

# Overview of dark matter searches with ATLAS

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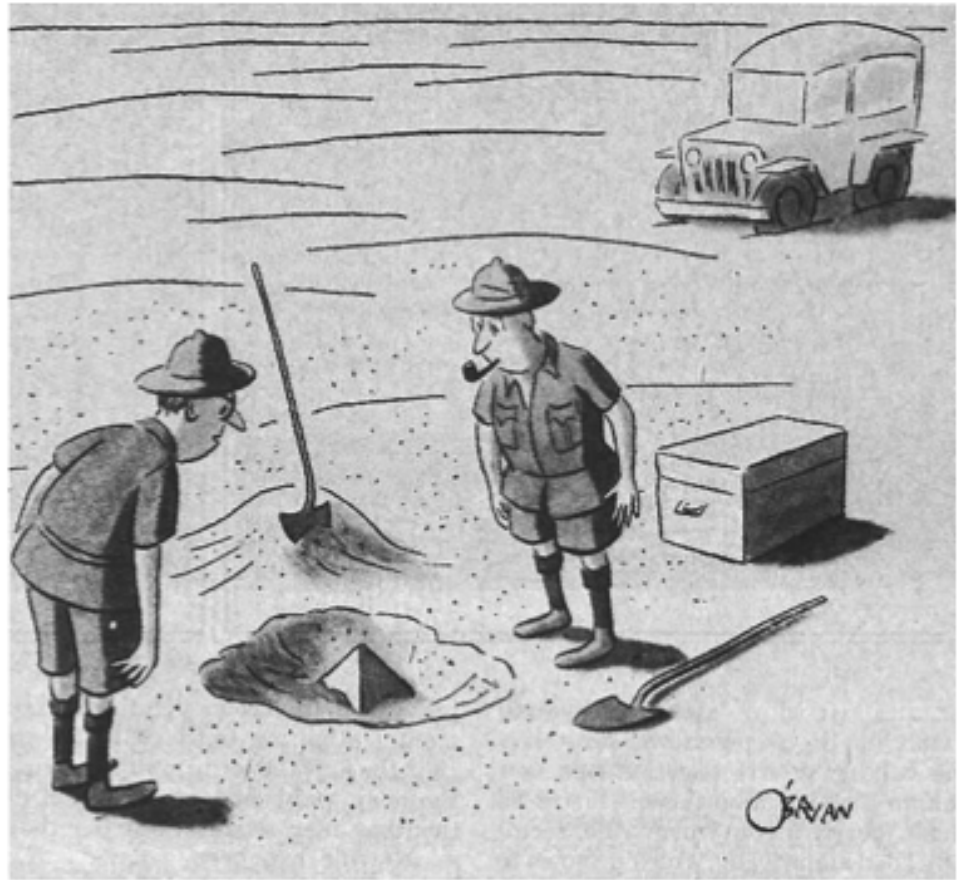
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# Outline

- Theory Framework
- LHC and ATLAS
- Mono-jet & Dijet
- Mono-X
- Susy-Inspired
- DM+HF results
- Higgs postal
  
- Final notes



*“This could be the discovery of the century. Depending, of course, on how far down it goes.”*

This talk is focused on dedicated DM searches inspired by simplified models with light mediators

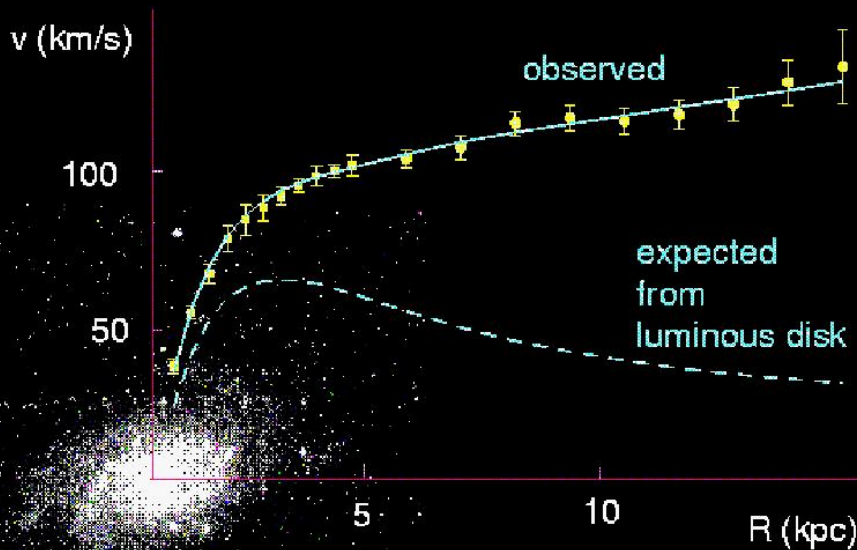
Focused mainly on 13 TeV data



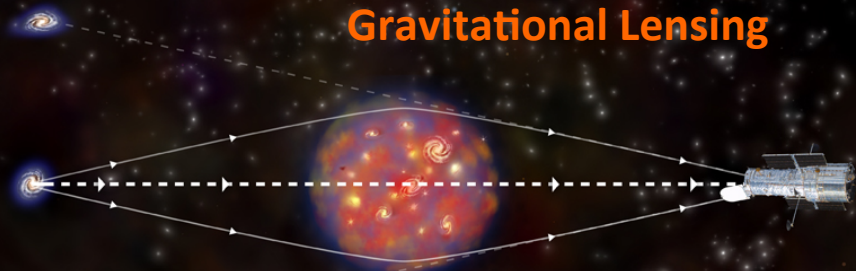
# Evidence for Dark Matter

The rotation of the stars around the center of the galaxies is not consistent with the amount of mass observed  $(L/M \text{ ratio})_{\text{SUN}}$ .

Spherical dark matter halo



M33 rotation curve



Gravitational Lensing

Large distortion of the images of distant galaxies due to gravitation lensing → indication of DM in galaxy clusters

Collisions of clusters of galaxies

Considered the ultimate demonstration of the presence of Dark Matter since this does not involve Newton's Law

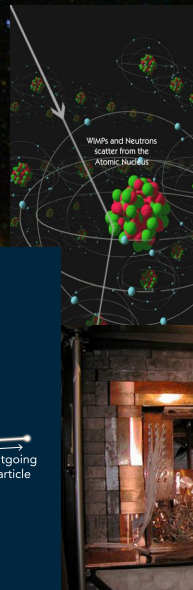
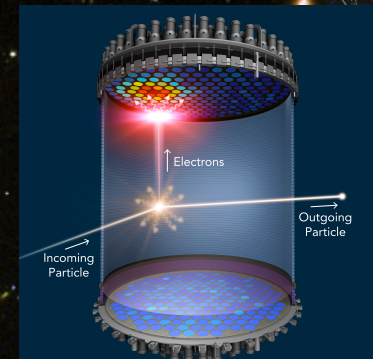
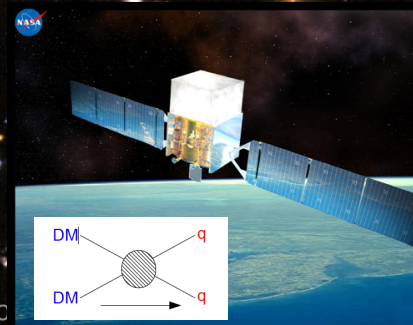
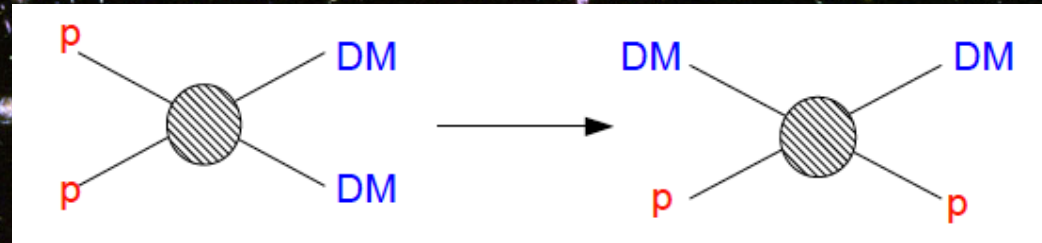


# Introductory notes

If Dark Matter turns to be WIMP like (weakly interacting) there is a chance to produce it directly at colliders (Golden channel  $\rightarrow$  Mono-jet final state)

This makes the LHC complementary to direct-detection dedicated experiments underground

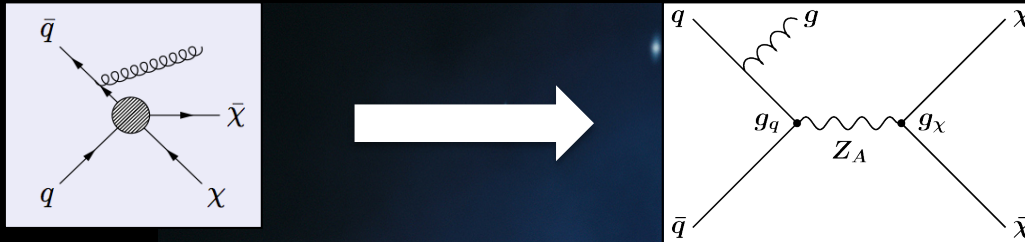
Some of the models explored at the LHC are also inspired by the Higgs boson and /or indirect searches at satellites  $\rightarrow$  heavy flavors involved





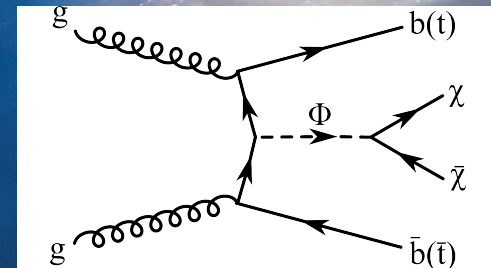
# Benchmark Models

In Run II the ATLAS and CMS experiments moved away from the use of EFT inspired models with questionable validity at high- $Q^2$



A set of well-defined simplified diagrams with heavy mediators is now considered motivated by a number of different considerations (DM Forum: arXiv:1507.00966)

- Simple extensions of SM symmetries
- Minimal Flavor Violation
- Assuming Yukawa couplings  
→ favor 3<sup>rd</sup> generation
- Some models inspired by satellite “hints”





# LHC

Run I (2010-2012):

pp collisions at 7 & 8 TeV

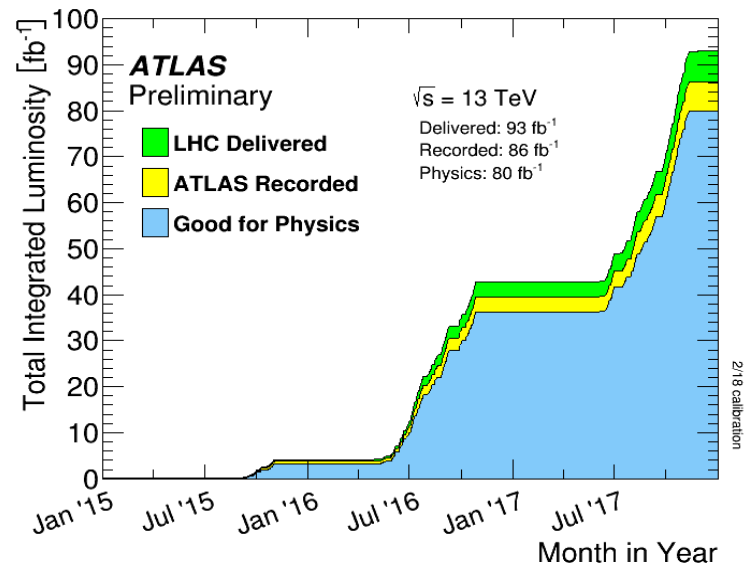
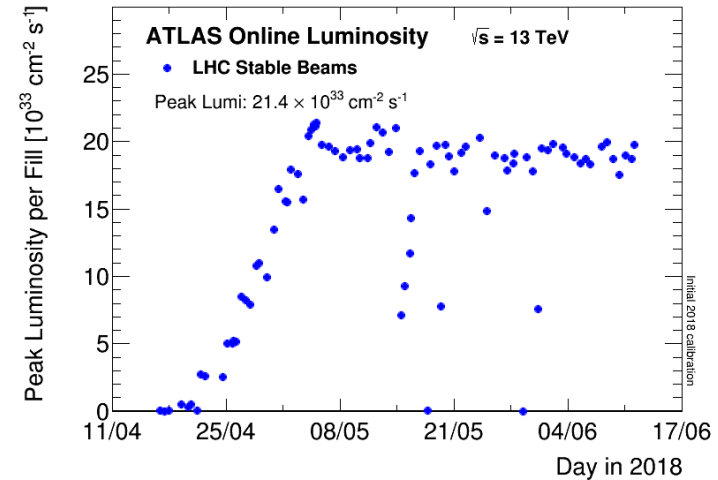
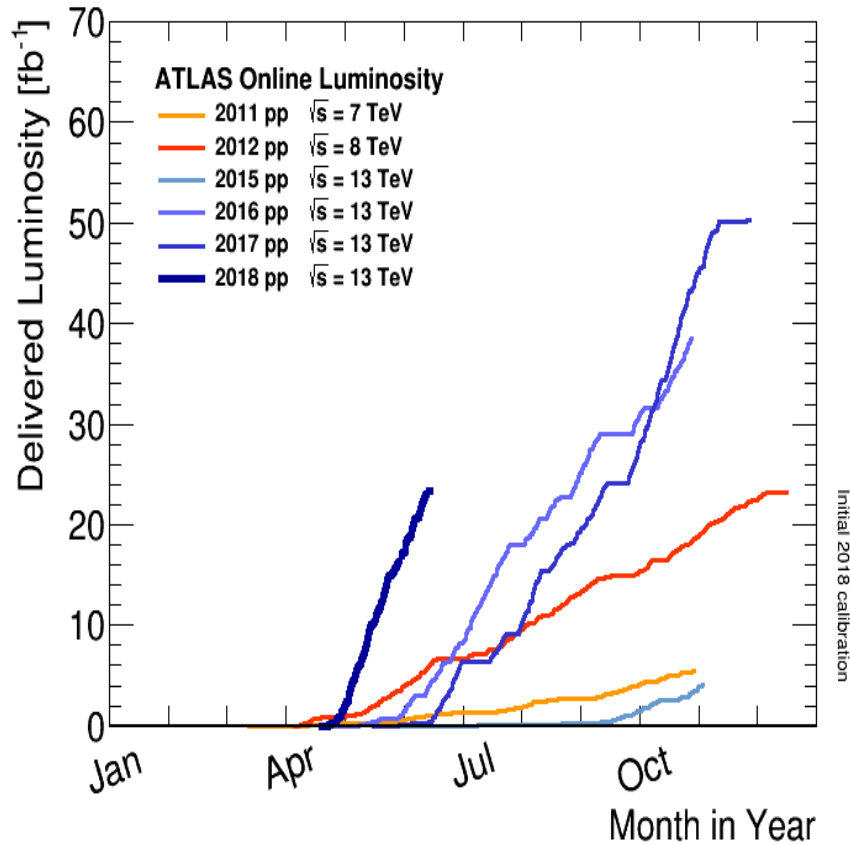
Run II (2015 - 2018):

pp collisions at 13 TeV

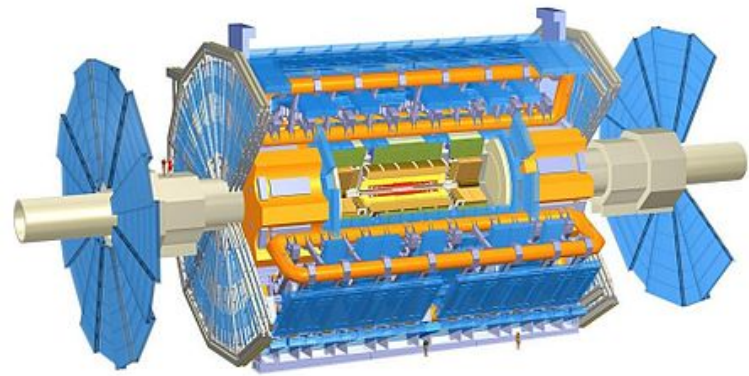


# LHC Performance (2011-2018)

Spectacular LHC performance  
(rapid increase of data samples)

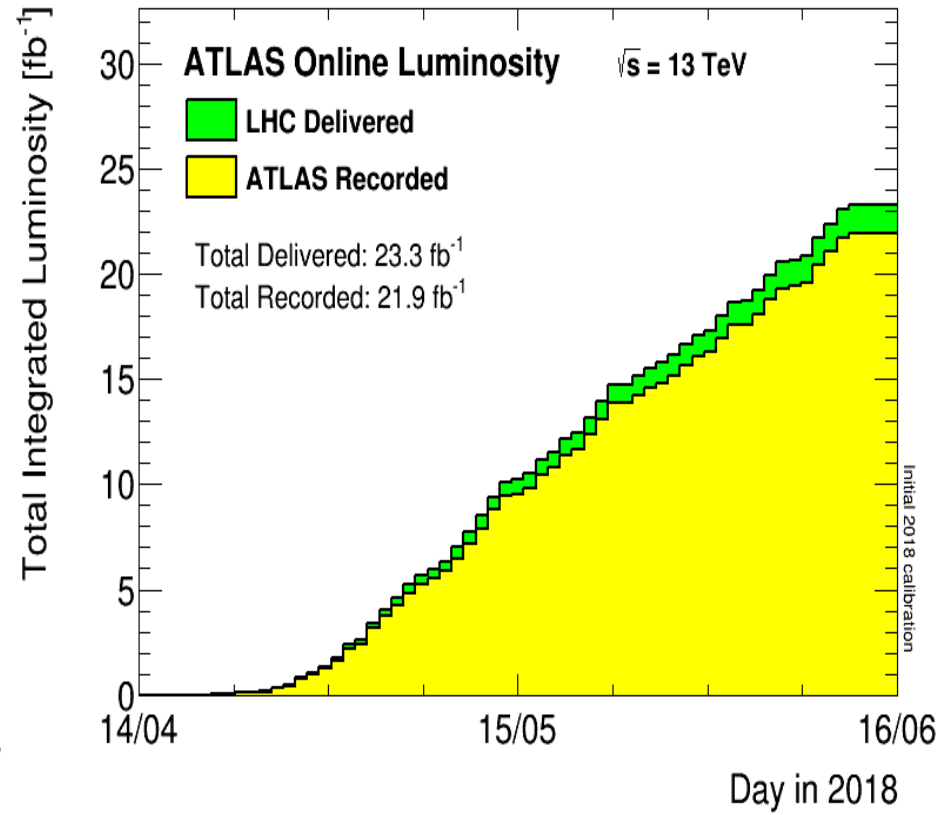
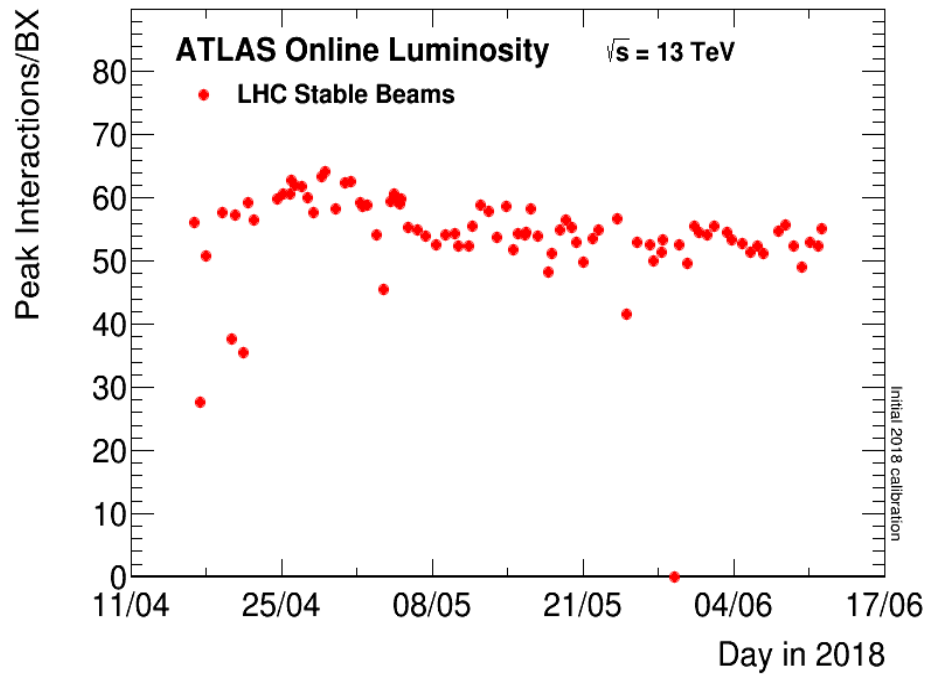


By now a total integrated luminosity for physics of  $80 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 13 TeV



# ATLAS

**94.0% efficiency**

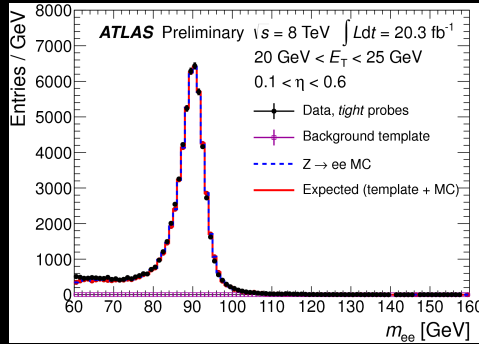
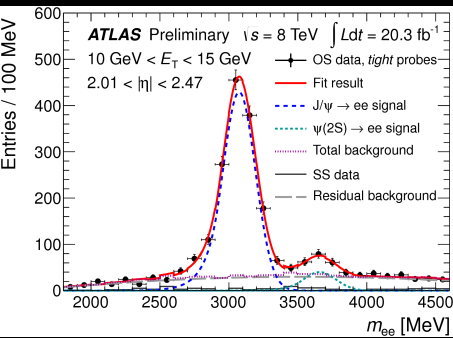


**Challenging pile up conditions for the physics analysis**  
**(In 2018 data taking with up to 60-65 interactions/crossing)**

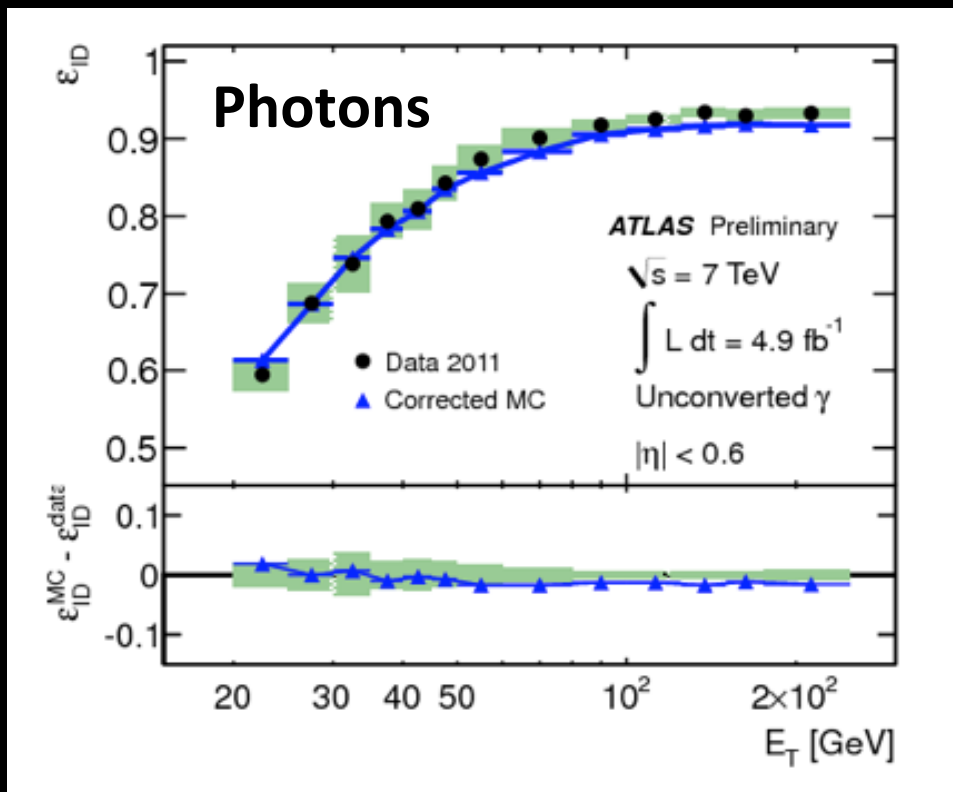
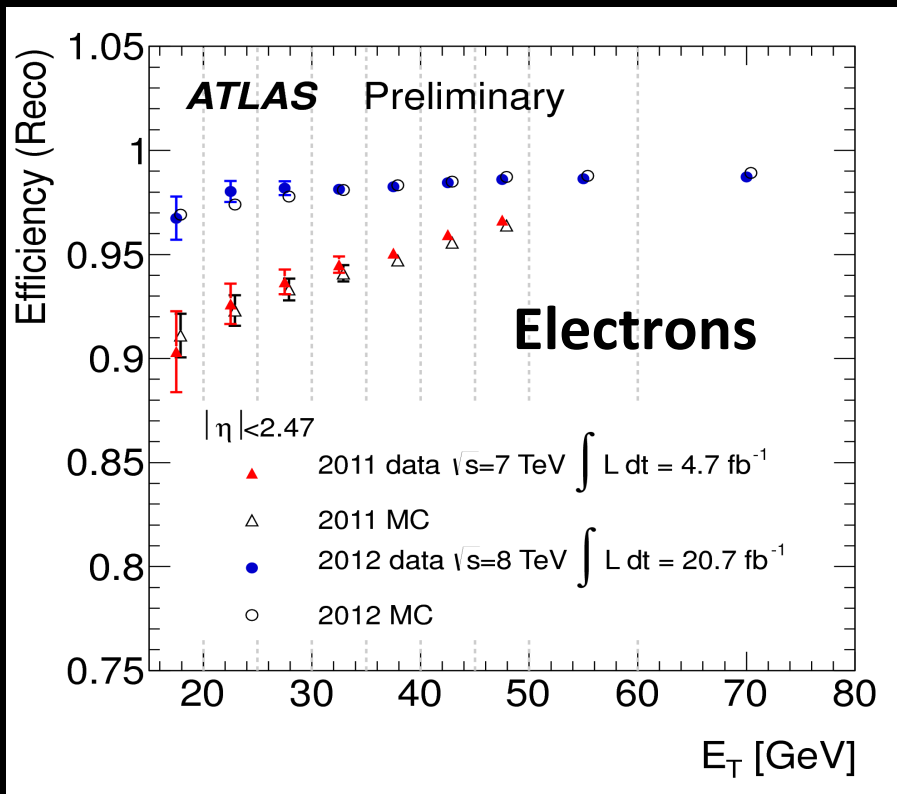
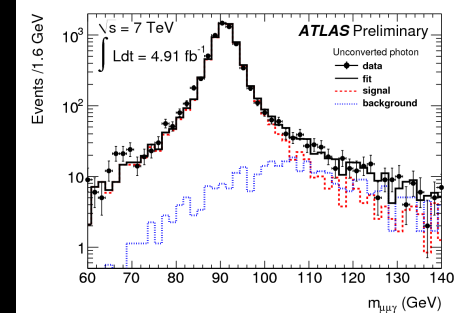
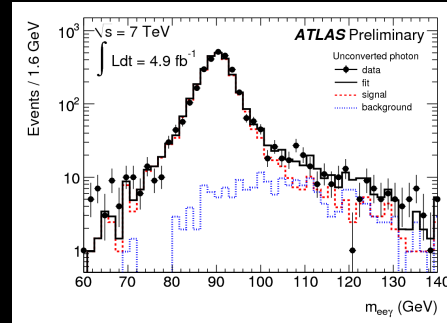


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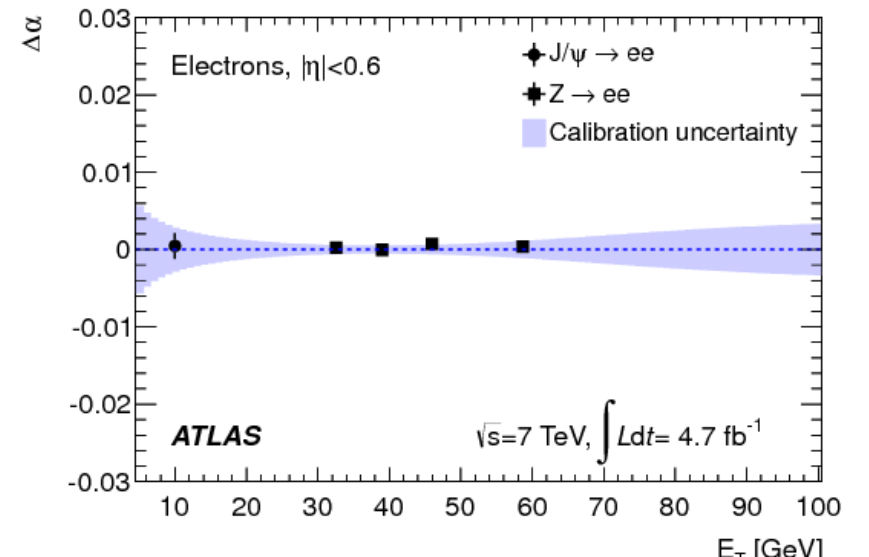
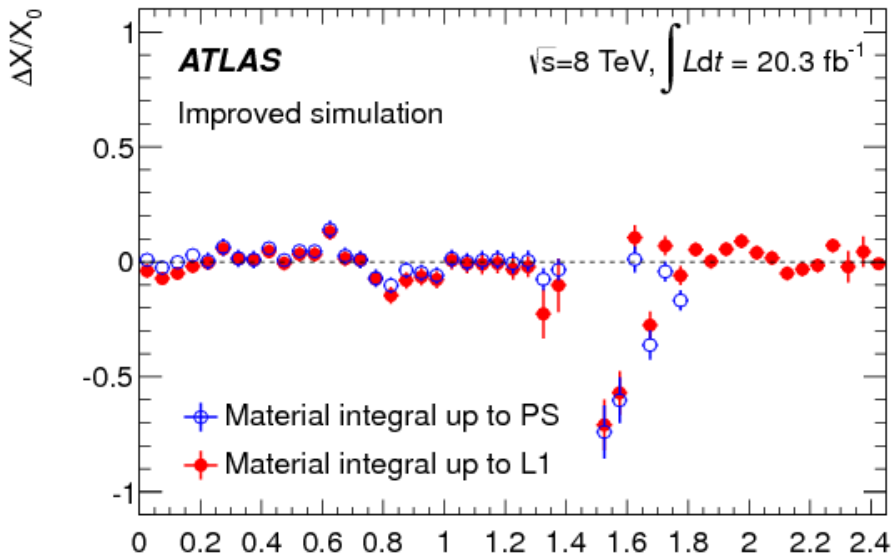
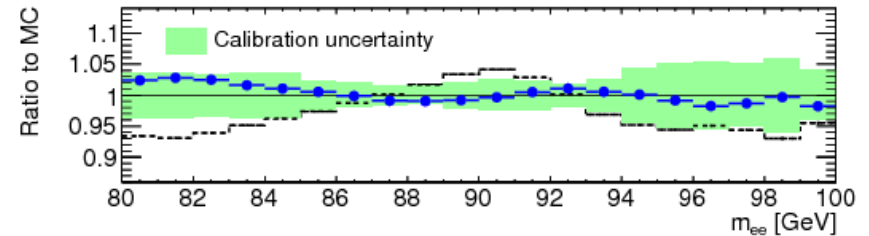
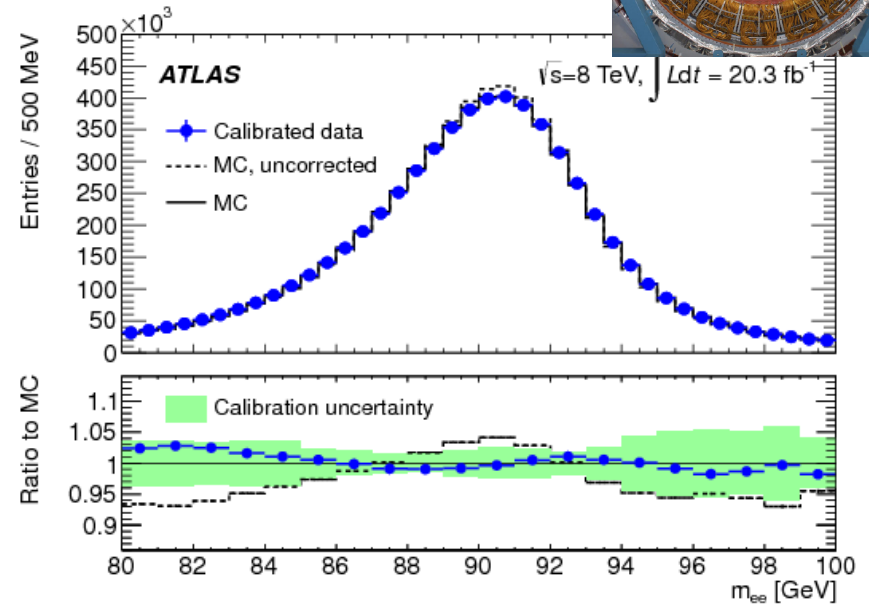
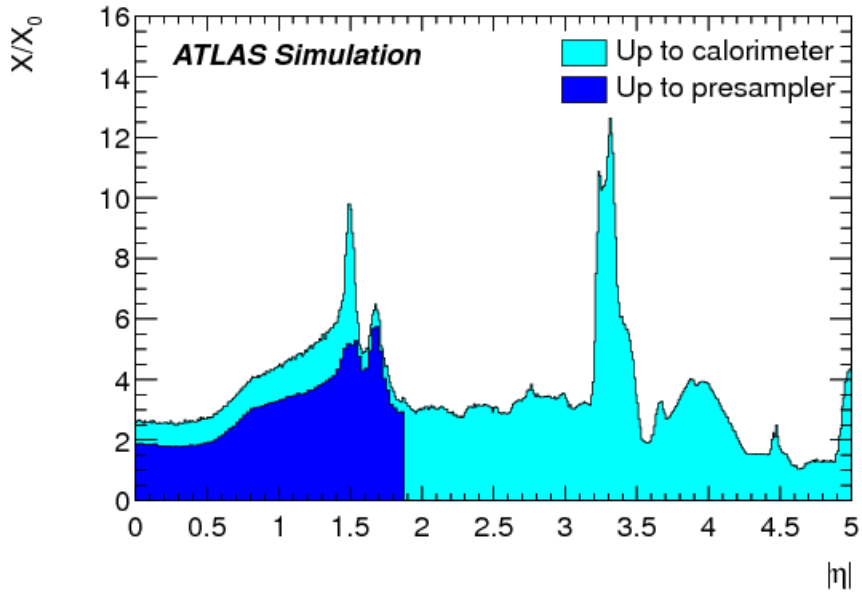
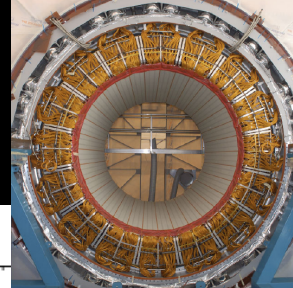


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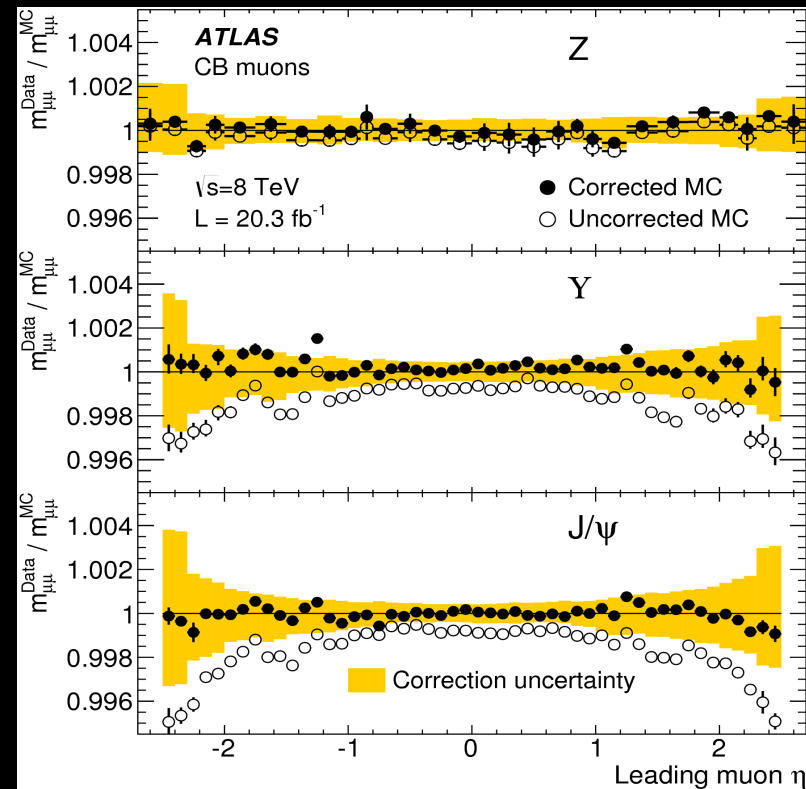


# Detector Material Building Blocks

## EM absolute scale

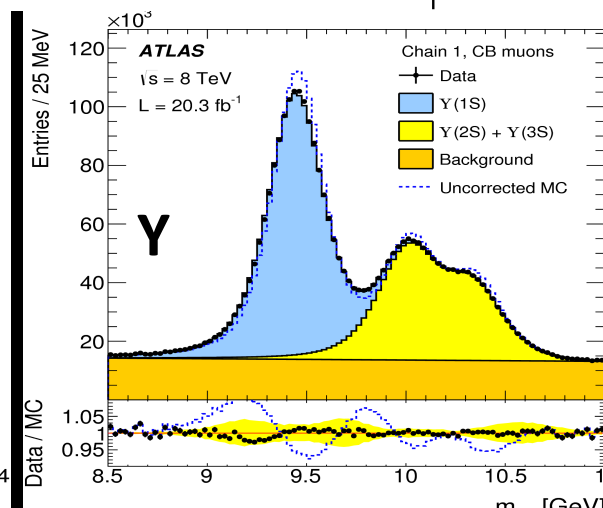
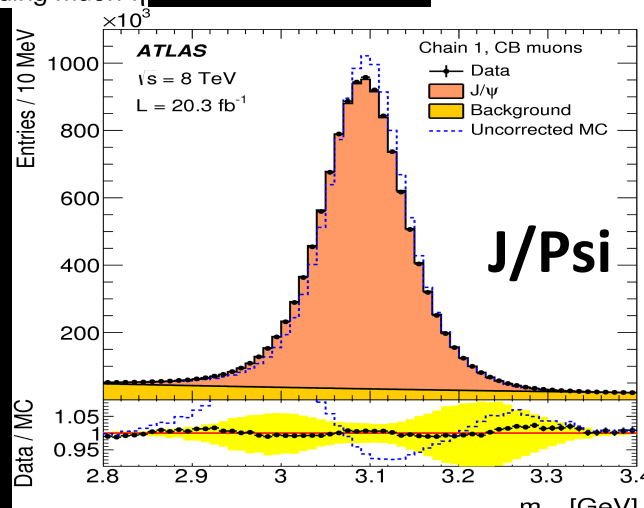
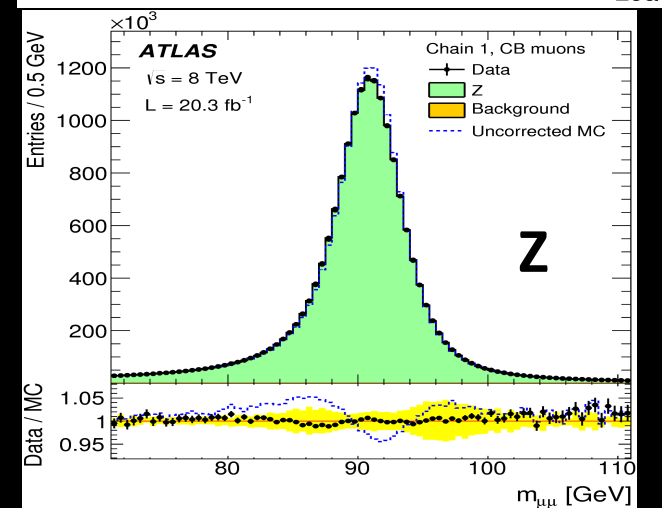
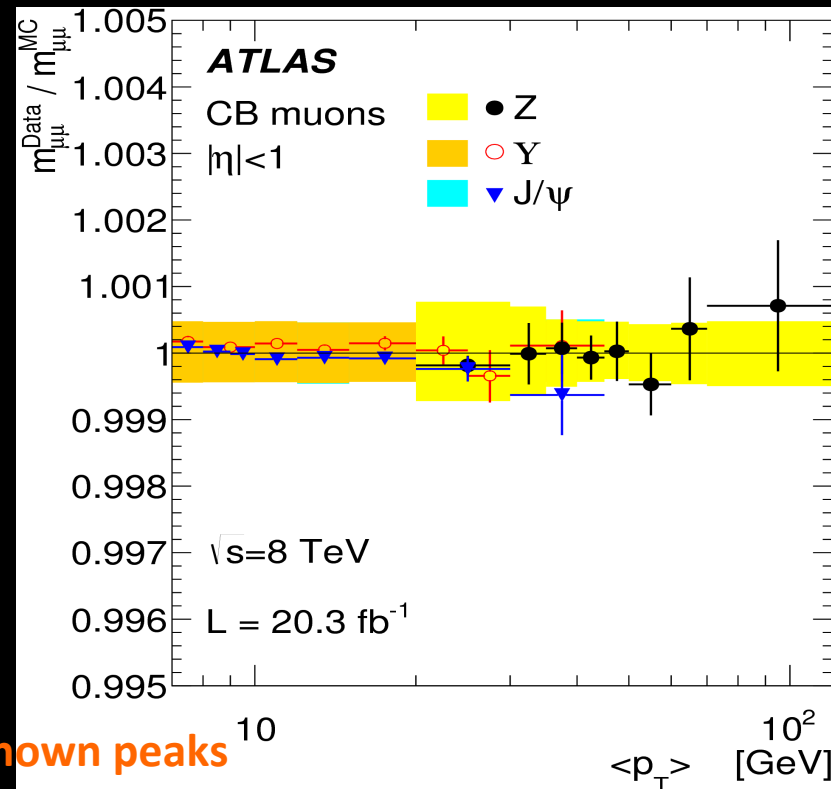


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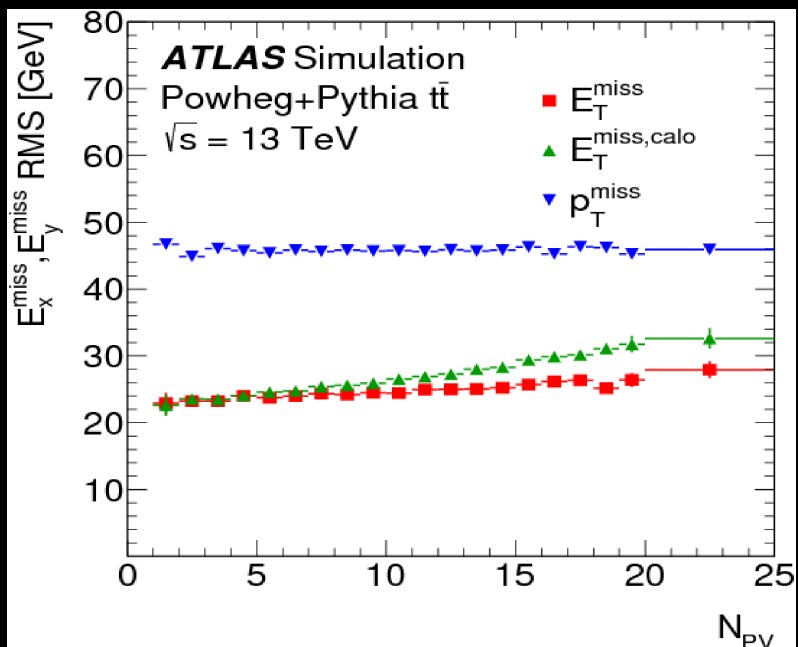
Alignment of trackers and muon chambers

Using well-known peaks

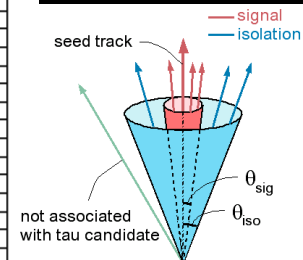
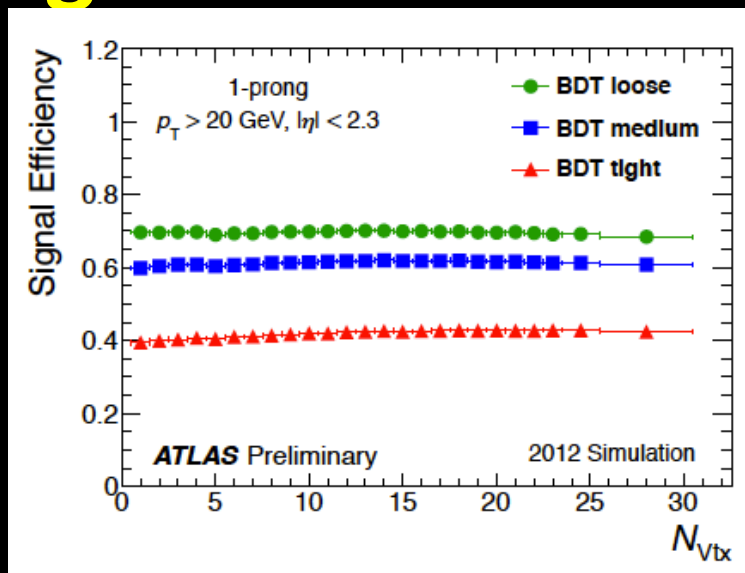


# Building Blocks

## Missing $E_T$ vs PILEUP

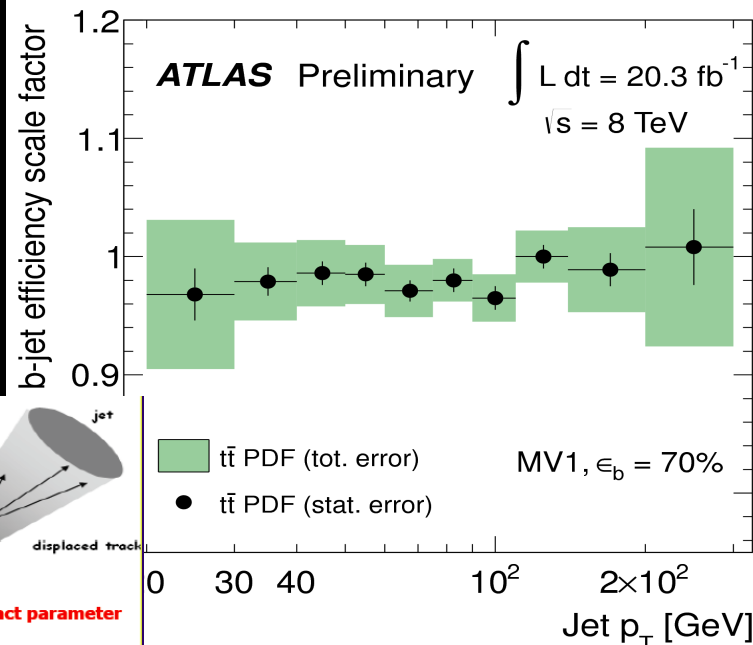
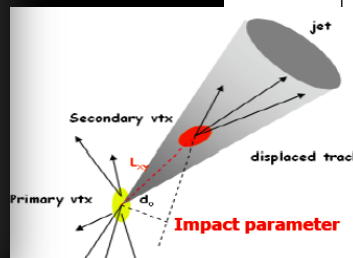
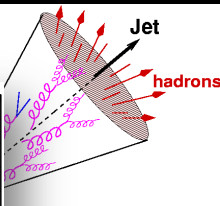
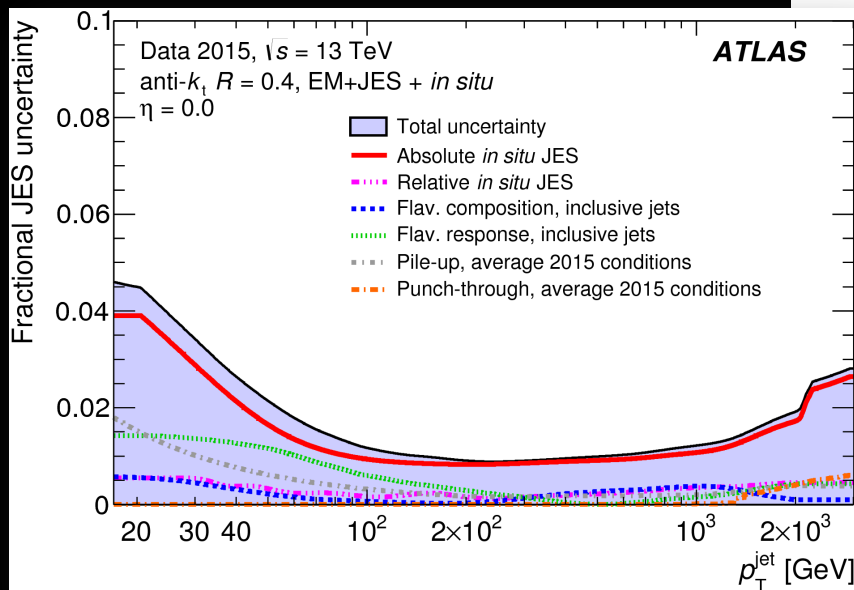


## TAU ID vs PILEUP



## B-JET TAGGING EFFICIENCY

## JET ENERGY SCALE UNCERTAINTY

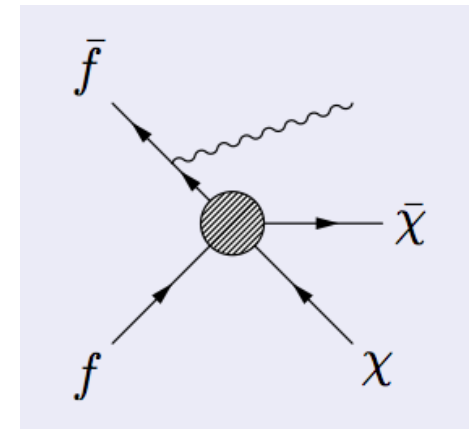
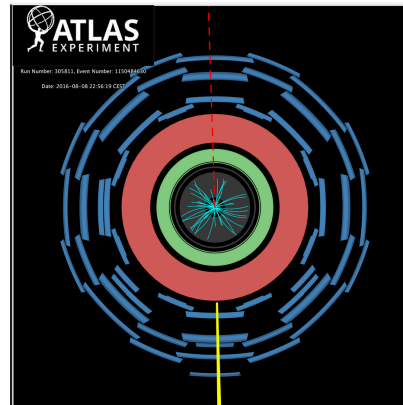
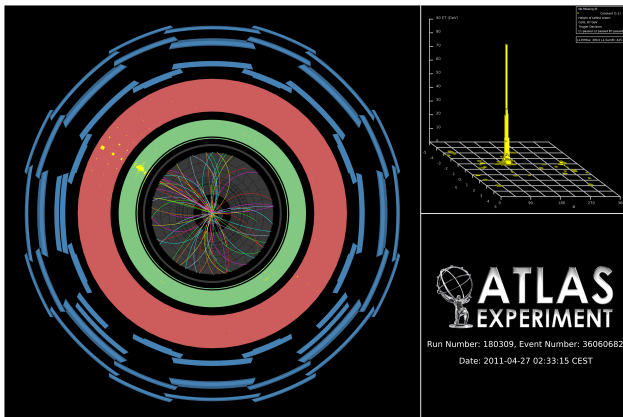
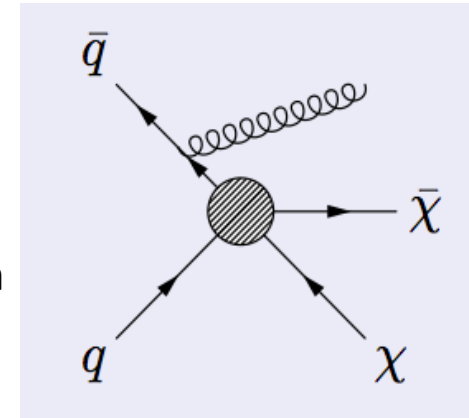


# WIMP Pair Production at Hadron Colliders

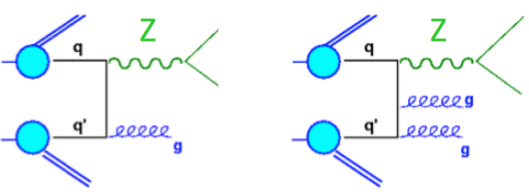
At colliders (LHC) WIMPs are produced in pairs leading to “nothing to detect” in the final state

Such events are tagged via the presence of an energetic jet or a photon (or a W/Z) from initial state radiation

→ Mono-jet, Mono-photon, Mono-W/Z

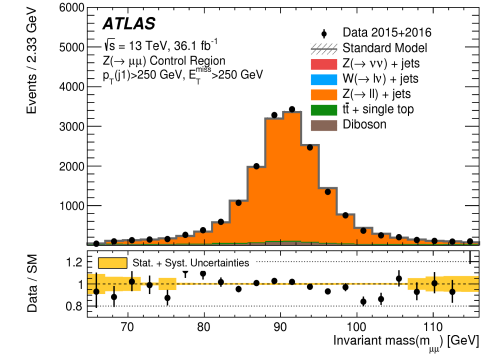
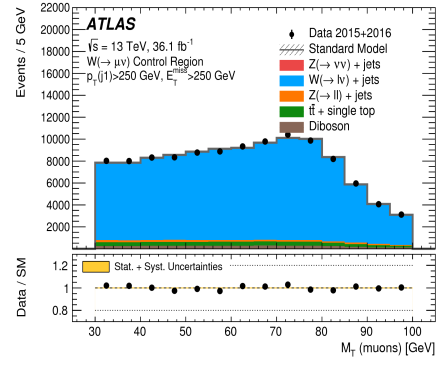
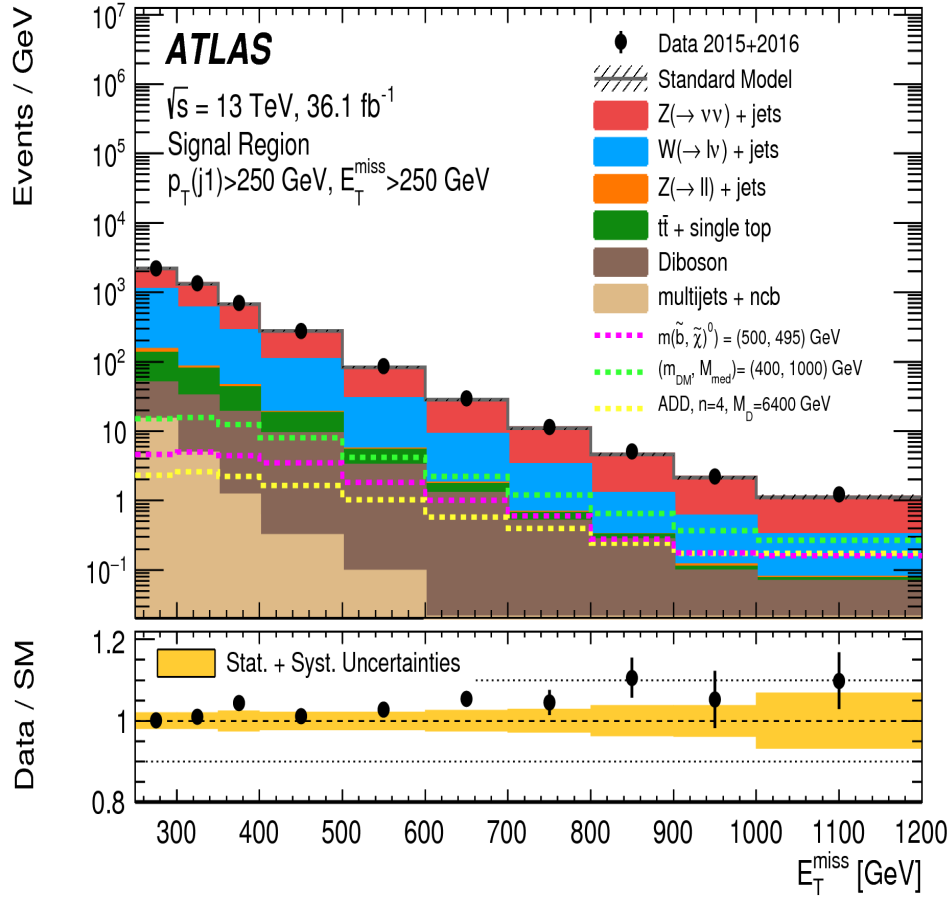


Rather spectacular and distinctive signature to search for new physics

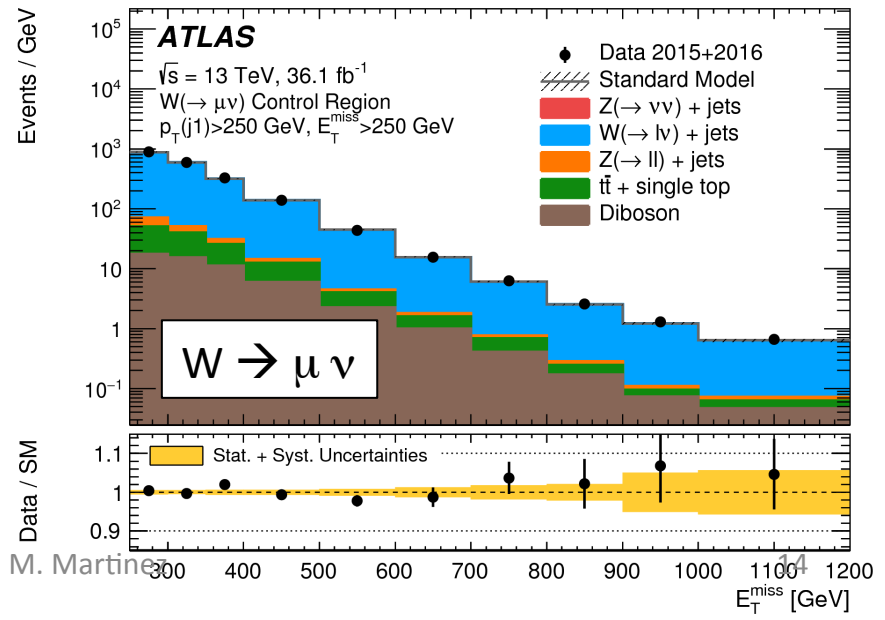


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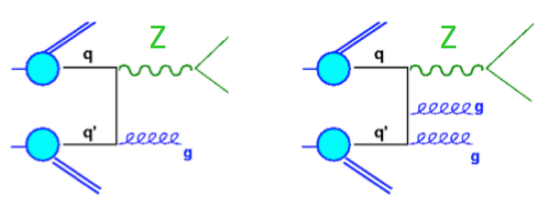
**Data driven estimation of the dominant Z+jets and W+jets background using control regions in order to constrain MC predictions as determined @ NLO (QCD+EWK) accuracy**



**$E_T^{\text{miss}} > , 250, 300 \text{ GeV}, \dots, 1 \text{ TeV}$**   
 **$p_T(j_1) > 250 \text{ GeV}$**   
 **$N_{\text{jet}}(p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}) < 4$**   
 **$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jets}) > 0.4$**   
**Lepton vetoes**

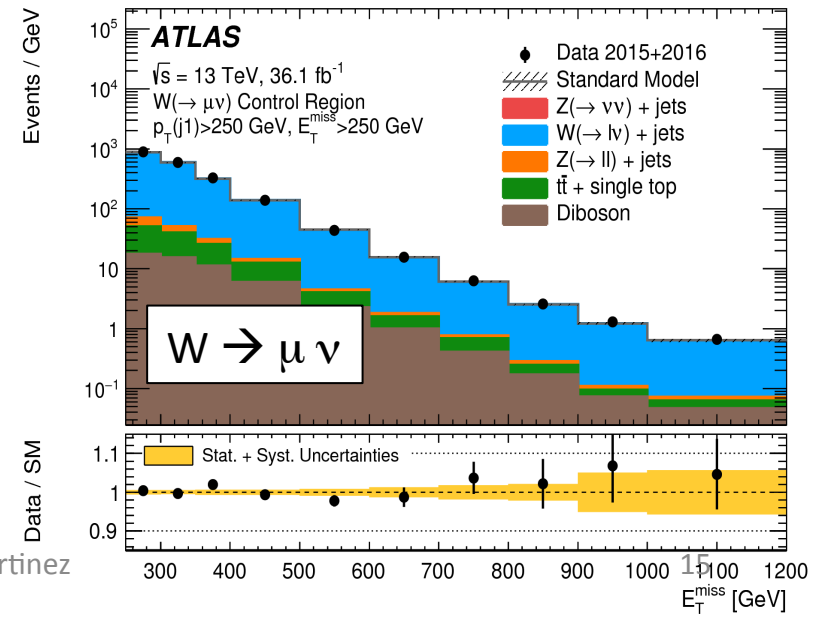
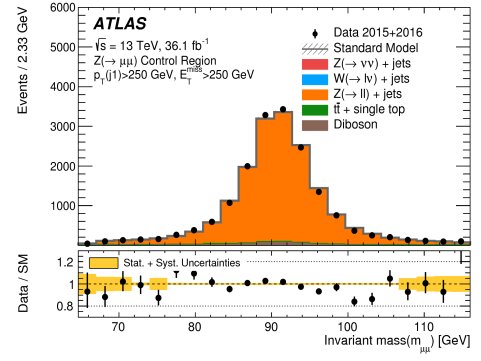
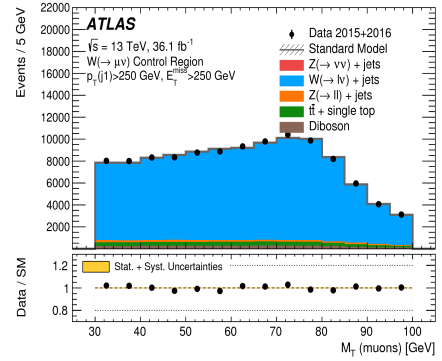
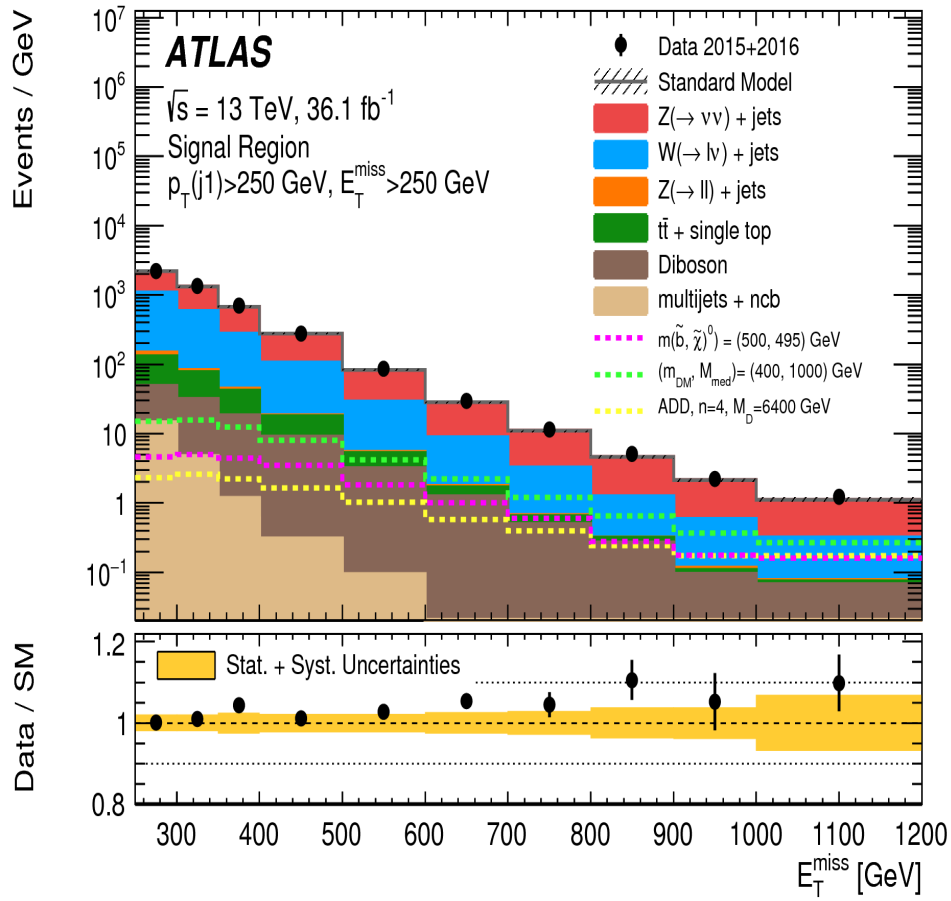






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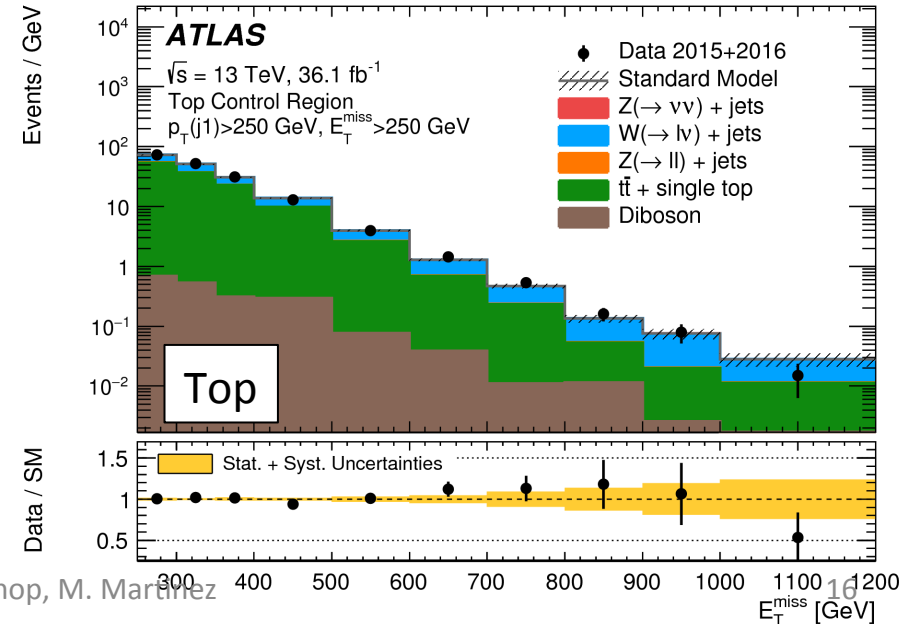
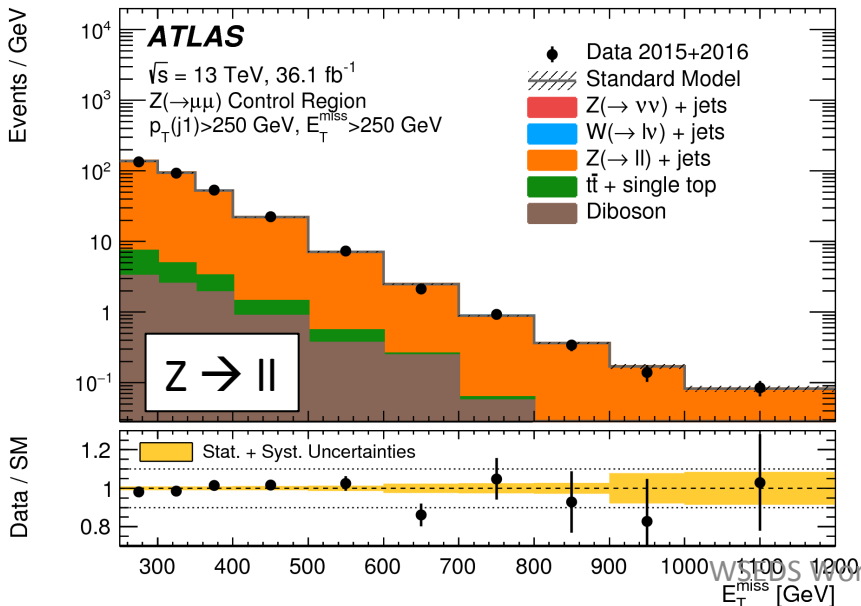
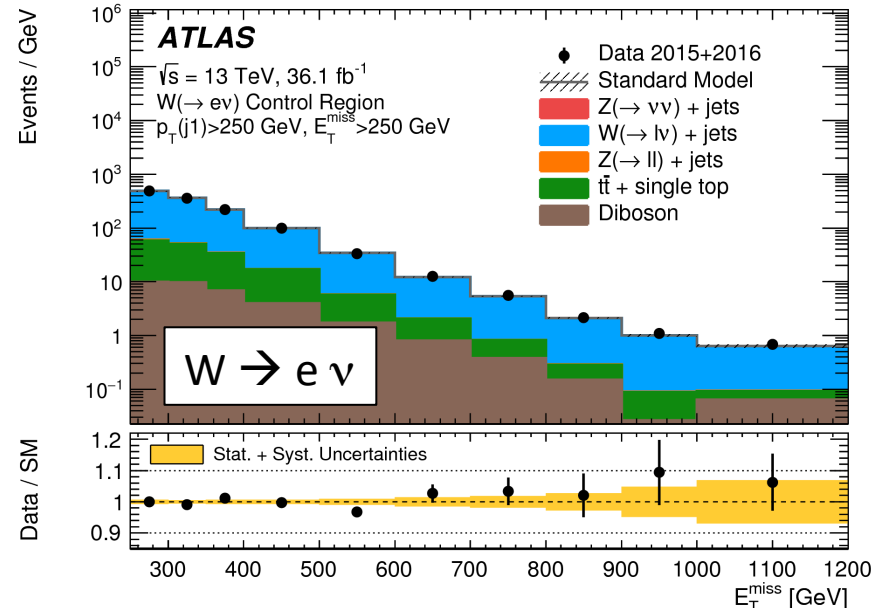
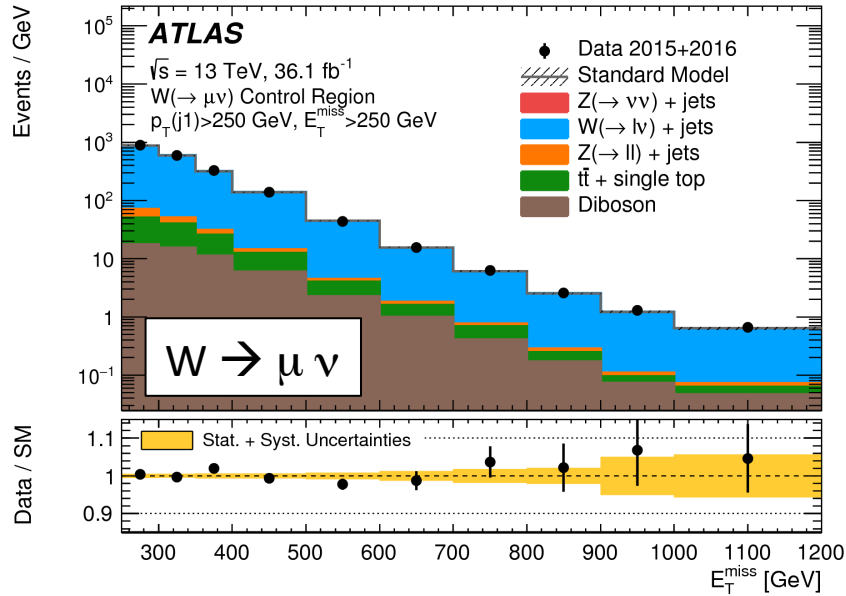
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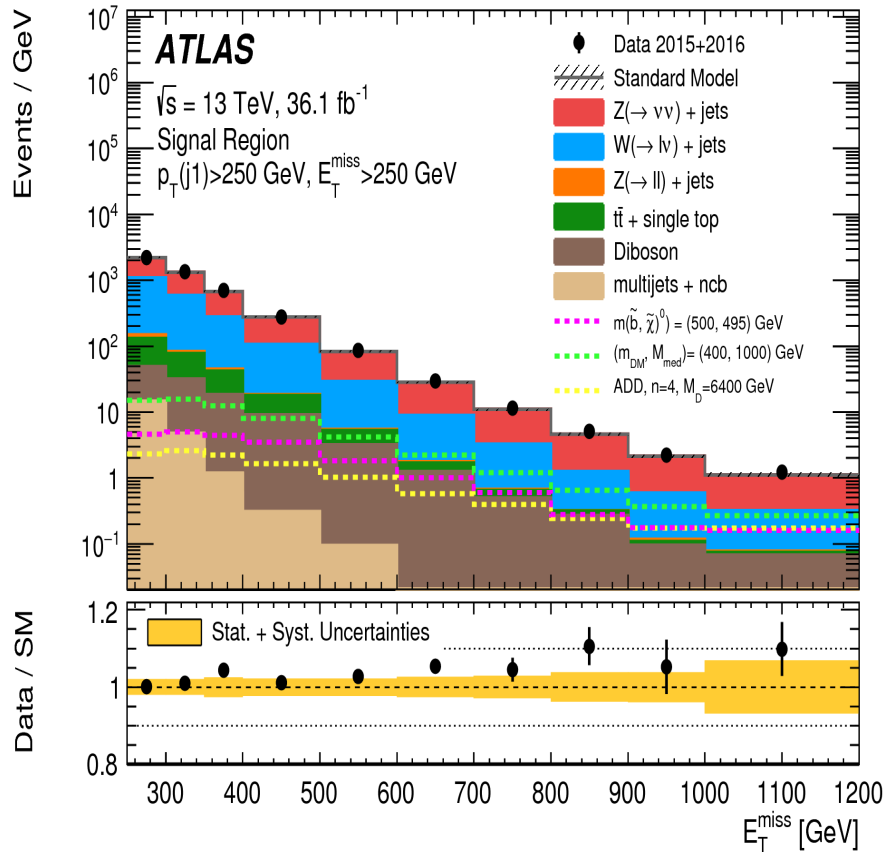
**Simultaneous binned-likelihood fit in CRs constrains the normalization of the background in the SRs**

- With correlations and syst. uncertainties
- A single k-factor for W/Z+jets processes
- A single k-factor for top-related processes

# Jet+X (control regions)



# Jet+X (results)



95% CL limits on visible cross sections in the range of 531 fb at low  $p_T$  and about 1.6 fb at very high  $p_T$

→ Sensitivity to  $O(1\text{fb})$  at the tail !

This analysis becoming a precise test of SM predictions (total uncertainty 2%-7%)

→ Lepton ID: 1% -- 5%

→ Jet /  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  : 1% -- 6%

→ V+jets theory : 1% -- 7%

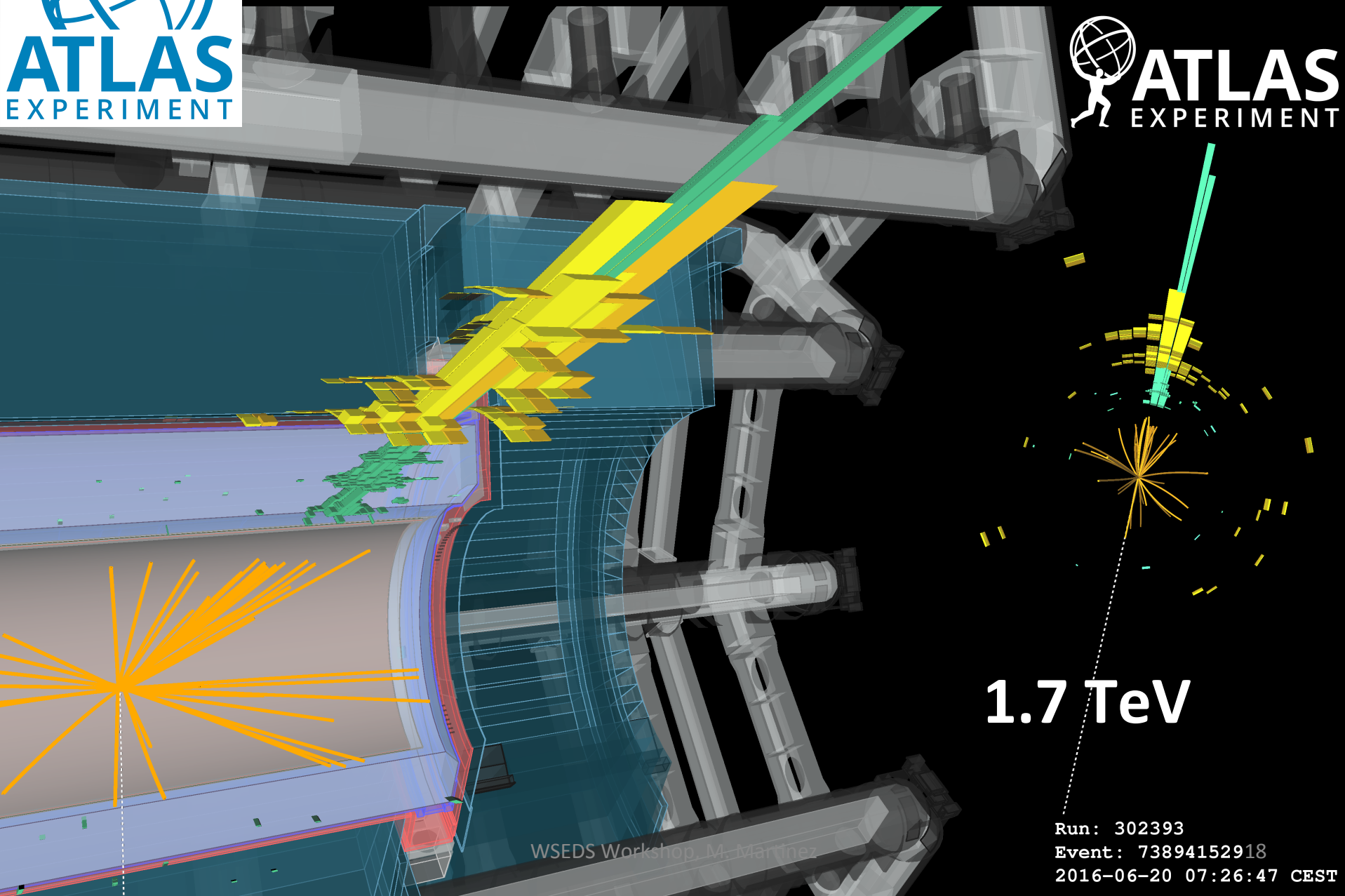
Room for improvement at high  $p_T$

## Exclusive Signal Region

| Region | Predicted         |    | Observed |     |
|--------|-------------------|----|----------|-----|
| EM1    | $111100 \pm 2300$ | 2% | 111203   |     |
| EM2    | $67100 \pm 1400$  | ↓  | 67475    |     |
| EM3    | $33820 \pm 940$   |    | 35285    |     |
| EM4    | $27640 \pm 610$   |    | 27843    |     |
| EM5    | $8360 \pm 190$    |    | 8583     |     |
| EM6    | $2825 \pm 78$     |    | 2975     |     |
| EM7    | $1094 \pm 33$     |    | 1142     |     |
| EM8    | $463 \pm 19$      |    | 512      |     |
| EM9    | $213 \pm 9$       |    | 223      |     |
| EM10   | $226 \pm 16$      |    | 7%       | 245 |

**Agreement with SM predictions**

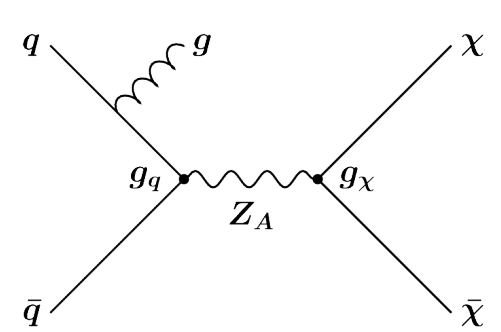
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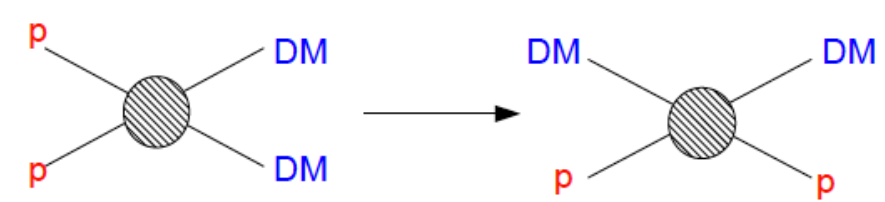
**1.7 TeV**

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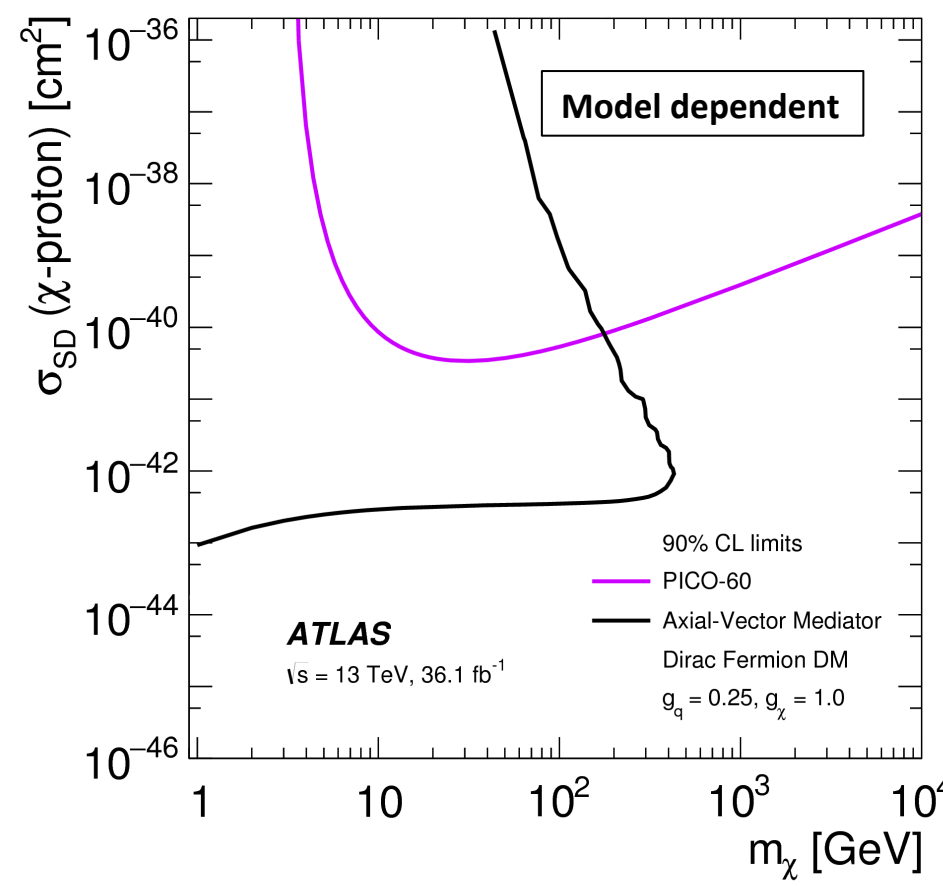
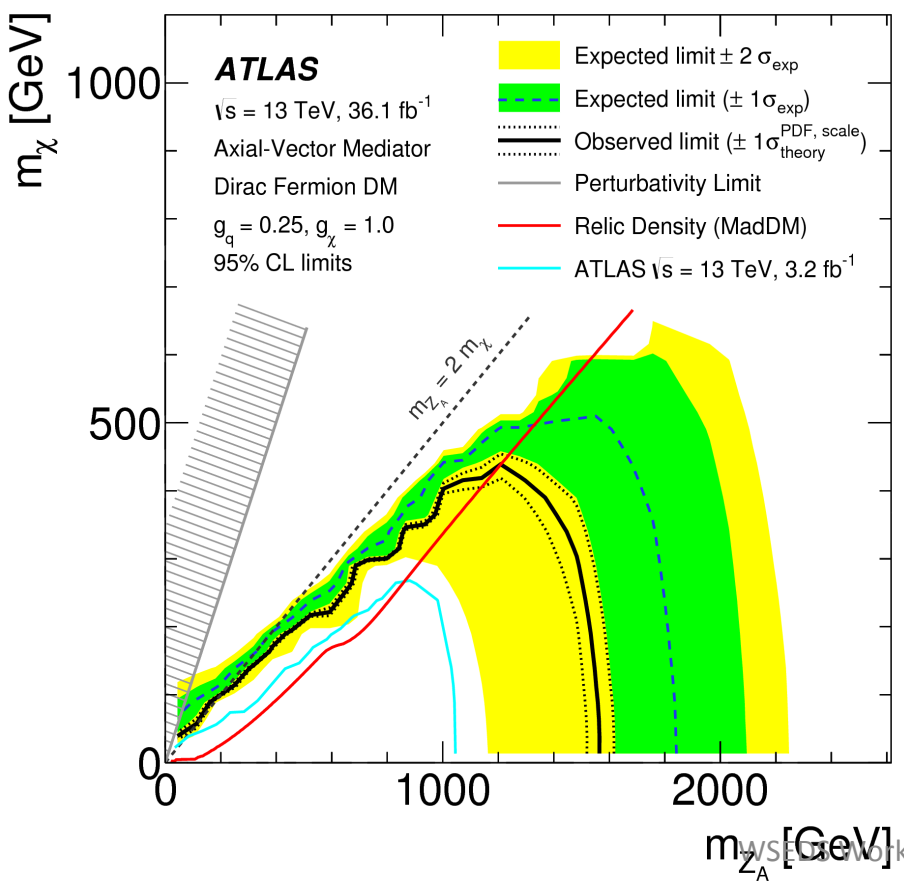
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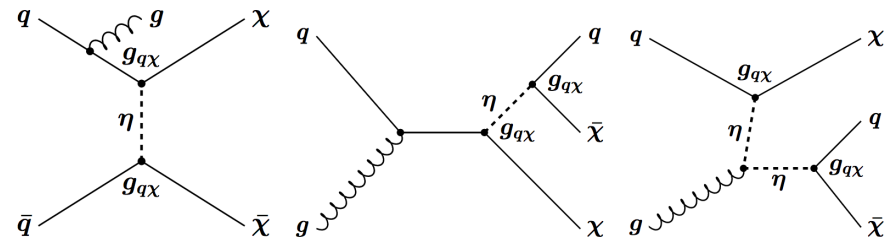
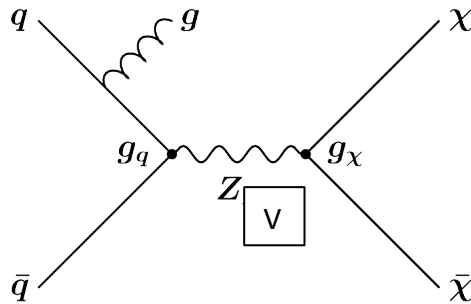


**95% CL limits on axial-vector mediator model with couplings fixed to  $g_q = 1/4$  and  $g_{DM} = 1$**

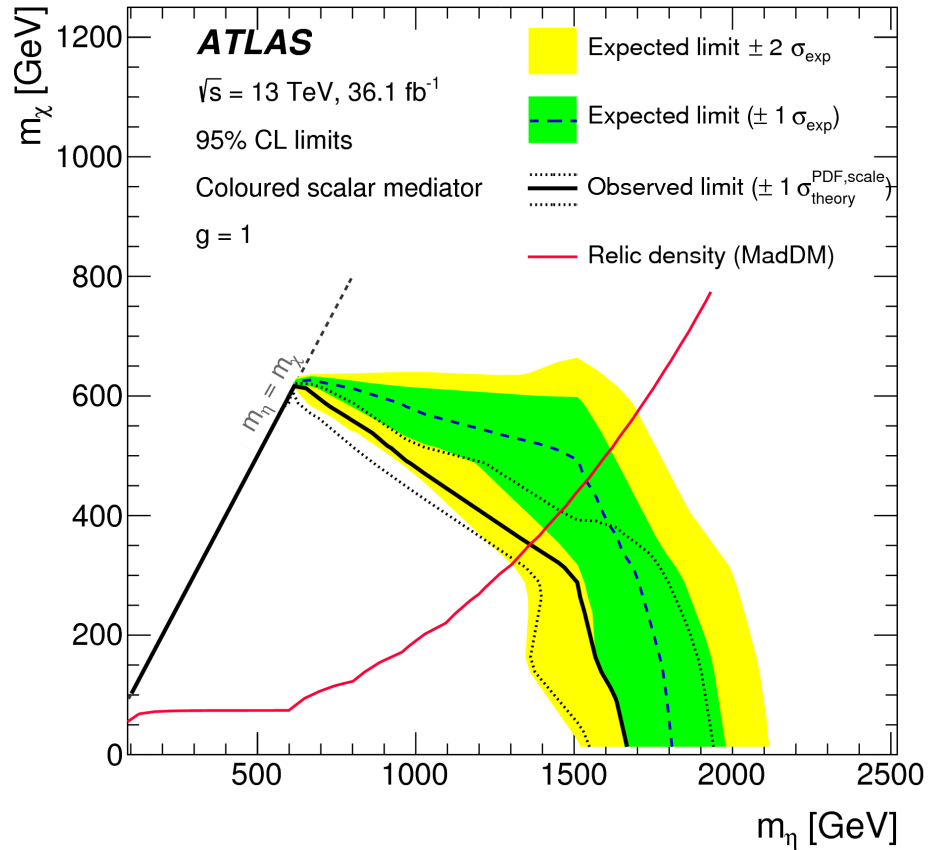
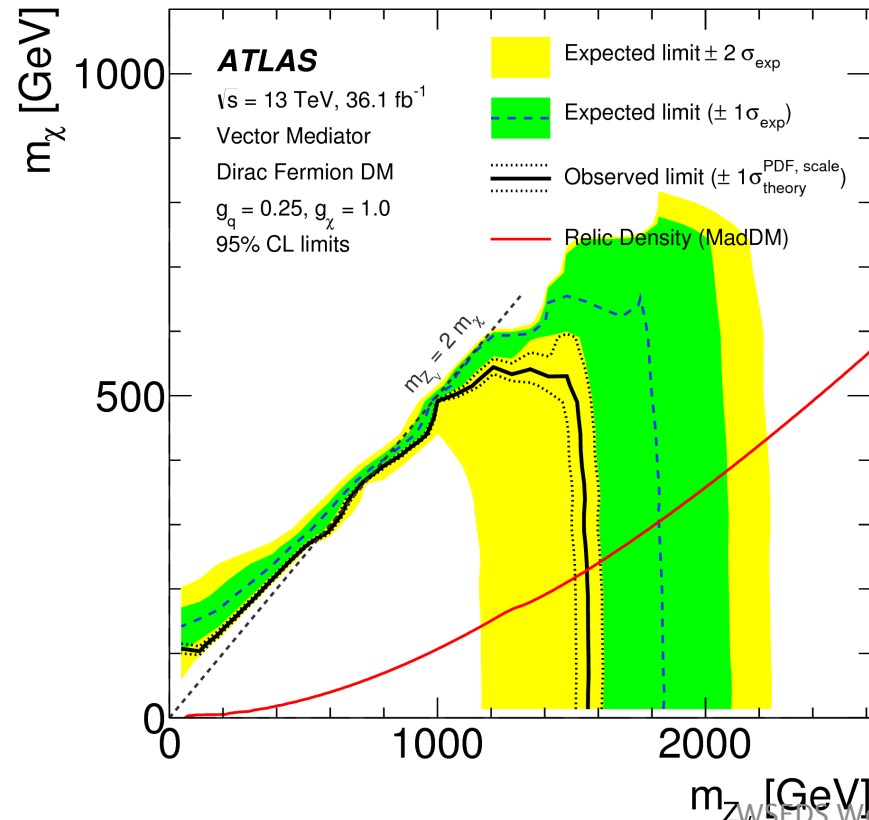


**LHC results complement Direct DM experiments at low DM mass.**

# Jet+X



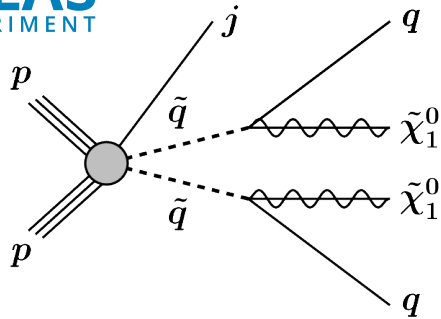
## 95% CL limits on vector-like mediator models



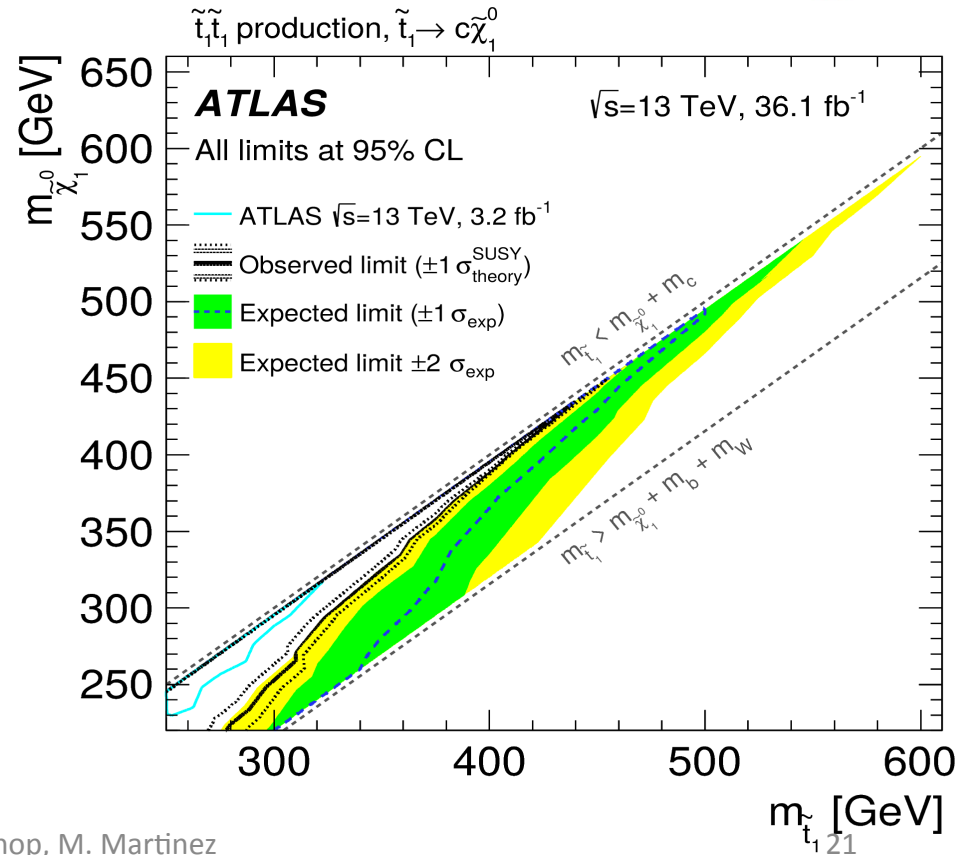
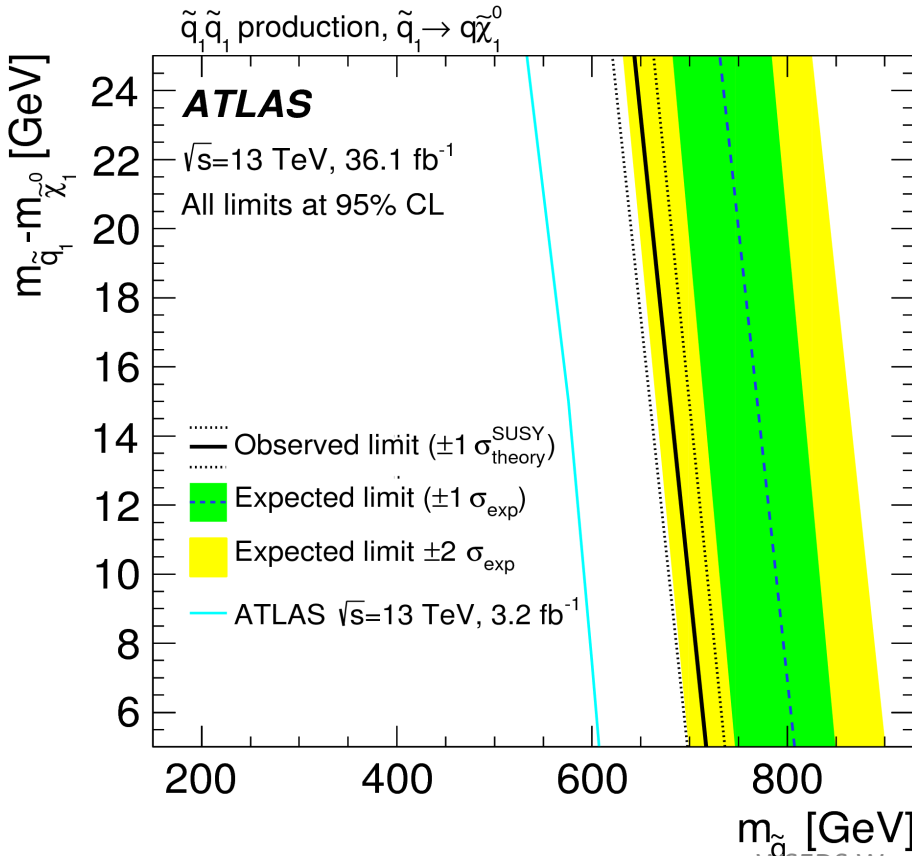
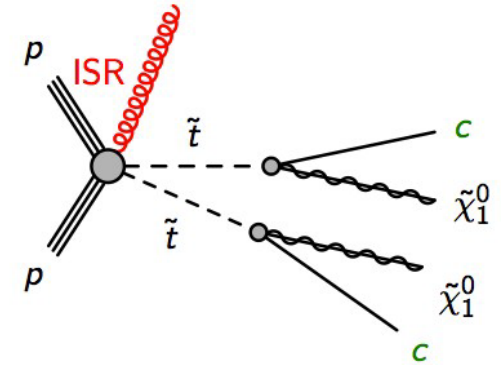
## 95% CL limits on models with colored scalar mediators (→ also t-channel diagrams involved)

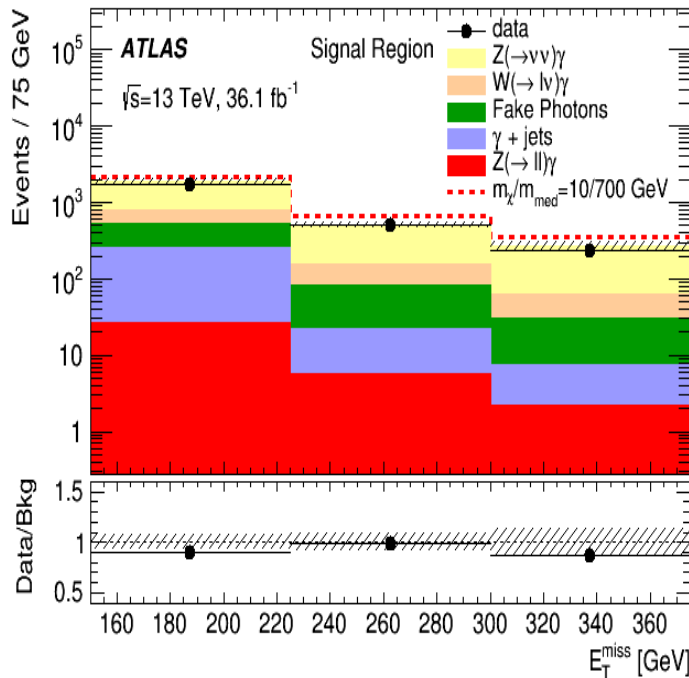


# SUSY Compressed



**Mono-Jet final state opens access to compressed spectra and neutralinos in the range 450 GeV – 800 GeV**

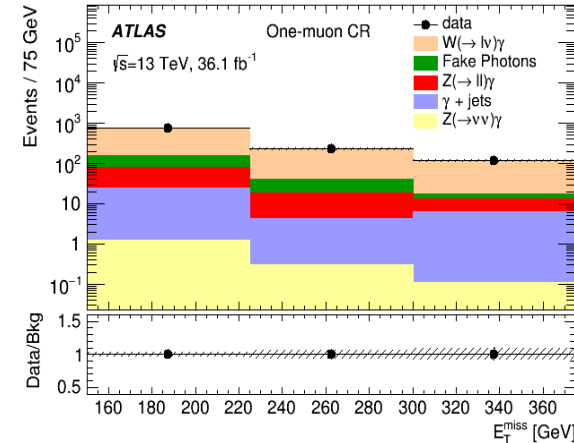




Background dominated by Z/W+ $\gamma$  followed by contributions with jets faking photons plus other small contributions ( $\gamma$ +jets)

( $\gamma + \mu + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  CR)

- Z/W+ $\gamma$  from MC normalized in CRs
- $\gamma$ +jets CR at low  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- Jet and electron fakes also fully data driven



$P_T^\gamma > 150$  GeV,  $|\eta^\gamma| < 2.37$ , isolated

$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150, 225, 300$  GeV

$E_T^{\text{miss}} / \text{SQRT}(H_T) > 8.5$  GeV<sup>1/2</sup>

$N_{\text{jet}} < 2$  ( $p_T > 30$  GeV)

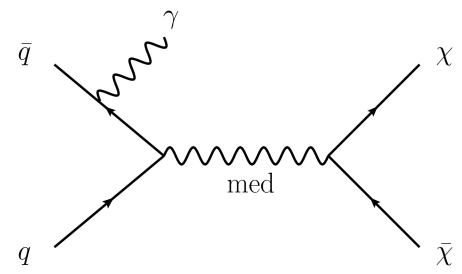
$\Delta\phi(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$ ,  $\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$

Veto on leptons

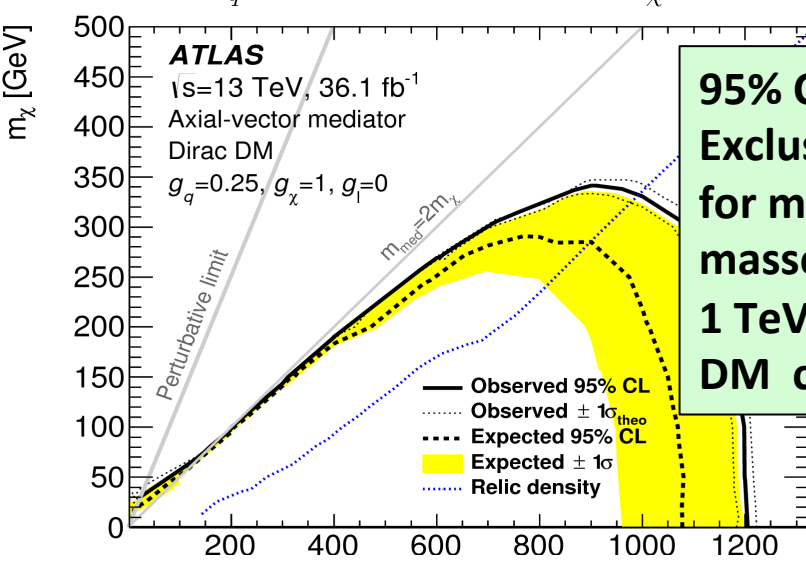
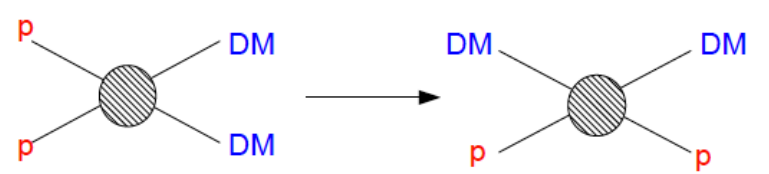
Good agreement with SM

$\sigma_{\text{A}} < 7 - 2 \text{ fb @ 95\% CL}$

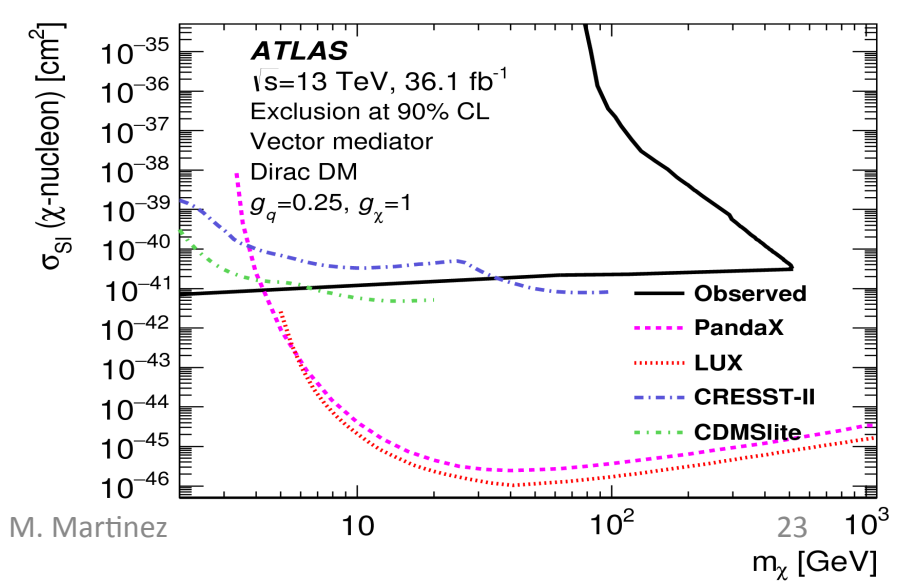
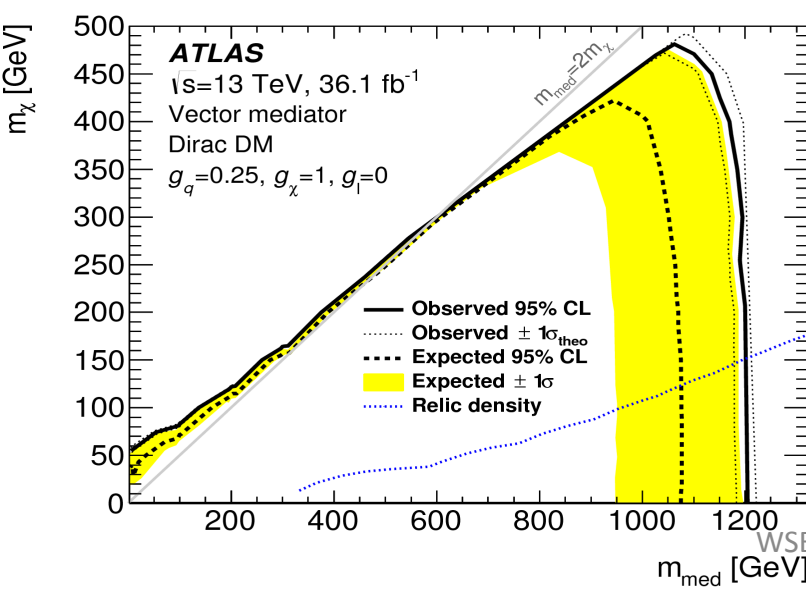
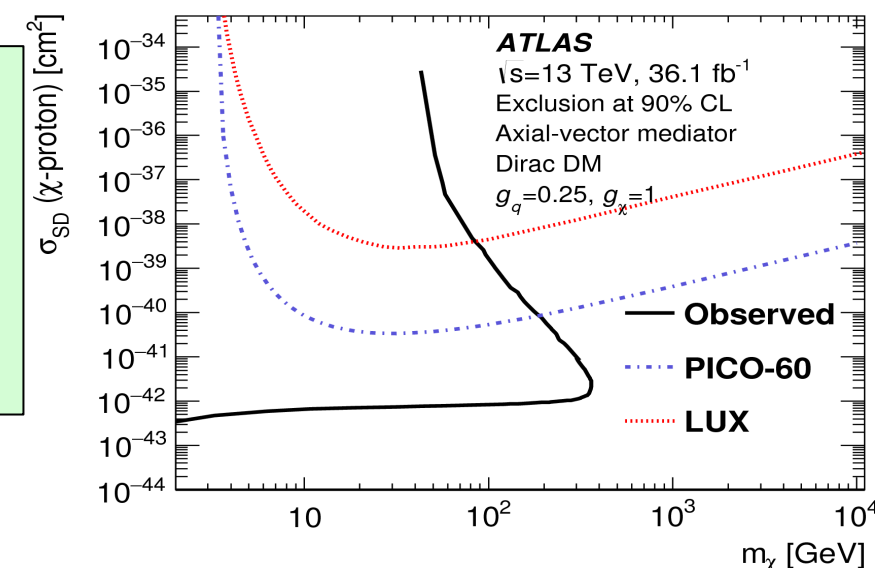
|                                      | SRI1     | SRI2    | SRI3                               |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------|------------------------------------|
| Observed events                      | 2400     | 729     | 236                                |
| Fitted Background                    | 2600±160 | 765±59  | 273±37                             |
| Z( $\rightarrow \nu\nu$ ) $\gamma$   | 1600±110 | 543±54  | 210±35                             |
| W( $\rightarrow \ell\nu$ ) $\gamma$  | 390±24   | 109±9   | 33±4                               |
| Z( $\rightarrow \ell\ell$ ) $\gamma$ | 35±3     | 7.8±0.8 | 2.2±0.4                            |
| $\gamma$ + jets                      | 248±80   | 22±7    | 5.2±1.0                            |
| Fake photons from electrons          | 199±40   | 47±11   | 13±3                               |
| Fake photons from jets               | 152±22   | 37±15   | 9.7 <sup>+10</sup> <sub>-9.7</sub> |

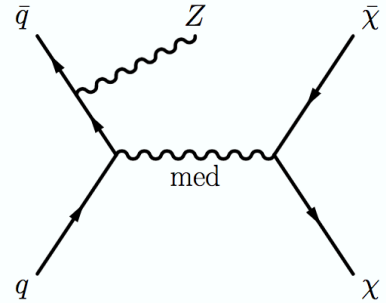


$\gamma + X$



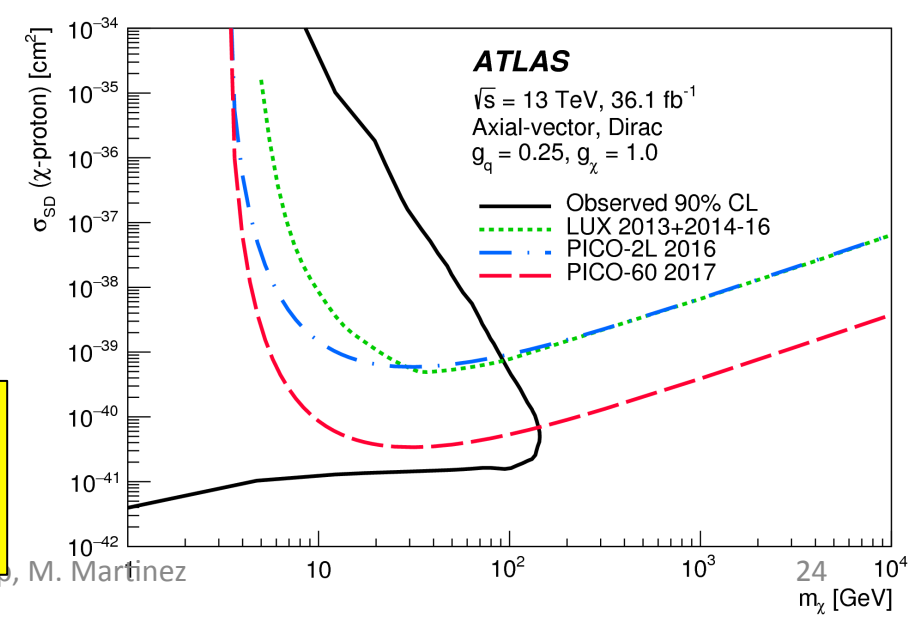
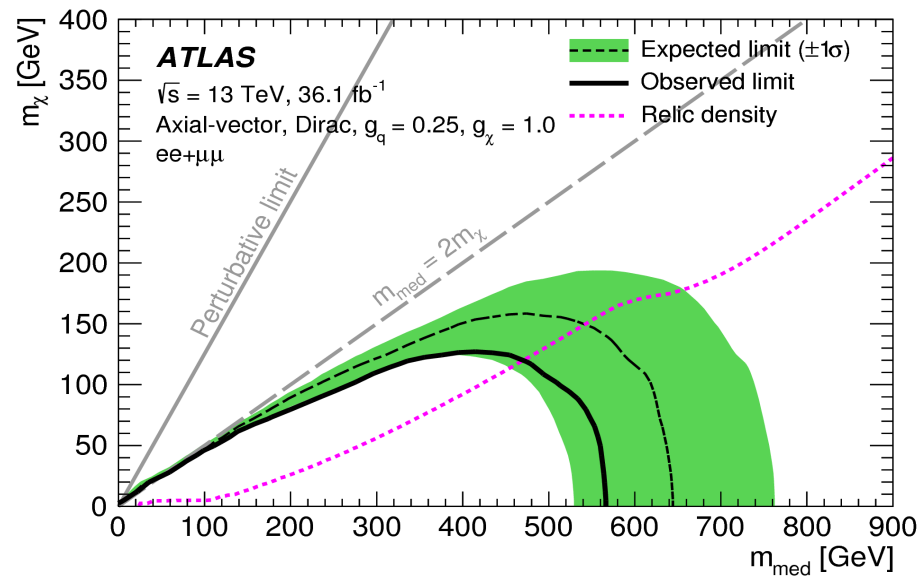
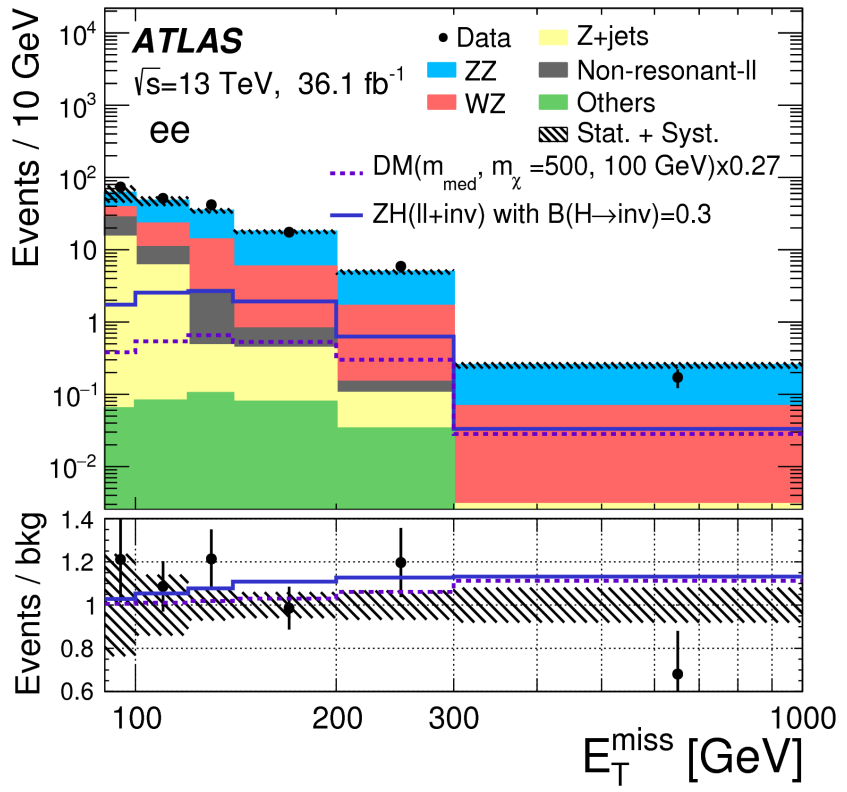
**95% CL Exclusions for mediator masses below 1 TeV and light DM candidates**





# Mono-Z( $\rightarrow$ II)

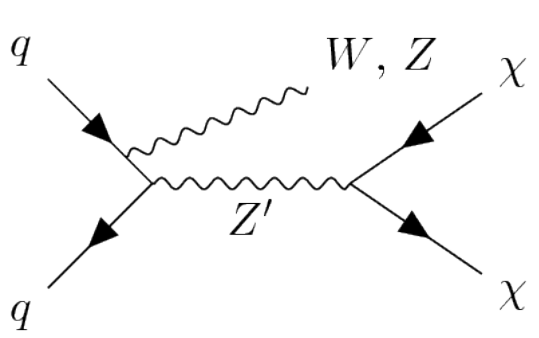
**36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>**



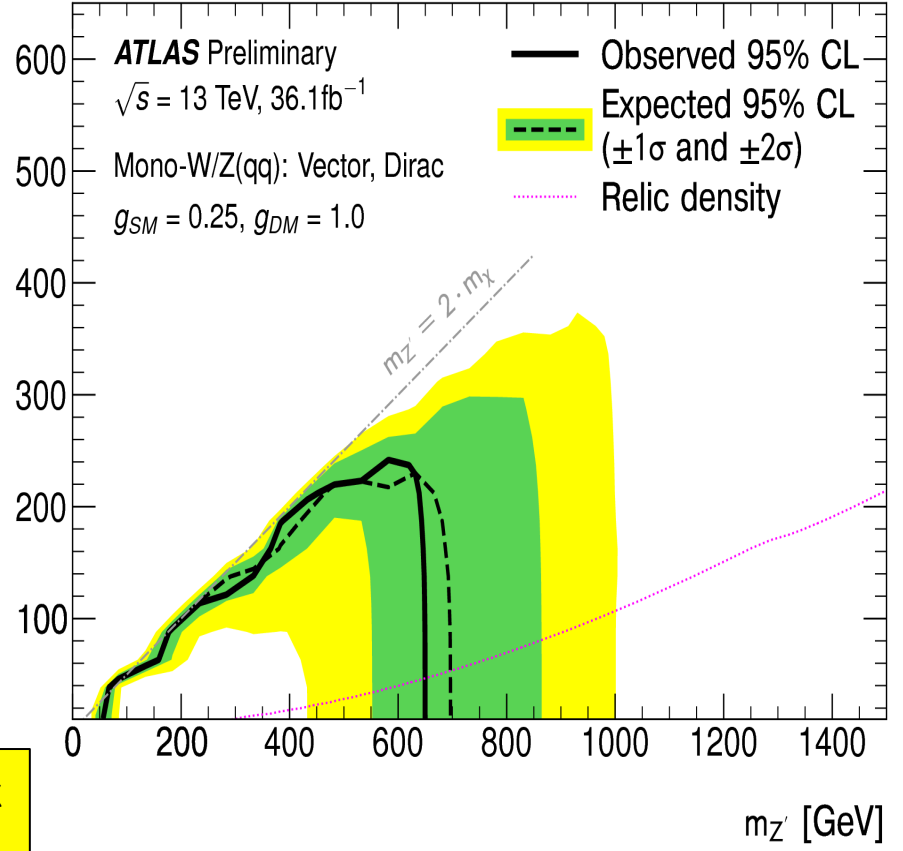
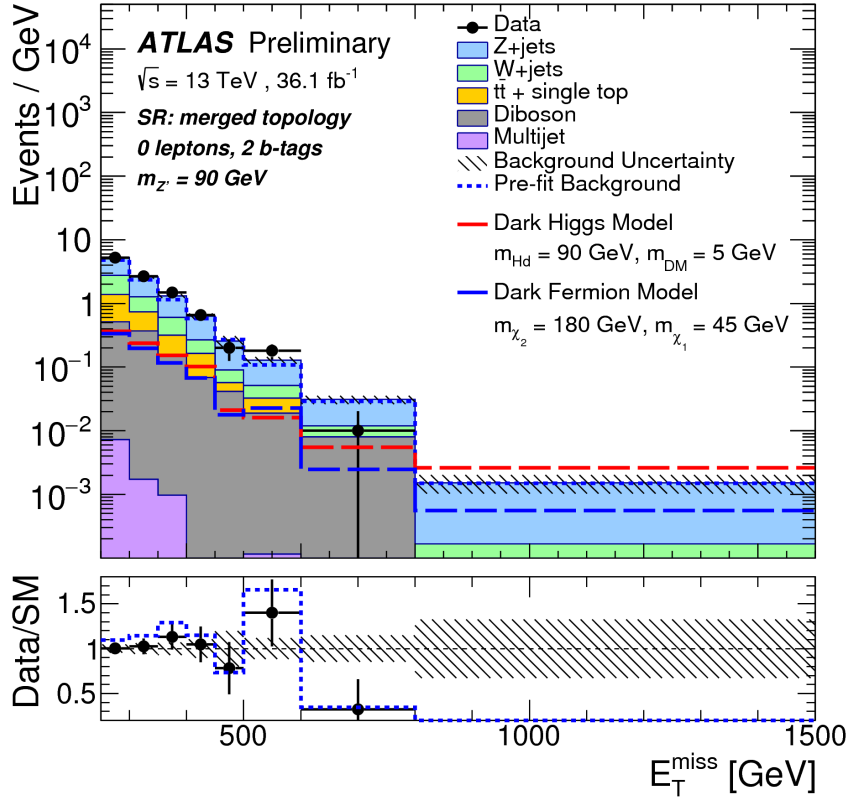
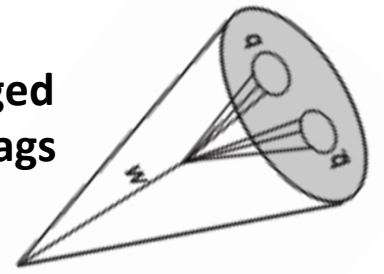
**See talk by Vincent Kitali: "ATLAS search for an invisibly decaying Higgs boson produced via vector boson fusion"**

# Mono-W/Z

(hadronic channel)



Including resolved and merged configuration and w/wo b-tags



See talk by Wei Wang: "ATLAS search for dark matter produced in association with a hadronically decaying vector boson"

# Dijets

37 fb<sup>-1</sup>

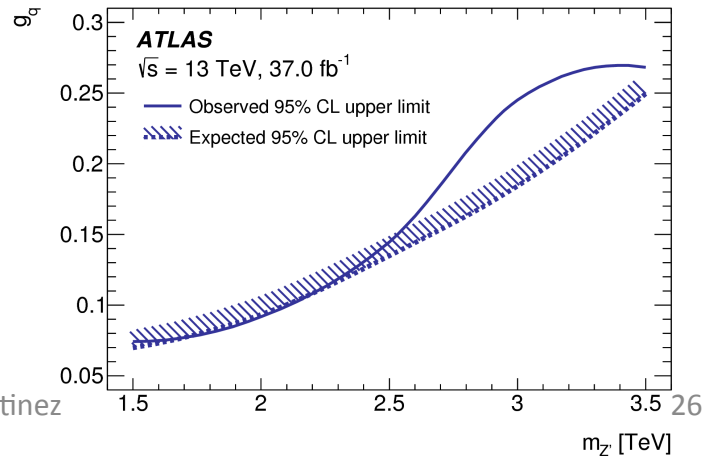
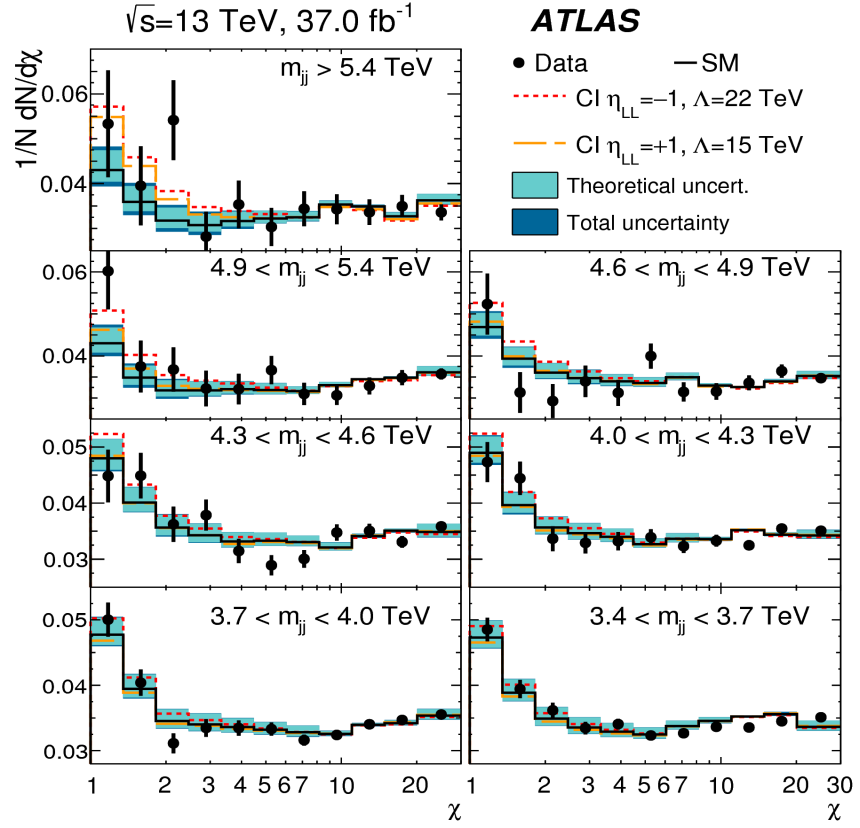
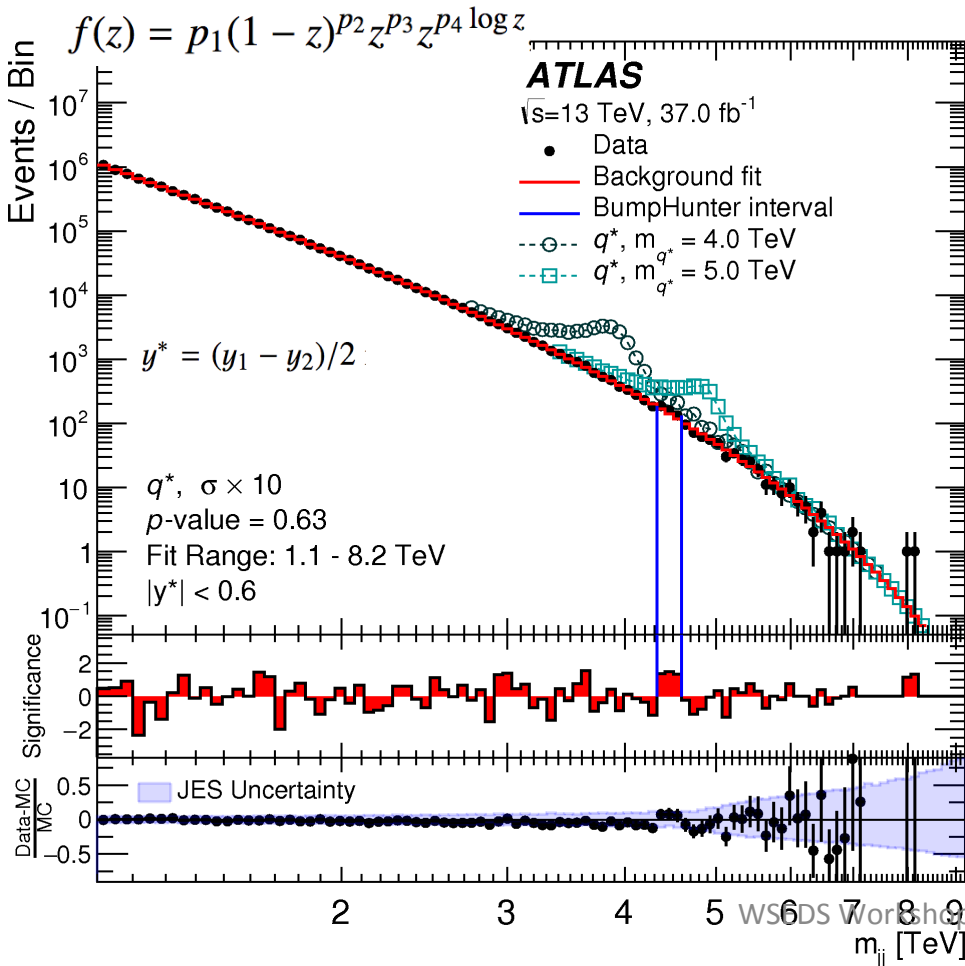
$$\chi = e^{2|y^*|} \sim \frac{1 + \cos \theta^*}{1 - \cos \theta^*}$$

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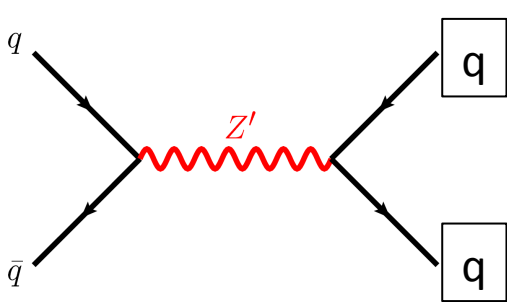
Search for resonances in dijets

→ New physics should be central

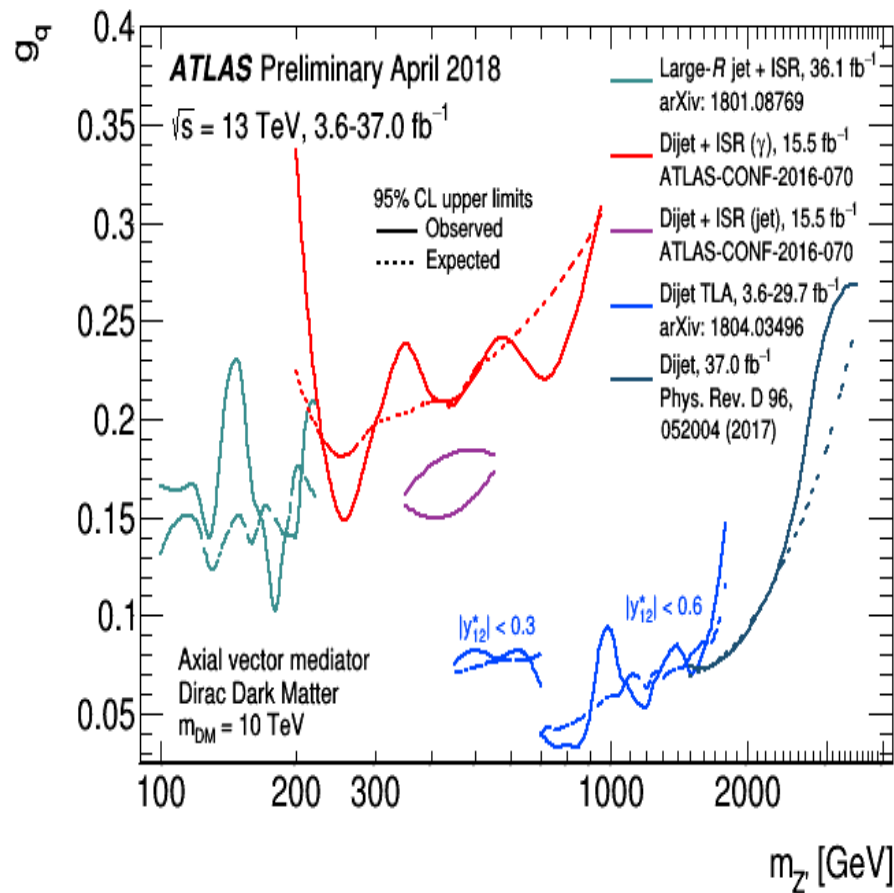
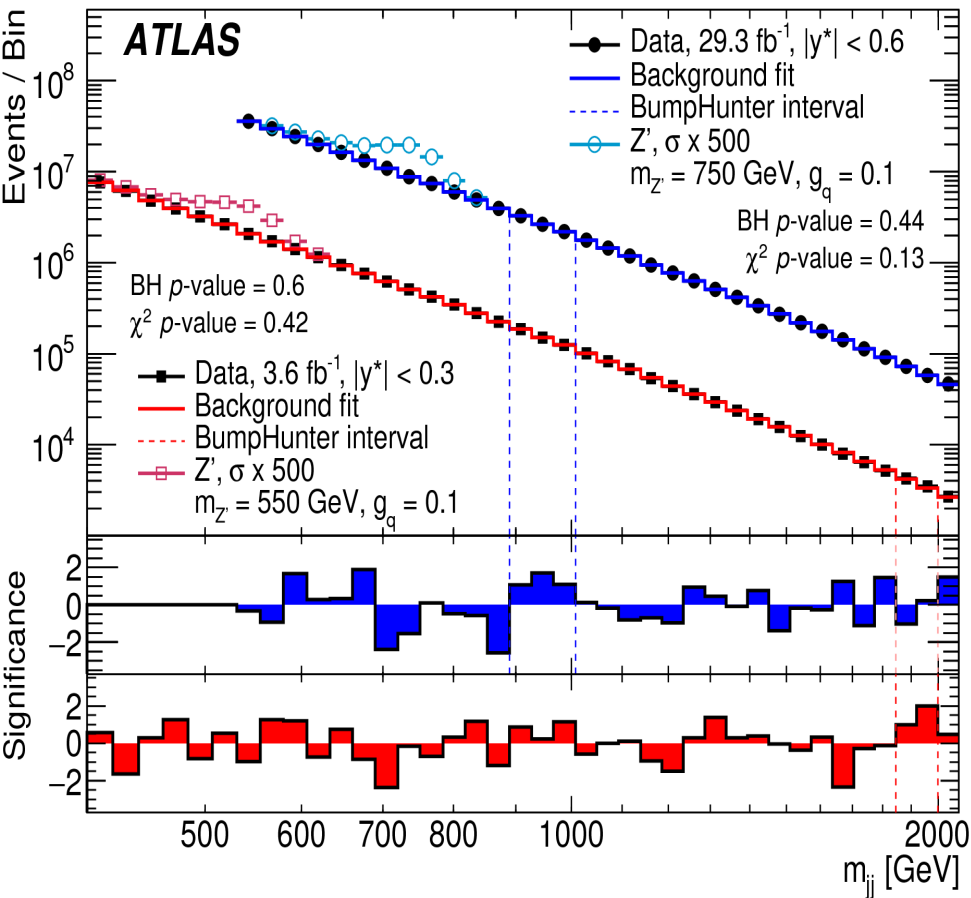
→ 95% CL on Z' → qq model (linked with DM)







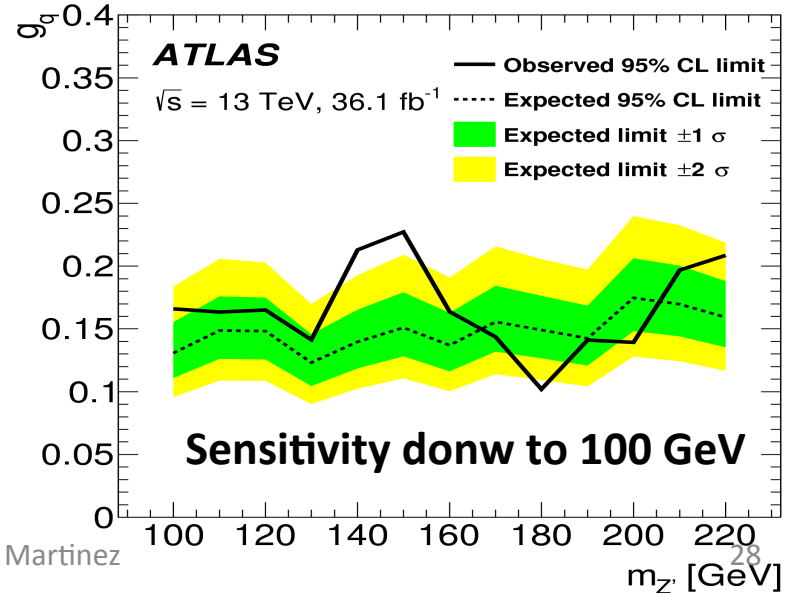
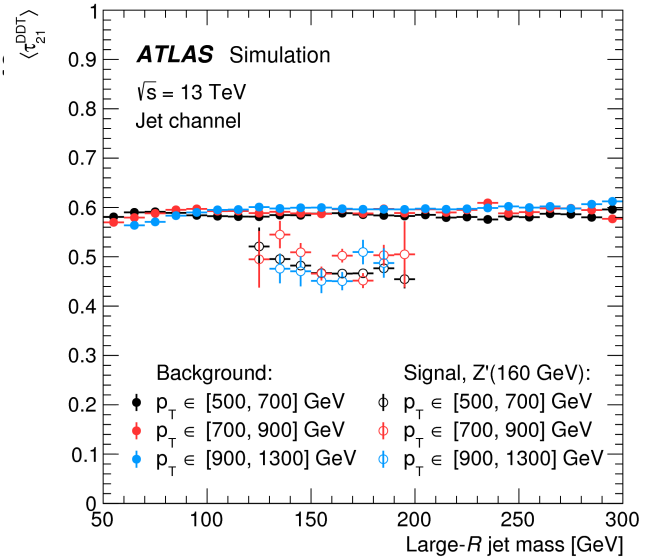
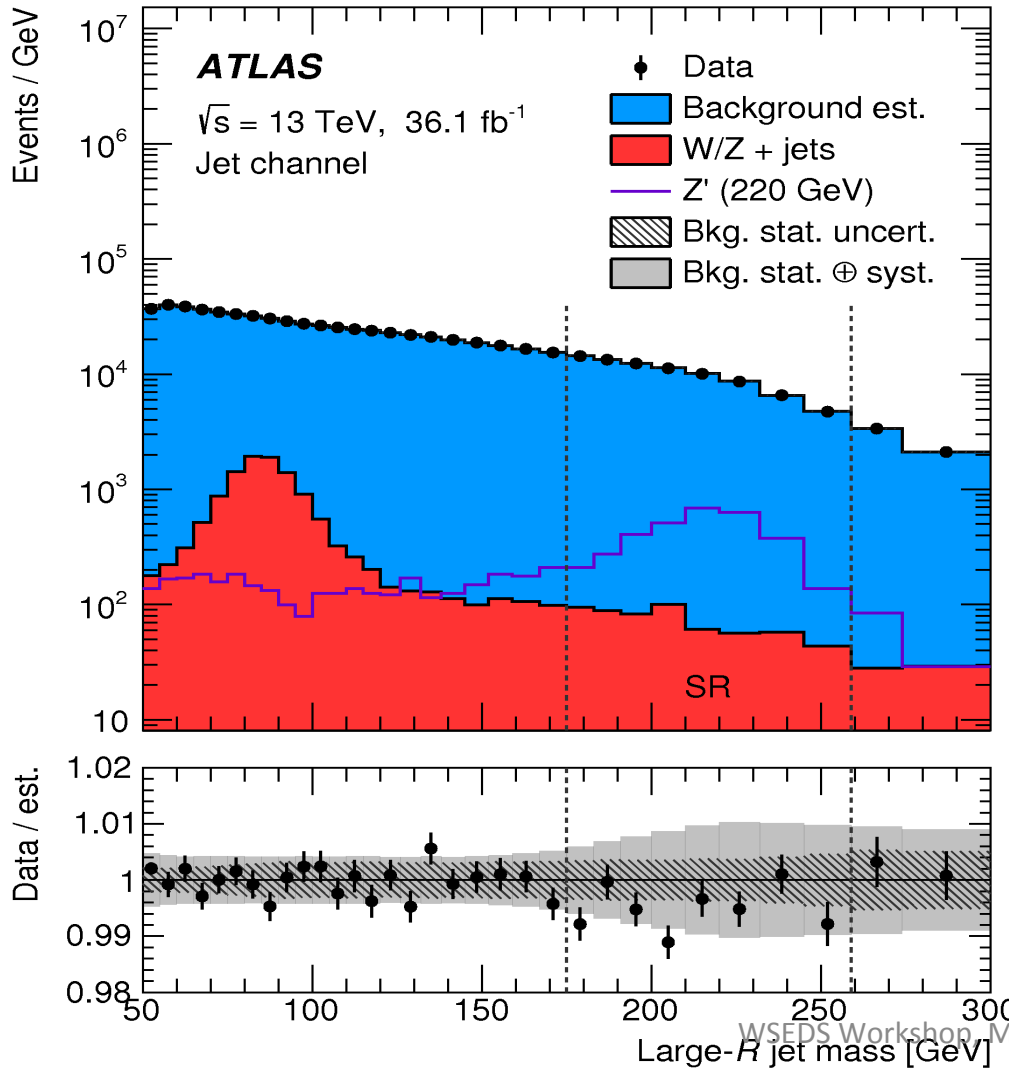
# Dijet low mass



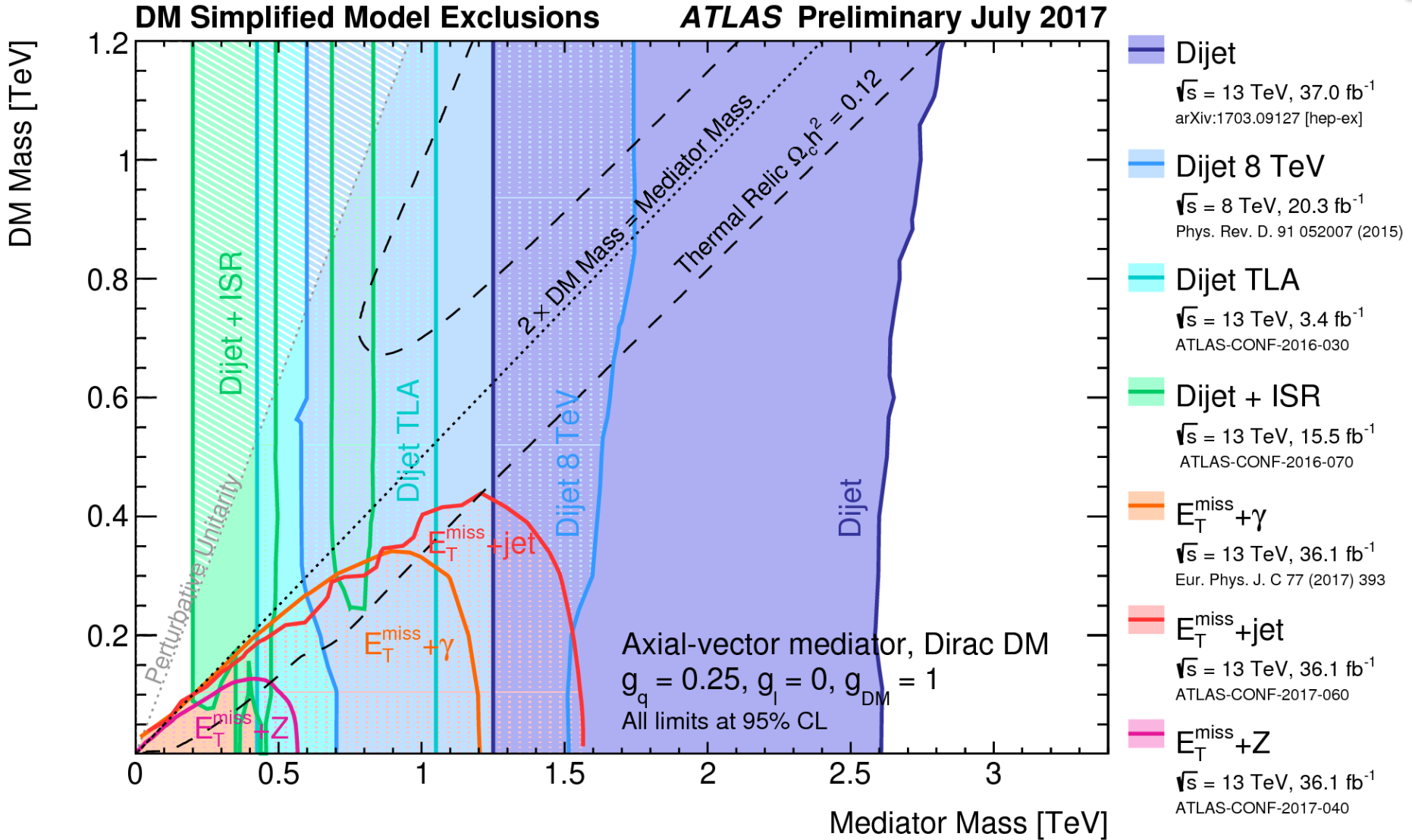
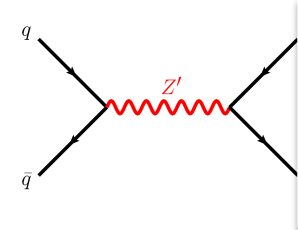
New ways at the trigger level to re-explore low mass dijets without paying bandwidth price  
 This opened the way to explore  $Z'$  low mass (0.5 – 1 TeV) at the LHC with coupling to quarks  
 → and can be reinterpreted in terms of the  $Z'$  mediator in DM models

# dijets + ISR

Search for low mass Z' ( $\rightarrow qq$ ) + jet reconstructing the qq system (boosted) with refined subjet variable



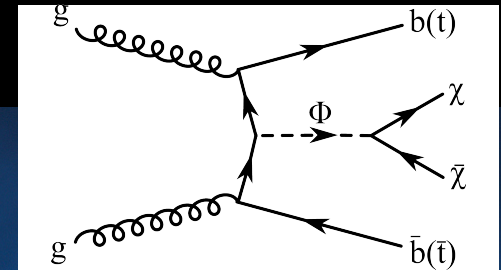
# Summary Mono-X + Dijets



# Benchmark Models

A set of well-defined simplified diagrams with heavy mediators is now considered motivated by a number of different considerations (DM Forum: arXiv:1507.00966)

- Simple extensions of SM symmetries
- Minimal Flavor Violation
- Assuming Yukawa couplings  $\rightarrow$  favor 3<sup>rd</sup> generation
- Some models inspired by satellite “hints”



In some cases a clear overlap with SUSY-inspired simplified models for direct production of 3<sup>rd</sup> generation squarks

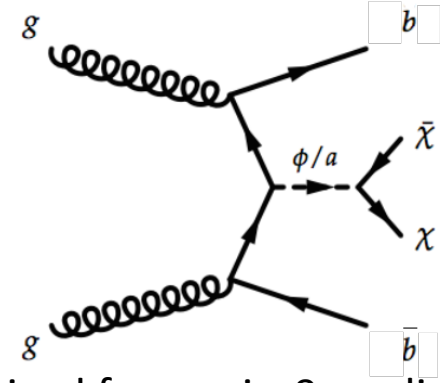
This part focused on DM+HF



$\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV, 36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>

# DM+bb

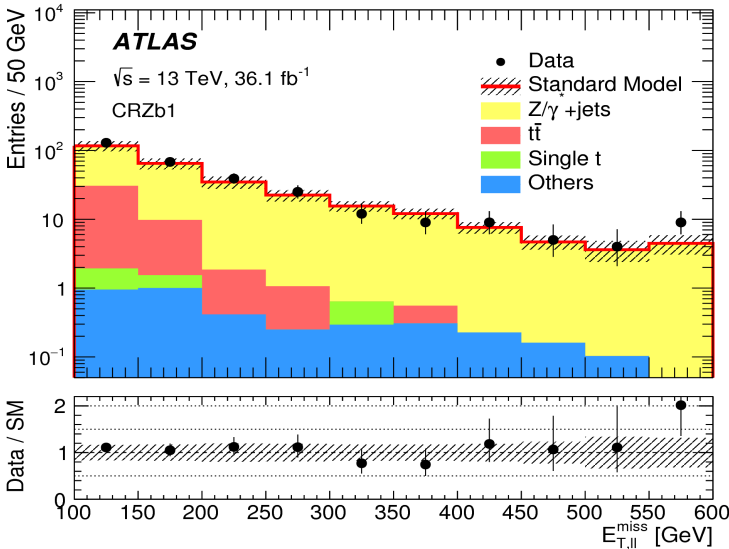
Parameters:  
 Mediator and DM masses  
 (minimal mediator width)  
 couplings:  $g_q g_{DM} = g=1$



The analysis is optimized for a spin-0 mediator  
 Final state characterized by

- Two b-jets, no more than 3-jets,
- Large missing transverse energy
- No leptons
- Azimuthal  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ -Jet separation against QCD

As expected SM backgrounds driven by  
 $Z(\rightarrow \nu\nu)+bb$ ,  $W(\rightarrow l\nu)+bb$  and top quark production

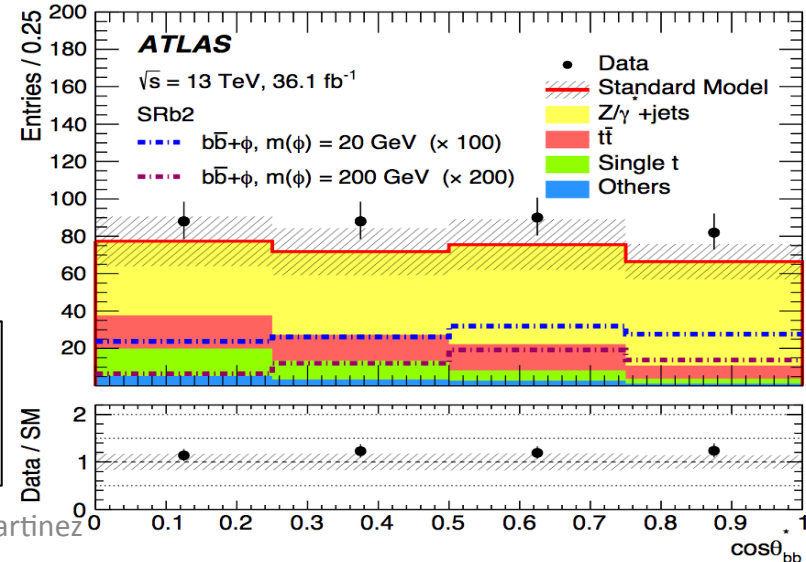


| Observable                                     | SRb1                | SRb2     |
|--|---------------------|----------|
| <b>Trigger</b>                                 | $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ |          |
| $\mathcal{N}_j$                                | $\geq 2$            | 2 or 3   |
| $\mathcal{N}_b^T$                              | $\geq 1$            | $\geq 2$ |
| $\mathcal{N}_e^B$                              | 0                   |          |
| $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]                      | $> 650$             | $> 180$  |
| $p_T(b_{j1})$ [GeV]                            | $> 160$             | $> 150$  |
| $p_T(j_1)$ [GeV]                               | $> 160$             | $> 150$  |
| $p_T(j_2)$ [GeV]                               | $> 160$             | $> 20$   |
| $p_T(j_3)$ [GeV]                               | -                   | $< 60$   |
| $H_{T3}$ [GeV]                                 | $< 100$             | -        |
| $H_T^{\text{ratio}}$                           | -                   | $> 0.75$ |
| $\delta^-$ [rad]                               | -                   | $< 0$    |
| $\delta^+$ [rad]                               | -                   | $< 0.5$  |
| <b>Multi-jet rejection specific</b>            |                     |          |
| $\Delta\phi(j, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$ [rad] | $> 0.6$             | $> 0.4$  |

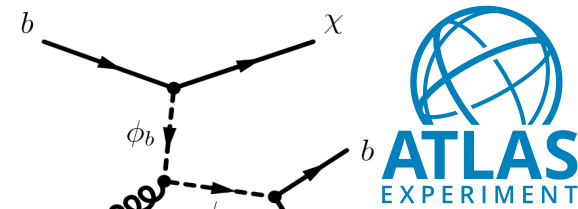
$$\delta^- = \Delta\phi(j, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) - \Delta\phi_{bb},$$

$$\delta^+ = |\Delta\phi(j, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) + \Delta\phi_{bb} - \pi|.$$

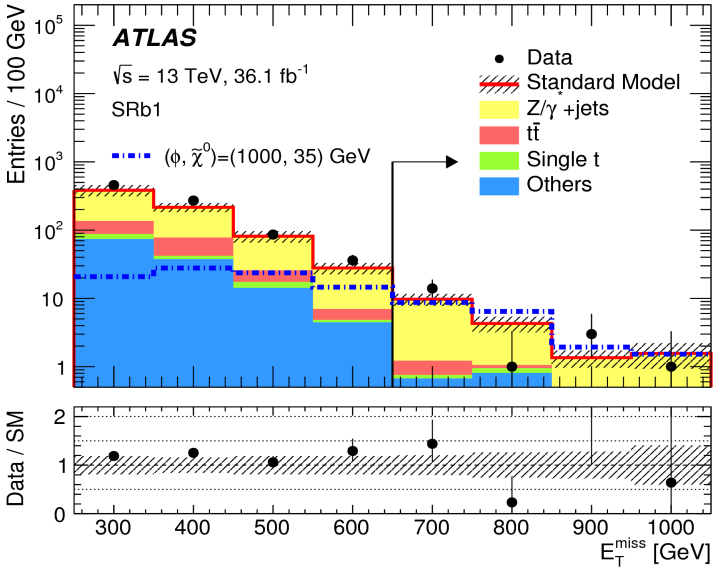
$$\cos\theta_{bb}^* = \left| \tanh\left(\frac{\Delta\eta_{bb}}{2}\right) \right|$$



# DM+b

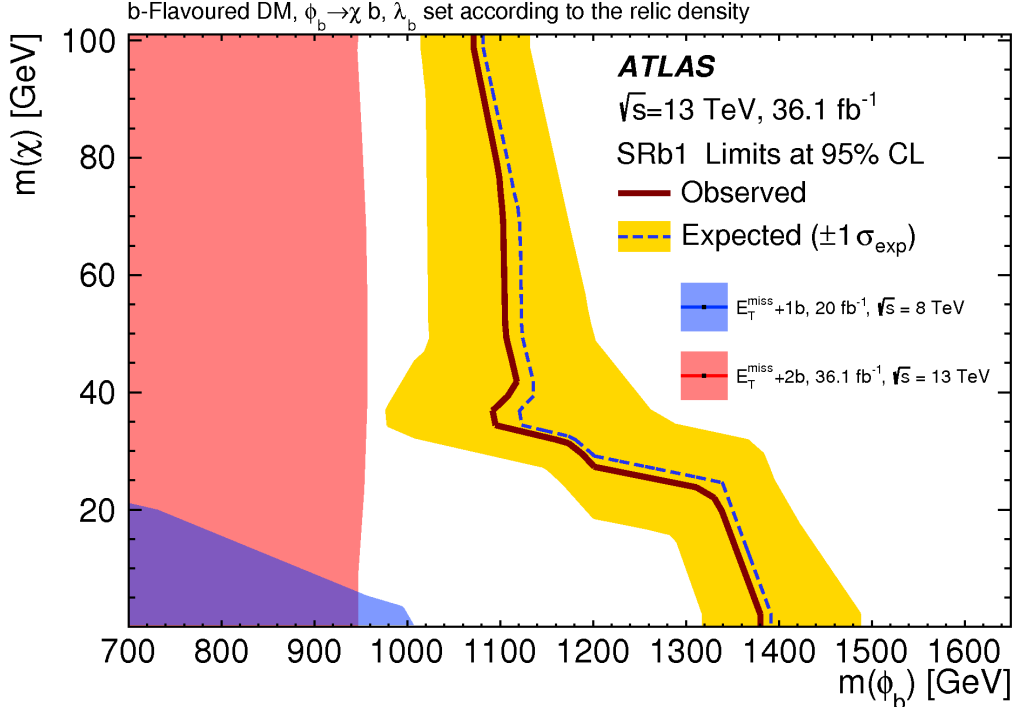
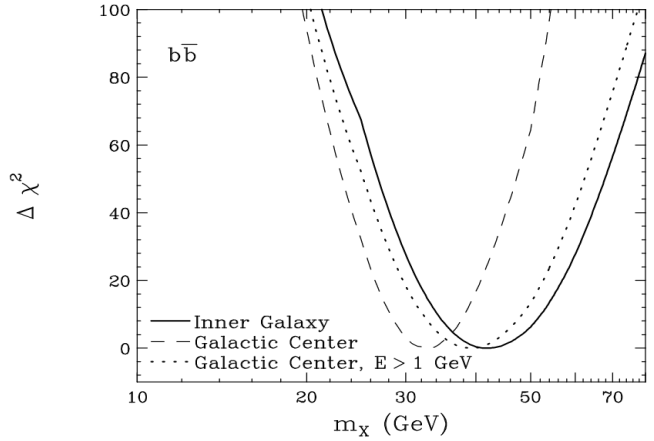


$\sqrt{s}=13 \text{ TeV}, 36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Bottom Flavored DM model  
(motivated to accommodate Fermi-LAT hints)  
P. Agrawal et al., Phys. Rev. D 90, 063512 (2014)

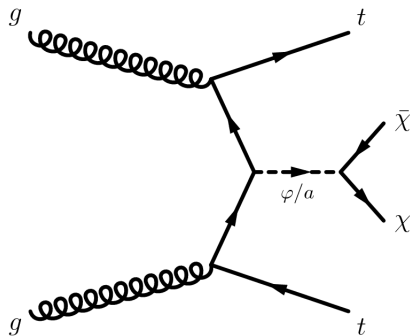
Analysis of Fermi-LAT data  
points to DM mass point of  $\sim 35 \text{ GeV}$



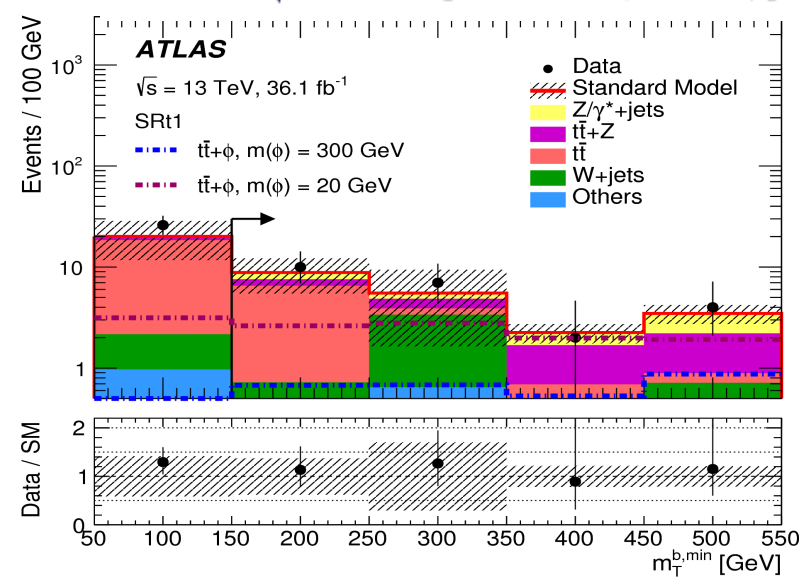
**For a DM mass of 35 GeV, mediator masses  
in the range of 1.1 TeV are excluded at 95% CL**

# DM+tt (hadronic channel)

$\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV,  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
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$$m_T^{b,\min} = \sqrt{2 p_T^b E_T^{\text{miss}} [1 - \cos \Delta\phi(\mathbf{p}_T^b, \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}})]}$$



Large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  significance  
At least four jets, and 2 b-jets, lepton veto

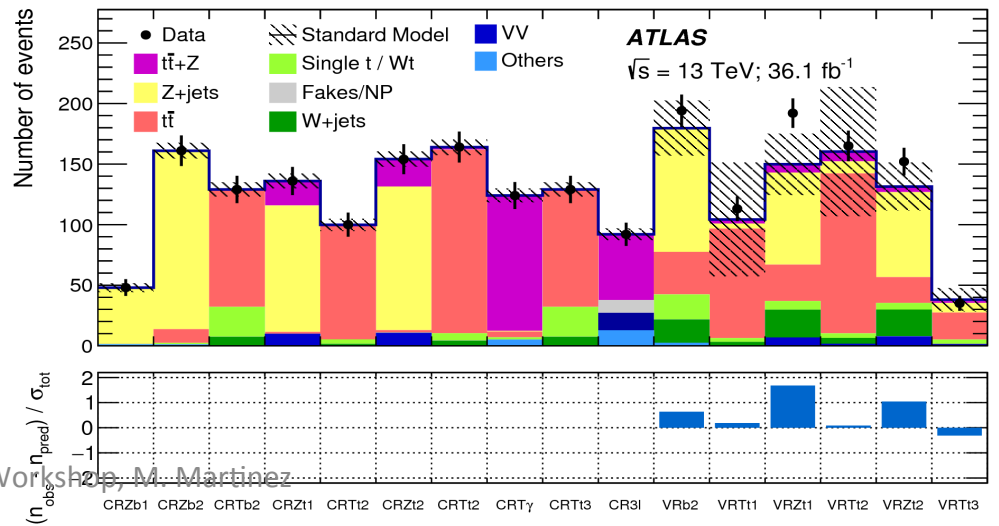
Reconstruction of two large jets  $R=1.2$   
with masses above 140 and 80 GeV

Some topological requirements optimized for a  
DM signal with  $M_{\text{MED}} = 100\text{-}300$  GeV and  $M_{\text{DM}} = 1$  GeV

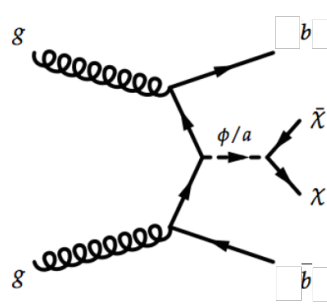
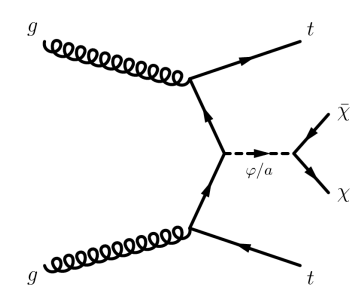
$\Delta R(bb) > 1.5$ ,  $M_T^{b,\min} > 200$  GeV

→ Dominated by top production  
(tt & Z(→ νν)+jets)

Background normalizations constrained  
in dedicated control regions.

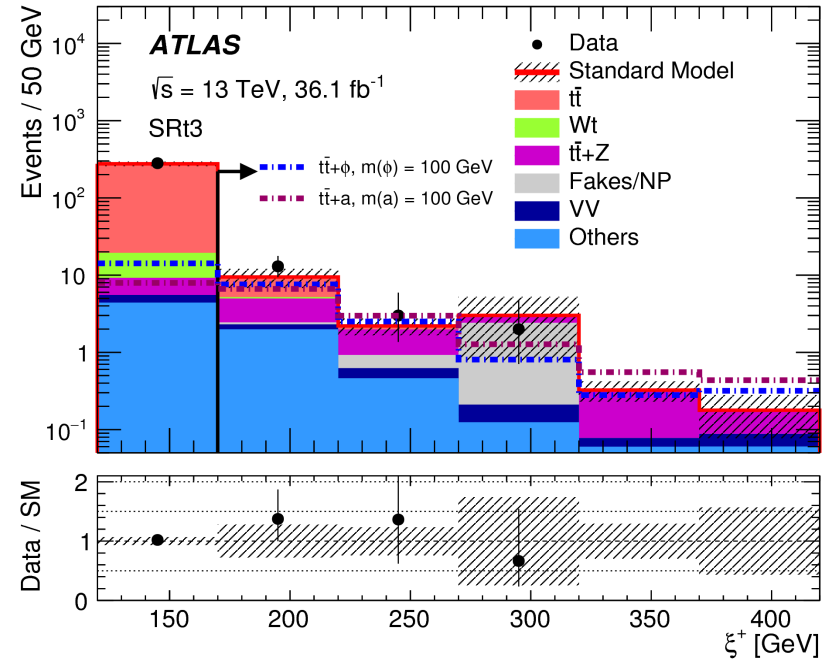


# Results



$$\xi^+ = m_{T2}^{\ell\ell} + 0.2 \cdot E_T^{\text{miss}}$$

|                        | SRt1            | SRt2            | SRt3                                   |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Observed               | 23              | 24              | 18                                     |
| Total background (fit) | 20.5 ± 5.8      | 20.4 ± 2.9      | 15.2 ± 4.3                             |
| $t\bar{t}$             | 7.0 ± 3.9       | 3.1 ± 1.3       | 4.5 ± 2.5                              |
| $t\bar{t}+Z$           | 4.3 ± 1.1       | 6.9 ± 1.4       | 4.4 ± 1.9                              |
| W+ jets                | 3.3 ± 2.6       | 1.28 ± 0.50     | incl. in Fakes/NP                      |
| Wt                     | incl. in Others | incl. in Others | 0.33 <sup>+0.53</sup> <sub>-0.33</sub> |
| Z/γ*+ jets             | 3.7 ± 1.4       | 6.2 ± 1.1       | incl. in Others                        |
| VV                     | incl. in Others | incl. in Others | 0.61 ± 0.25                            |
| Fakes/NP               | -               | -               | 2.7 ± 1.3                              |
| Others                 | 2.2 ± 1.2       | 3.00 ± 1.6      | 2.69 ± 0.93                            |
| $t\bar{t}$ (pre-fit)   | 6.1             | 2.8             | 4.0                                    |
| $t\bar{t}+Z$ (pre-fit) | 3.53            | 5.6             | 5.6                                    |
| Z/γ*+ jets (pre-fit)   | 3.2             | 5.72            | -                                      |



**Good agreement with SM predictions in all SRs**

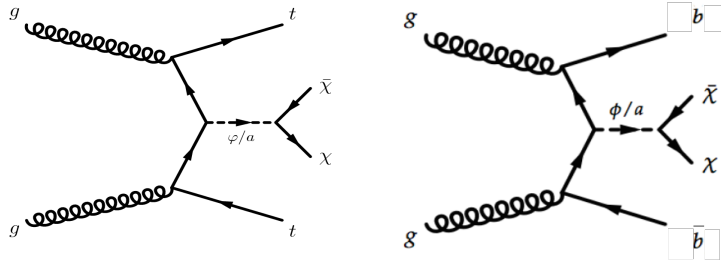
Analyses with a sensitivity to  
 Exclude new physics processes  
 at the 1 fb level

| Signal channel | $\langle \epsilon \mathcal{A} \sigma \rangle_{95}^{\text{obs}}$ [fb] | $S_{95}^{\text{obs}}$ | $S_{95}^{\text{exp}}$           | $p(s=0)$ (Z) |
|----------------|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| SRb1           | 0.37   | 13.4                  | 12 <sup>+5</sup> <sub>-1</sub>  | 0.33 (0.43)  |
| SRb2 bin-1     | 1.10   | 39.6                  | 33 <sup>+12</sup> <sub>-8</sub> | 0.22 (0.76)  |
| SRb2 bin-2     | 1.17   | 42.1                  | 31 <sup>+10</sup> <sub>-8</sub> | 0.11 (1.21)  |
| SRb2 bin-3     | 1.21   | 43.7                  | 33 <sup>+11</sup> <sub>-8</sub> | 0.16 (1.00)  |
| SRb2 bin-4     | 1.10   | 39.8                  | 26 <sup>+11</sup> <sub>-7</sub> | 0.10 (1.26)  |
| SRt1           | 0.51   | 18.4                  | 16 <sup>+5</sup> <sub>-4</sub>  | 0.33 (0.44)  |
| SRt2           | 0.44   | 15.7                  | 12 <sup>+5</sup> <sub>-3</sub>  | 0.24 (0.70)  |
| SRt3           | 0.44   | 15.9                  | 13 <sup>+5</sup> <sub>-2</sub>  | 0.33 (0.45)  |

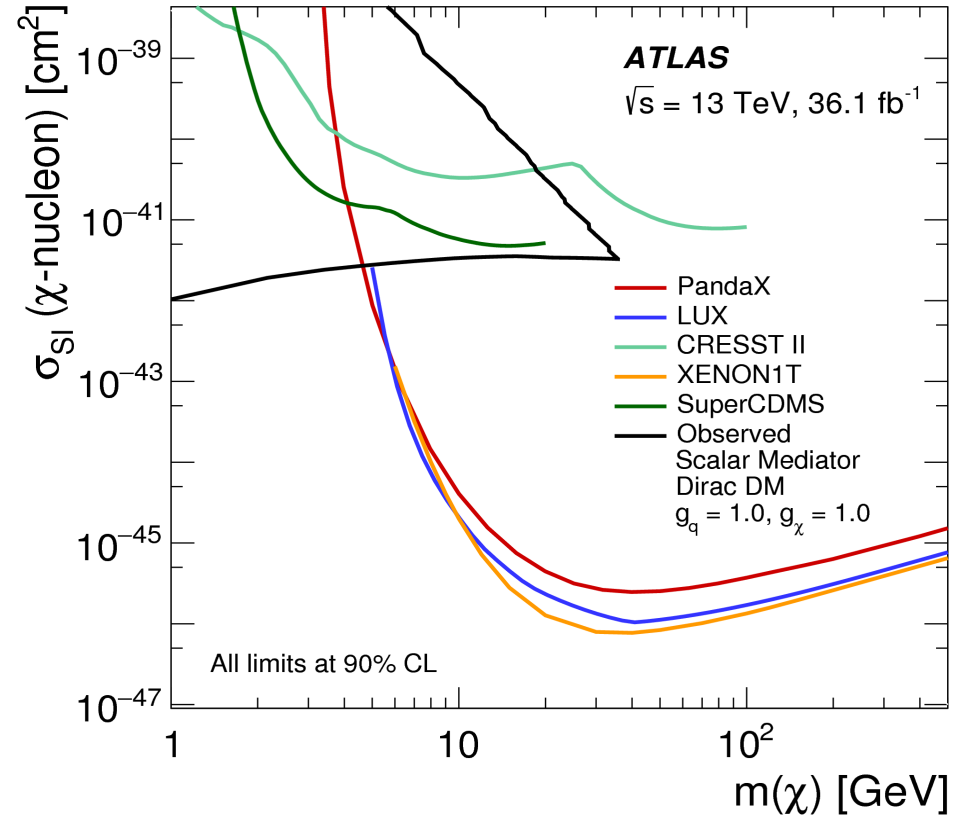
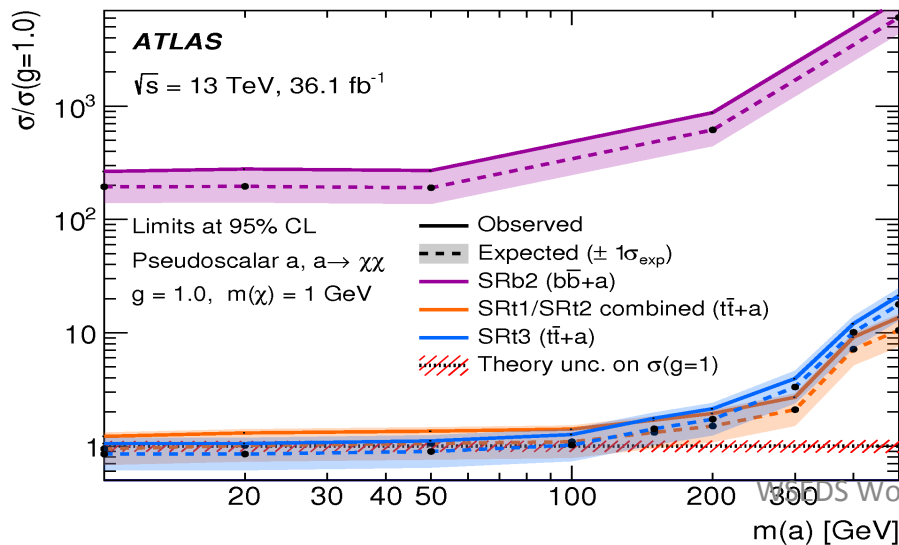
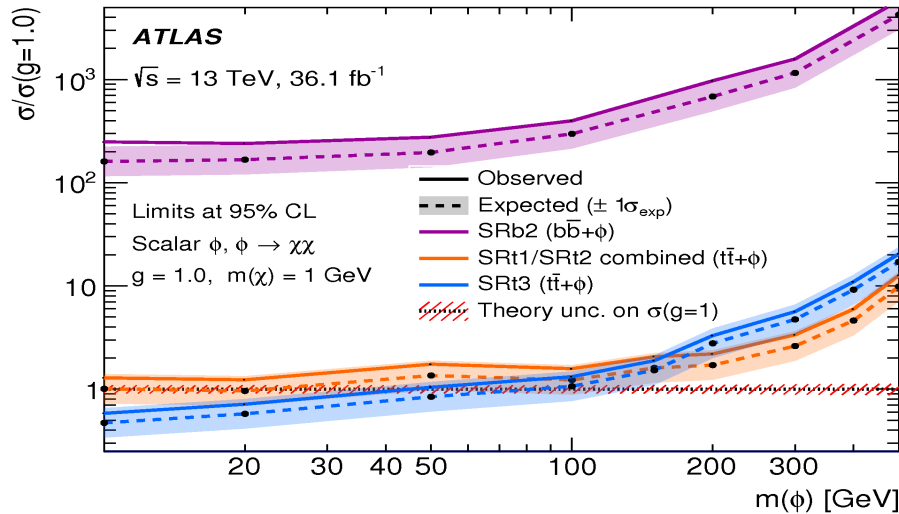
$$\cos \theta_{bb}^* = \left| \tanh \left( \frac{\Delta \eta_{bb}}{2} \right) \right|$$



# Results



## 95%CL upper limits w.r.t $\sigma_{\text{signal}} @ g=1$



The  $t\bar{t}+X$  analysis shows the sensitivity of the benchmark model with  $g=1$  for 1GeV DM for both scalar and pseudo-scalar mediators  
 → Limits depend strongly on the DM mass.

arXiv:1711.11520

$\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV, 36 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  significance

At least one lepton

At least four jets, and 1 b-jets

Azimuthal separations: jets,  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , lepton

Some topological requirements based on variants of  $m_{T2}$  (arXiv:hep-ph/9906349)

$$m_{T2}(\mathbf{p}_{T,1}, \mathbf{p}_{T,2}, \mathbf{q}_T) = \min_{\mathbf{q}_{T,1} + \mathbf{q}_{T,2} = \mathbf{q}_T} \{ \max[ m_T(\mathbf{p}_{T,1}, \mathbf{q}_{T,1}), m_T(\mathbf{p}_{T,2}, \mathbf{q}_{T,2}) ] \}$$

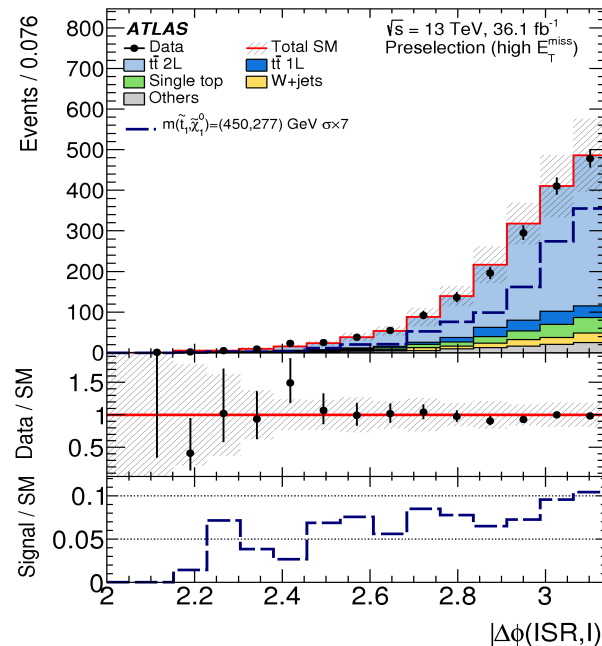
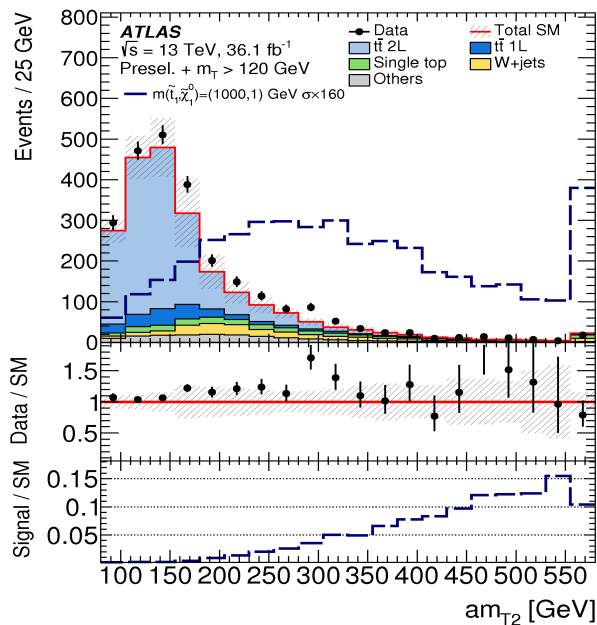
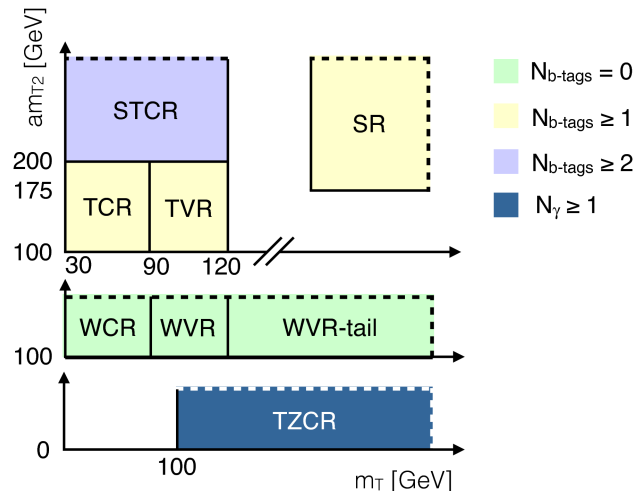
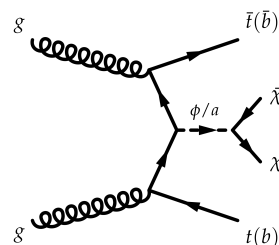
Background dominated by top processes.

Constrained in control regions via simultaneous fit

Different control regions and validation regions defined in the plane of topological variables and different  $N_{b\text{-jets}}$

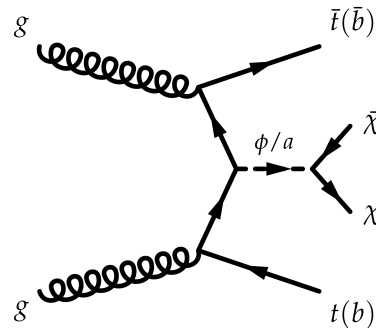
# DM+tt

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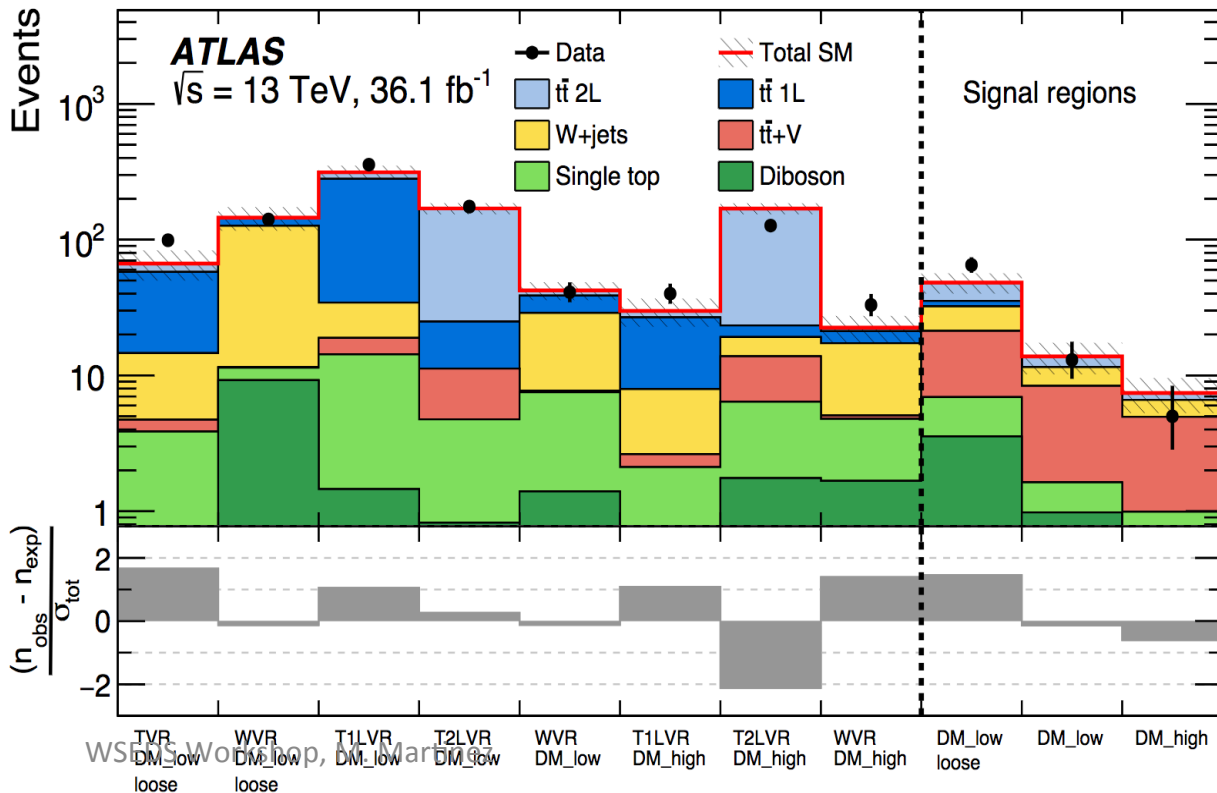
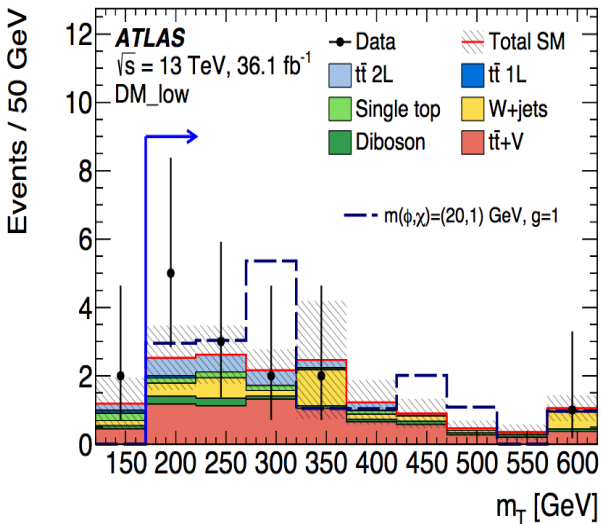
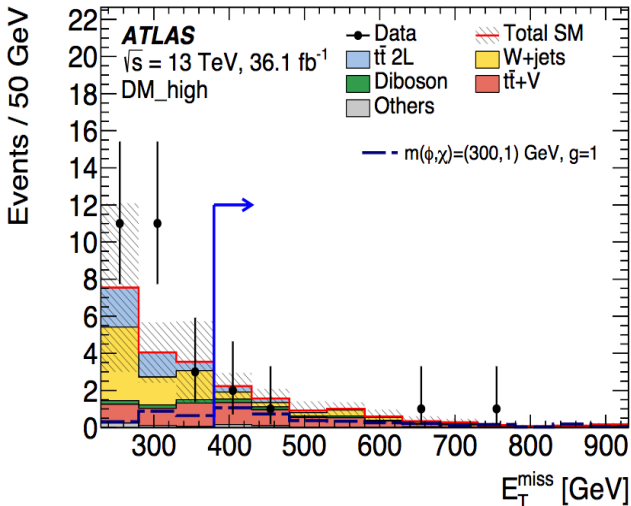
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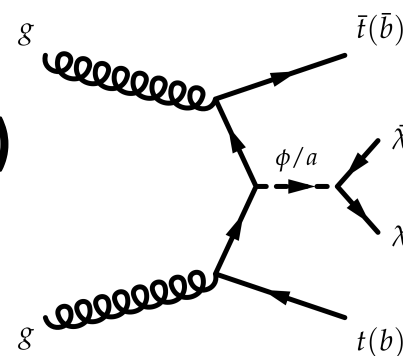


Good agreement with SM predictions

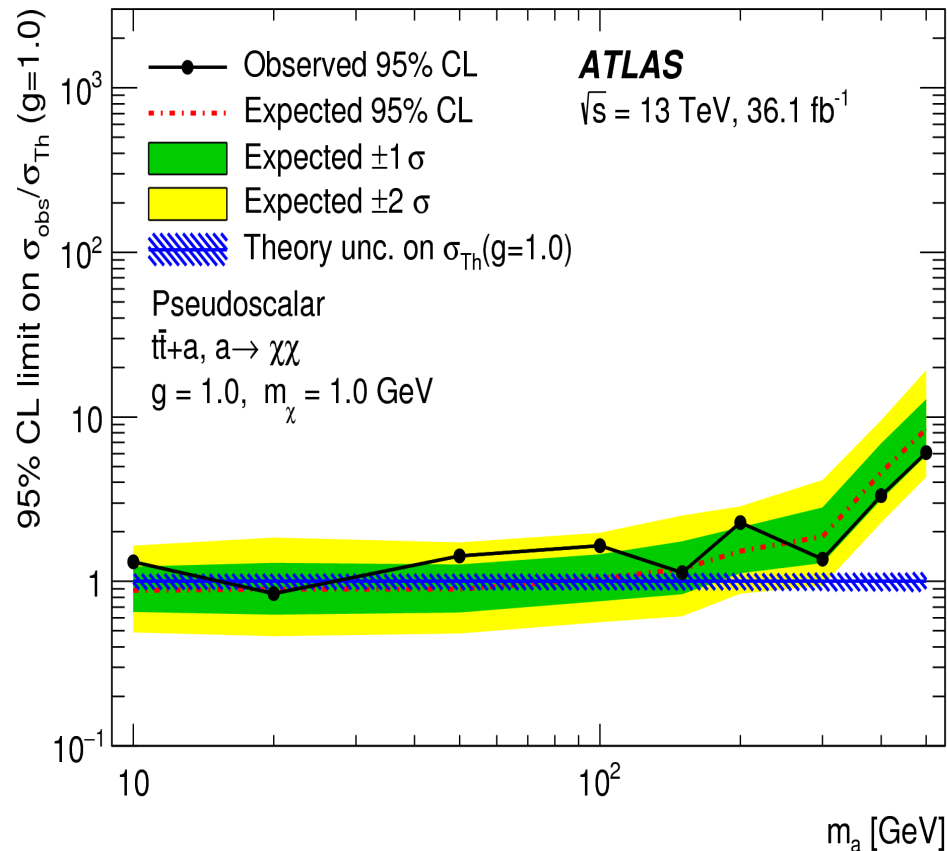
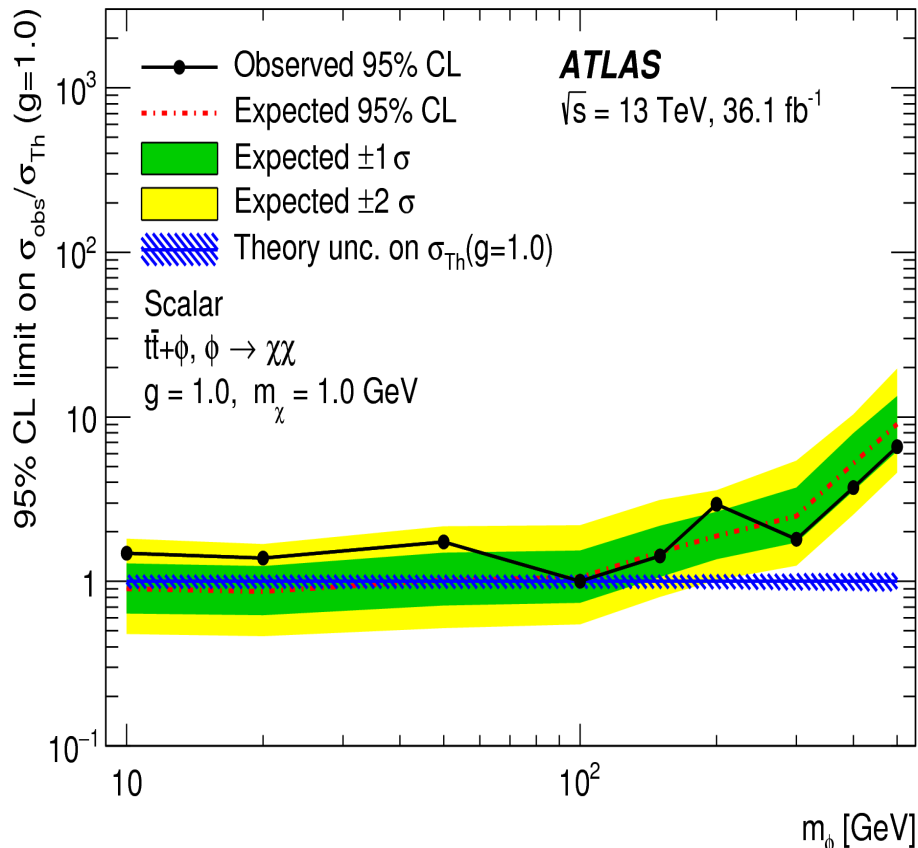
| Signal region    | DM_high       | DM_low         | DM_low_loose   |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Observed         | 5             | 13             | 65             |
| Total background | $7.4 \pm 2.1$ | $13.8 \pm 3.6$ | $48.3 \pm 8.2$ |



# DM+tt (semileptonic channel)



95%CL upper limits w.r.t  $\sigma_{\text{signal}} @ g=1$

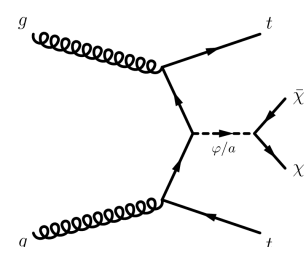


The  $tt+X$  analysis shows the sensitivity of the benchmark model with  $g=1$  for 1GeV DM for both scalar and pseudo-scalar mediators

→ Limits depend strongly on the DM mass.



# DM+tt (dilepton channel)



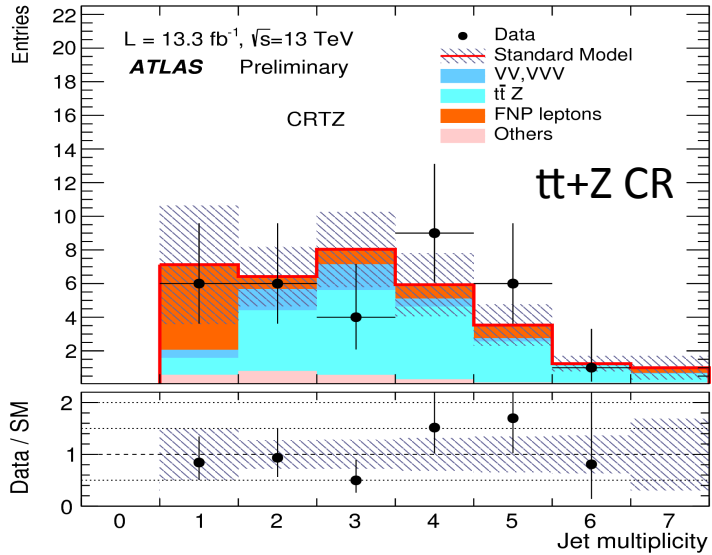
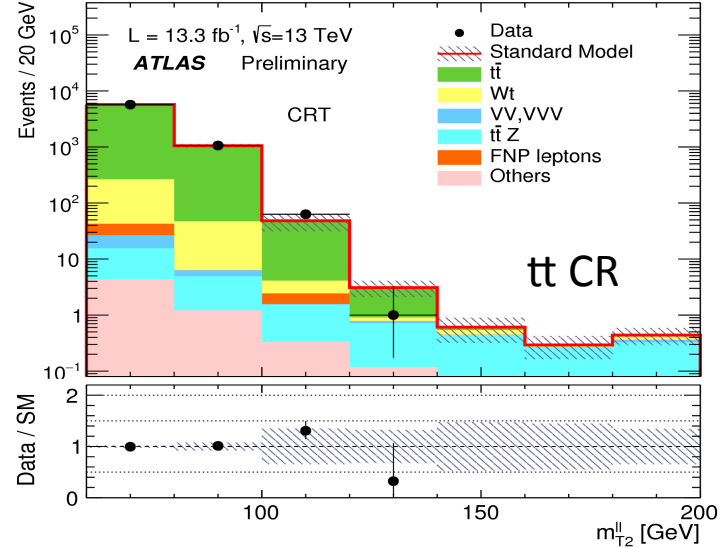
Considering dilepton channels (ee, μμ, eμ)  
 → Moderate  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , at least one b-jet, multiple jets  
 → Topological cuts to enhance signal

| Variable                               | DM-SRL | DM-SRH |
|--|--------|--------|
| $ m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z $ [GeV] (SF only) | >20    | >20    |
| b-jet multiplicity                     | > 0    | > 0    |
| $\Delta\phi_{\text{boost}}$            | < 1.0  | < 1.0  |
| $m_{T2}^{ll}$ [GeV]                    | >120   | >120   |
| $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]              | > 180  | > 260  |

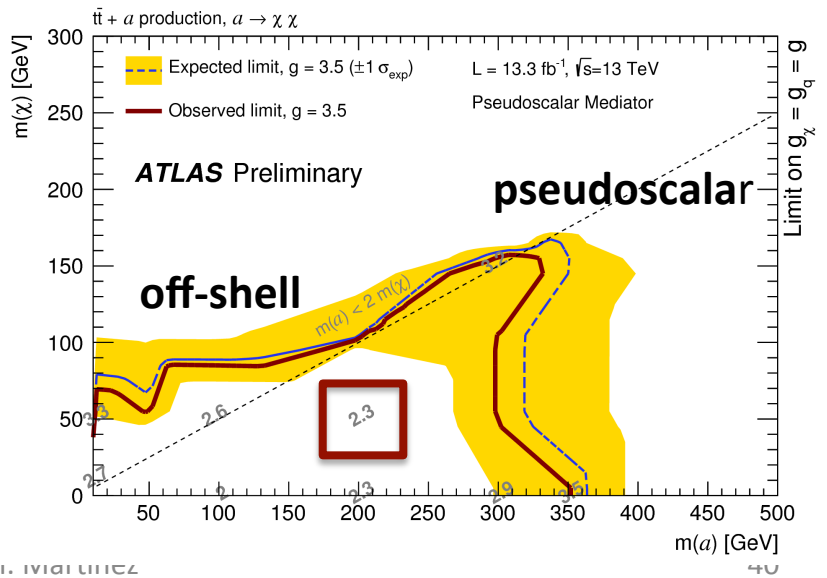
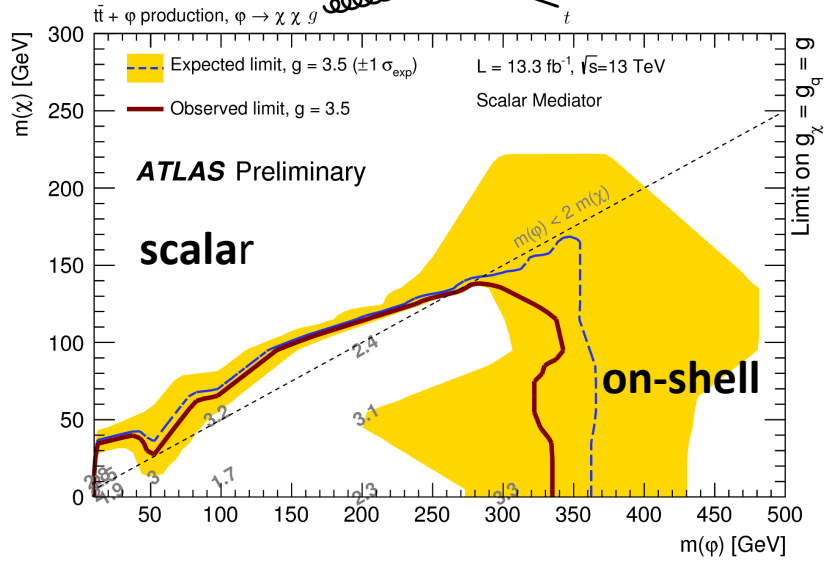
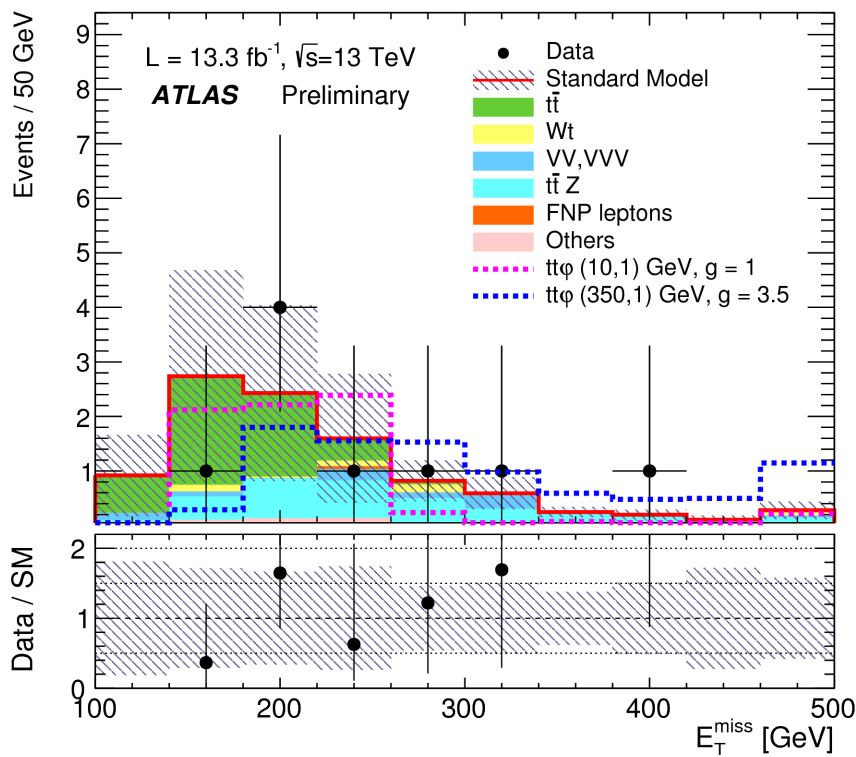
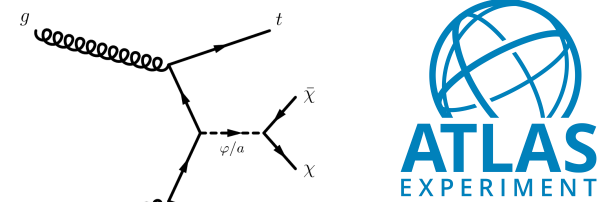
$$m_{T2}(\mathbf{p}_{T,1}, \mathbf{p}_{T,2}, \mathbf{q}_T) = \min_{\mathbf{q}_{T,1} + \mathbf{q}_{T,2} = \mathbf{q}_T} \{ \max[ m_T(\mathbf{p}_{T,1}, \mathbf{q}_{T,1}), m_T(\mathbf{p}_{T,2}, \mathbf{q}_{T,2}) ] \}$$

→ Dominated by top production (tt & tt+Z)

Background normalizations constrained in dedicated control regions.



# DM+tt (dilepton channel)

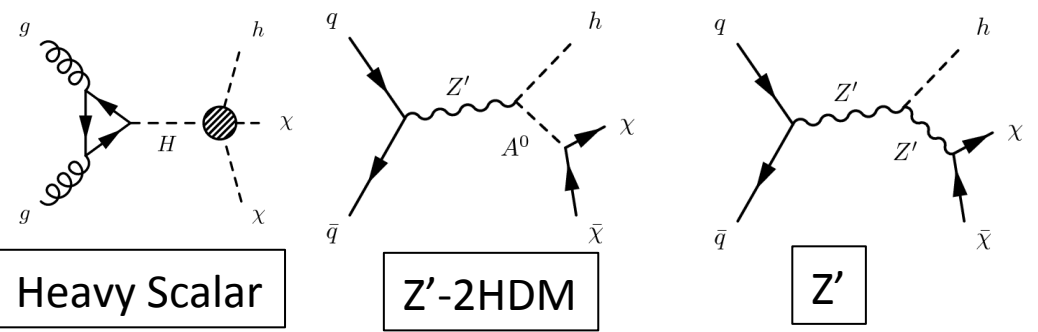


Good agreement with SM predictions

95% CL limits on visible cross section in the range **0.65 fb – 0.43 fb**

Limits on DM models assuming  $g= 3.5$  **(95% limits on  $g$  in the Figures)**

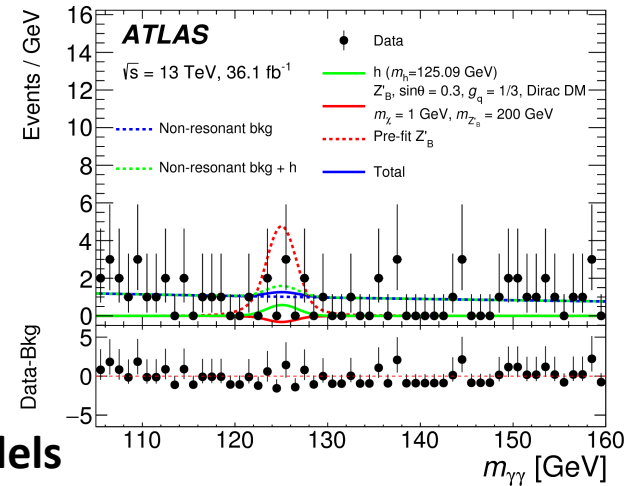
# Higgs ( $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ) + X



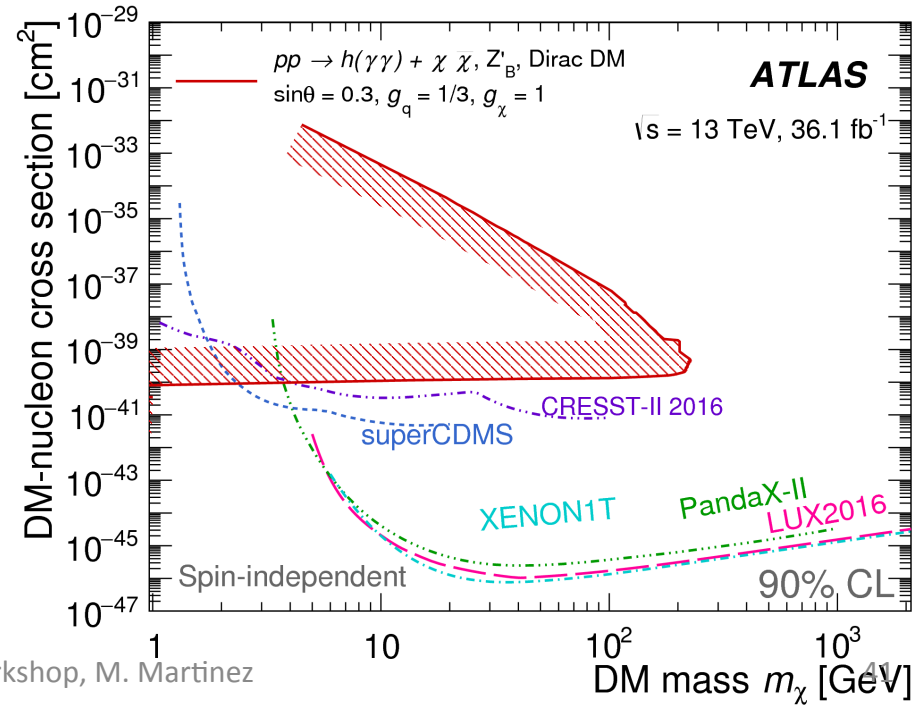
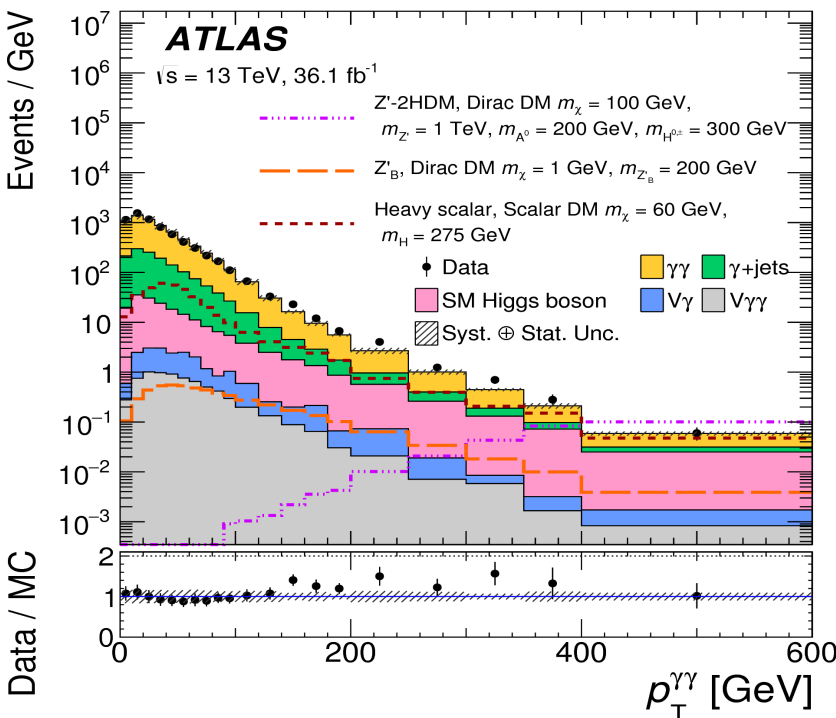
Heavy Scalar

Z'-2HDM

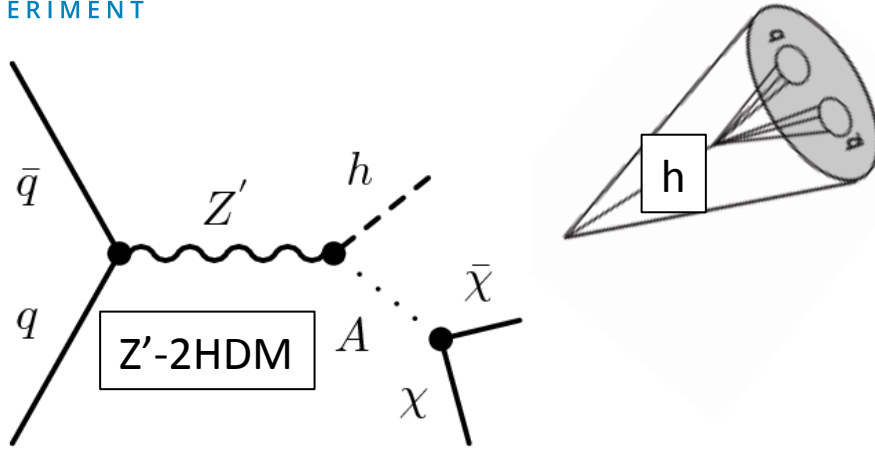
Z'



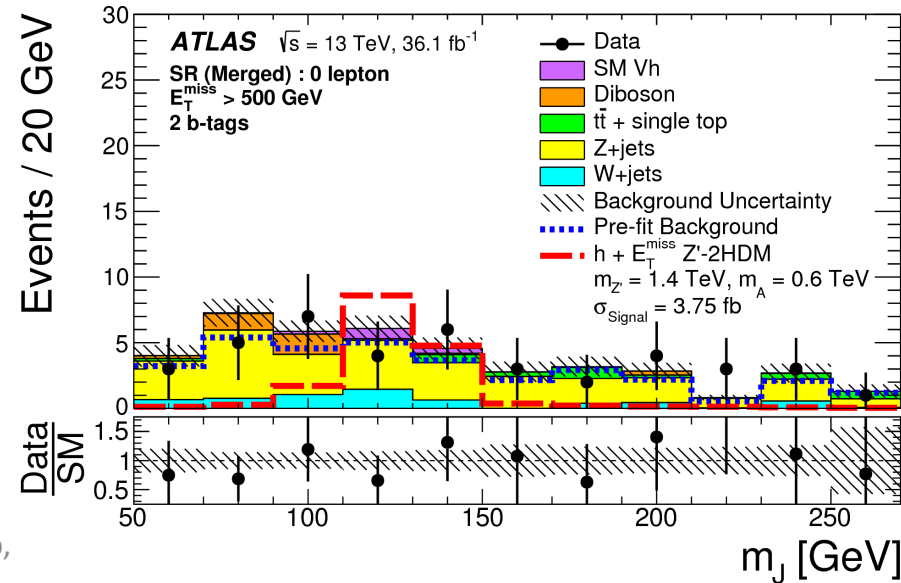
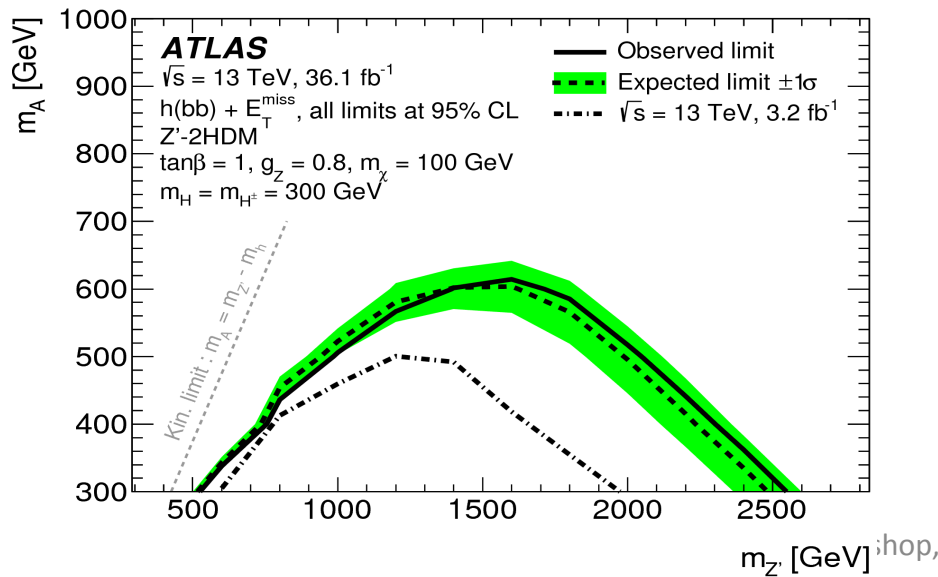
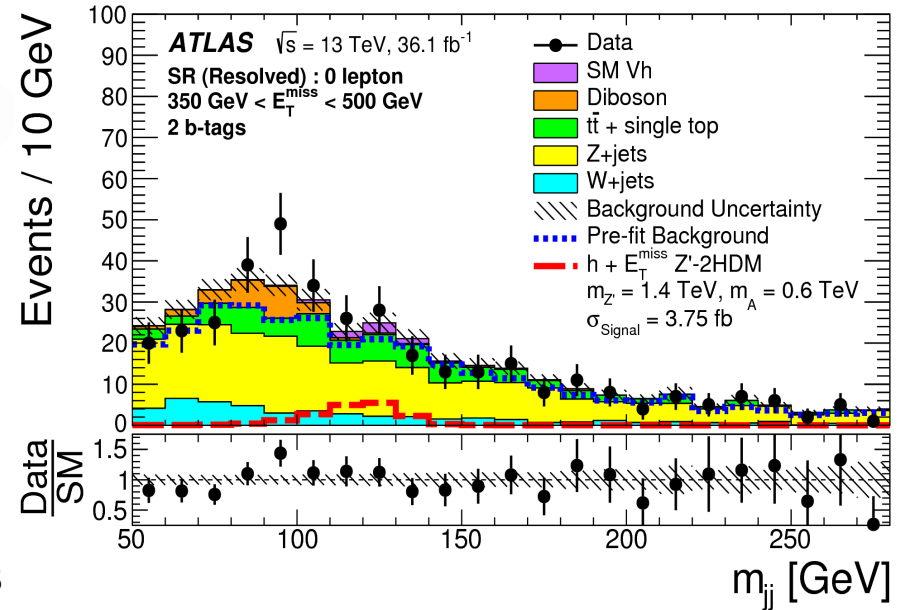
Different selections in terms of  $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}$  and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  significance  
 → Agreement with SM translated in to limits on different models



# Higgs ( $\rightarrow bb$ ) + X



Both resolved and merged configurations with large missing transverse energy and b-tags



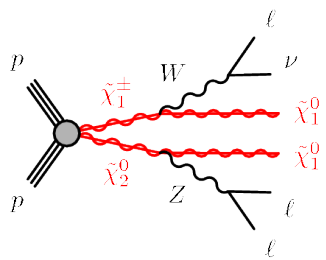


# Final notes

- The nature of the Dark Matter remains one of the biggest questions on particle physics and its potential discovery is a pillar of the ATLAS physics program
- Mono-X and Dijet translated into stringent limits on simplified models based on light mediators
- The search for Dark Matter in association with heavy flavors at the LHC is well motivated and still statistically limited
- Exclusion limits on DM strongly depend on model assumptions
- Less than 1/3 of the data for Run II analyzed.. more to come
- Stay tuned!



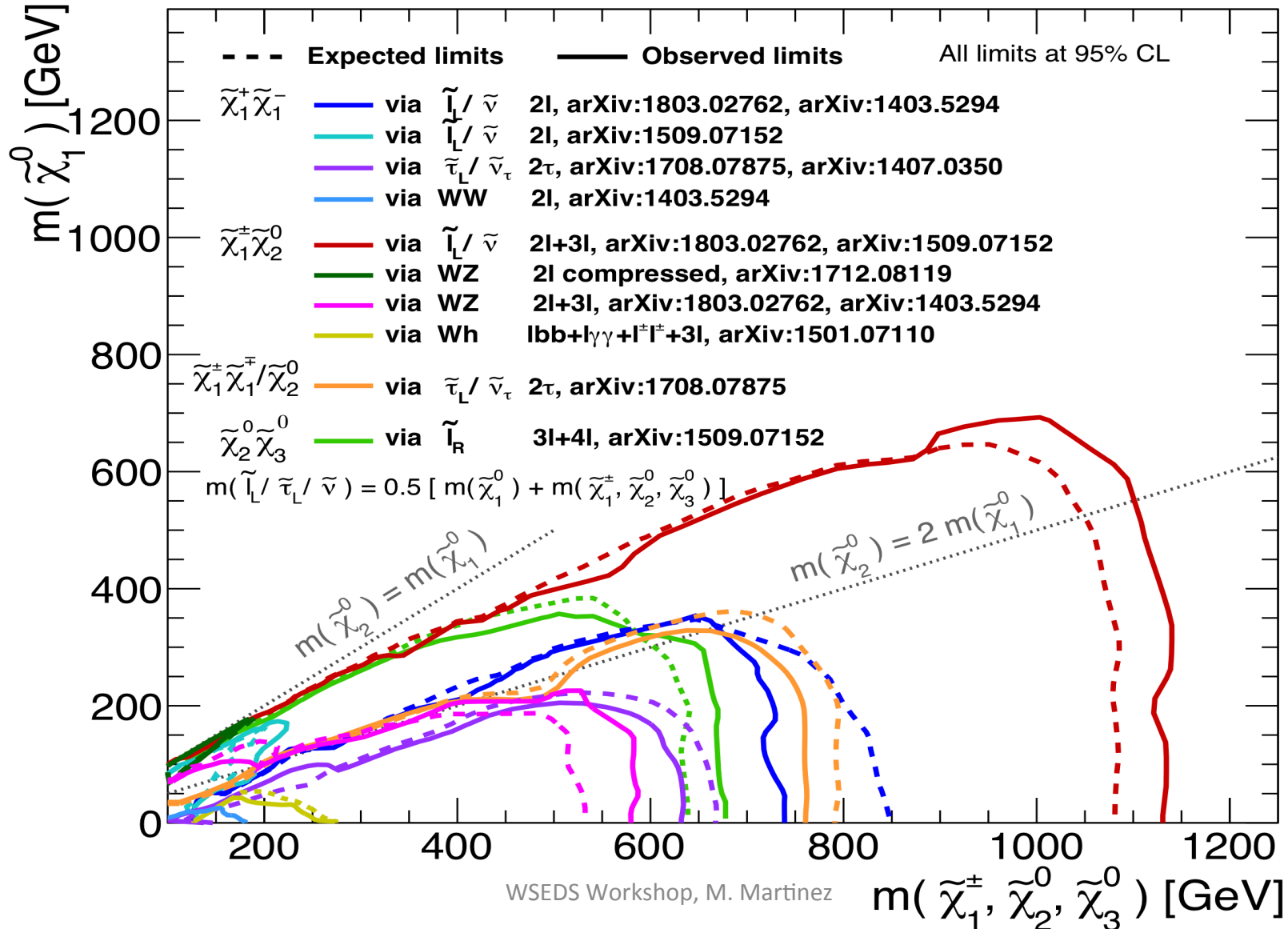
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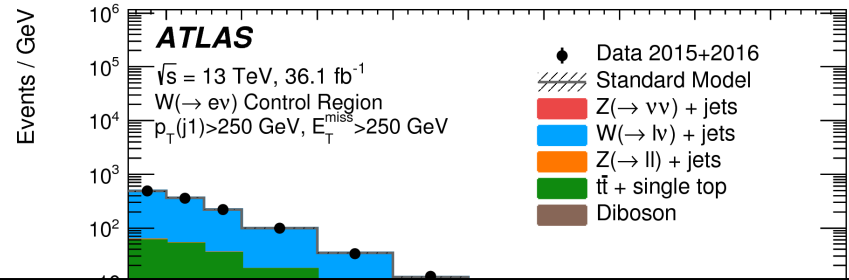
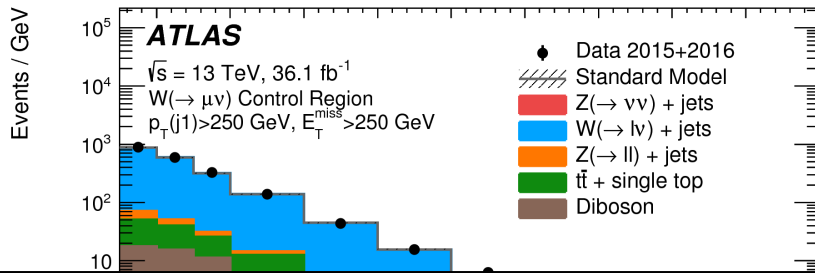
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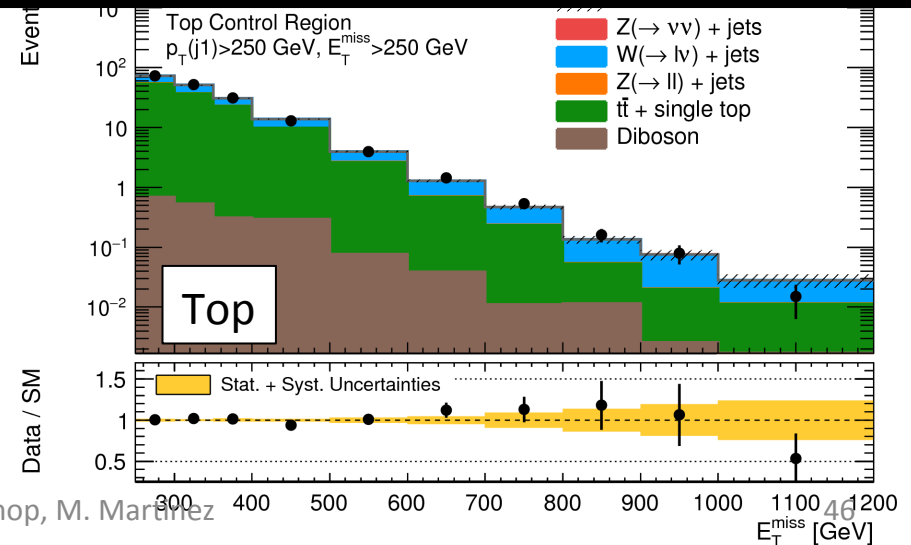
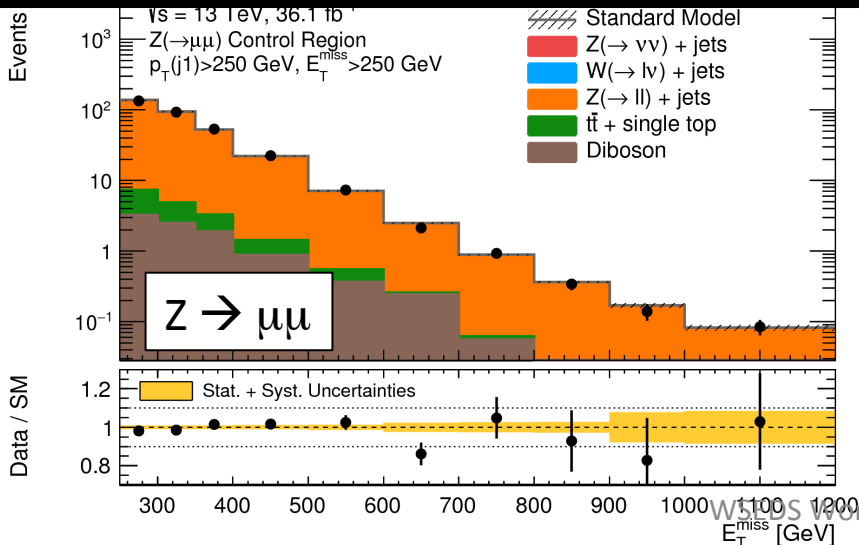


# Jet+X (control regions)

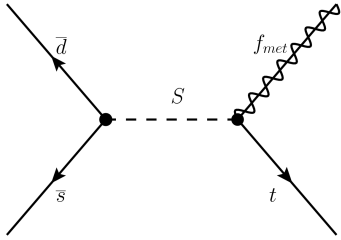


$$\mathcal{L}(\mu, \kappa, \theta) = \prod_r \prod_i \text{Poisson}(N_{ri}^{\text{obs}} | \mu N_{ri}^{\text{sig}}(\theta) + N_{ri}^{\text{bkg}}(\kappa, \theta)) f_{\text{constr}}(\theta)$$

$$N_{ri}^{\text{bkg}} = \kappa^{W/Z} (N_{ri}^{Z(\nu\nu)+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{W(\mu\nu)+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{W(e\nu)+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{W(\tau\nu)+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{Z\rightarrow\tau\tau+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{Z\rightarrow\mu\mu+\text{jets}} + \kappa^t (N_{ri}^{t\bar{t}, \text{single-}t}) + N_{ri}^{Z\rightarrow ee+\text{jets}} + N_{ri}^{\text{diboson}} + N_{ri}^{\text{multi-jet}} + N_{ri}^{\text{NCB}})$$

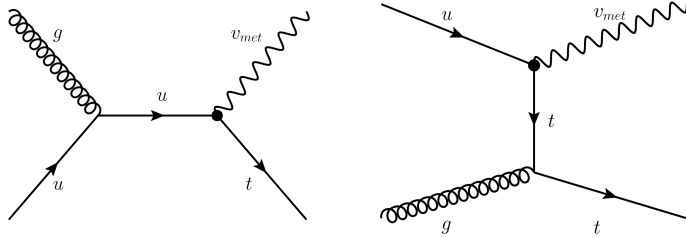
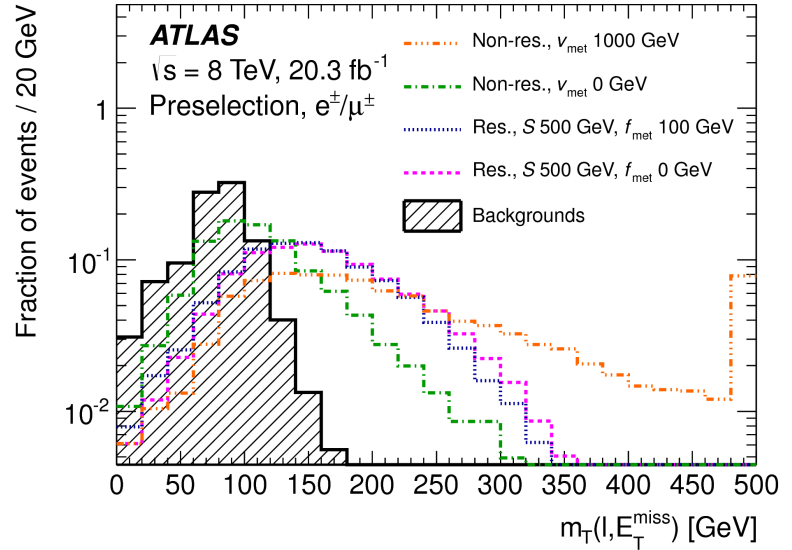




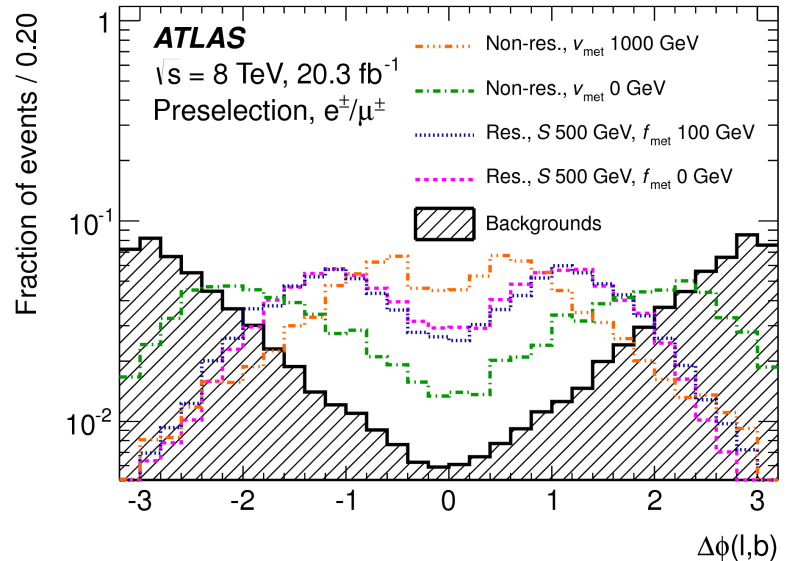


## Considering Top decay in lepton+jets

**Resonant channel**  
**Spin-0 mediator  $\rightarrow$  t + (invisible) fermion**



**Non-resonant channel**  
**Production of t + spin-1 (invisible) particle**



No such mono-top process is available in the SM at tree level

( $t+Z$  ( $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ ) is GIM suppressed )

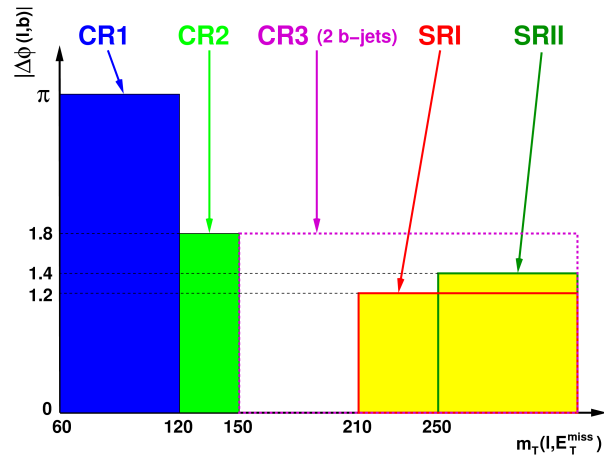
$\rightarrow$  **Sizable event rate would indicate BSM**

Selection based on

- Large missing transverse energy
- One lepton and exactly one b-tagged jet from the top semi-leptonic decay

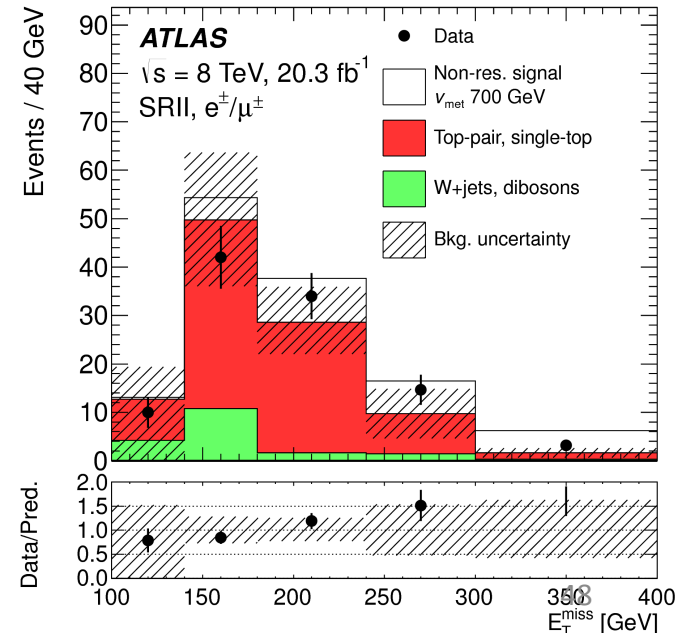
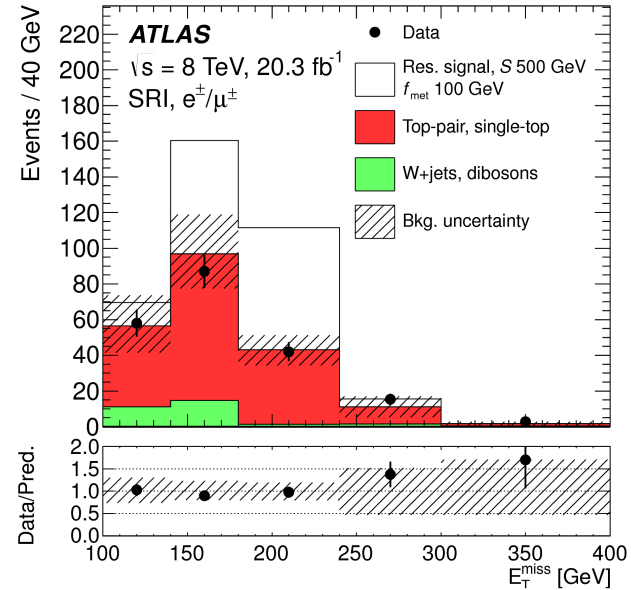
SM background dominated by tt pairs followed by W+jets processes

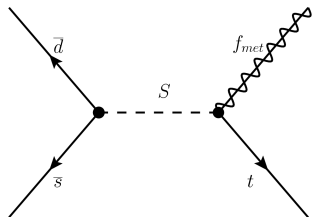
Background predictions are taken from simulation and validated in CRs



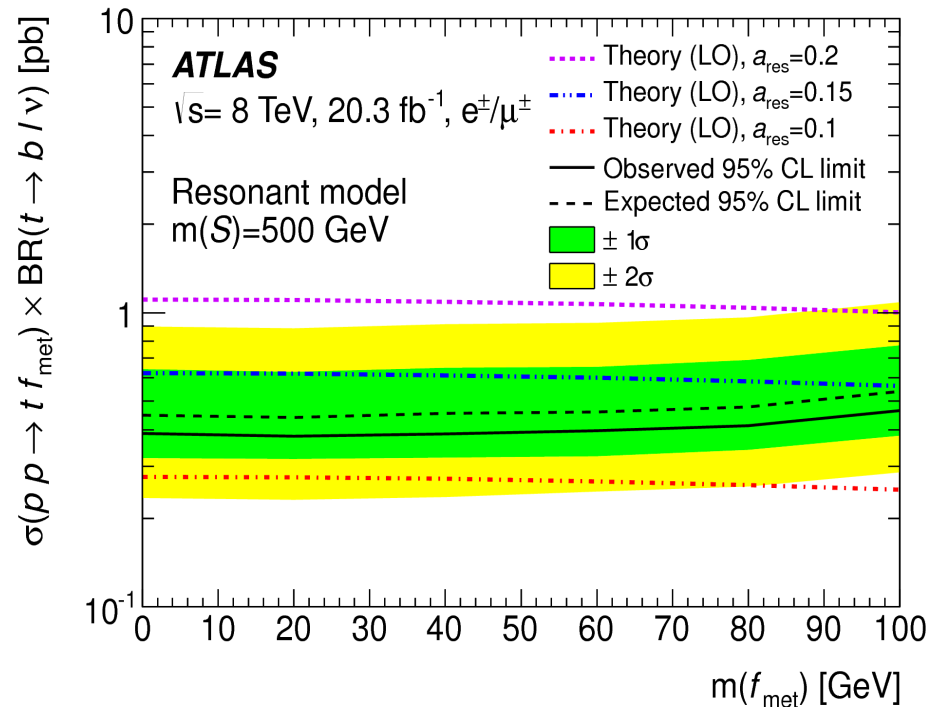
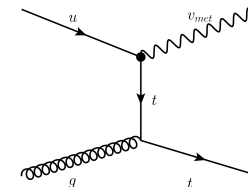
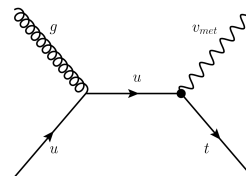
**Good agreement with SM predictions**

Systematic uncertainties from Jet energy scale, b-tagging efficiency and MC modeling + x-section uncertainties

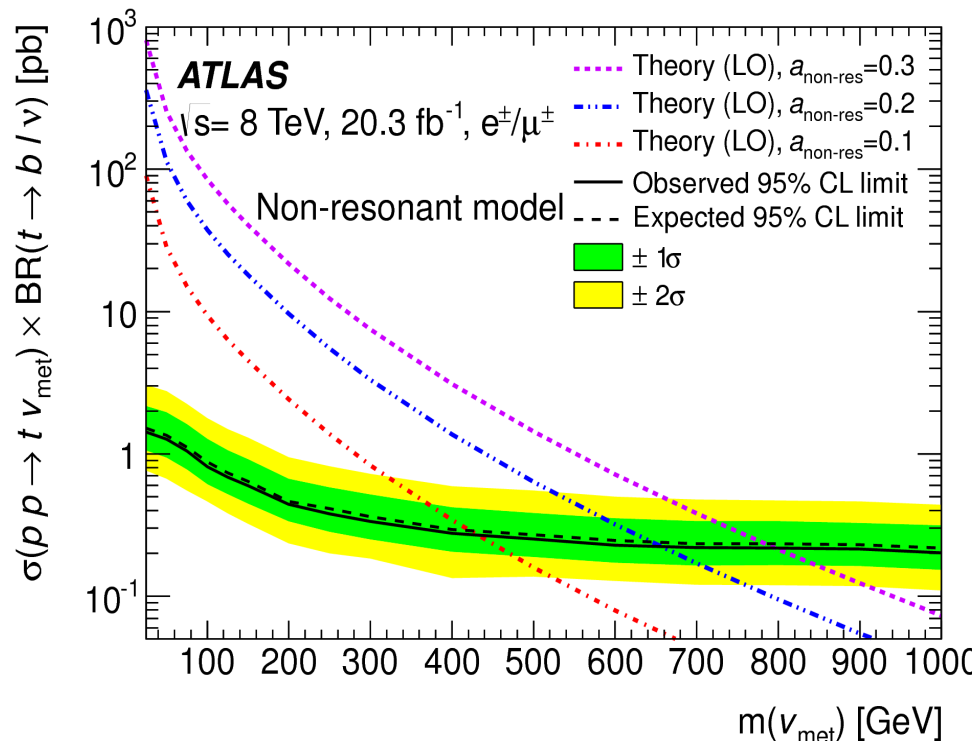




**Parameters:**  
**Mediator mass (resonant)**  
**Mass of invisible particles**  
**couplings**



**For a spin-0 mediator mass of 500 GeV  
 Fermion masses below 100 GeV and  
 couplings above 0.1 are excluded at 95% CL**



**In the non-resonant case masses below  
 400 – 800 GeV are excluded @ 95% CL  
 depending on the coupling assumed**