

# Searches for electroweak supersymmetry in ATLAS

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# Electroweak Supersymmetry

TeV-range limits for strongly produced SUSY particles

Electroweak SUSY less constrained due to:

- Low cross sections
- Degenerate spectra
- Mixing

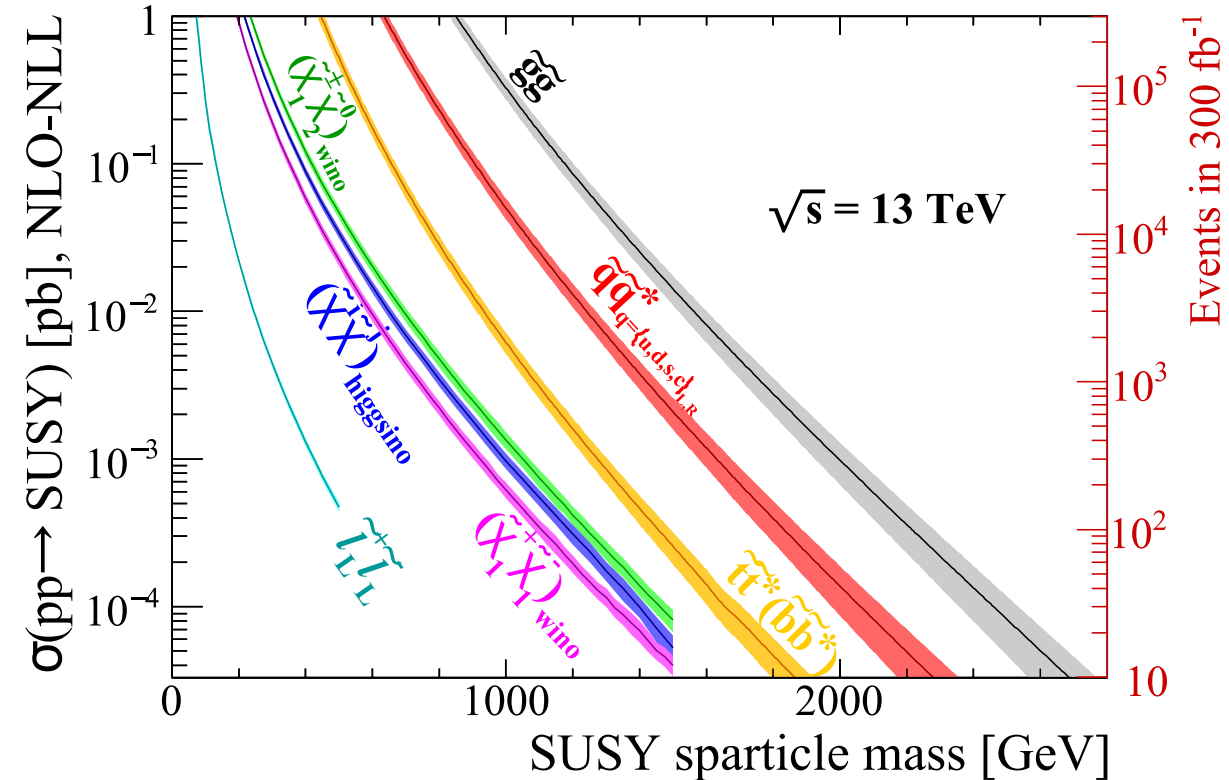
All results shown assume R-parity conservation

→ the lightest SUSY particle (LSP) is a Dark Matter (DM) candidate

→ < 3 TeV is allowed from thermal relic DM density

Exclusion plots are based on simplified models

- Only few SUSY particles considered
- All the others heavy
- 100% BR
- Usually stronger limits than for realistic models

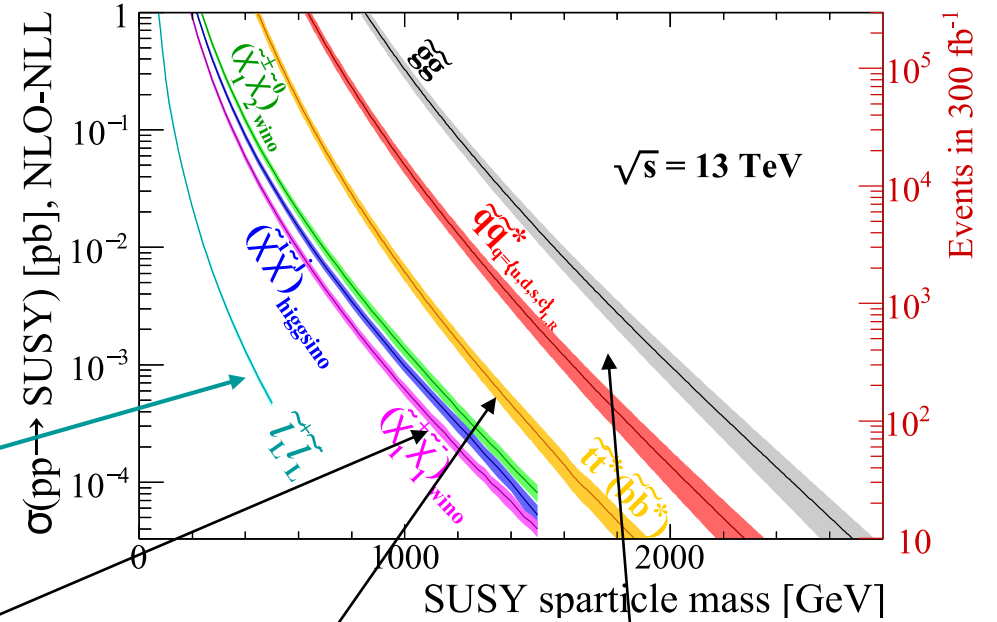


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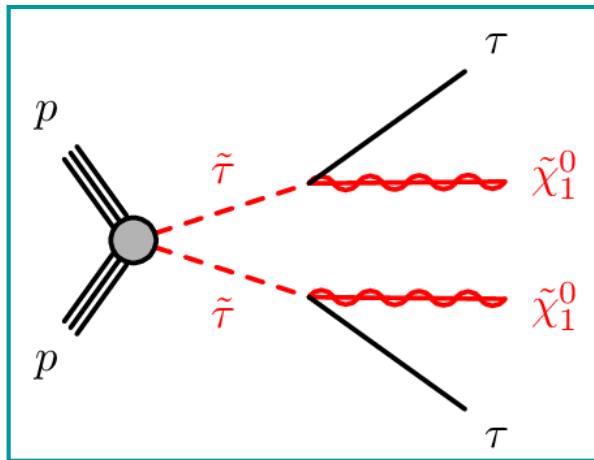
# Search for slepton

- Direct productions have small cross sections
  - But important if other SUSY particles except LSP neutralino are heavy
- “in decay chain” analysis of 20-36 fb<sup>-1</sup> for stau
  - Phys. Rev. D 99 (2019) 012009
  - Eur. Phys. J. C (2016) 76:81
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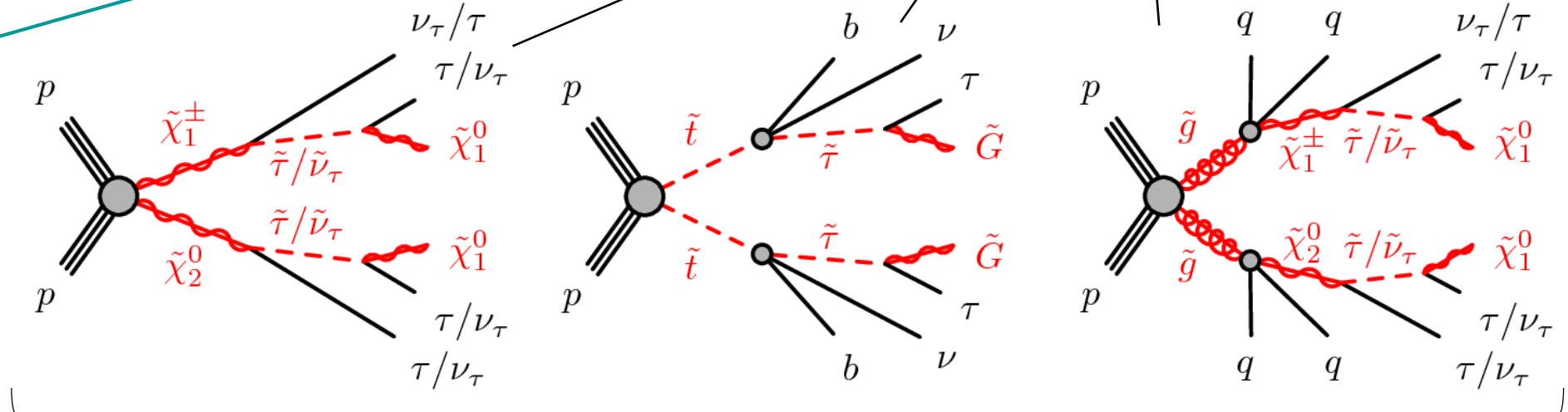
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139 fb<sup>-1</sup> result!



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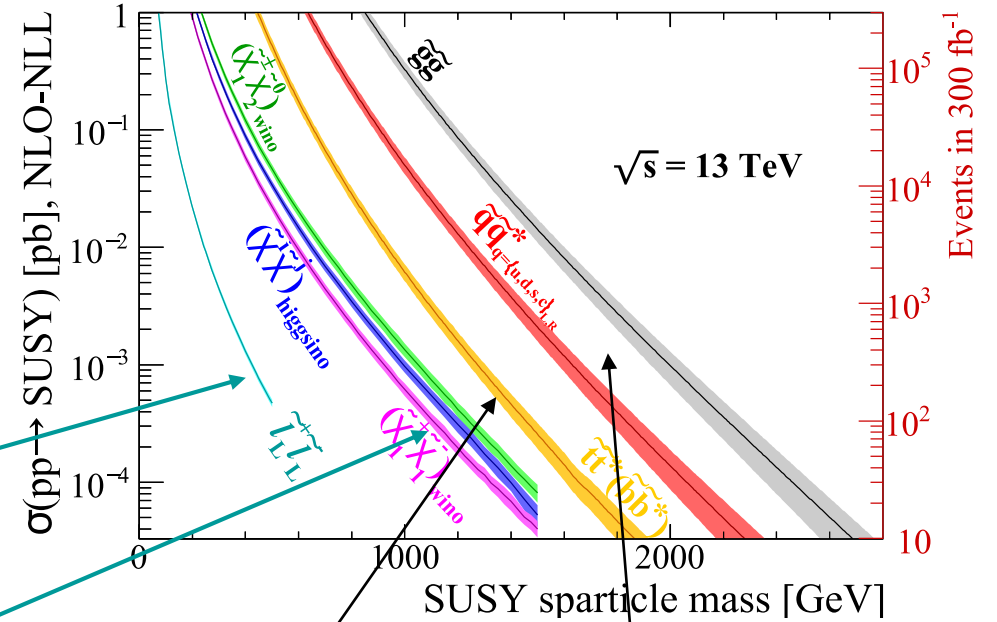


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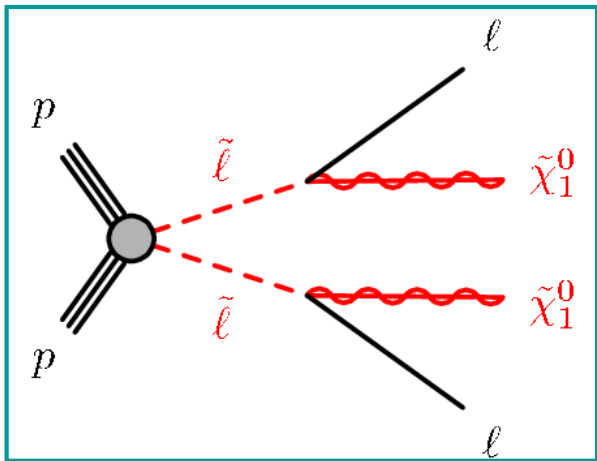
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- Direct productions have small cross sections
  - But important if other SUSY particles except LSP neutralino are heavy
- “in decay chain” analysis for other sleptons
  - Eur. Phys. J. C 78 (2018) 625
  - ATLAS-CONF-2019-008

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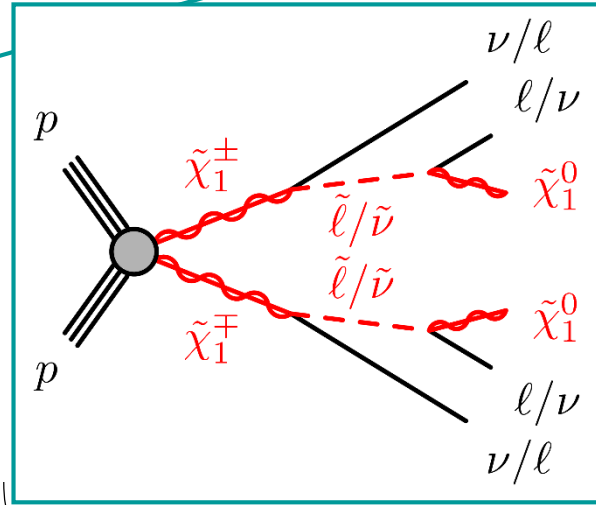


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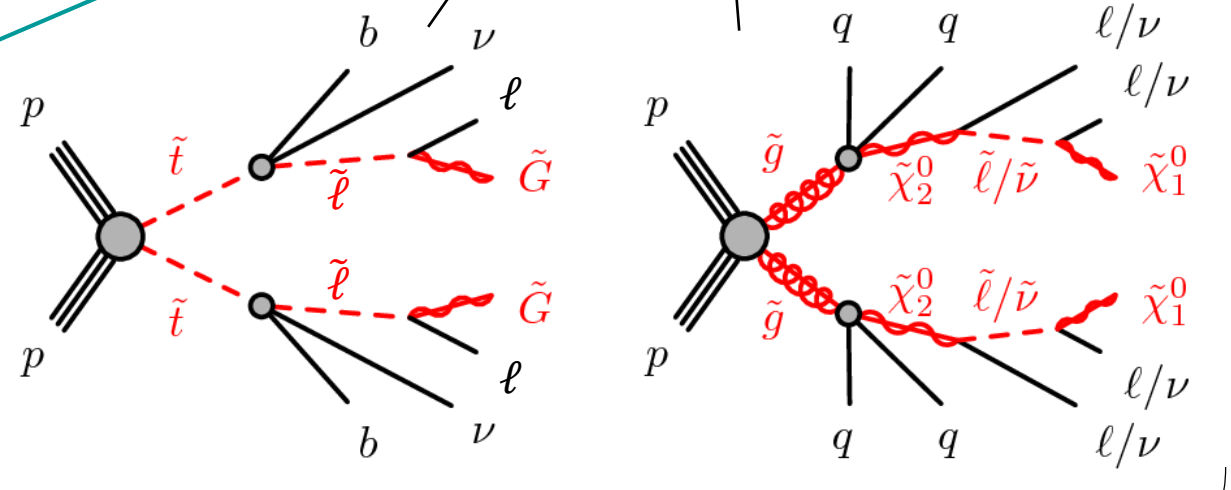


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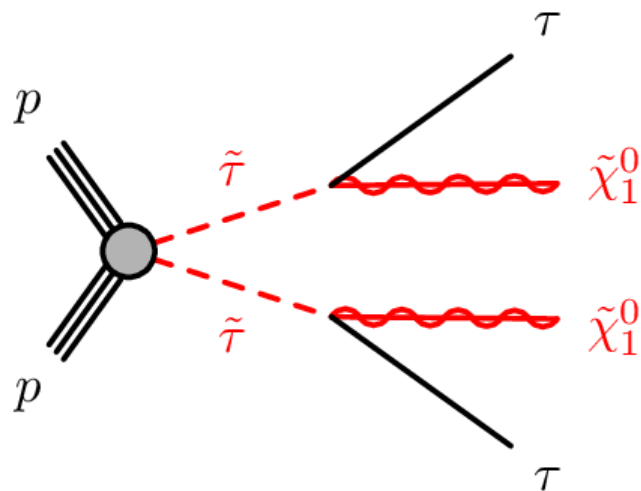
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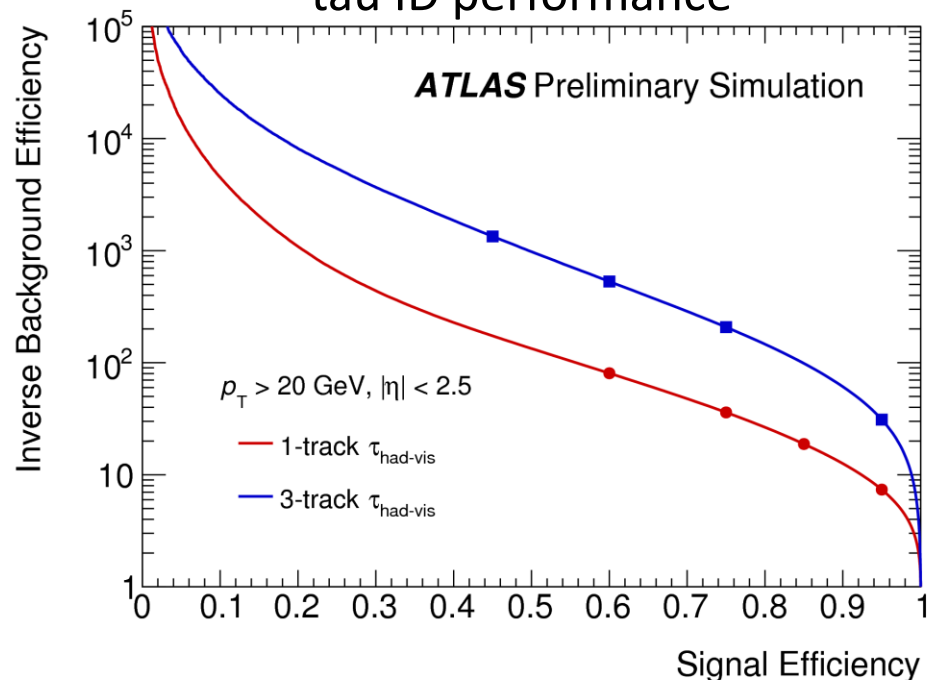


# Direct stau production



- Final state: 2 opposite sign taus +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 
  - taus are required to decay hadronically
- BDT based tau ID
  - jet shape + track multiplicity
- Backgrounds:
  - fake tau: multi-jet, W+jets
  - real tau: diboson, top and others

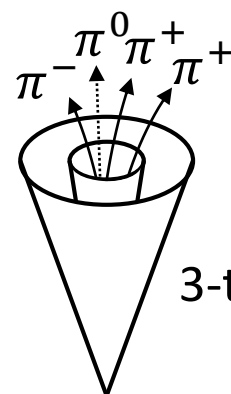
tau ID performance



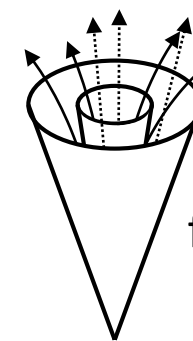
tau branching fraction

$$\text{1-track } \tau_{\text{had-vis}} \quad \tau^- \rightarrow h^- \nu_\tau + N\pi^0 \quad (N = 0, 1, 2) \quad \sim 47 \%$$

$$\text{3-track } \tau_{\text{had-vis}} \quad \tau^- \rightarrow h^- h^+ h^- \nu_\tau + N\pi^0 \quad (N = 0, 1) \quad \sim 15 \%$$



3-track  $\tau_{\text{had-vis}}$

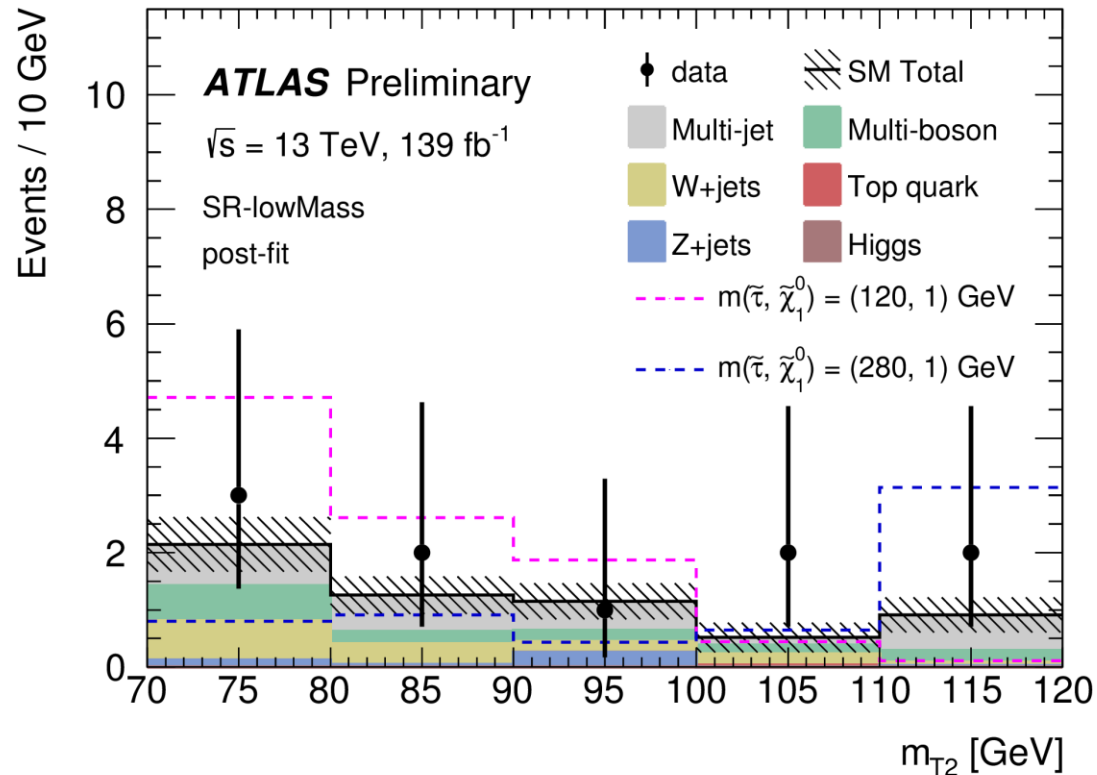


fake tau

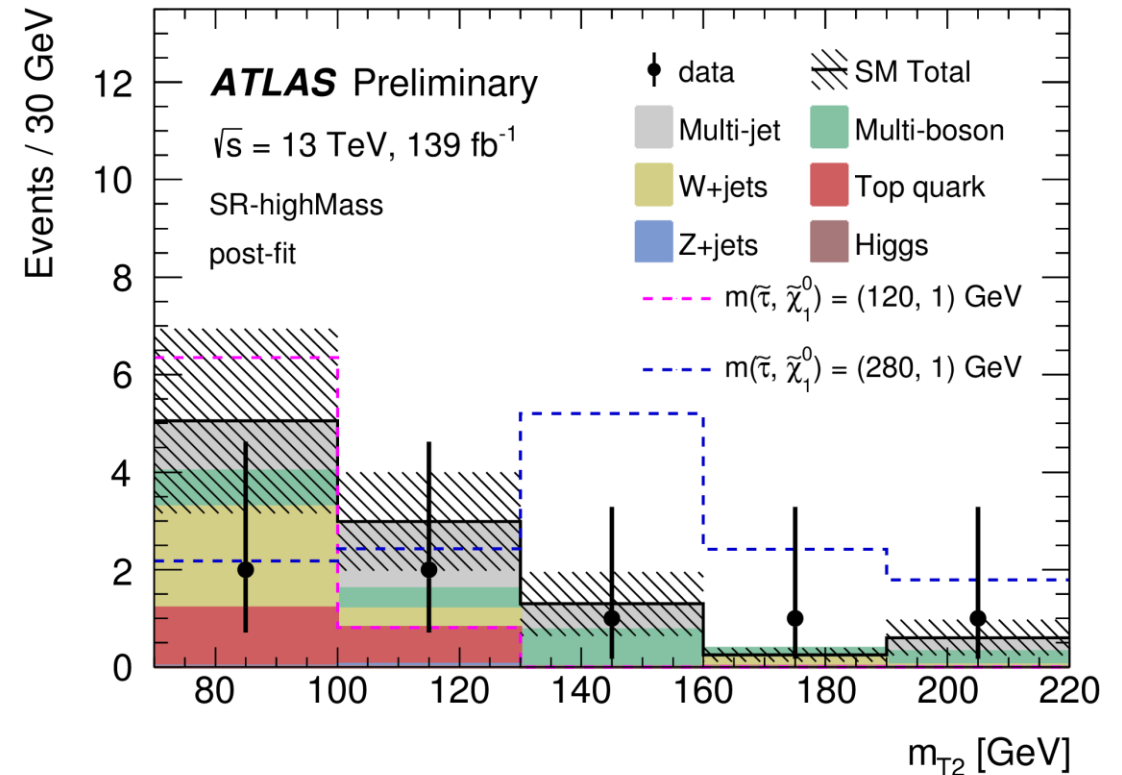
# Direct stau production

- 2 signal regions (SRs), optimized for different stau masses
- Requiring large  $m_{T2}$ , calculate using 2 taus and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 
  - $m_{T2} = \min_{q_T} \{ \max [ m_T(p_T^{\tau 1}, q_T), m_T(p_T^{\tau 2}, E_T^{\text{miss}} - q_T) ] \}$
  - $q_T$  is scanned all possibility region

low mass SR:  $75 < E_T^{\text{miss}} < 150$  GeV

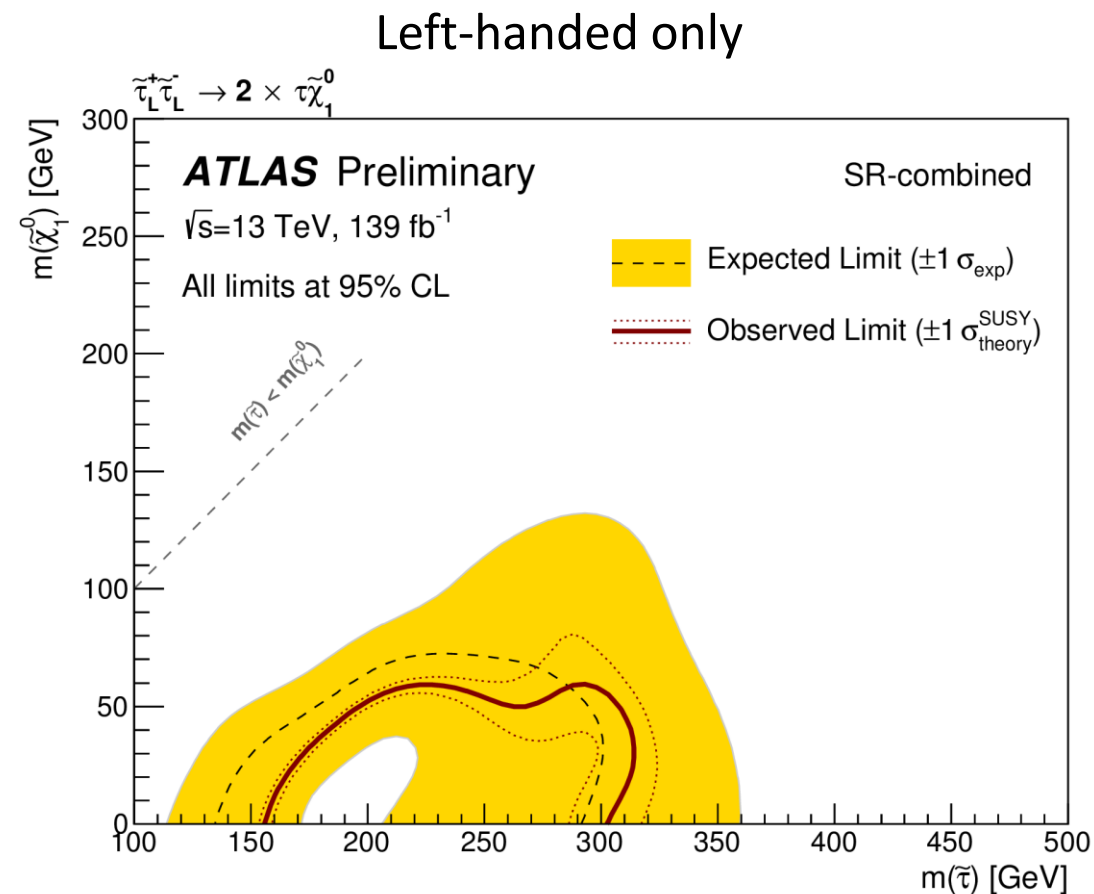
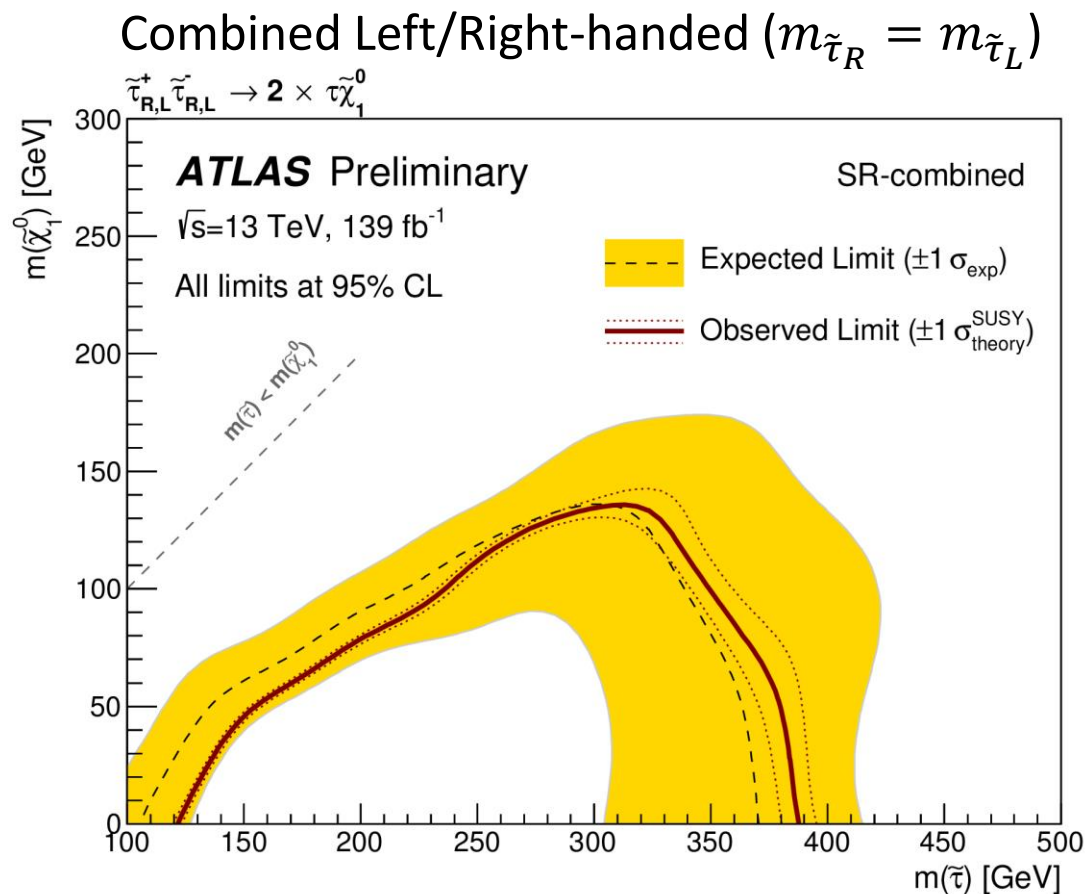


high mass SR:  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150$  GeV



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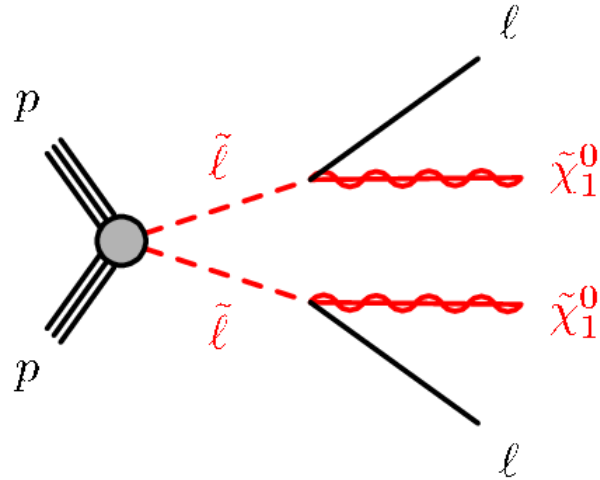
- No significant excess was observed  $\rightarrow$  exclusion limits
- Considering charginos/neutralinos except  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  are very heavy



Sensitivity from 120 to 390 GeV  $\rightarrow$  significantly extend Run1/LEP results

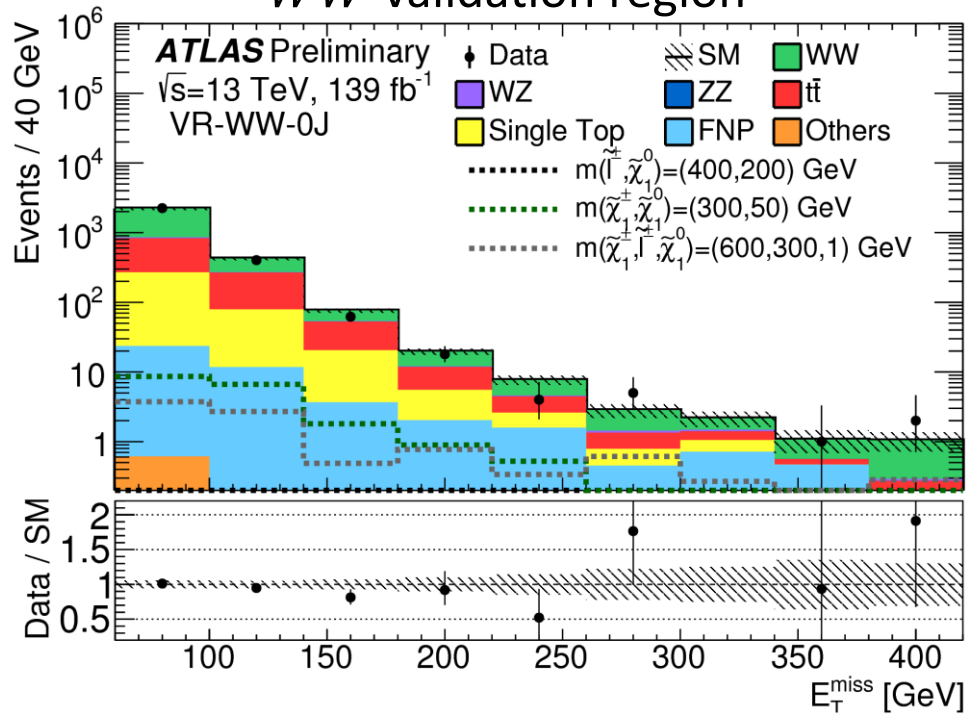
the first exclusion limit

# Direct $\tilde{e}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$ production

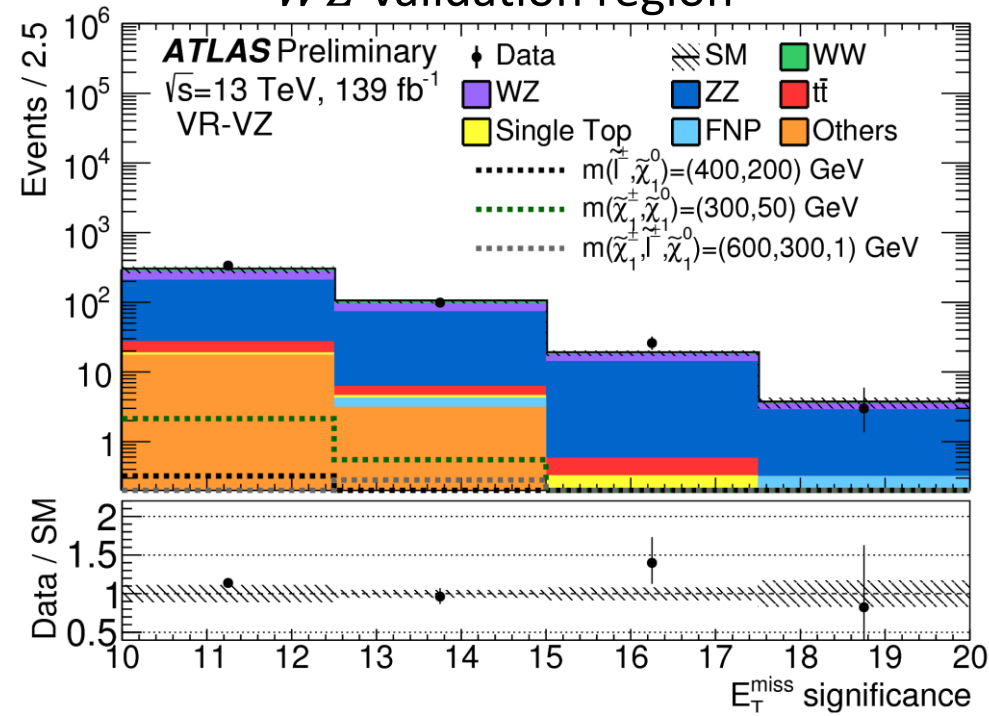


- Considering  $m_{\tilde{e}_R} = m_{\tilde{e}_L} = m_{\tilde{\mu}_R} = m_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$
- Final state:  $2 e$  or  $\mu + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ 
  - same flavor, opposite sign
- Backgrounds:  $WW, WZ$ 
  - MC is normalized based on control regions
- Very clean signature: 0 or 1 ISR jet, b-jet veto

## WW validation region



## WZ validation region

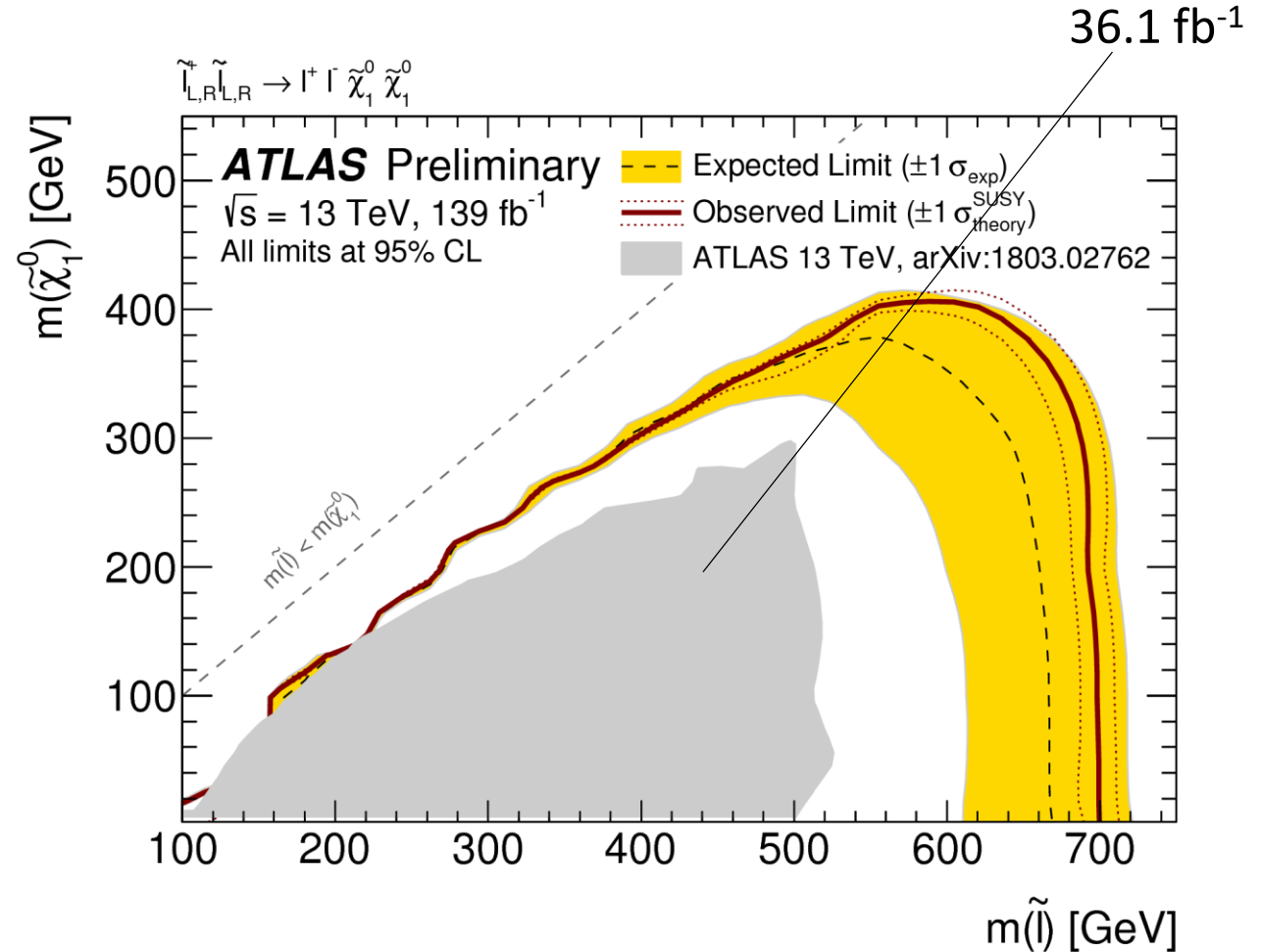
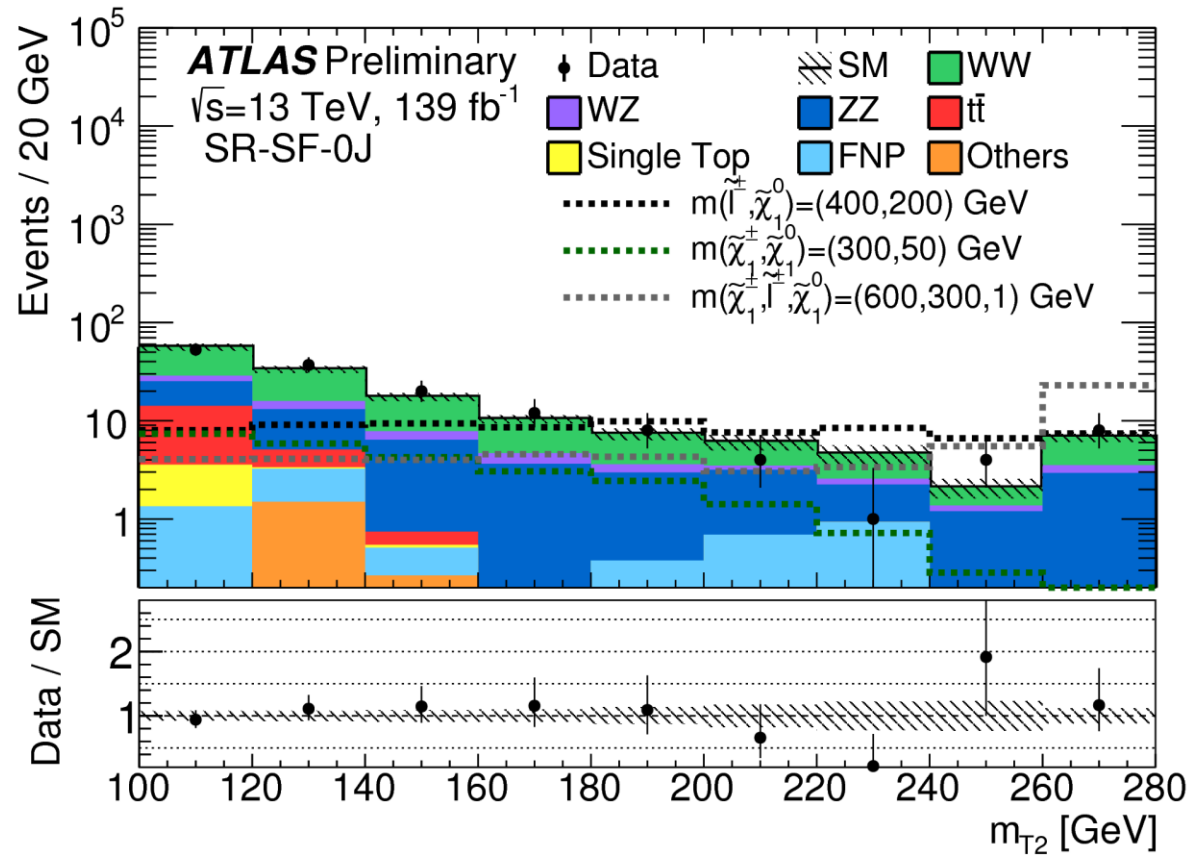


Good modeling



# Direct $\tilde{e}$ and $\tilde{\mu}$ production

- $m_{T2}$  is calculated with 2 leptons and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- No significant excess was observed  $\rightarrow$  exclusion limits

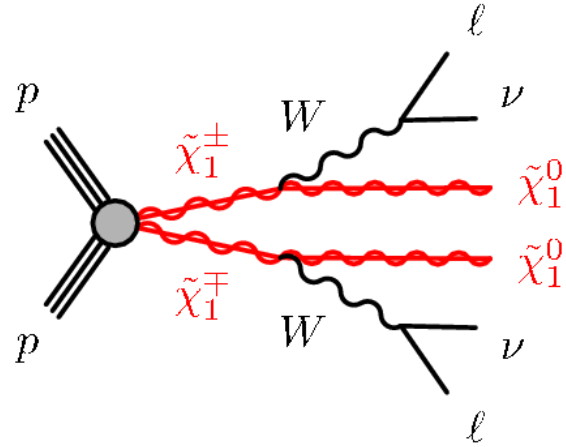


exclude up to 700 GeV

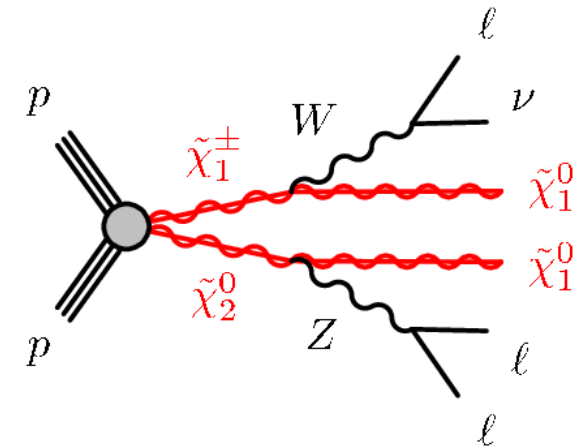
# Direct chargino/neutralino production

Several full Run-2 results (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

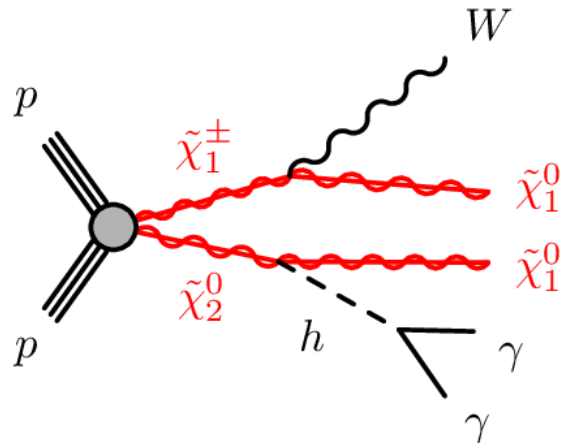
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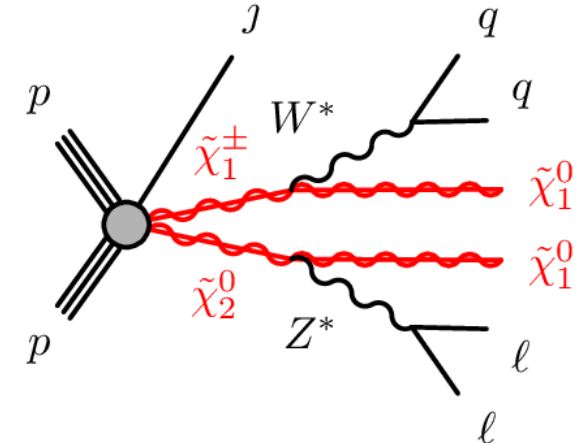
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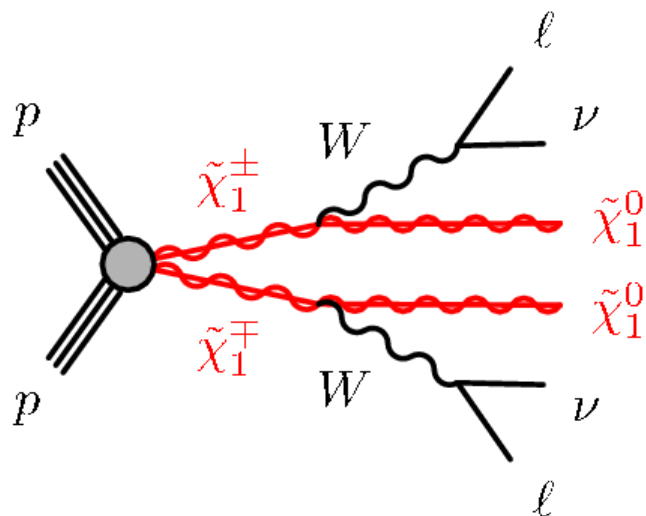
ATLAS-CONF-2019-019:  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



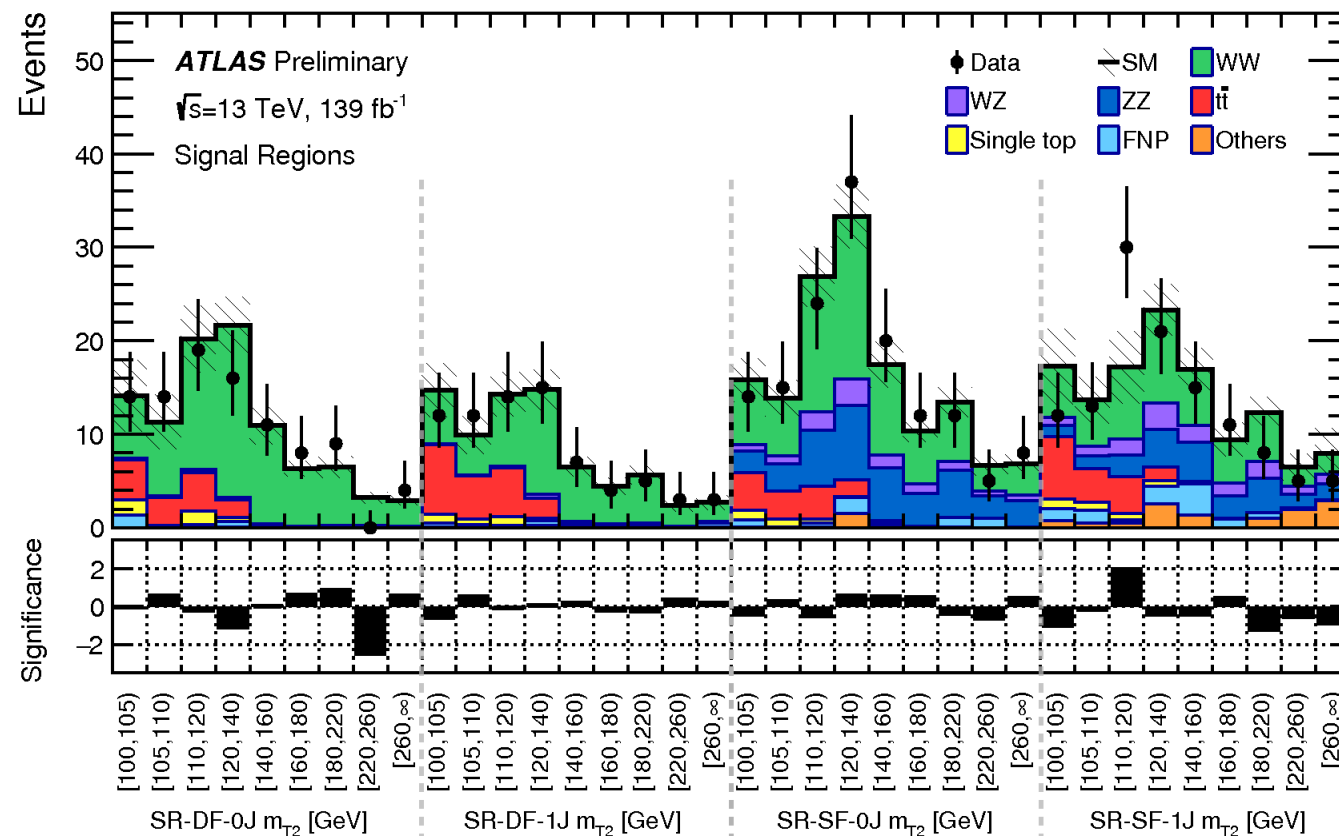
ATLAS-CONF-2019-014: Compressed EWK



# 2-lepton



- Direct  $\chi_1^\pm$  production with leptonic  $W$  decays
- Similar final state as the search for  $\tilde{e}$  and  $\tilde{\mu}$ 
  - using  $m_{T2}$  as well
  - but different flavor lepton regions are included
- main BG:  $WW$ ,  $WZ$

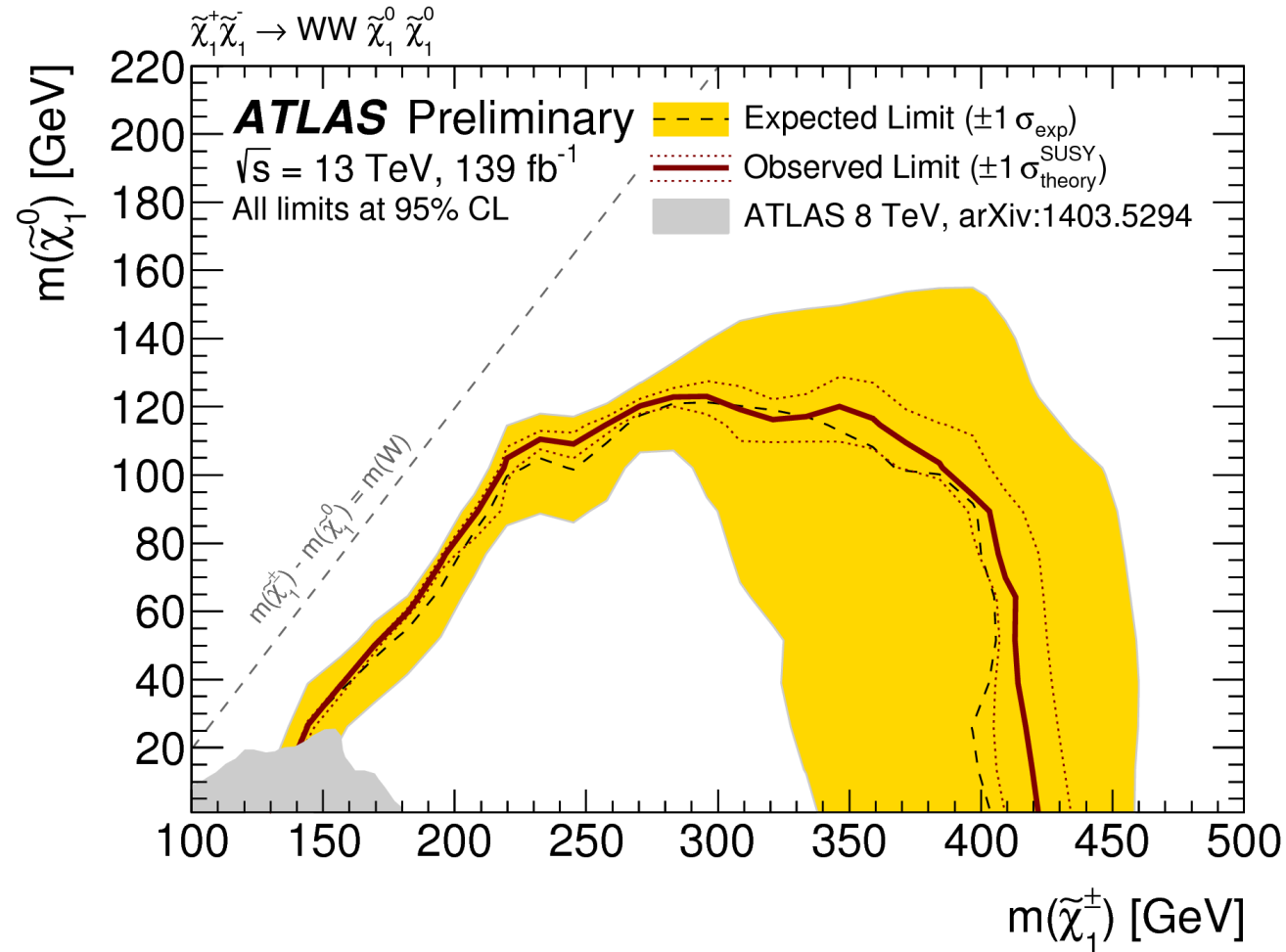


different flavor:  
 adding for this search

same flavor:  
 sharing with  $\tilde{e}$  and  $\tilde{\mu}$  search

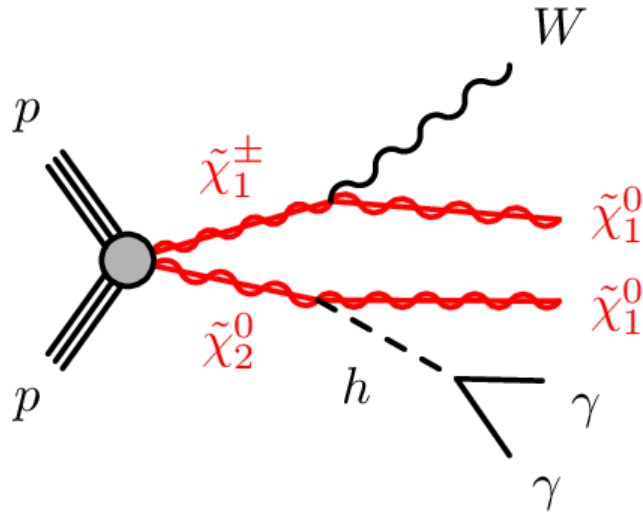
# 2-lepton

- No significant excess was observed  $\rightarrow$  exclusion limits



exclude up to 420 GeV

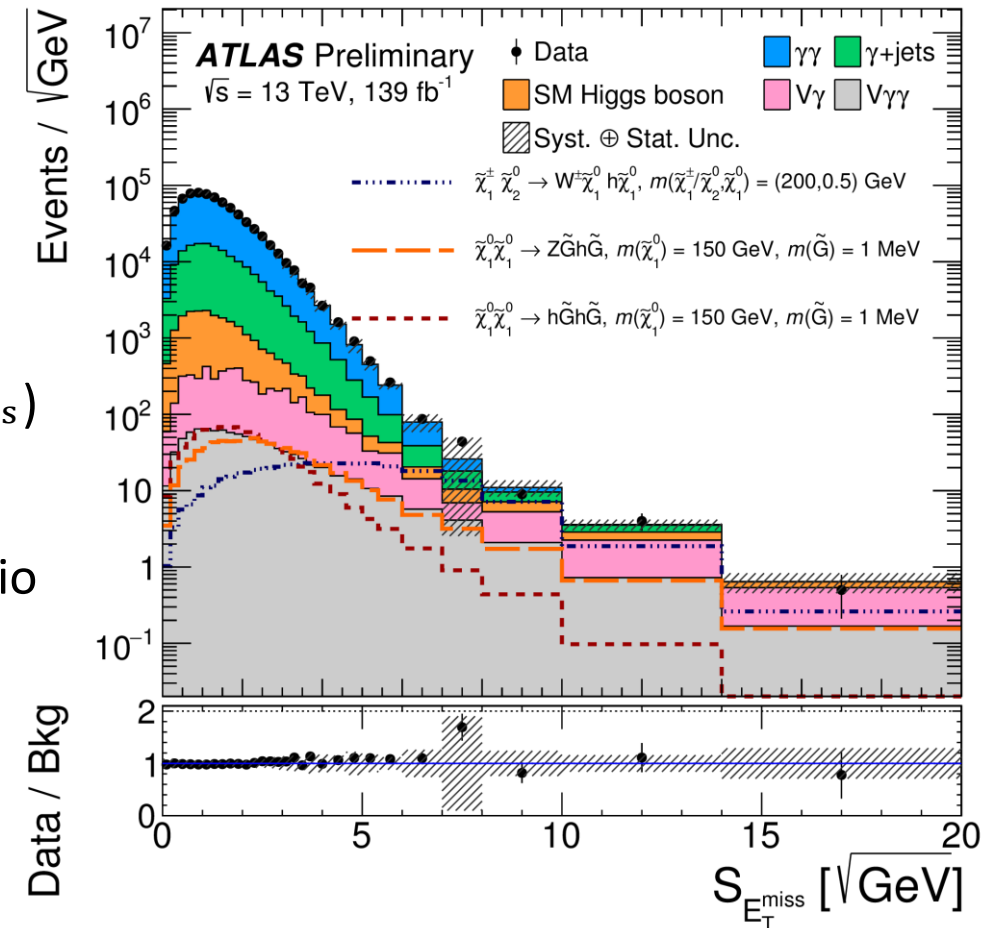
# $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



- Considering  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} = m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$
- Final state:  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + W$ 
  - 36 fb<sup>-1</sup> analysis:  $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$  only
  - 139 fb<sup>-1</sup> analysis:  $W \rightarrow jj$  was newly added

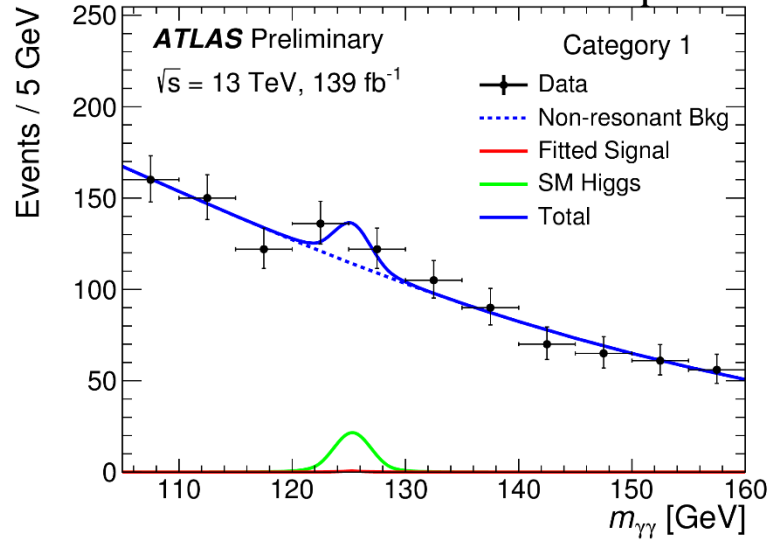
- Signal regions are separated based on  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  significance ( $S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}}$ )
  - $S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} = E_T^{\text{miss}} / \sqrt{\sum E_T}$
  - low  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  region is important for small  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$  scenario
- Dominant BG: SM  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , non-resonant process

$\gamma\gamma, \gamma + \text{jet}, V\gamma, V\gamma\gamma$

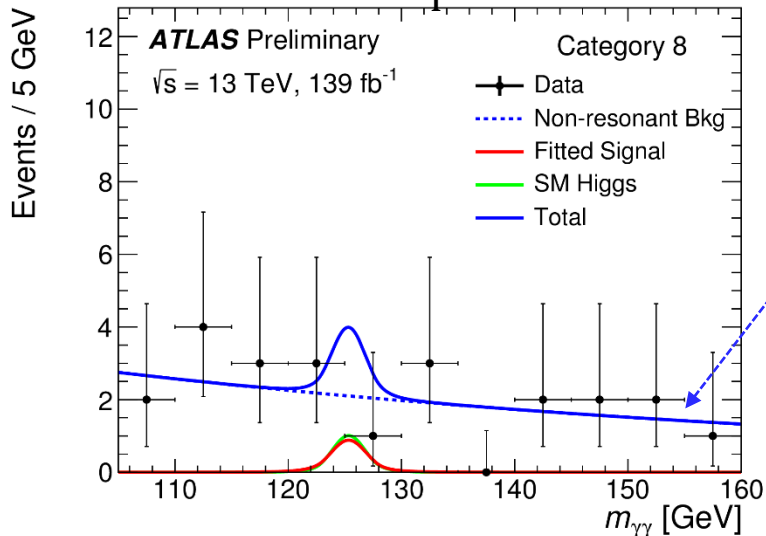


# $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

$m_{\gamma\gamma}$  distribution in a leptonic low  $S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}}$  signal region

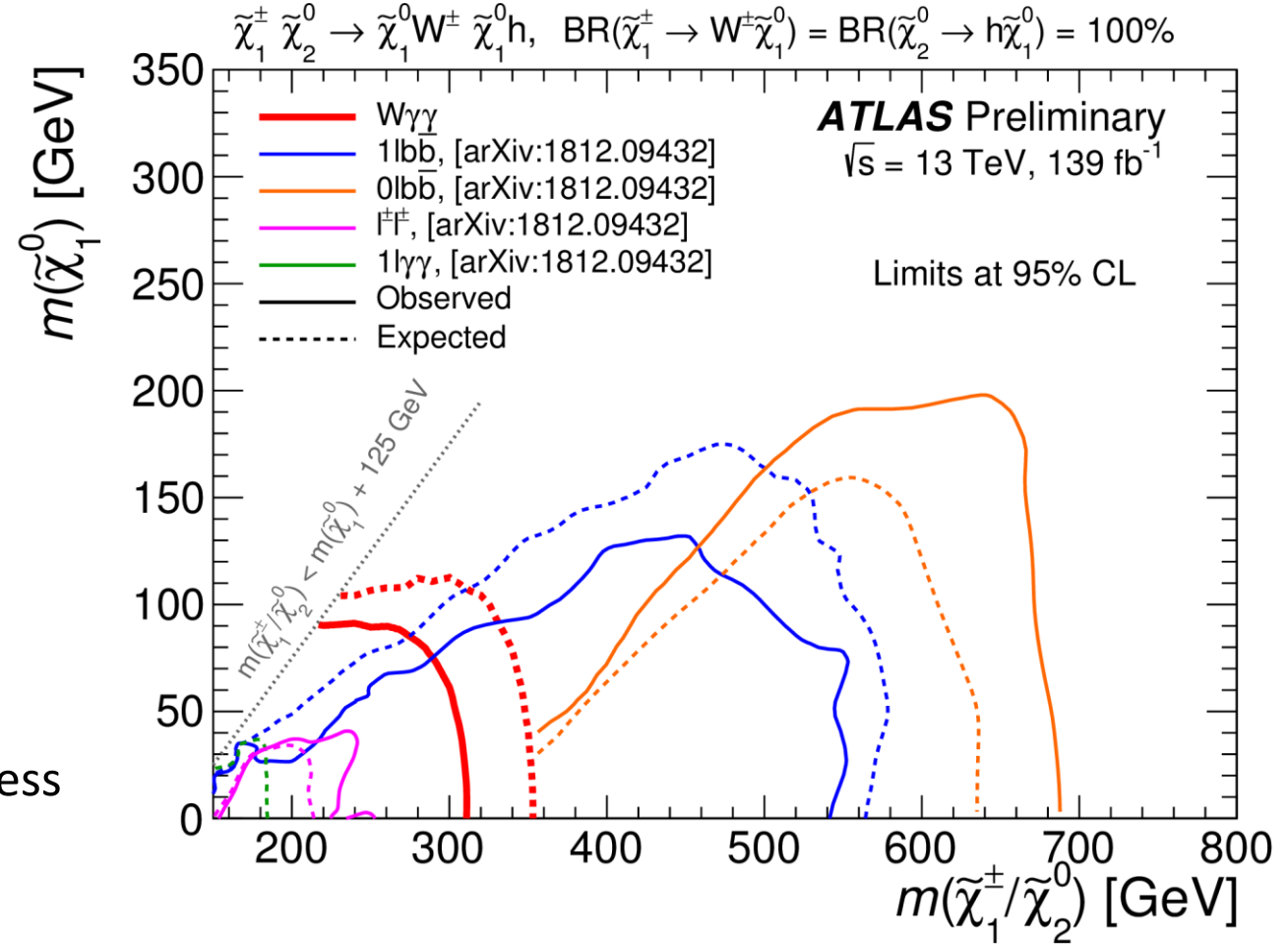


hadronic high  $S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}}$  signal region



non-resonant process are estimated by sidebands

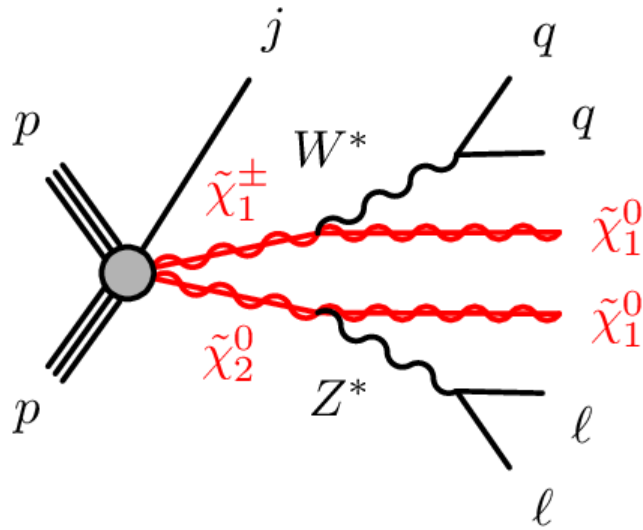
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thanks to the clean signature of  $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ , extend limit to small  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$  region

# Compressed EWK

Considering nearly-degenerate masses: “compressed”

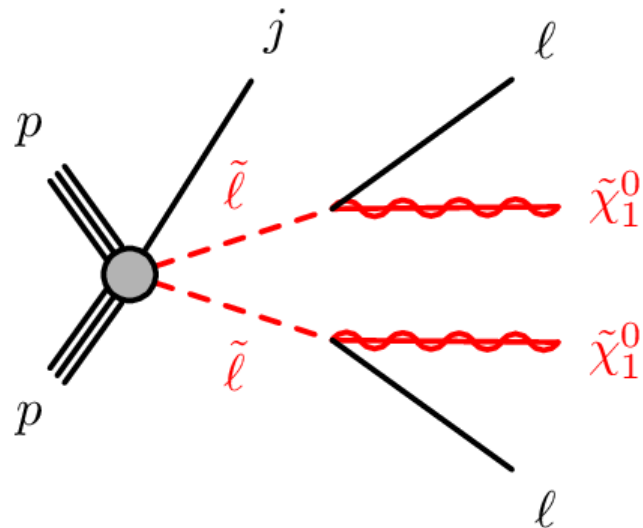


Scenario 1:  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0, \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  are a triplet of Higgsino-like states

- motivated by naturalness
- discriminant:  $m_{\ell\ell}$

Scenario 2:  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  is a pure bino state,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0$  are pure wino states

- motivated by the observed DM density
- discriminant:  $m_{\ell\ell}$

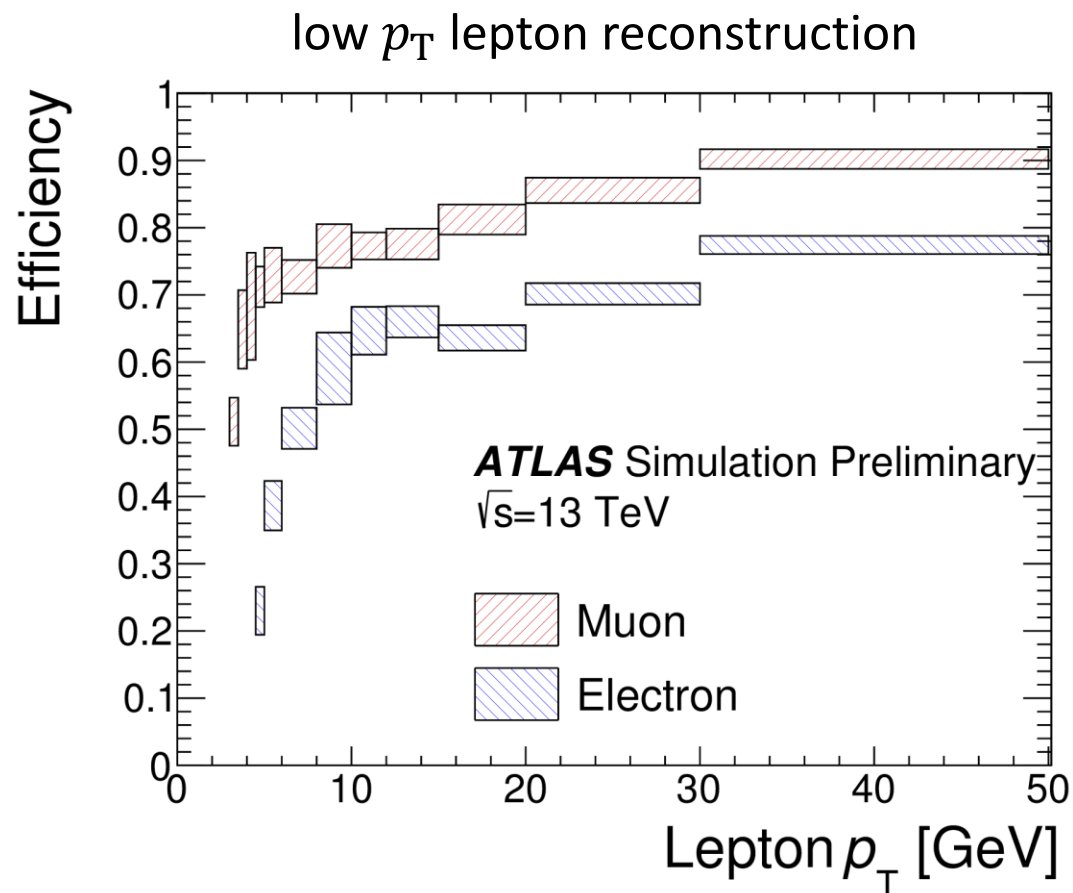


Scenario 3:  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  is a pure bino state, sleptons are slightly heavy

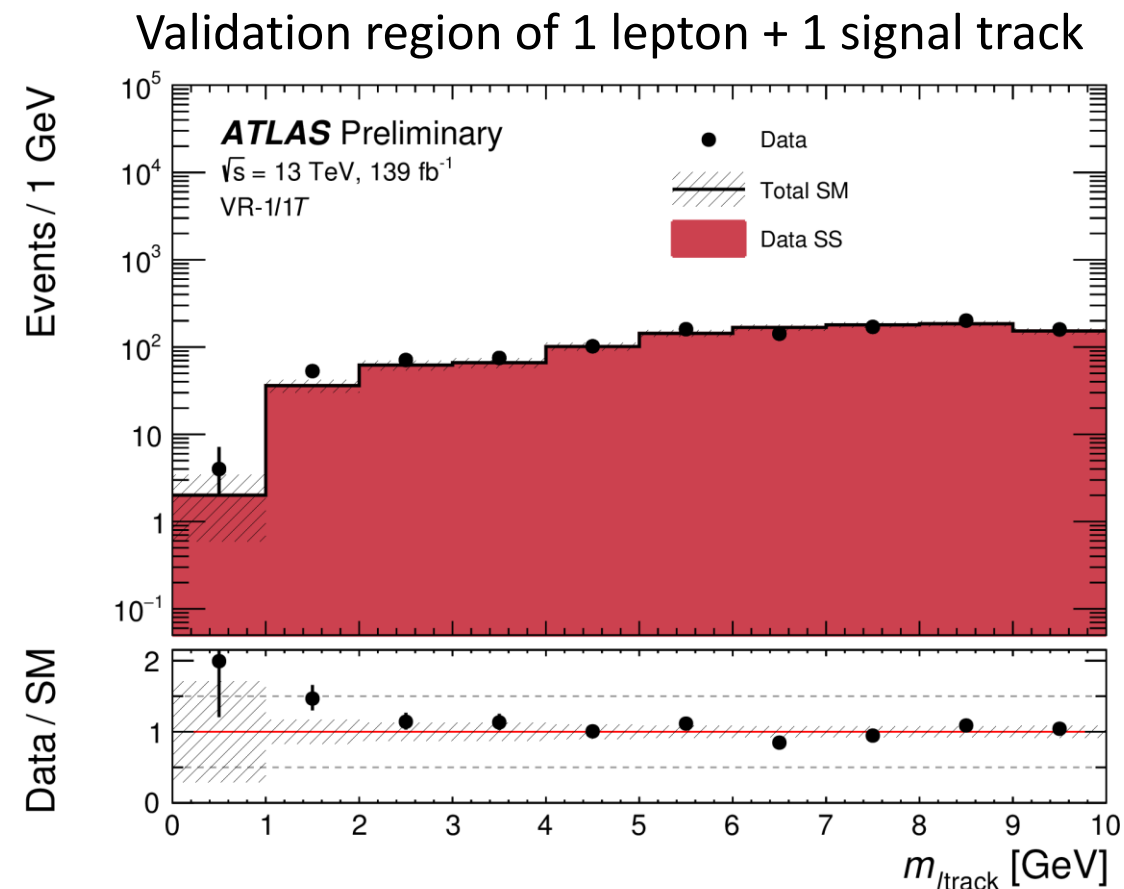
- motivated by DM thermal relic densities,  $g - 2$  anomaly
- discriminant:  $m_{T2}$

- Final state: 2 opposite sign same flavor **low  $p_T$**  leptons +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + ISR jet
- Backgrounds: top, diboson, fake lepton

# Compressed EWK



Signal leptons have low efficiency at very low  $p_T$   
 → Define complementary signal region: **1 lepton + 1 “signal track”**  
 signal track:  $p_T > 1$  GeV, isolated, matched to lepton candidates



signal track is well modelled

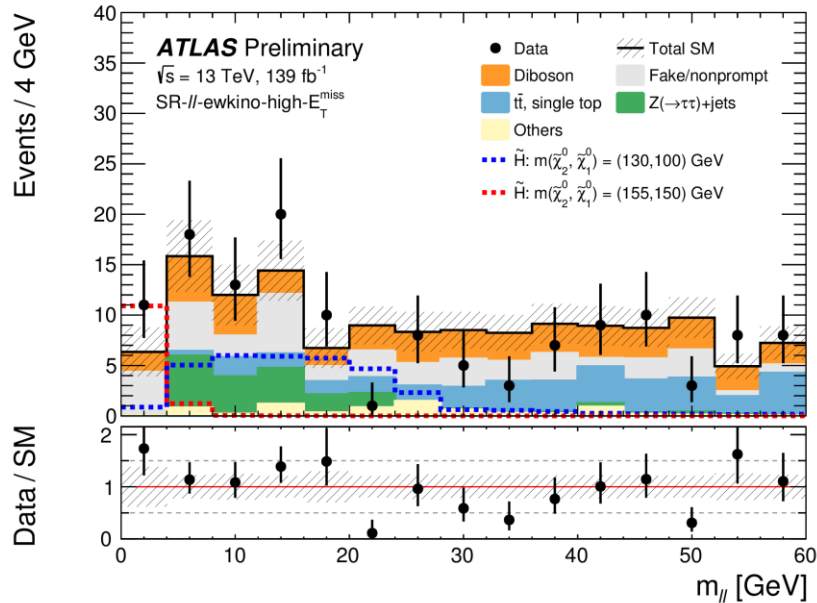


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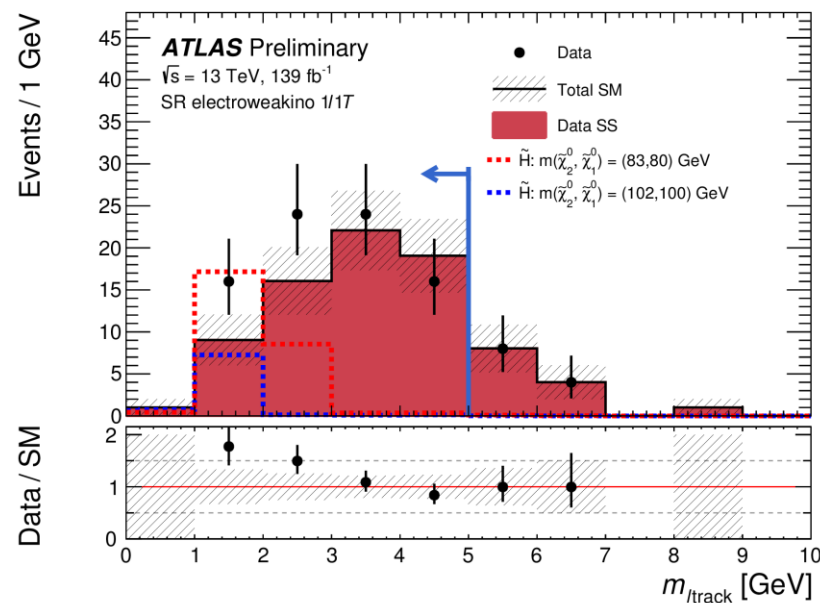
Background estimation:

- 1 lepton + 1 signal track: data-driven using same sign control region
- Fake leptons in 2-lepton regions: data-driven (fake factor method)
- Real leptons in 2-lepton regions: MC is normalized based on control regions

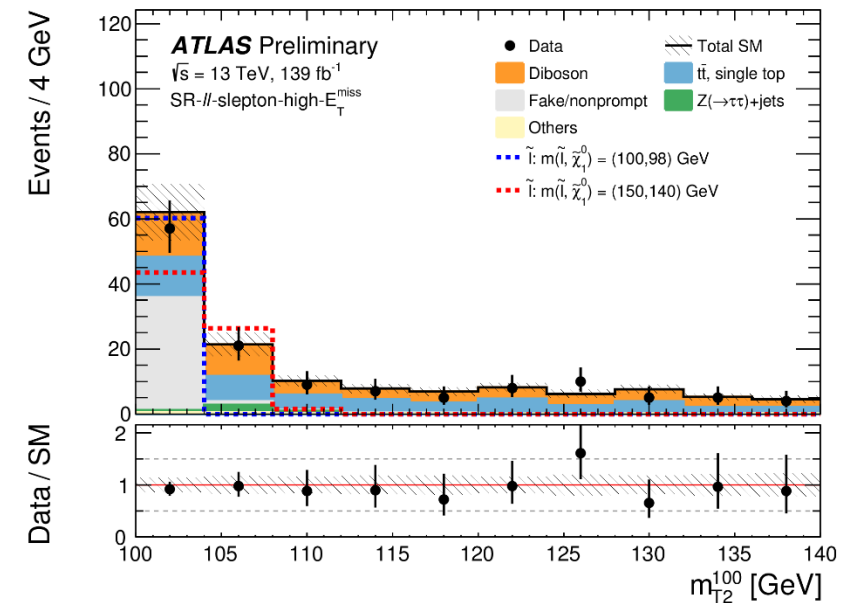
2-lepton for scenario 1, 2



1 lepton + 1 signal track



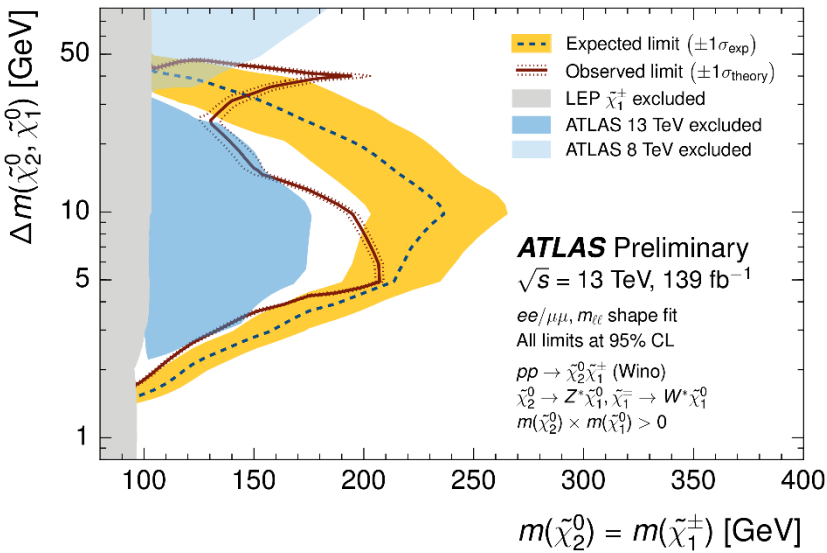
2-lepton for scenario 3



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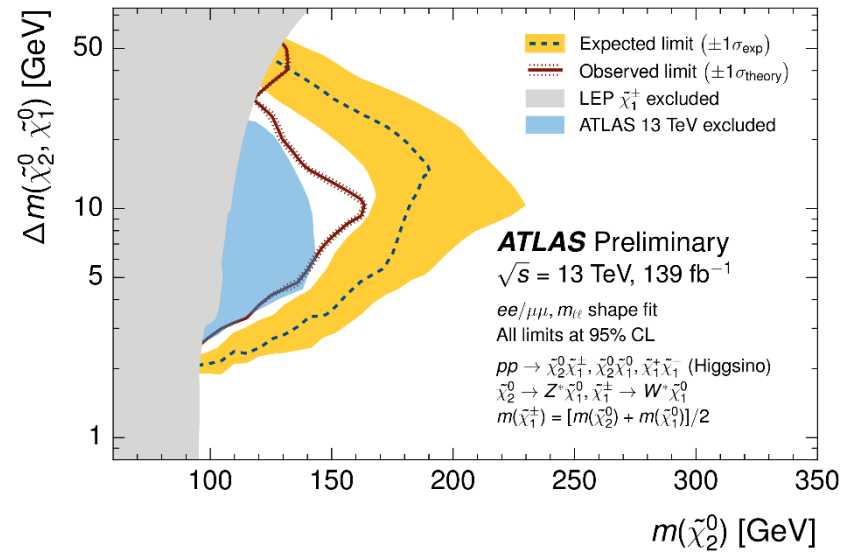
scenario 1



Considering

- $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} = m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}$
- $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \times m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0} > 0$

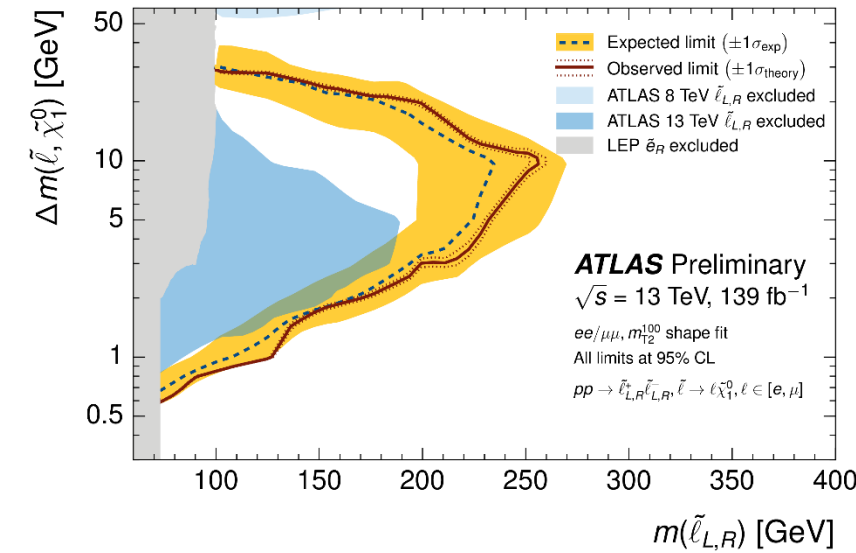
scenario 2



Considering

- charginos are very heavy
- $m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} = (m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} + m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})/2$

scenario 3

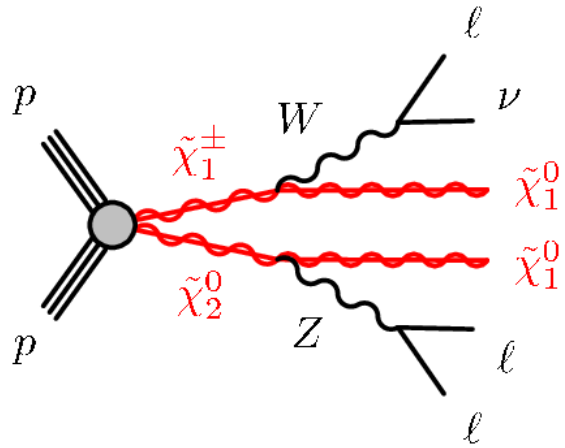


Considering

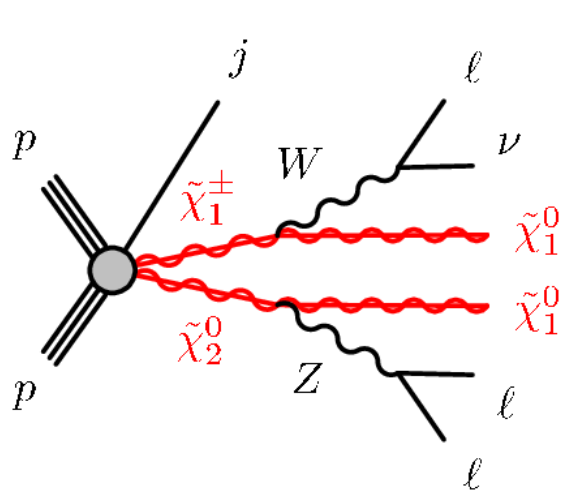
- $m_{\tilde{e}_R} = m_{\tilde{e}_L} = m_{\tilde{\mu}_R} = m_{\tilde{\mu}_L}$

# 3-lepton

without ISR



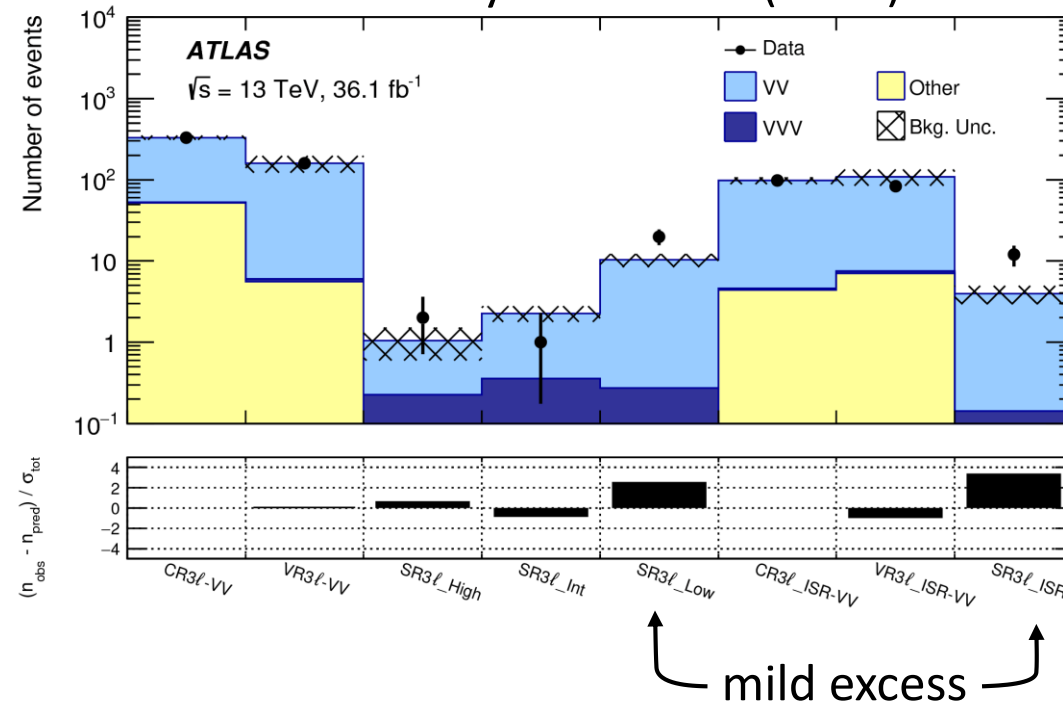
with ISR



- Final state: 3-lepton +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- **Emulated Recursive Jigsaw Reconstruction: eRJR**
- backgrounds: fully leptonic  $WZ$

RJR used in  $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  analysis:

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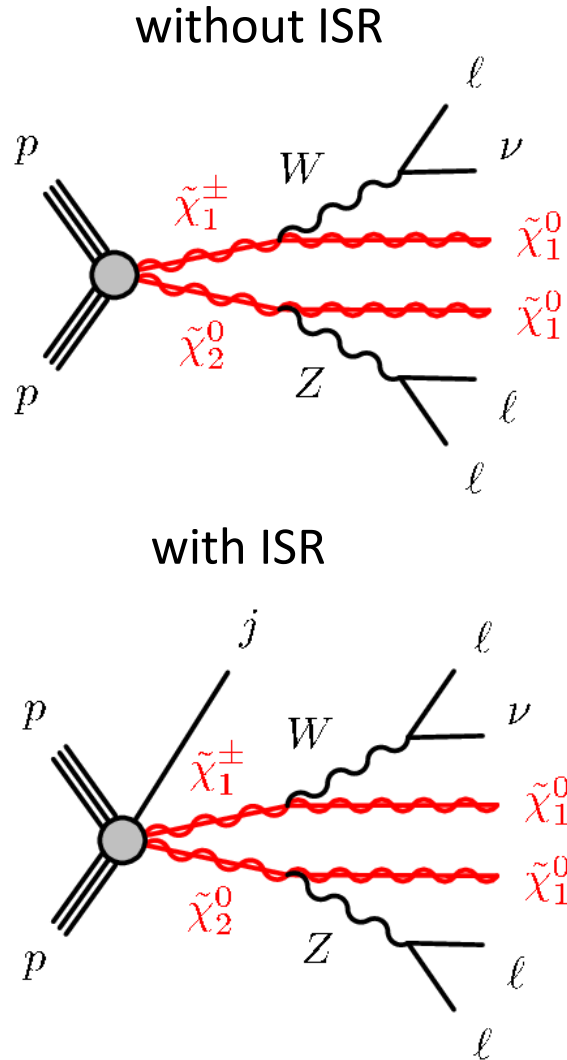


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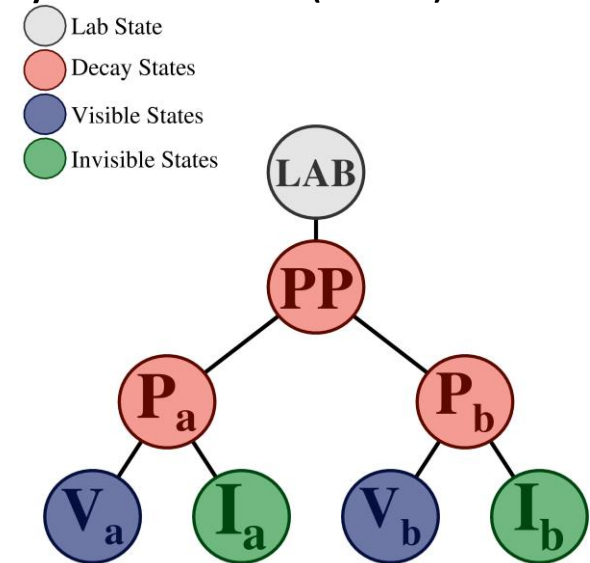
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Decompose events according to assumption of particular decays and **rest frames** to estimate missing degrees of freedom



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newly developed

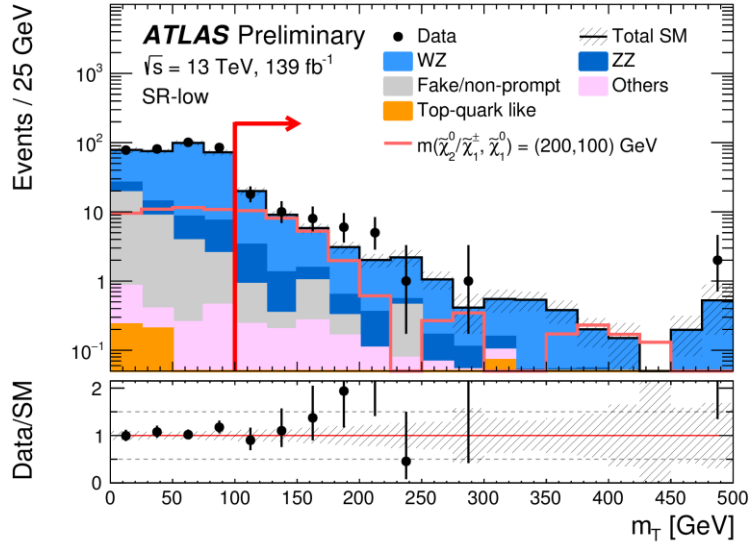
eRJR:

Simplified technique, using **lab frame** variables

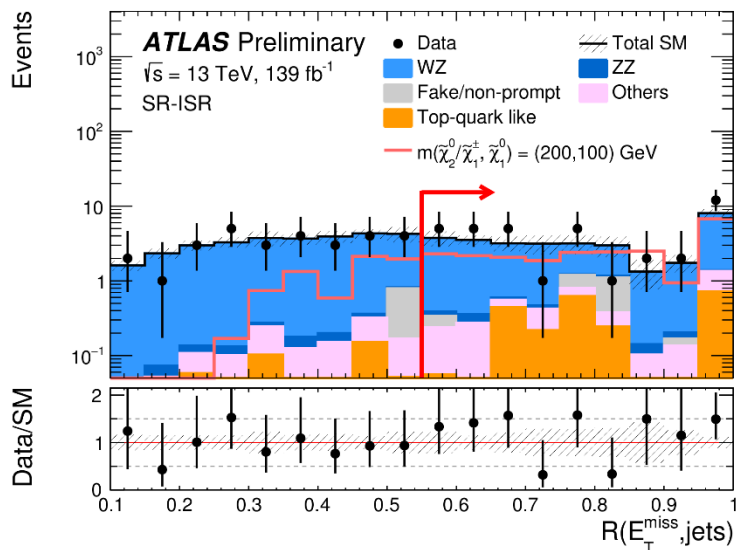
→ try with more conventional variables

# 3-lepton

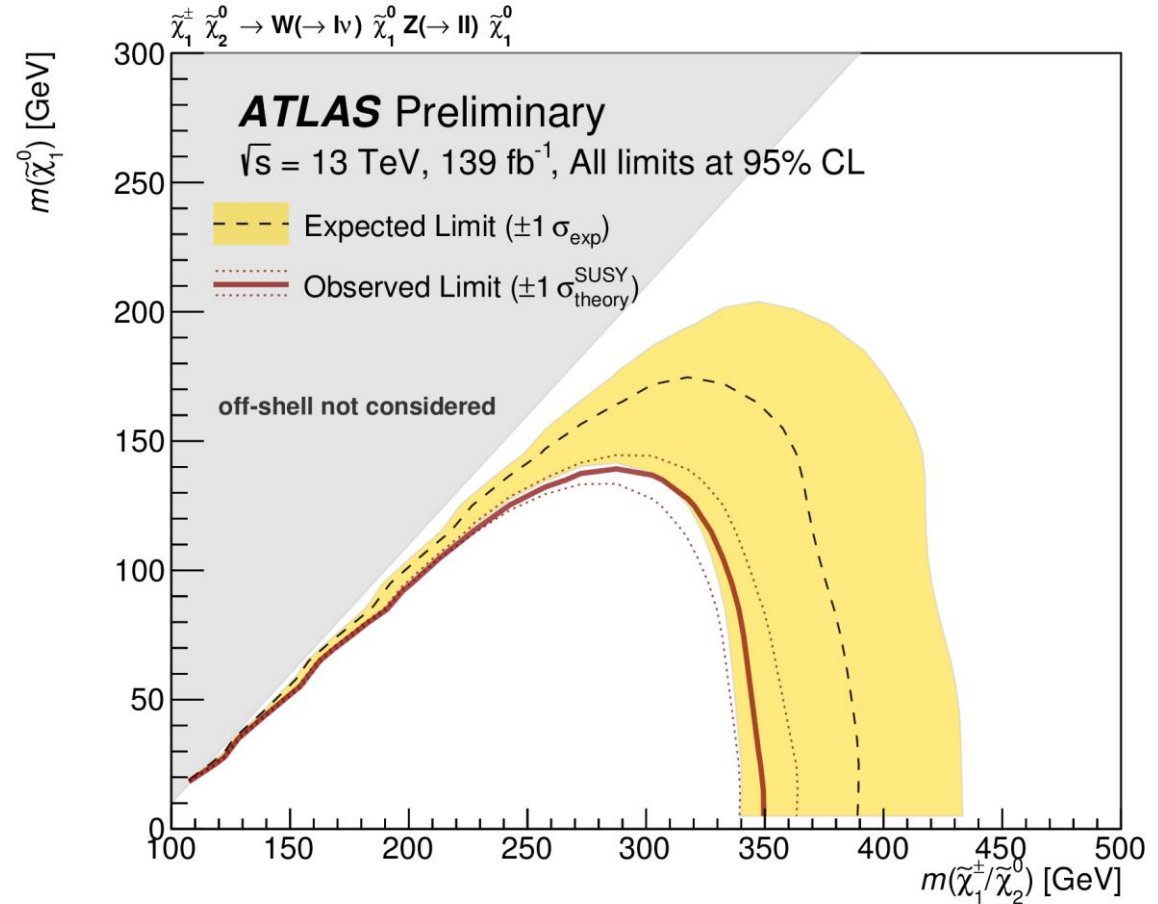
without ISR



with ISR



reproduce the RJR result with 36 fb<sup>-1</sup> dataset  
 BUT no significant excess with the full Run2 dataset  
 → exclusion limits



exclude up to 350 GeV

an emulated RJ variable

# Conclusion

Starting to release papers for electroweak SUSY with the full Run-2 dataset

- almost sensitive to 1 TeV

Significance was highly increased with using hadronic final states

- direct stau production
- hadronic  $W + h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

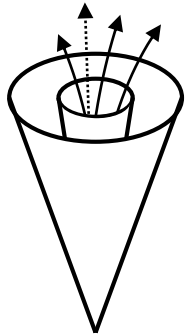
Increasing detector performance is one of the key words

- soft lepton reconstruction

Many more results with the full Run-2 dataset will come!!

backup

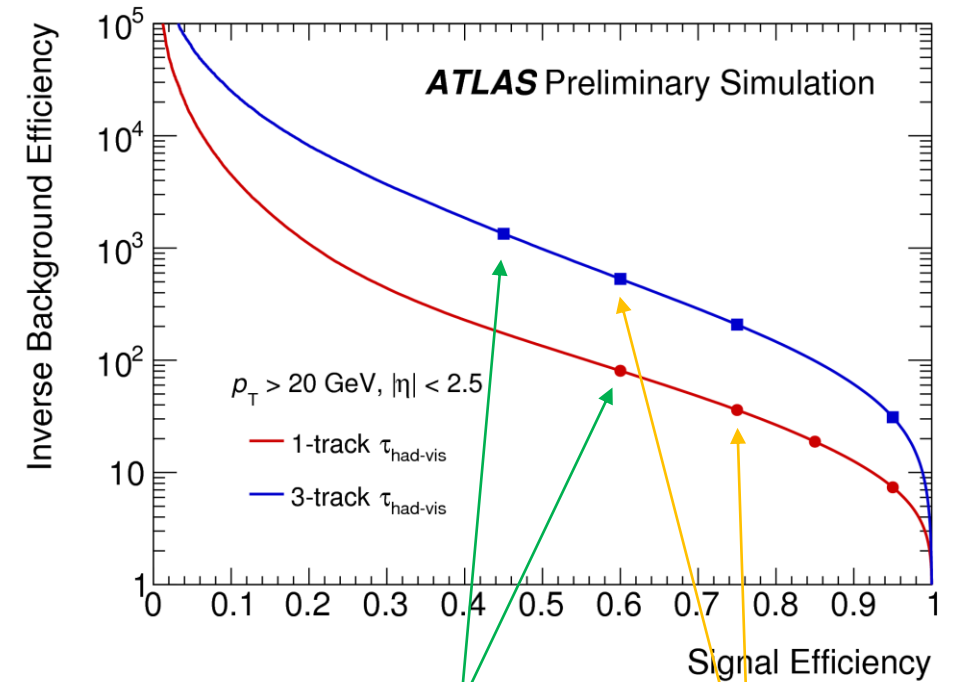
# hadronic tau



- Reconstruction seeded by calorimeter jets
- 1 or 3 tracks with in the jet
- isolation cone is defined as  $0.2 < \Delta R < 0.4$

Identification BDT is trained for 1-prong and 3-prong separately

- collimation of calorimeter cells and tracks
- secondary vertex
- impact parameter
- $E_{\text{calo}}/p_{\text{track}}$  fraction



the low mass SR is using

the high mass SR is using



# stau direct search

## Background estimation

- multi-jet: fully data-driven (ABCD method)
- W+jets: MC is normalized based on W+jets control region

## Systematic uncertainties

Source of systematic uncertainty	SR-lowMass (%)	SR-highMass (%)
Statistical uncertainty of MC samples	11	21
Tau identification and energy scale	19	10
Normalisation uncertainties of the multi-jet background	13	9
Multi-jet estimation	6	11
W+jets theory uncertainty	5	8
Diboson theory uncertainty	5	6
Jet energy scale and resolution	5	8
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ soft-term resolution and scale	2	2
Total	28	33
Source of systematic uncertainty	SR-lowMass (%)	SR-highMass (%)
$m(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ GeV	(120, 1)	(280, 1)
Tau identification and energy scale	29	14
Statistical uncertainty of MC samples	6	10
Signal cross section uncertainty	4	6
Jet energy scale and resolution	3	2
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ soft-term resolution and scale	3	< 1
Total	31	18

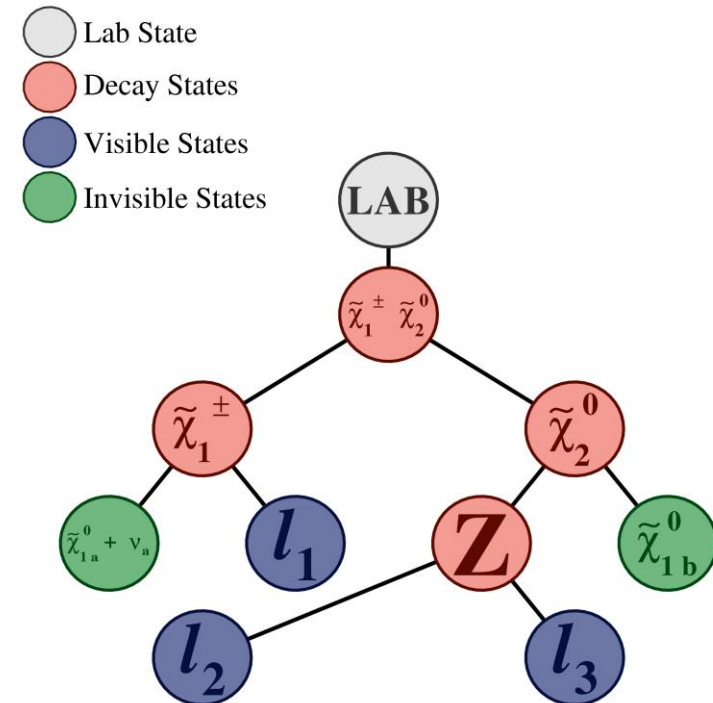
# $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ categorization

Channels	Names	Selection
Leptonic	Category 1	$0 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 2, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 2	$2 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 4, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 3	$4 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 6, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 4	$S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} > 6, N_\ell \geq 1$
Hadronic	Category 5	$5 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 6, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 6	$6 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 7, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 7	$7 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 8	$S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} > 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
Rest	Category 9	$6 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 7, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $( N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV} )$
	Category 10	$7 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $( N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV} )$
	Category 11	$8 < S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} \leq 9, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $( N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV} )$
	Category 12	$S_{E_T^{\text{miss}}} > 9, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $( N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV} )$

# RJR

- Assume a pair-production of particles with specific decay trees
- Transform observable momenta to a reference-frame like  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$  frame
- Determine the momenta of invisible states corresponding to the frame
- Repeat procedure recursively
- Using the decay trees, construct kinematic variables within the defined reference frames

$$H_{n,m}^F = \sum_{i=1}^n |\vec{p}_{\text{vis}, i}^F| + \sum_{j=1}^m |\vec{p}_{\text{inv}, j}^F|$$



# RJR $\rightarrow$ eRJR

## ► Low variables

- $p_T^{PP} \approx (lep1 + lep2 + lep3 + MET).Pt() \equiv p_T^{\text{soft}}$
- $HT_{3,1}^{PP} \approx (\ell_1).Pt() + (\ell_2).Pt() + (\ell_3).Pt() + (\text{met}).Pt() \equiv m_{\text{eff}}^{3\ell}$
- $H_{3,1}^{PP} \approx (\ell_1).P() + (\ell_2).P() + (\ell_3).P() + (\text{met}).P() \equiv H^{\text{boost}}$ 
  - Contains z-component of missing energy vector
  - Contains boost

## ► ISR variables

- $p_T^I \approx E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- $p_T^{CM} \approx p_T$  of  $\sum$  of the (4-momenta of leptons + 4-momenta of signal jets + MET vector)  $\equiv p_T^{\text{soft}}$
- $p_T^{ISR} = \overrightarrow{ISR}.Pt() \approx p_T$  of  $\sum \overrightarrow{\text{signal jets}} \equiv p_T^{\text{jets}}$
- $d\phi_{ISR,I} = |\Delta\phi_{\overrightarrow{ISR},\overrightarrow{MET}}| \approx |\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jets})|$
- $R_{ISR} = \frac{|\overrightarrow{MET} \cdot \overrightarrow{ISR}|}{(p_T^{ISR})^2} \approx \frac{|\overrightarrow{MET} \cdot \widehat{\text{jets}}|}{p_T^{\text{jets}}} \equiv R(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jets})$