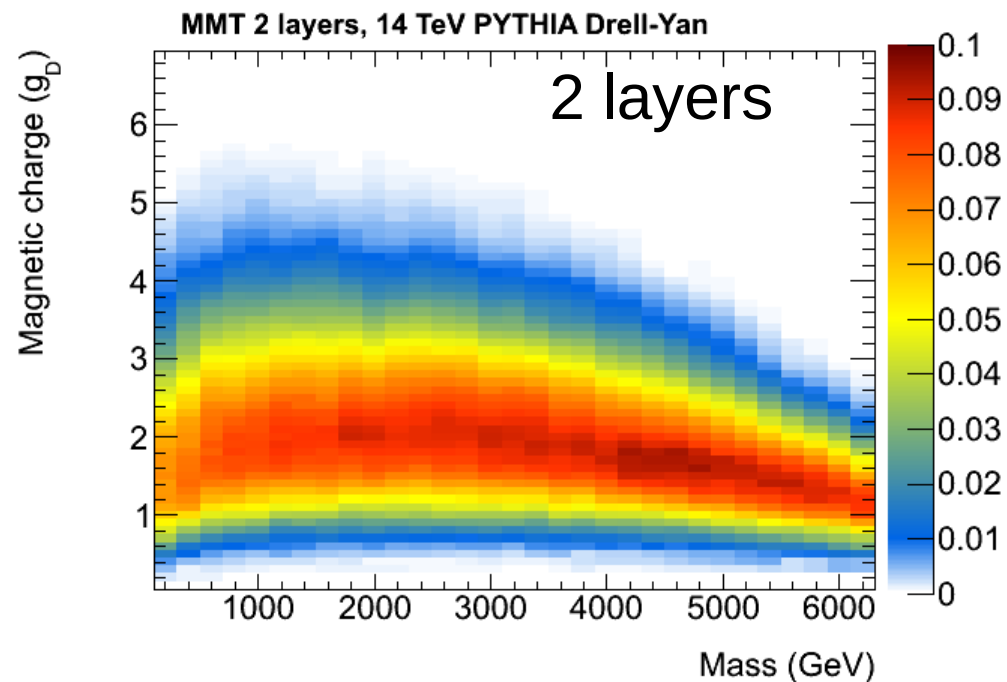
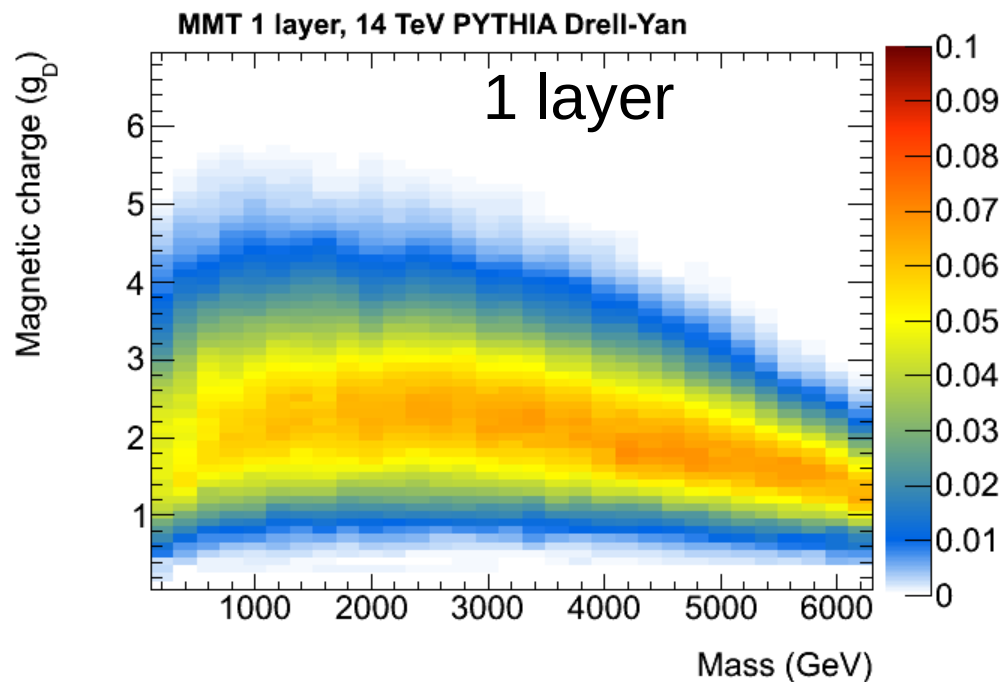


A view of MMT in the VELO chamber



MMT acceptance estimates

(assuming Drell-Yan pair production mechanism)



2–10 % acceptance for monopoles in the range 1–4 g_D

- Higher charge \rightarrow stops in VELO chamber
- Lower charge \rightarrow punches through the MMT