

Searches for dark matter with the ATLAS detector

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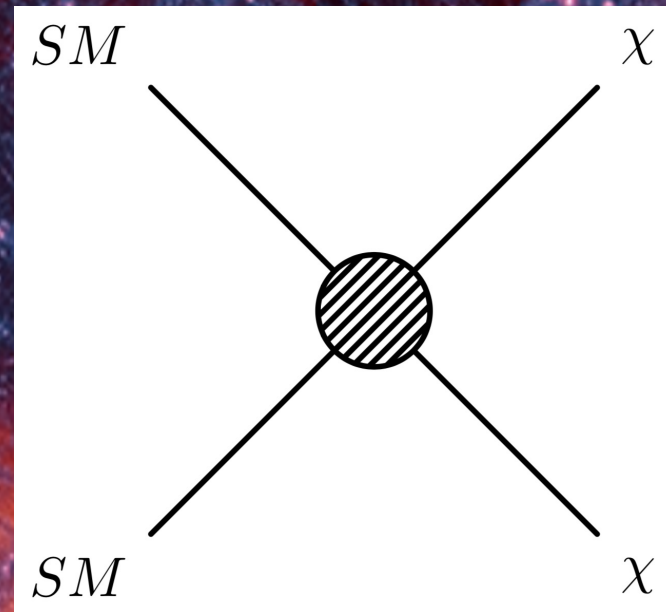


A visualization of the cosmic web, showing a complex network of blue filaments and nodes of orange and yellow galaxies against a dark background.

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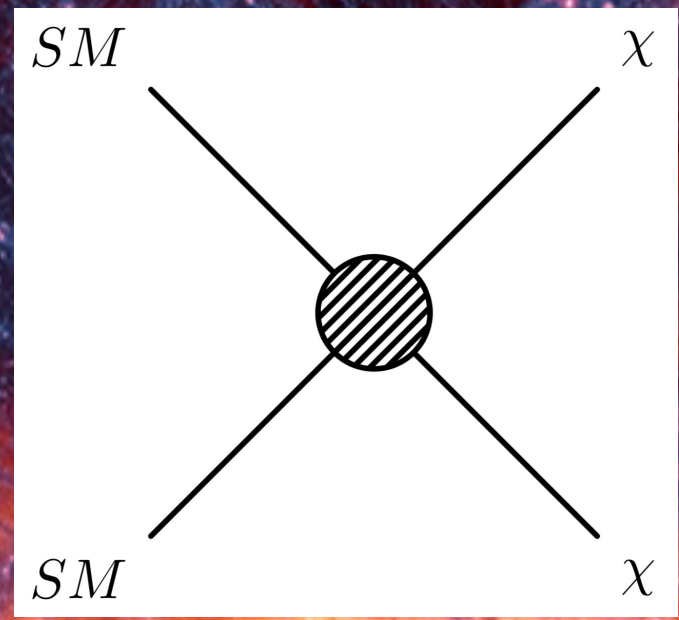


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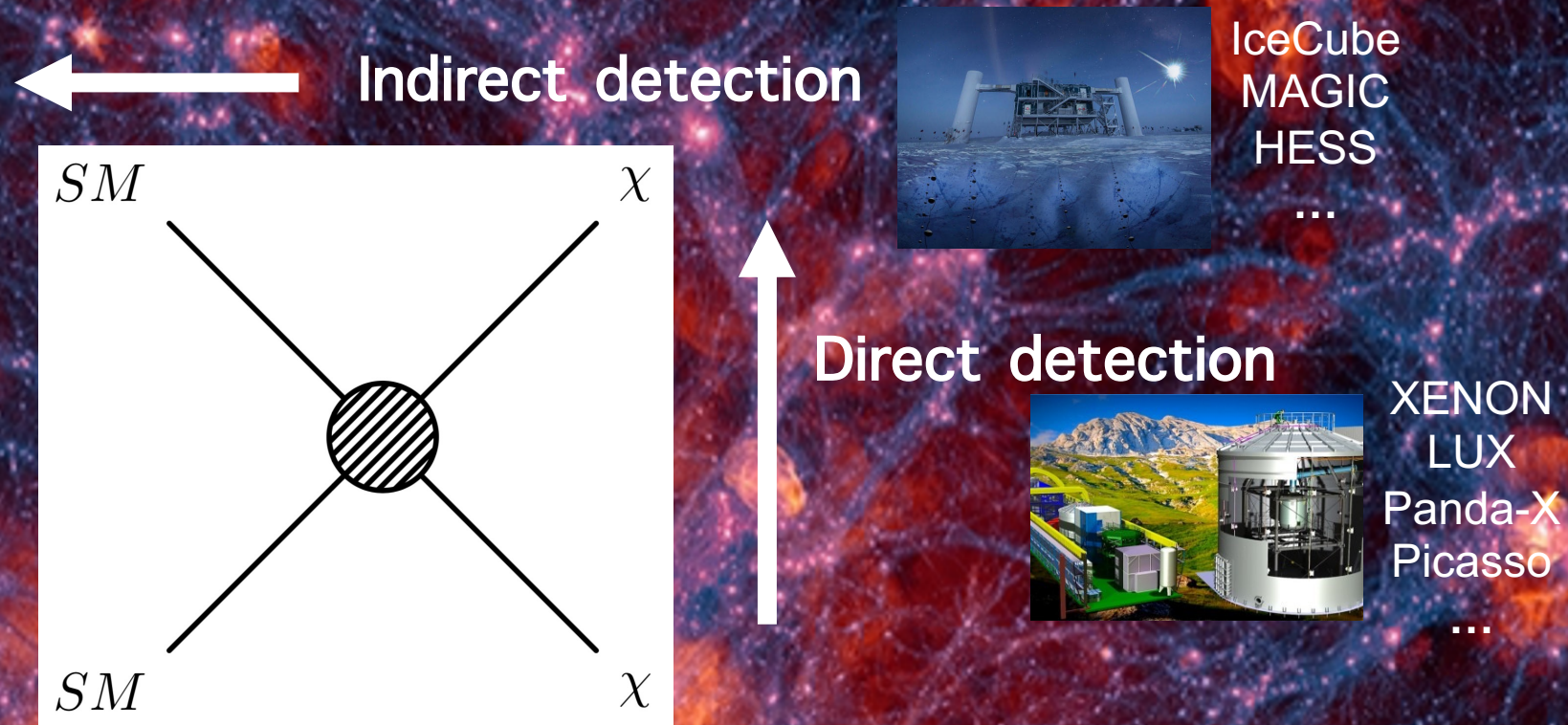
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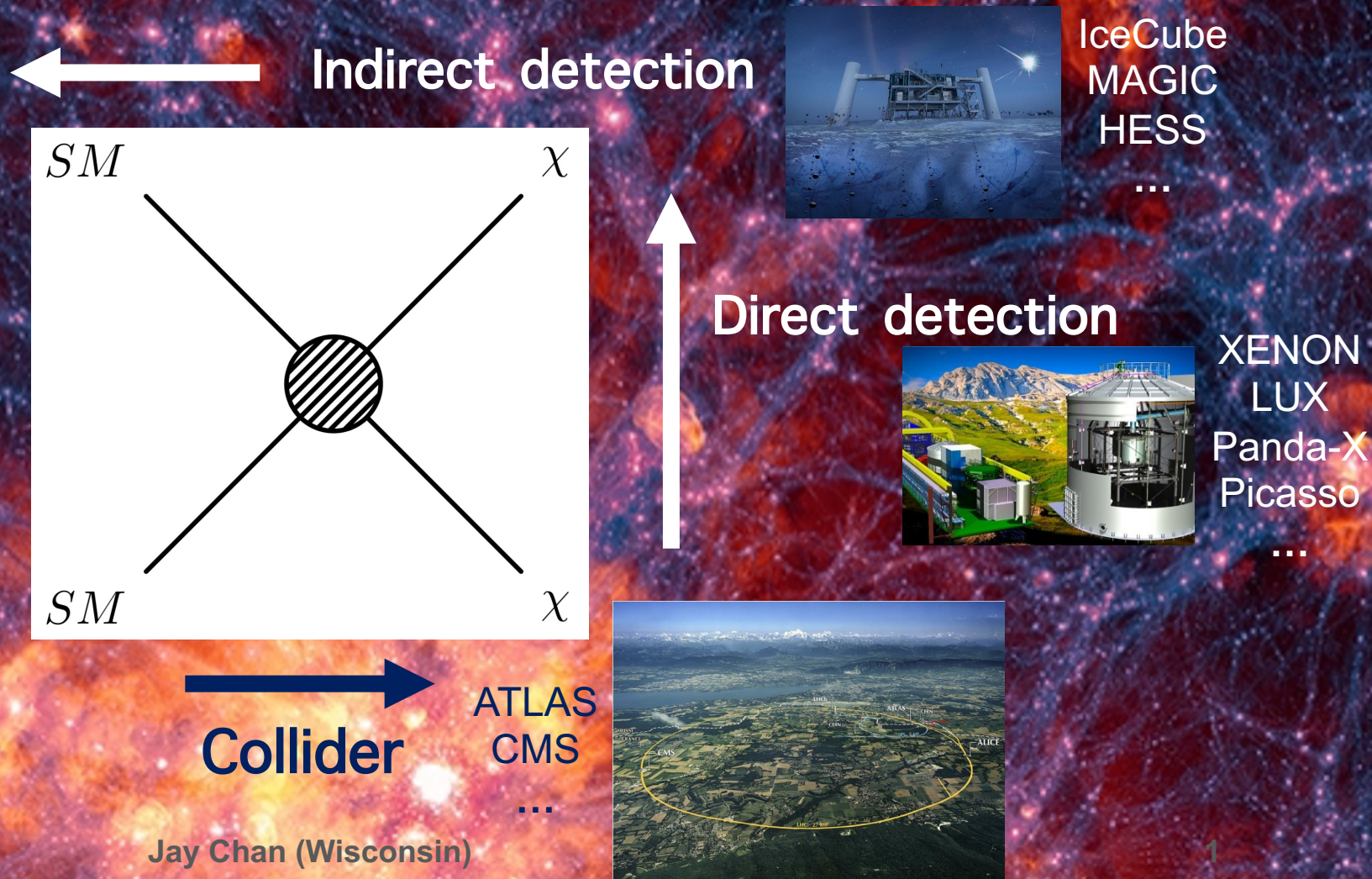
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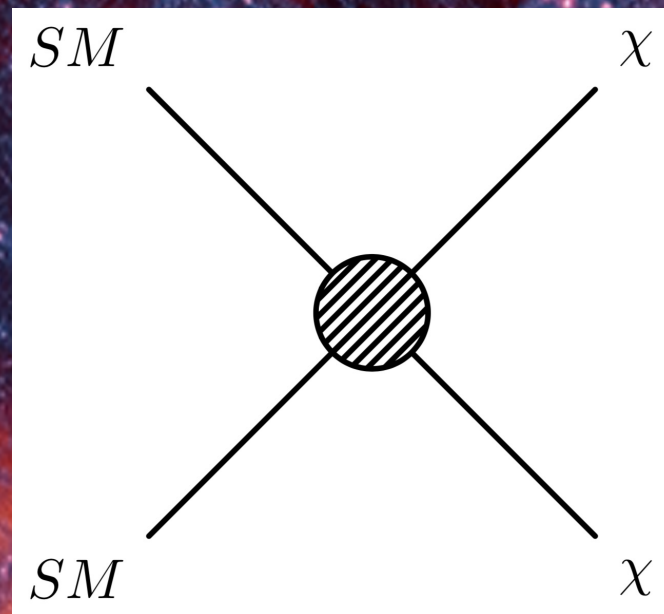


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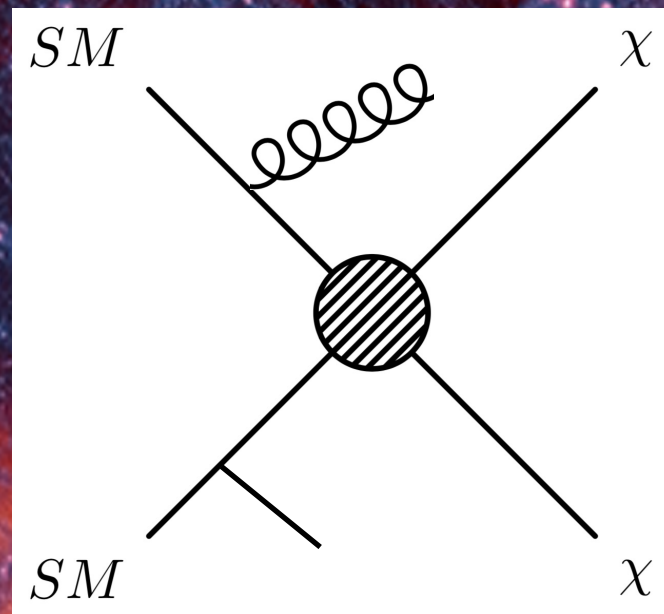


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⇒ Measure the ISR or associated production

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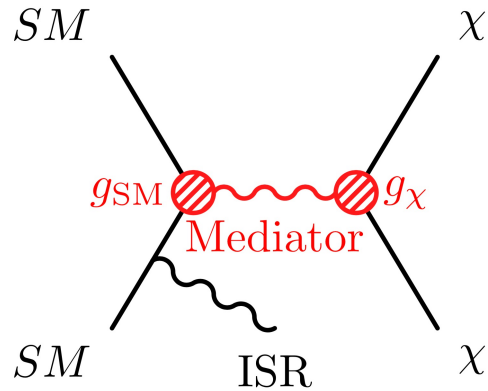
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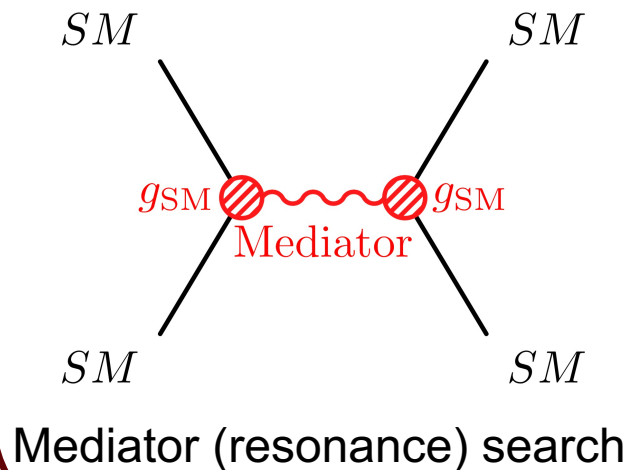


Dark Matter searches with ATLAS

Simplified models



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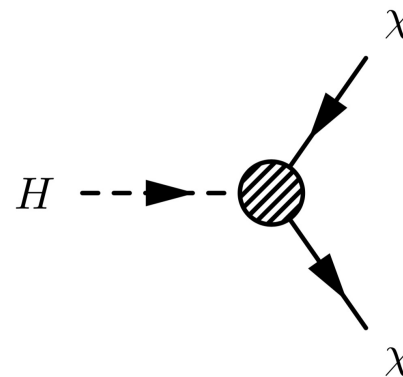


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- A more complex model than the EFT is needed...

Other searches

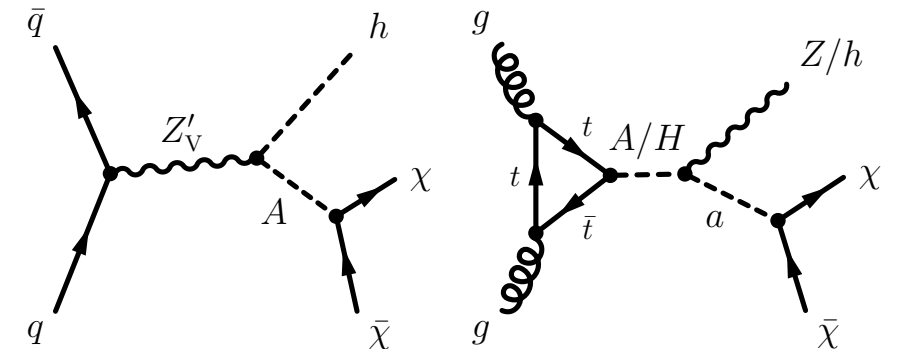
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Higgs portal



Higgs invisible decay (with associated production)

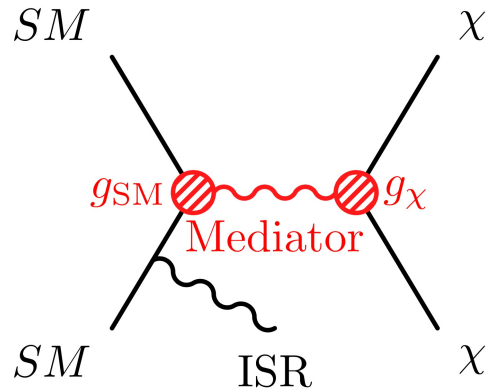
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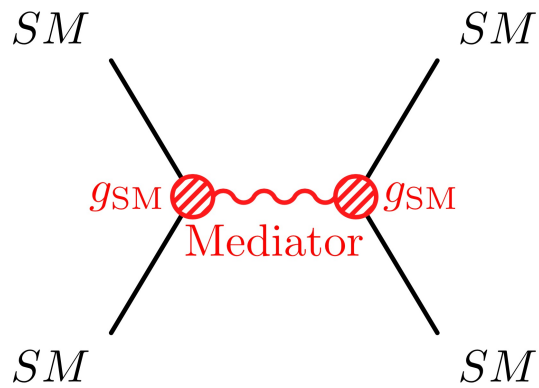
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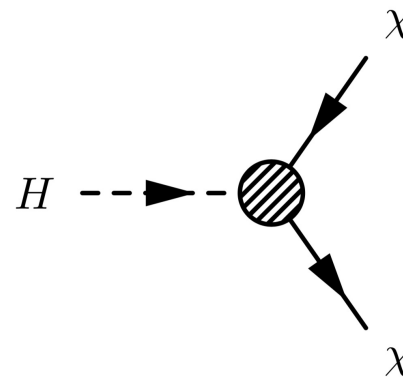


Mediator (resonance) search

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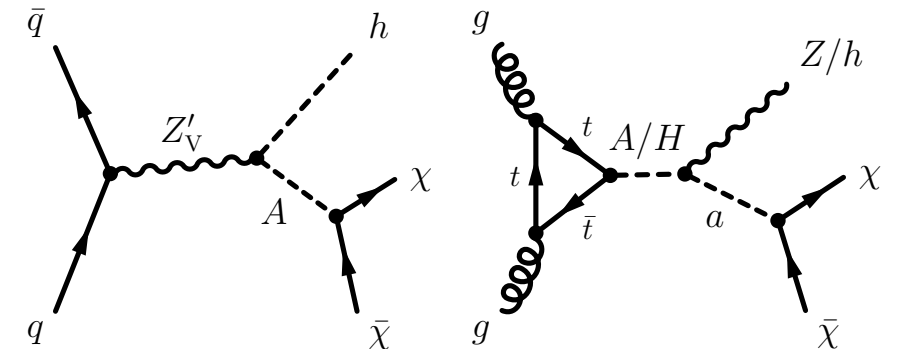
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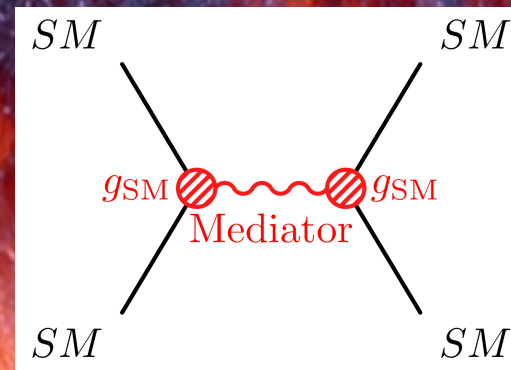
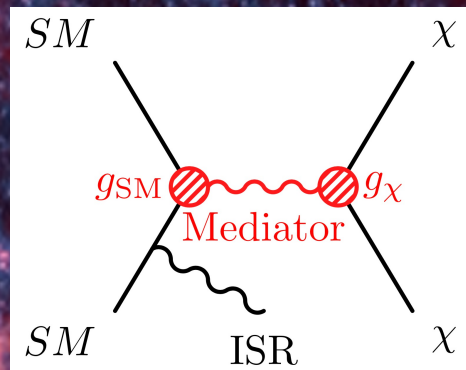
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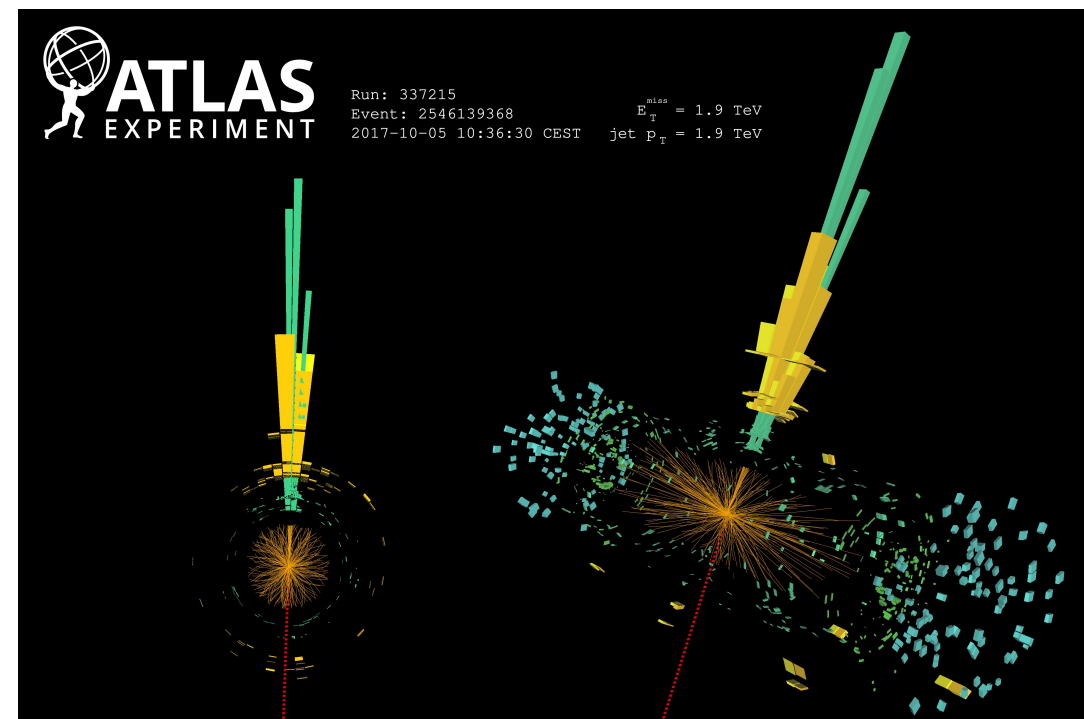
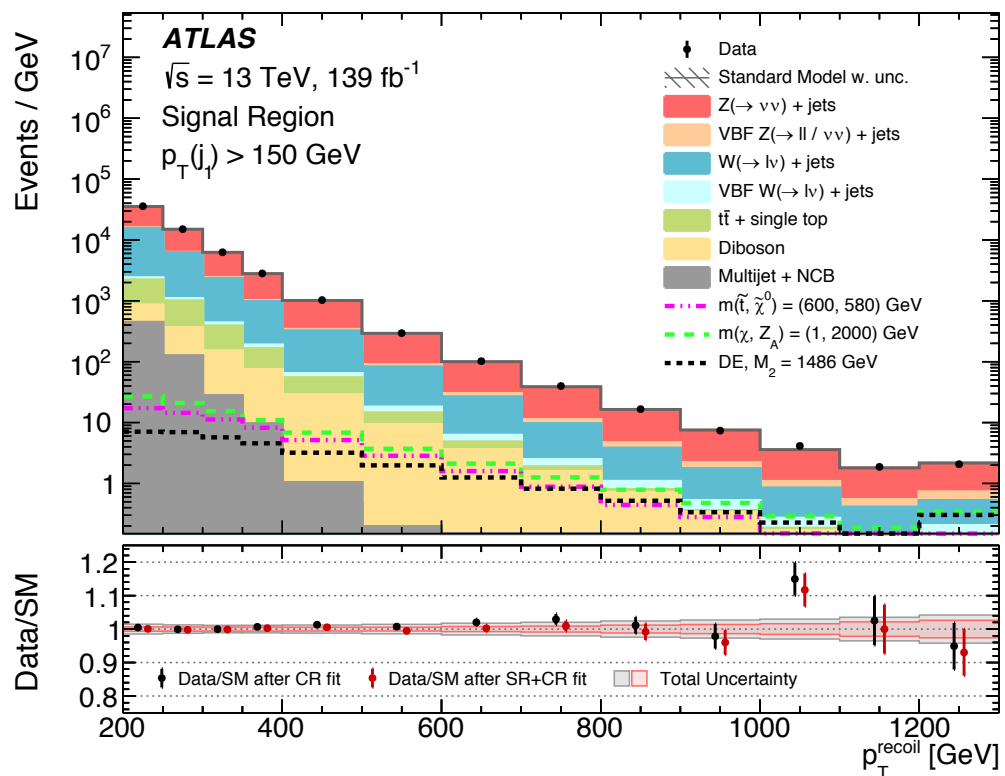
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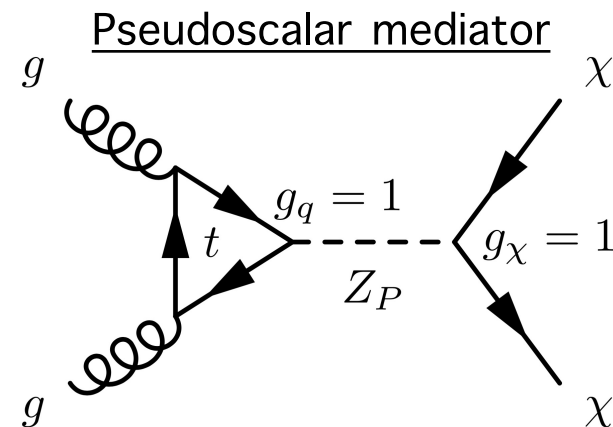
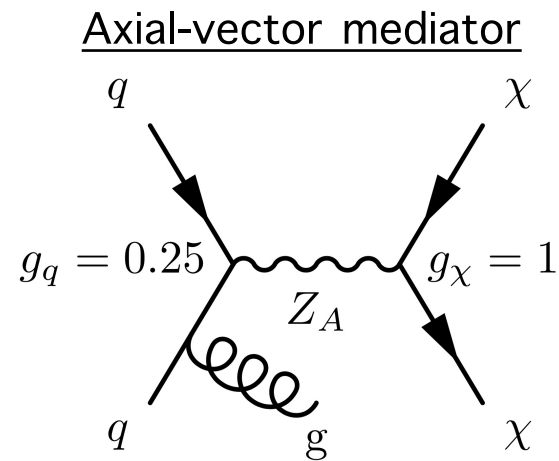
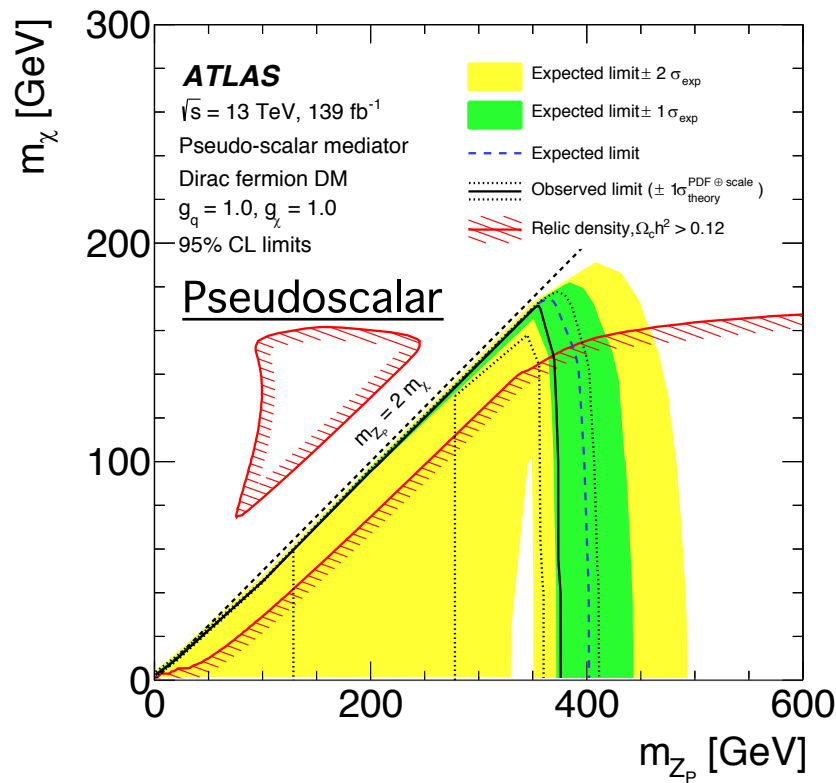
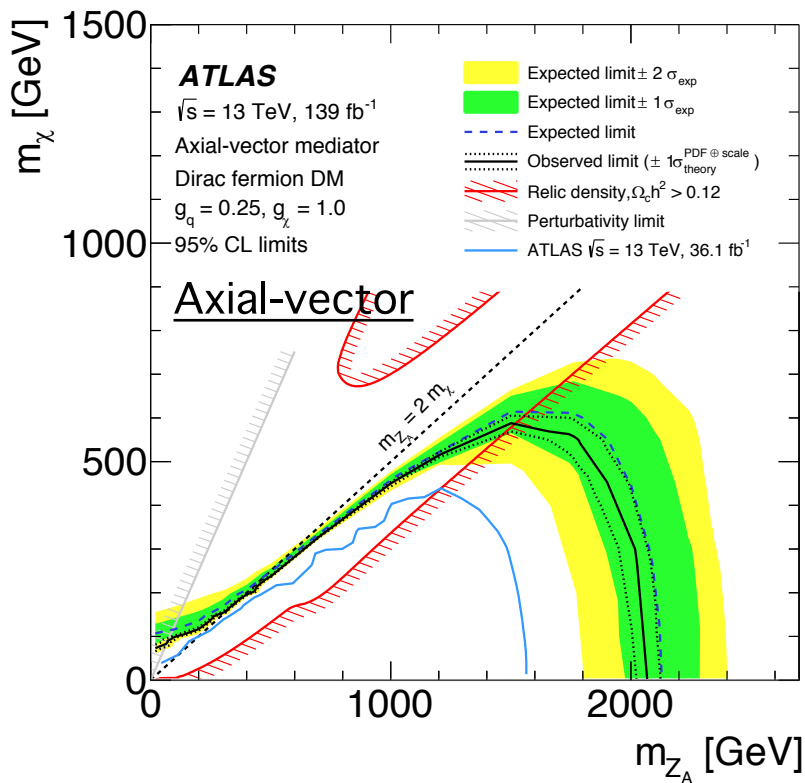
Mono-jet, 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

- The “golden” channel for WIMP searches
- Signal region requires:
 - MET > 200 GeV
 - A leading jet with p_T > 150 GeV, |η| < 2.4
 - Δφ(jet, MET) cuts to suppress multijet



- Background modeling:
 - V+jets, t \bar{t} , single-t modeled with 5 control regions
 - Multijet modeled with jet smearing method
- Main uncertainties:
 - Pile-up jets, MET, lepton in low MET region
 - Modeling of single-t and V+jets in high MET region
- Fit to the MET (or p_T(recoil)) spectrum in SR+CR

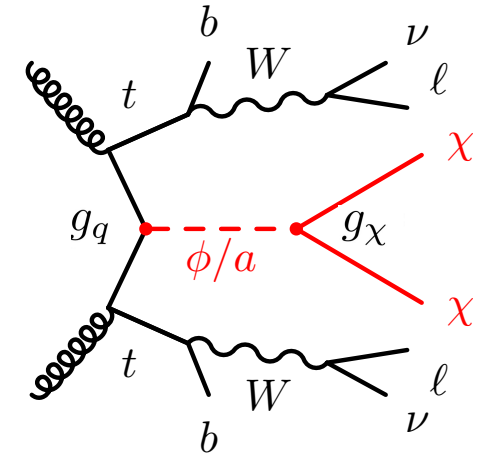
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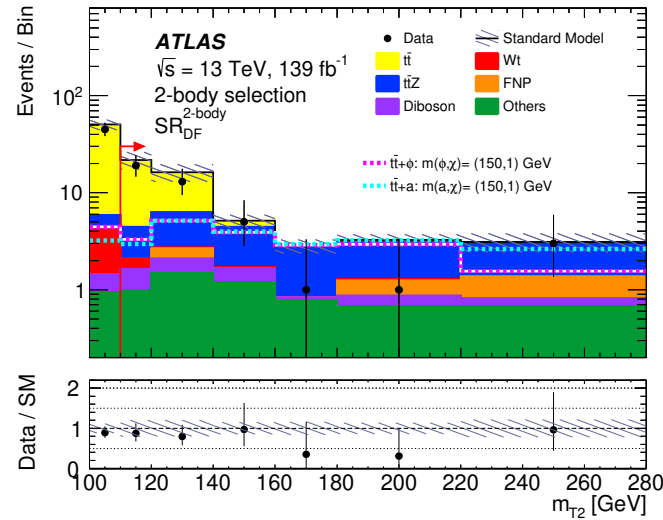
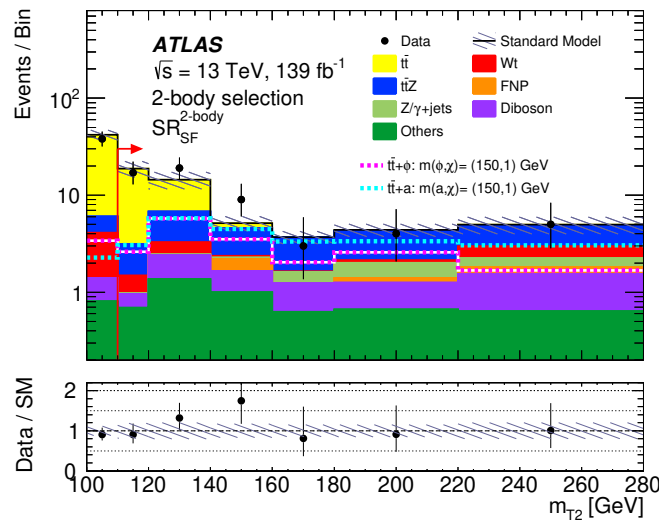
- No significant deviation from SM observed
- Simplified model with an axial vector mediator excluded up to $m_{Z_A} = 2.1 \text{ TeV}$
- First time having sensitivity to exclude simplified model with a pseudoscalar mediator (up to $m_{Z_P} = 376 \text{ GeV}$)

MET+ $t\bar{t}$, 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

- Sensitive to the associated scalar/pseudoscalar production with a pair of t-quarks
- $t\bar{t}$ decay **fully- or semi-leptonically (fully-leptonic presented)**
- Signal region requires:
 - 2 leptons, $p_{T_{l1(l2)}} > 25(20)$, $m_{ll} > 20$
 - ≥ 1 b-jets
 - MET significance > 12
 - Further cuts to suppress $t\bar{t}$ and DY

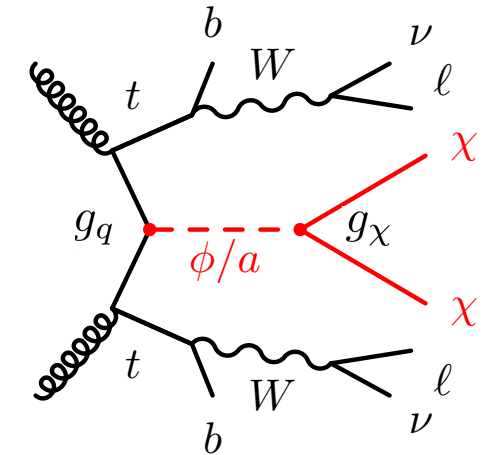
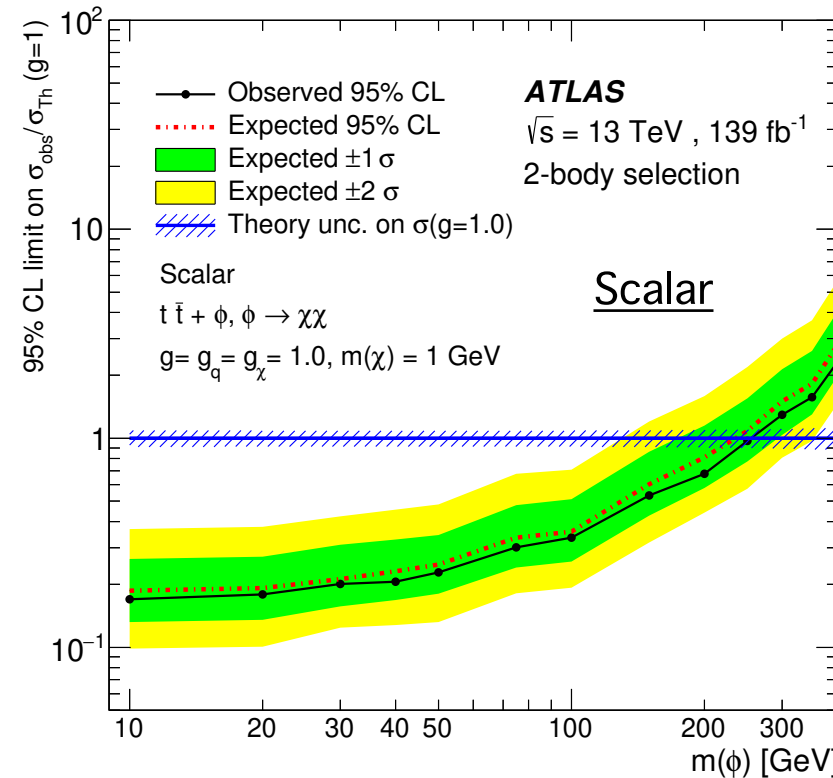
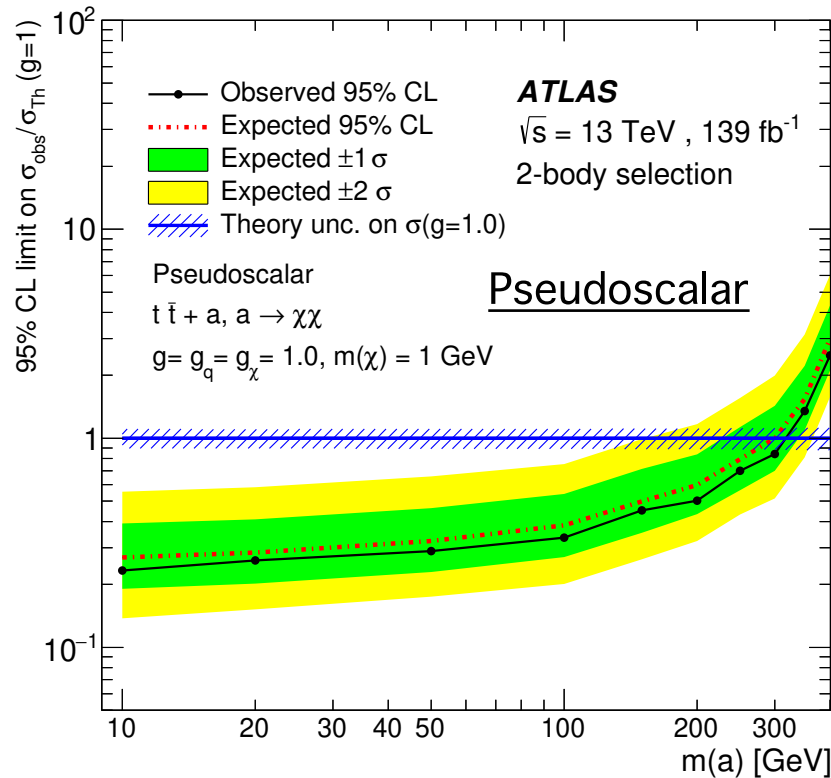


- A sophisticated variable m_{T2} used as final fit discriminant (definition in backup)
- Main backgrounds $t\bar{t}$ and $t\bar{t}Z$ modeled by control regions
- Main uncertainties include $t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}Z$ modeling and jet energy resolution and scale
- No significant deviation found



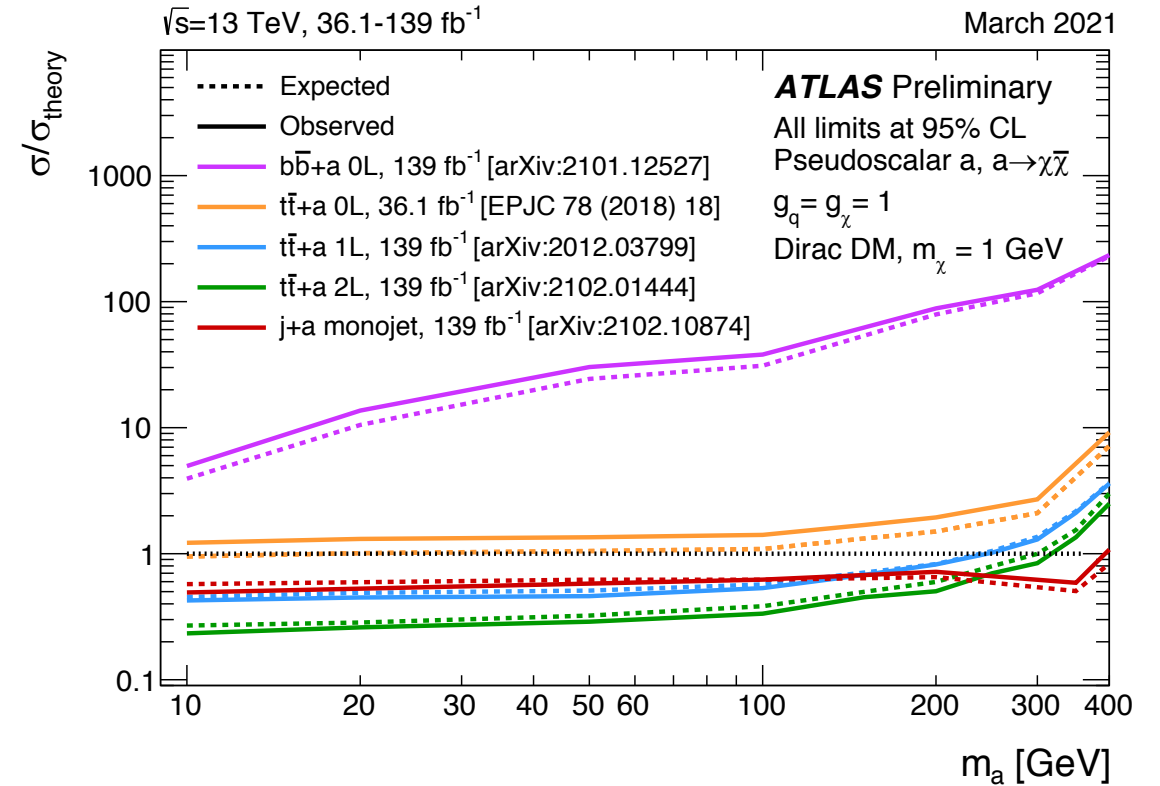
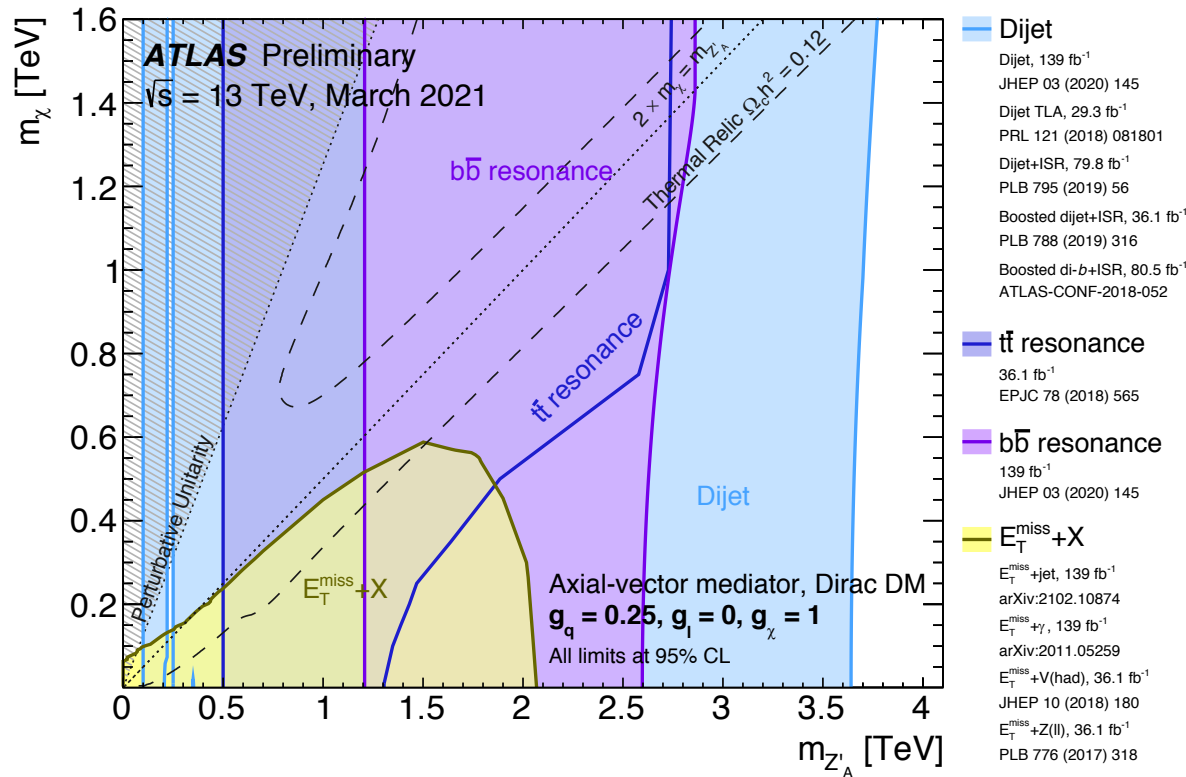
MET significance = MET / resolution

MET+t \bar{t} , 13TeV, 139fb $^{-1}$



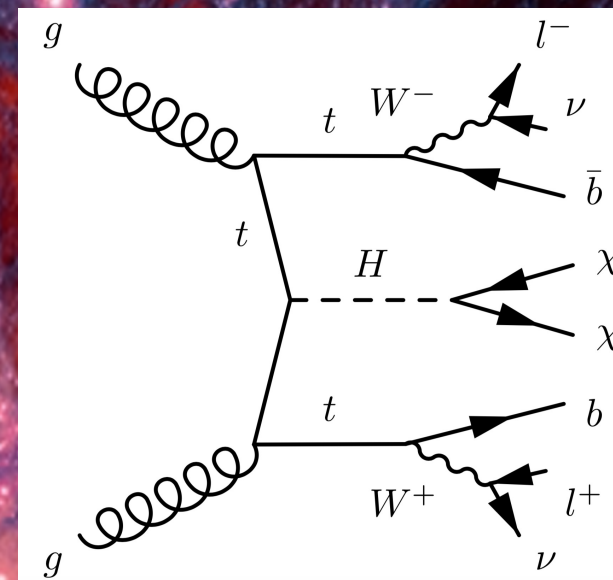
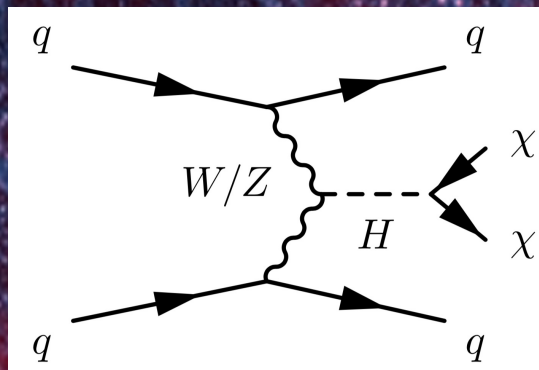
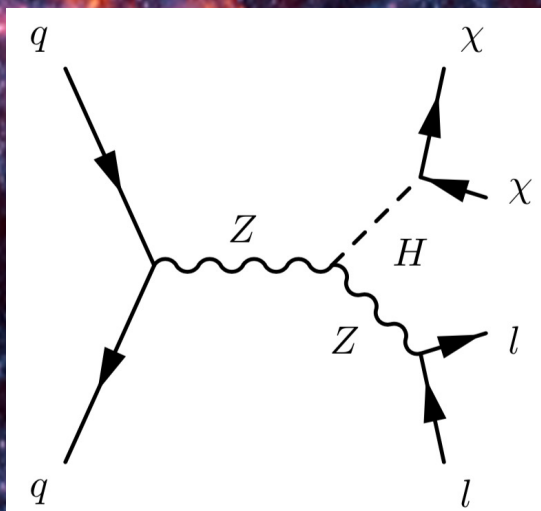
- Exclusion limits set on simplified models with a scalar or a pseudoscalar mediator
- Excluded for scalar (pseudoscalar) mediator masses up to 250 (300) GeV assuming $g_q = g_\chi = 1$

Summary of simplified models



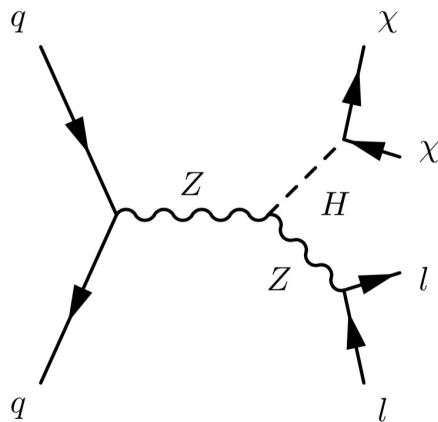
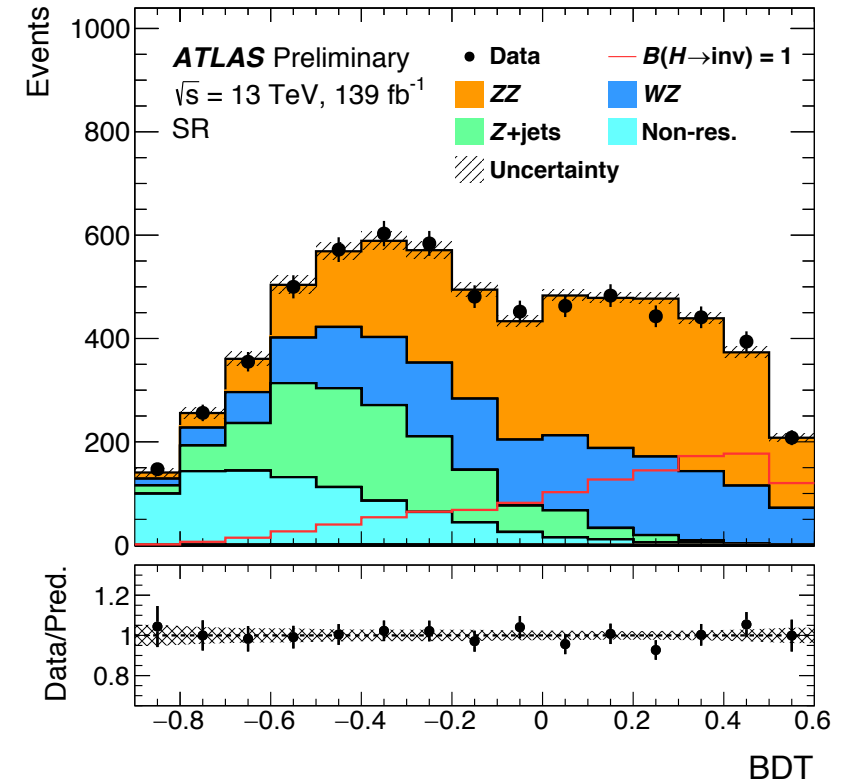
- Spin-1 mediator excluded for masses up to ~ 3.6 TeV mainly by [di-jet](#) search (for the given benchmark coupling strength)
- Mono-jet and MET+t \bar{t} provide strongest limits on spin-0 mediator, excluding for masses up to ~ 376 GeV

Higgs portal ($H \rightarrow \text{invisible}$)



Mono-Z (MET+Z), 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

- Sensitive to Higgs invisible decay with ZH production and the extended Higgs sector (see slide 13)
- Focus on leptonic decay of Z
- Signal region requires:
 - 2 electrons or muons with opposite charges
 - $p_{T_{l1(l2)}} > 30(20)$ GeV, $76 < m_{\parallel} < 106$ GeV, $\Delta R_{\parallel} < 1.8$
 - MET > 90 GeV, MET significance > 9
 - No b-jet
 - BDT trained with 8 variables for the Higgs invisible signal and used as the fit discriminant

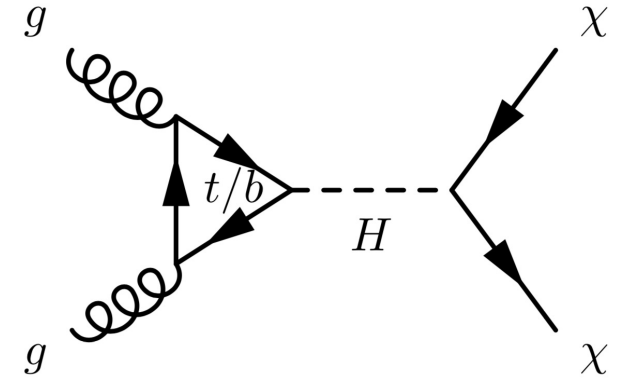


- Dominant backgrounds include **ZZ**, **WZ**, **Z+jets** and **non-resonant processes** (WW + $t\bar{t}$ + single-t + $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$)
 - Modeled with 3 control regions and 2 free normalization factors
- Main uncertainties include ZZ modeling and jet reconstruction
- Upper limits on $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) = 18\%$

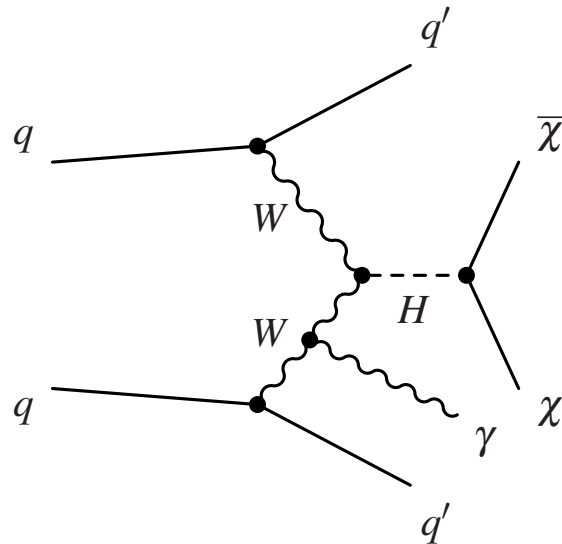
Other channels

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- **Mono-jet (13TeV, 139fb⁻¹)** can also be interpreted as H→invisible
 - Dominated by ggF (73%)
 - Upper limits on Br(H→inv) = 34%



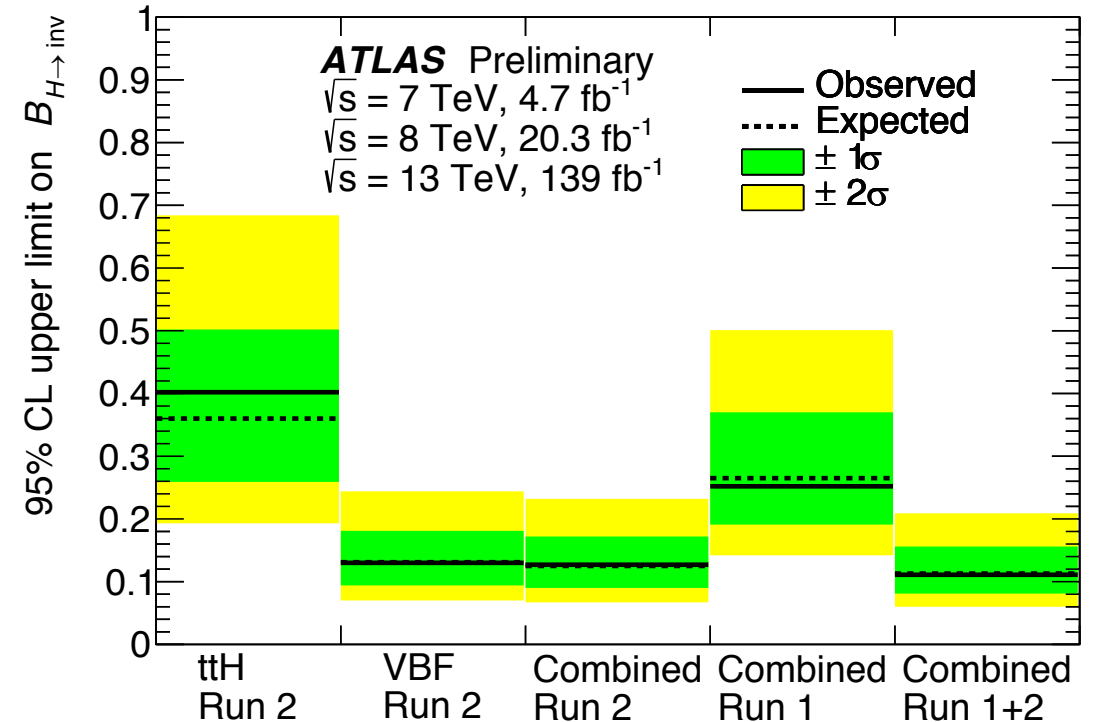
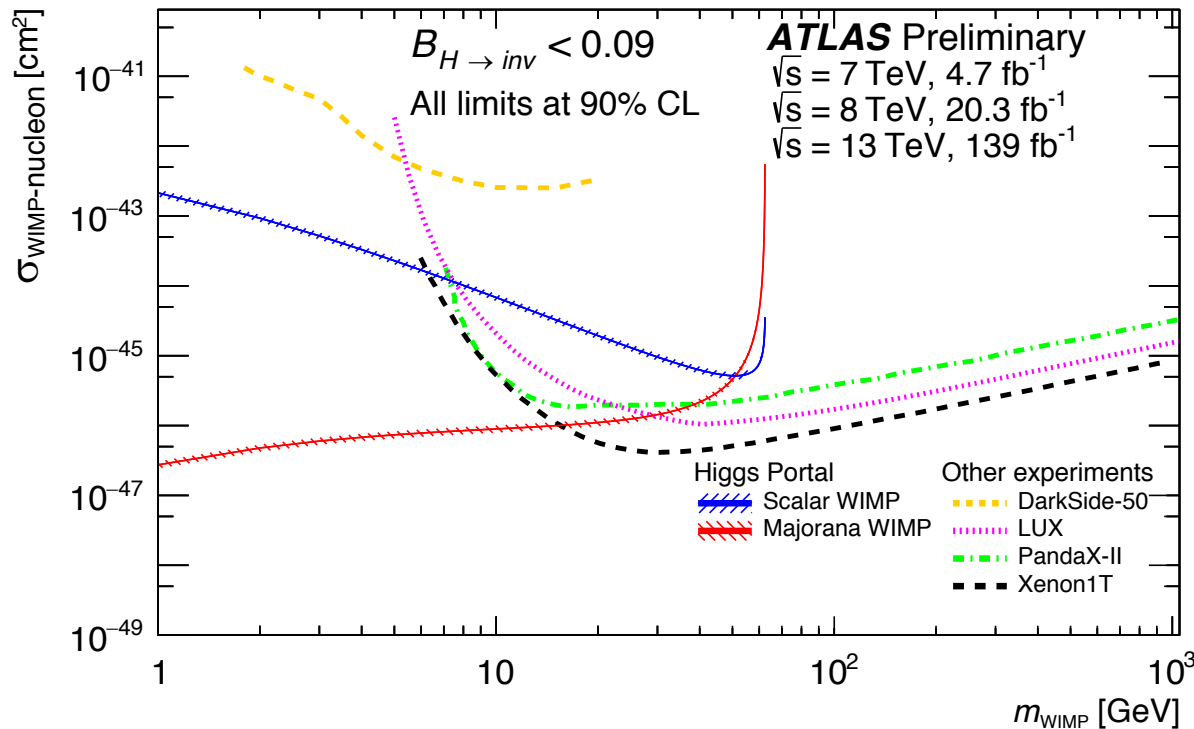
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- **VBF+MET+photon (13TeV, 139fb⁻¹)** targets the H→invisible signal with the VBF production + photon
 - Significantly suppress the V+jet background by requiring an additional photon
 - Upper limits on Br(H→inv) = 37%

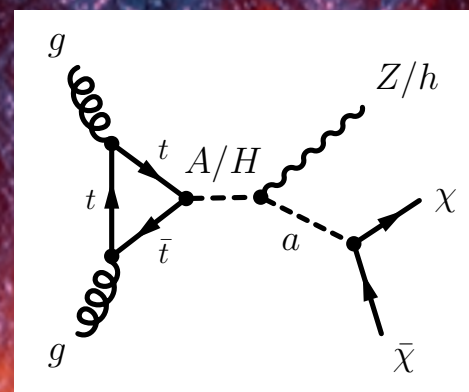
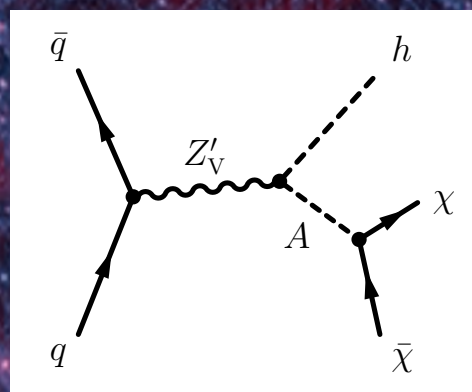
H → invisible combination, 13 TeV, 139 fb⁻¹

- Statistical combination of run-1 and run-2 results
 - Run-2 includes [VBF](#) and [ttH](#) channels (*other channels yet to be combined*)
 - [Run-1](#) includes VBF and VH

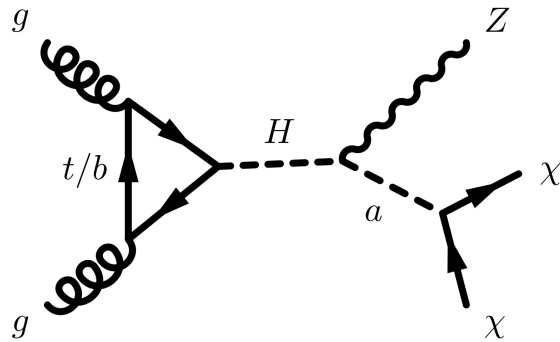
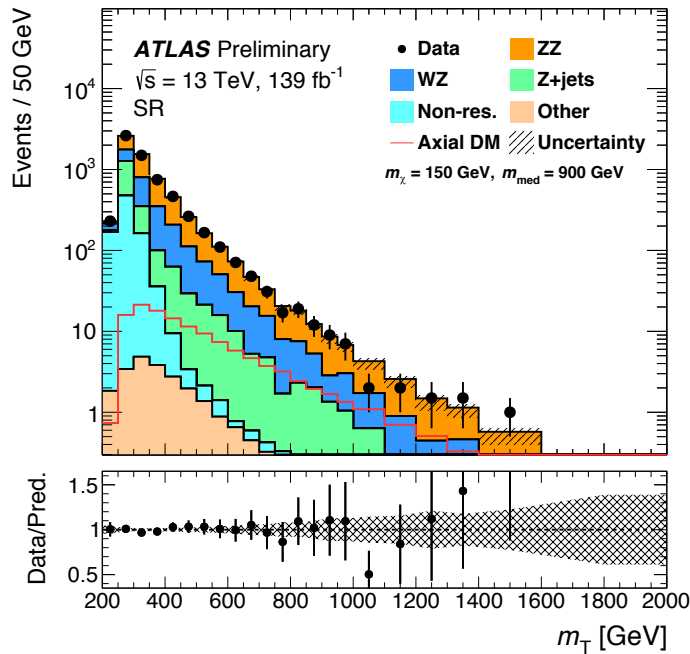


- Upper limit on $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) = 11\%$
- Compared with constraints from direct search assuming H decays to a pair of DM particles that are either scalars or Majorana fermions

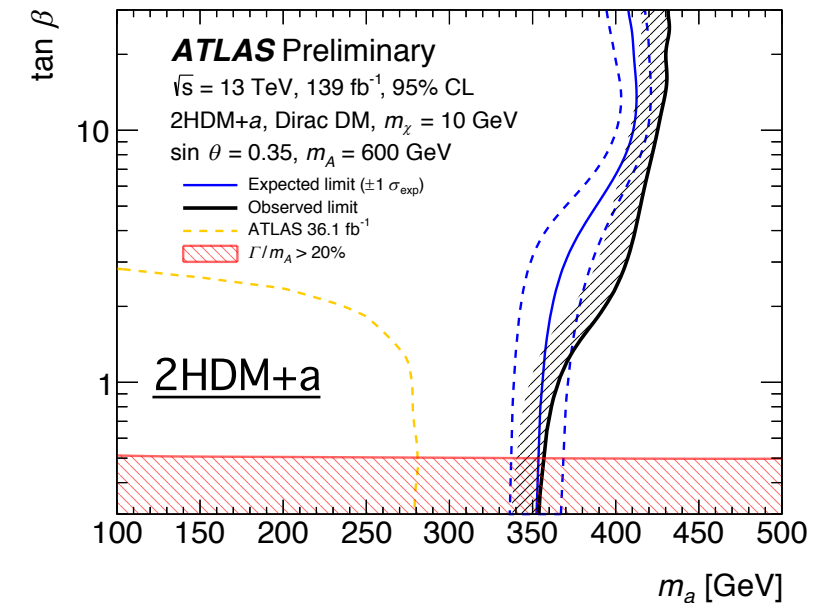
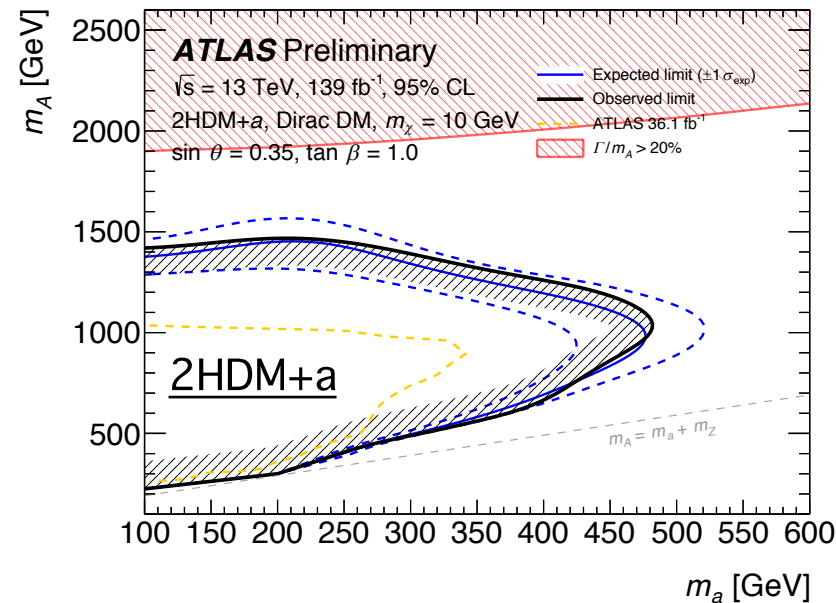
Extended Higgs sector



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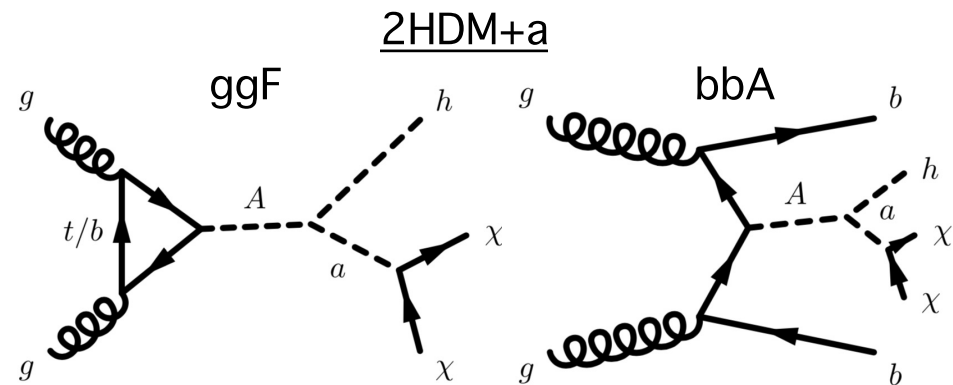
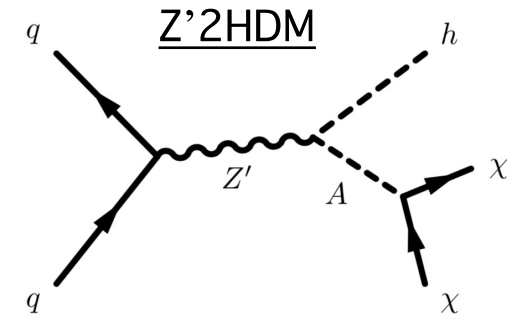
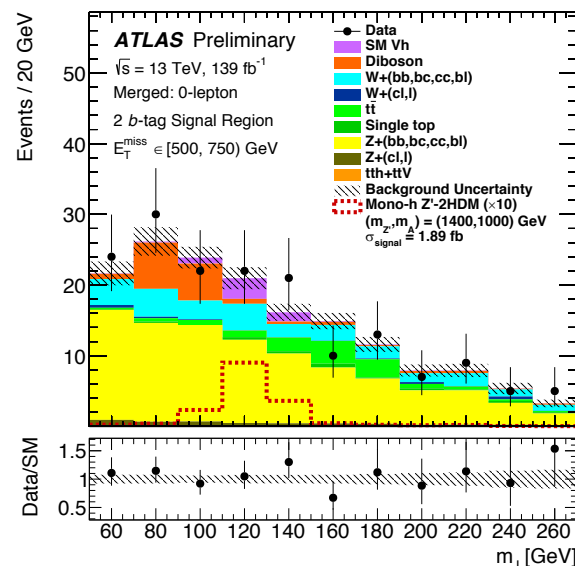
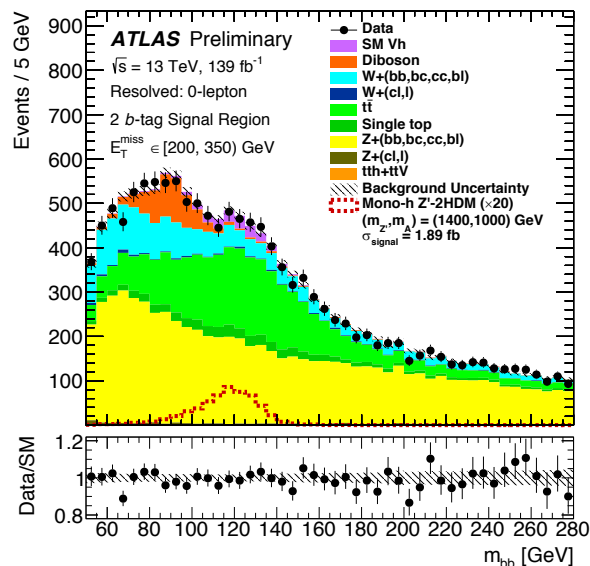


- The mono-Z search can also be interpreted as the **2HDM+a signal**
- $m_T(\text{Z}, \text{MET})$ used as the fit discriminant (instead of BDT)
- Limits set on 2HDM+a in various parameter spaces (m_A , m_a , $\tan\beta$, $\sin\theta$)
- Large improvements compared to previous results!



Mono-h (MET+h), 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

- Sensitive to the **Z'2HDM** and **2HDM+a**
- **h→bb** and h→γγ channels (**h→bb** presented)
- Select events with MET > 150 GeV, no lepton, and an h→bb candidate reconstructed with 2 methods:
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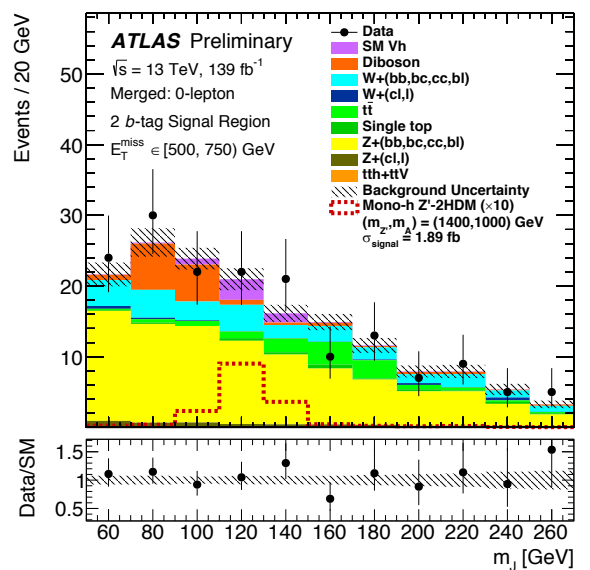
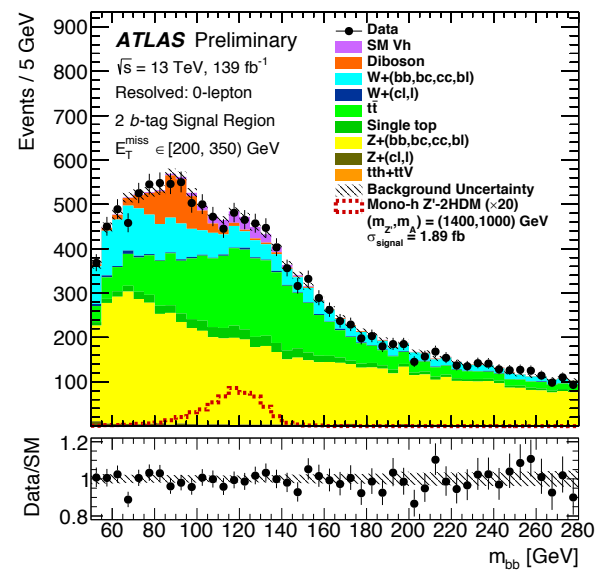
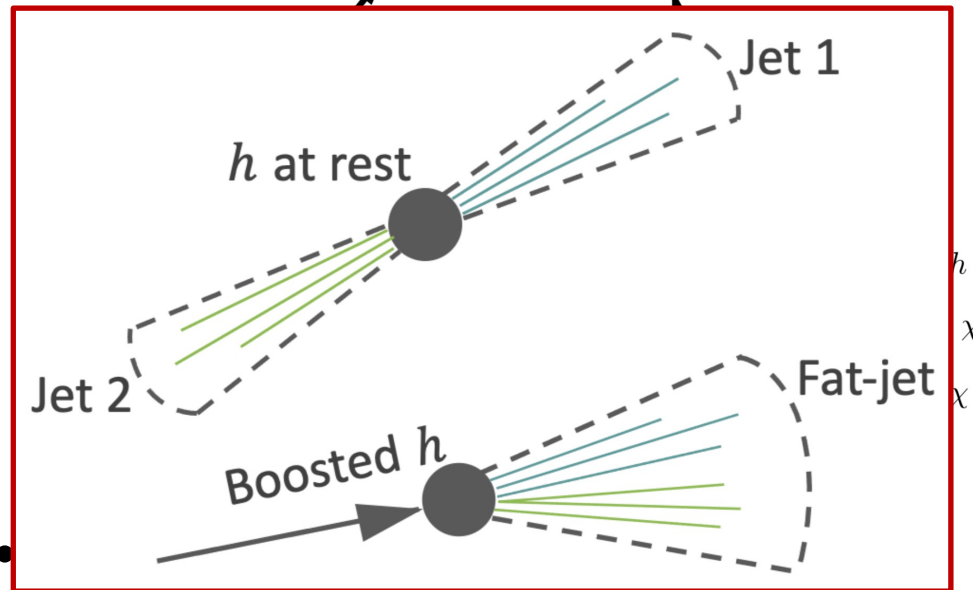
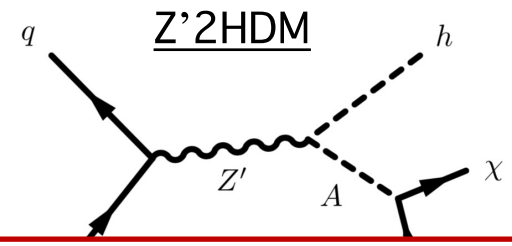


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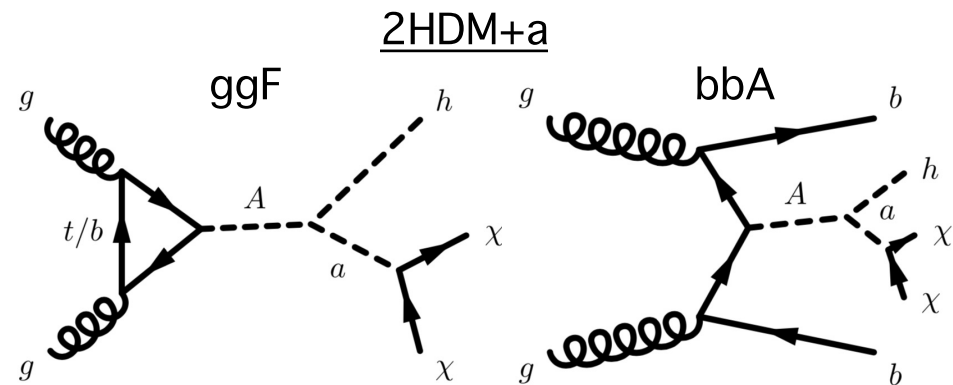
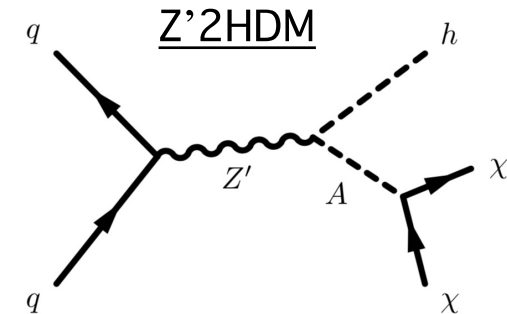
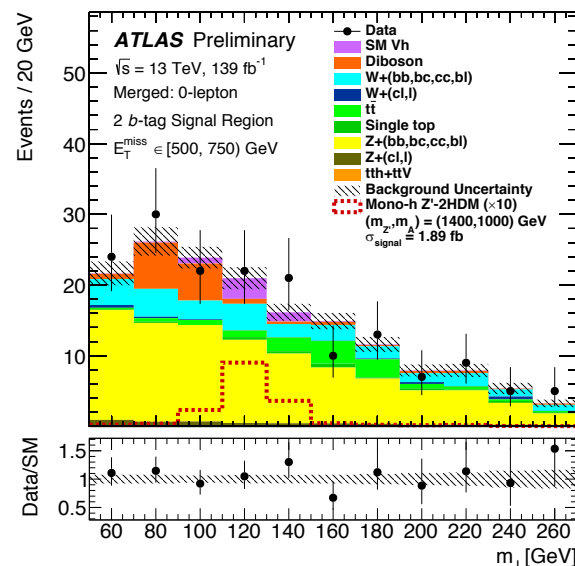
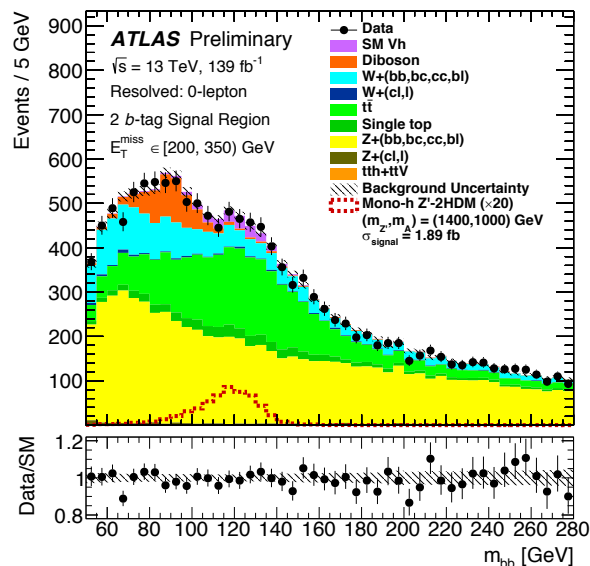
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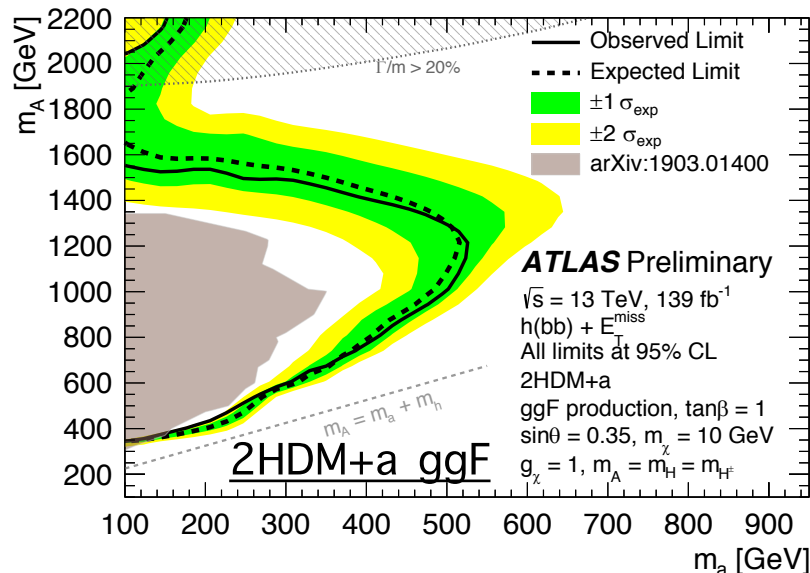
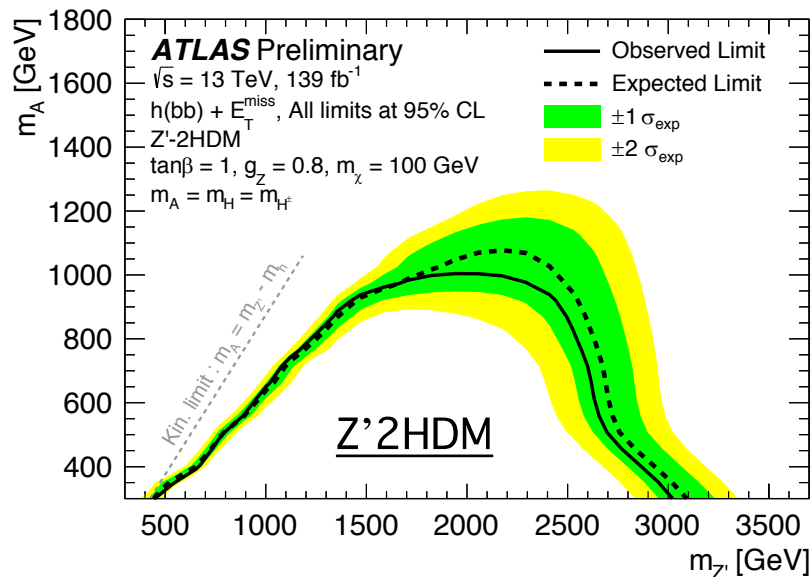
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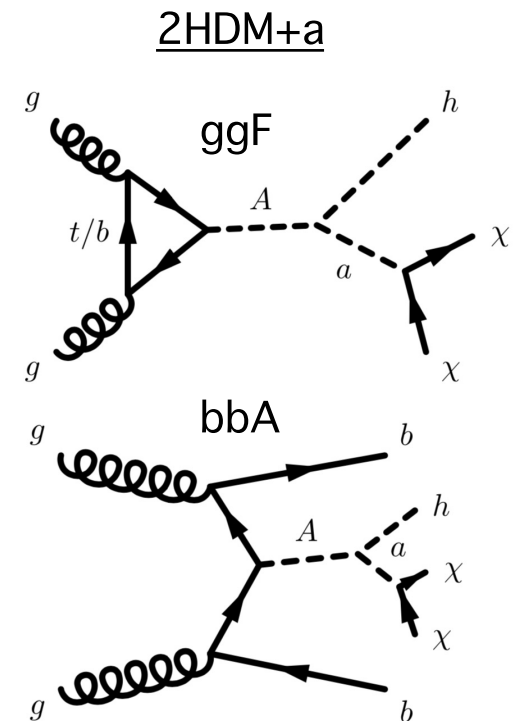
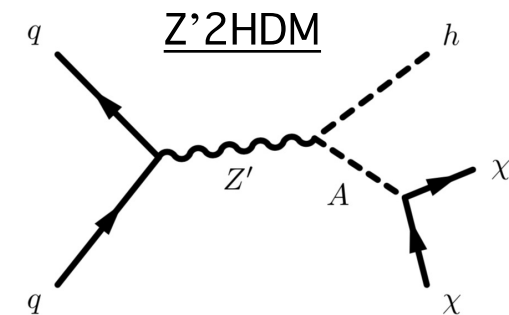
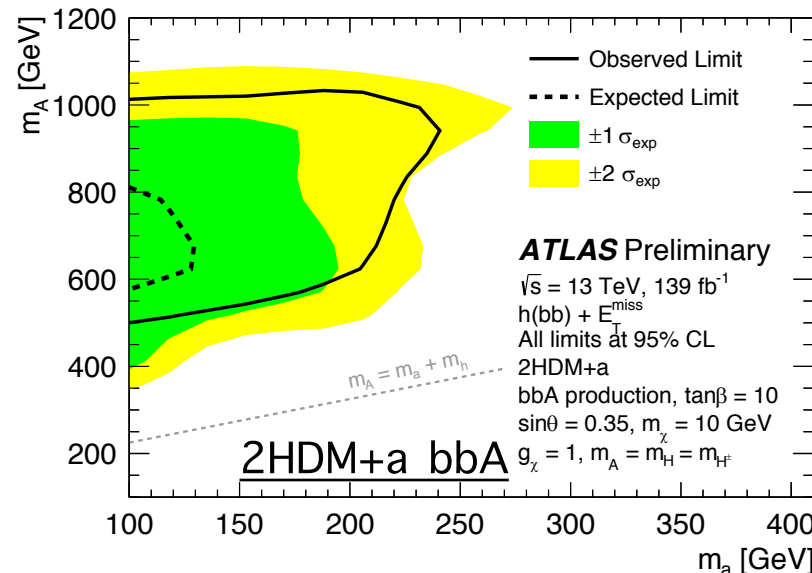


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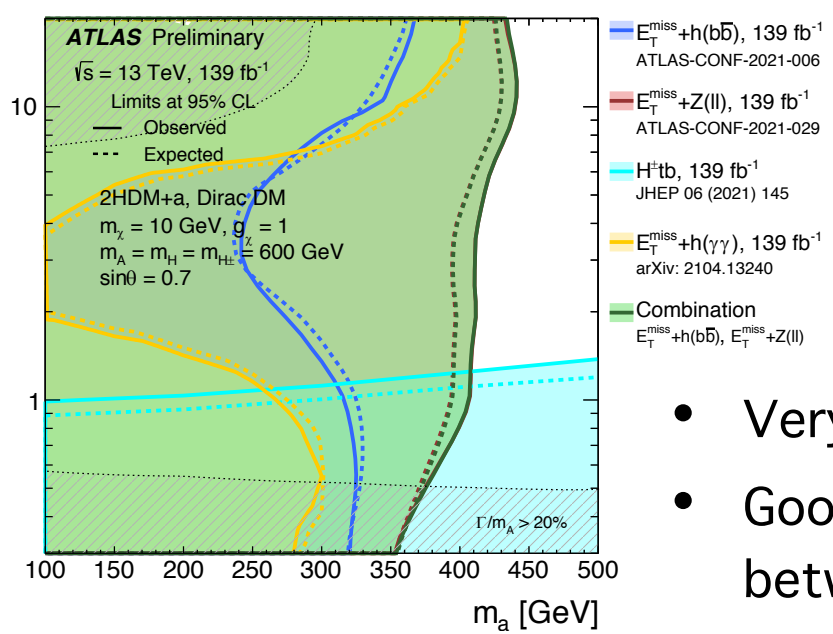
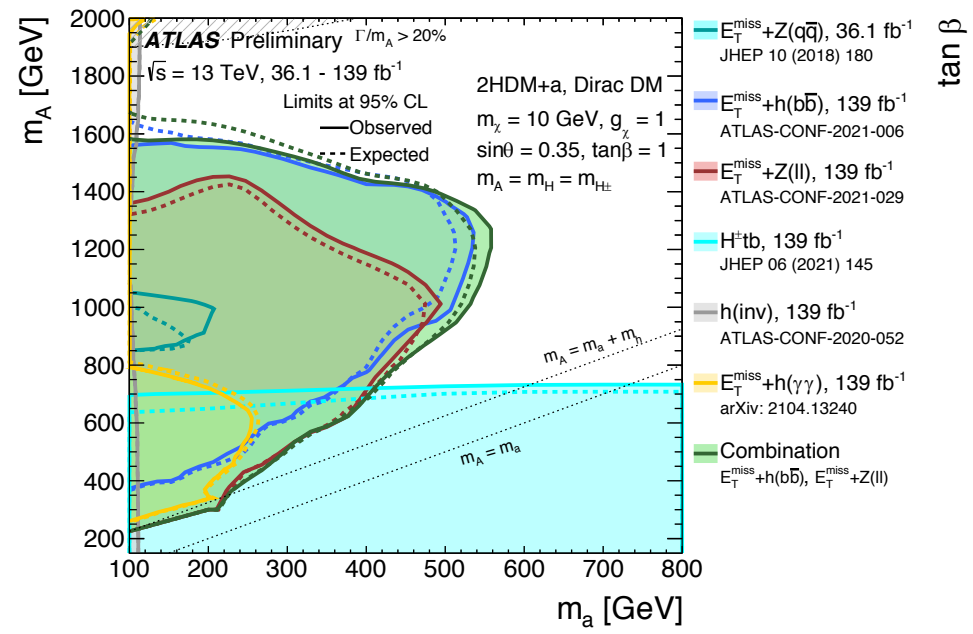
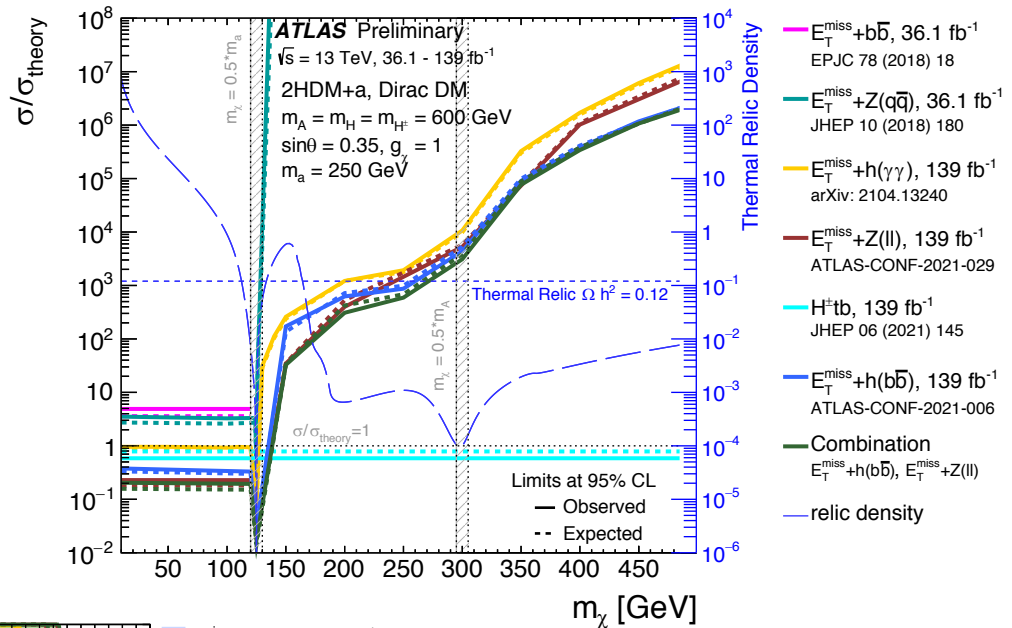


- Limits set on **Z'2HDM** and **2HDM+a with ggF or bbA** production
- Large improvements compared to previous result!
- First time reaching sensitivity to 2HDM+a bbA!



2HDM+a combination & summary

- Updated with full run-2 (139 fb⁻¹) results:
 - First statistical combination: **mono-h(bb) + mono-Z**
 - Include **MET+Wt** channel and reinterpretation of **H[±]tb**
 - Include bb-initiated production of the 2HDM+a signal (in addition to gg-initiated)
 - Perform additional parameter scans (m_A, m_a, tanβ, sinθ, m_χ) wrt previous results ([JHEP 05 \(2019\) 142](#))



- Very rich phenomenology
- Good complementarity between different channels

Summary

- Dark Matter searches with colliders are well physics-motivated and provide great complementarity to the direct/indirect searches
- Consider a wide variety of motivated simplified and more complete models
 - Simplified models with spin-0 or spin-1 mediators, Higgs portal, extended Higgs sector, etc.
 - Provide rich phenomenology and motivate a broad range of experimental techniques
- No deviation from SM has been found so far, yet...
 - More searches are ongoing with full run-2 data (stay tuned!)
 - Look forward to big surprise in the future!!
(HL-LHC Projections: [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-043](#), [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-036](#), [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2015-004](#), [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-038](#), [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-048](#))

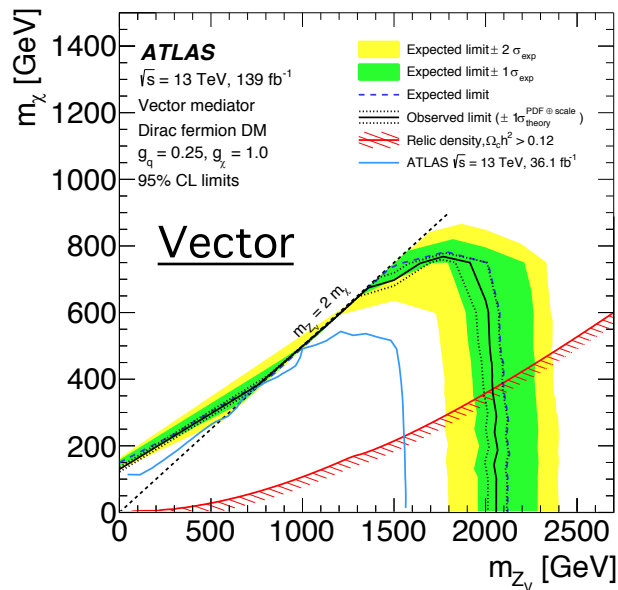




Backup slides



Mono-jet search, 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹



Source of uncertainty and effect on the total SR background estimate [%]

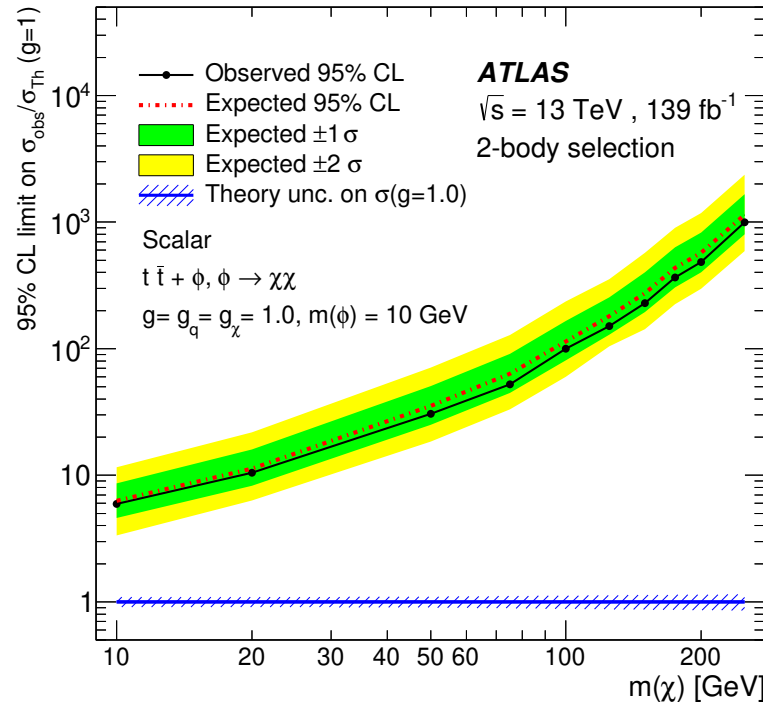
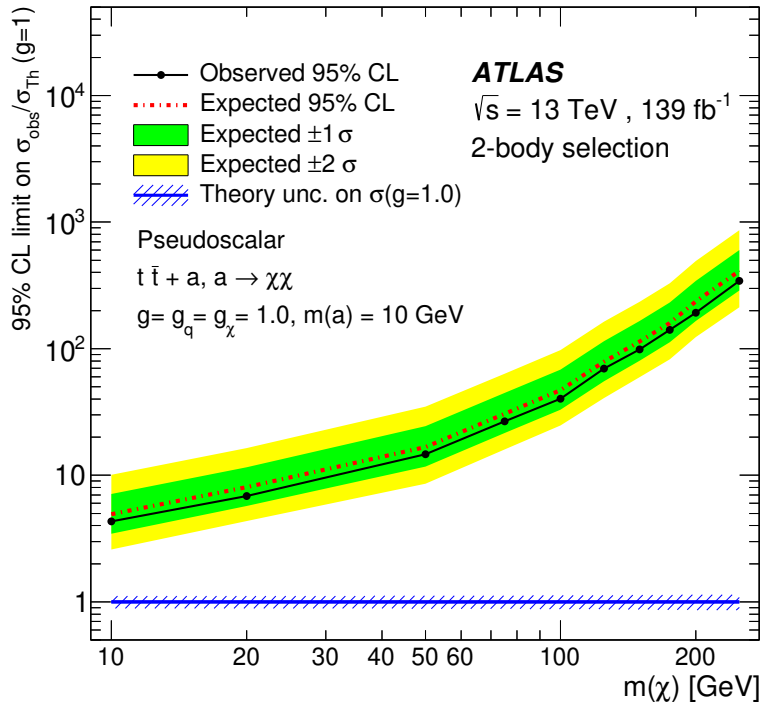
Flavor tagging	0.1 – 0.9	τ -lepton identification efficiency	0.1 – 0.07
Jet energy scale	0.17 – 1.0	Luminosity	0.01 – 0.05
Jet energy resolution	0.15 – 1.3	Noncollision background	0.2 – 0.0
Jet JVT efficiency	0.01 – 0.03	Multijet background	1.0 – 0.0
Pileup reweighting	0.4 – 0.24	Diboson theory	0.01 – 0.22
E_T^{miss} resolution	0.34 – 0.04	Single-top theory	0.13 – 0.28
E_T^{miss} scale	0.5 – 0.25	$t\bar{t}$ theory	0.06 – 0.7
Electron and photon energy resolution	0.01 – 0.08	V+jets τ -lepton definition	0.04 – 0.16
Electron and photon energy scale	0.3 – 0.7	V+jets pure QCD corrections	0.24 – 1.1
Electron identification efficiency	0.5 – 1.0	V+jets pure EW corrections	0.17 – 2.2
Electron reconstruction efficiency	0.15 – 0.2	V+jets mixed QCD–EW corrections	0.02 – 0.7
Electron isolation efficiency	0.04 – 0.19	V+jets PDF	0.01 – 0.7
Muon identification efficiency	0.03 – 0.9	VBF EW V+jets backgrounds	0.02 – 1.1
Muon reconstruction efficiency	0.4 – 1.5	Limited MC statistics	0.05 – 1.9
Muon momentum scale	0.1 – 0.7		

Total background uncertainty in the Signal Region: 1.5%–4.2%

Requirement	SR	$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$	$W \rightarrow e\nu$	$Z \rightarrow ee$	Top
Primary vertex	at least one with ≥ 2 associated tracks with $p_T > 500 \text{ MeV}$					
Trigger	E_T^{miss}			single-electron		E_T^{miss} , single-electron
p_T^{recoil} cut	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(\mu) > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(\mu\mu) > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(e) > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(ee) > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(\mu) > 200 \text{ GeV}$ or $ \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}} + \mathbf{p}_T(e) > 200 \text{ GeV}$
Jets	up to 4 with $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.8$					
$ \Delta\phi(\text{jets}, \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{recoil}}) $	> 0.4 (> 0.6 if $200 \text{ GeV} < E_T^{\text{miss}} \leq 250 \text{ GeV}$)					
Leading jet	$p_T > 150 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4, f_{\text{ch}}/f_{\text{max}} > 0.1$					
b-jets	any	none	any	none	any	at least one
Electrons or muons	none	exactly one muon, with $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}, 30 < m_T < 100 \text{ GeV};$ no electron	exactly two muons, with $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}, 66 < m_{\mu\mu} < 116 \text{ GeV};$ no electron	exactly one electron, tight, with $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, \eta \notin (1.37, 1.52),$ tight isolation, $30 < m_T < 100 \text{ GeV};$ no muon	exactly two electrons, with $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}, 66 < m_{ee} < 116 \text{ GeV};$ no muon	same as for $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ or same as for $W \rightarrow e\nu$
τ -leptons	none					
Photons	none					

- Main uncertainties:
 - Pile-up jets, MET, lepton in low MET
 - single-t and V+jets modeling in high MET

MET+t \bar{t} , 13TeV, 139fb $^{-1}$



	SR ^{2-body}	
Leptons flavour	DF	SF
$p_T(\ell_1)$ [GeV]	> 25	
$p_T(\ell_2)$ [GeV]	> 20	
$m_{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]	> 20	
$ m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z $ [GeV]	–	> 20
n_{b-jets}	≥ 1	
$\Delta\phi_{boost}$ [rad]	< 1.5	
E_T^{miss} significance	> 12	
$m_{T2}^{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]		> 110

	CR _{t\bar{t}} ^{2-body}	CR _{t\bar{t}z}
Lepton multiplicity	2	3
Lepton flavour	DF	at least one SFOS pair
$p_T(\ell_1)$ [GeV]	> 25	> 25
$p_T(\ell_2)$ [GeV]	> 20	> 20
$p_T(\ell_3)$ [GeV]	–	> 20
$p_T(\ell_4)$ [GeV]	–	–
$m_{\ell\ell}$	> 20	–
$ m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z $ [GeV]	–	< 20 for at least one SFOS pair
n_{b-jets}	≥ 1	≥ 2 with $n_{jets} \geq 3$
$\Delta\phi_{boost}$ [rad]	≥ 1.5	–
E_T^{miss} significance	> 8	–
$E_{T,corr}^{miss}$ [GeV]	–	> 140
$m_{T2}^{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]	[100, 120]	–
$m_{T2}^{4\ell}$ [GeV]	–	–

$$m_{T2}^{\ell\ell} = \min_{q_{T,1} + q_{T,2} = p_T^{miss}} \{ \max[m_T(p_{T,\ell_1}, q_{T,1}), m_T(p_{T,\ell_2}, q_{T,2})] \}$$

represent the W mass from the t decays in the t \bar{t} process. The value is expected to be higher in presence of additional invisible particles apart from the neutrinos from the W decays.

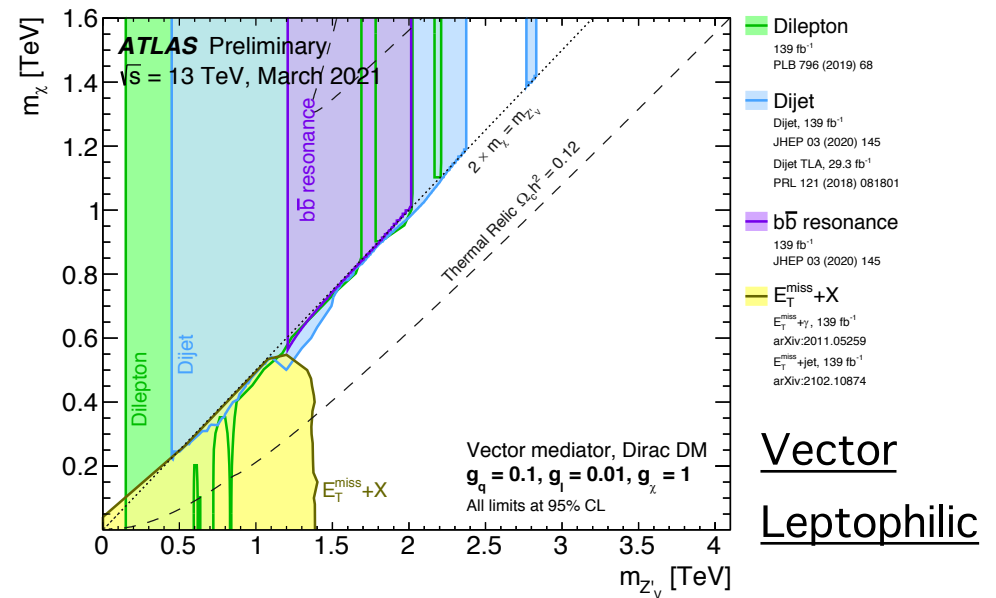
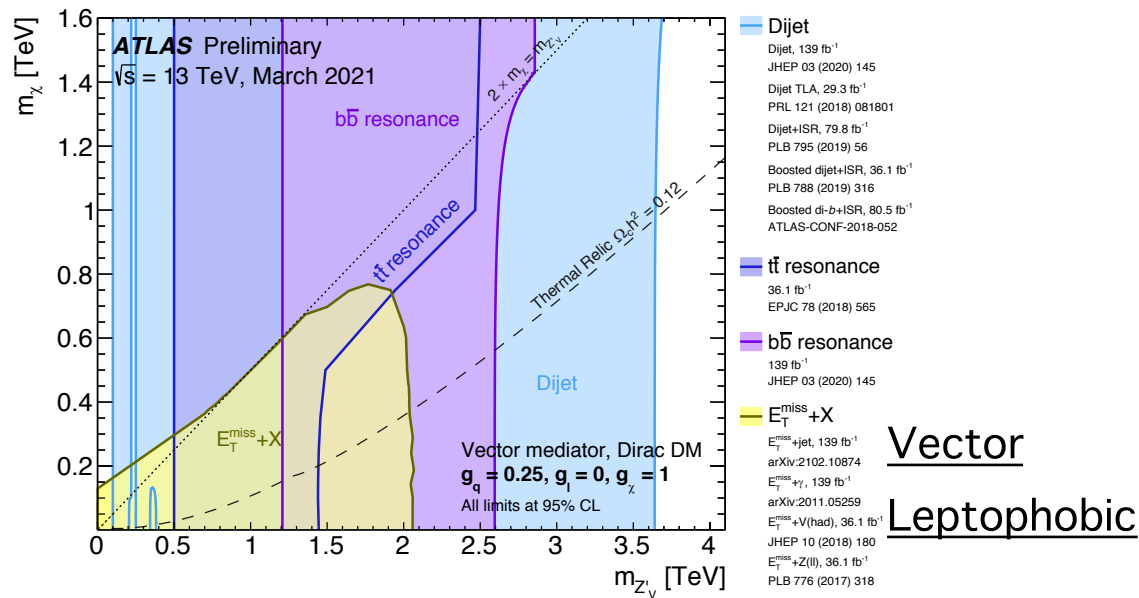
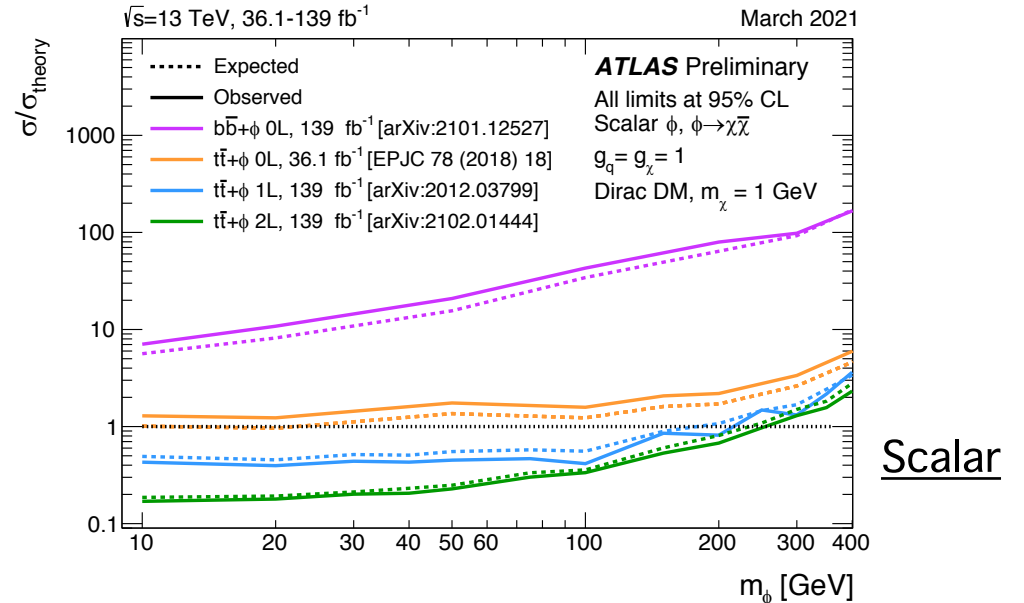
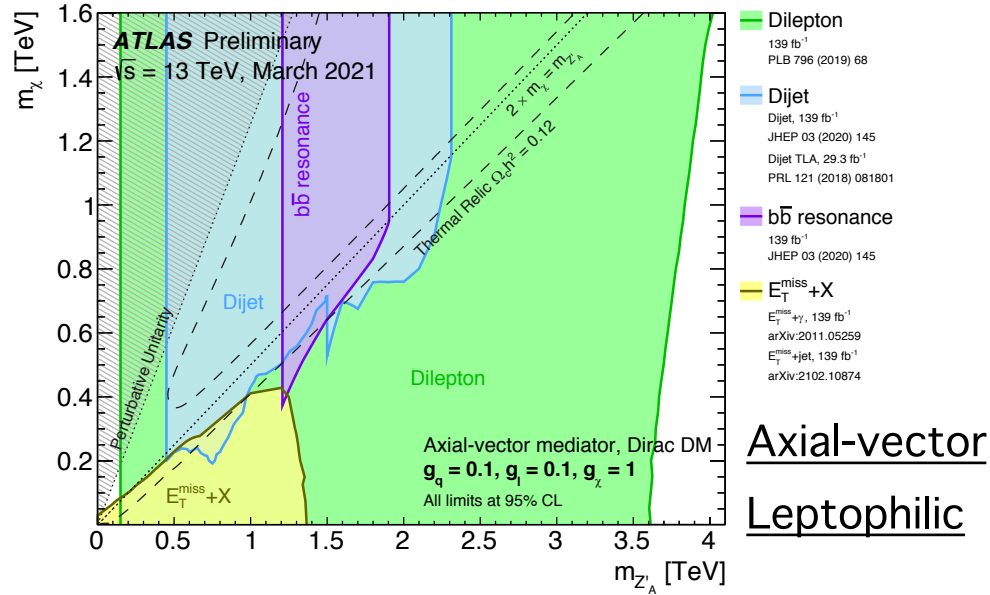
MET+t \bar{t} , 13TeV, 139fb $^{-1}$

Signal Region	SR-SF $_{[110,120]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-SF $_{[120,140]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-SF $_{[140,160]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-SF $_{[160,180]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-SF $_{[180,220]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-SF $_{[220,\infty)}^{2\text{-body}}$
Total SM background uncertainty	19%	20%	17%	15%	15%	20%
VV theoretical uncertainties	—	2.4%	3.5%	4.9%	4.4%	7.1%
t \bar{t} theoretical uncertainties	10%	11%	6.2%	—	1.7%	2.7%
t \bar{t} Z theoretical uncertainties	1.0%	2.2%	4.2%	5.2%	5.0%	11%
t \bar{t} -Wt interference	—	—	—	—	1.0%	5.7%
Other theoretical uncertainties	1.0%	1.4%	2.7%	2.5%	2.6%	1.9%
MC statistical uncertainty	5.1%	5.4%	7.0%	7.7%	9.9%	8.7%
t \bar{t} normalisation	7.6%	4.8%	1.0%	—	—	—
t \bar{t} Z normalisation	1.1%	3.2%	5.6%	7.2%	6.4%	4.8%
Jet energy scale	11%	6.7%	9.6%	2.0%	3.4%	2.0%
Jet energy resolution	3.6%	13%	7.0%	6.1%	3.6%	7.7%
E $_T^{\text{miss}}$ modelling	2.9%	3.6%	1.0%	4.1%	2.7%	1.2%
Lepton modelling	3.6%	1.8%	1.8%	3.8%	3.7%	6.4%
Flavour tagging	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	2.6%	3.0%	2.4%
Pile-up reweighting and JVT	—	1.4%	1.0%	1.0%	1.7%	—
Fake and non-prompt leptons	—	—	1.1%	—	2.8%	4.3%

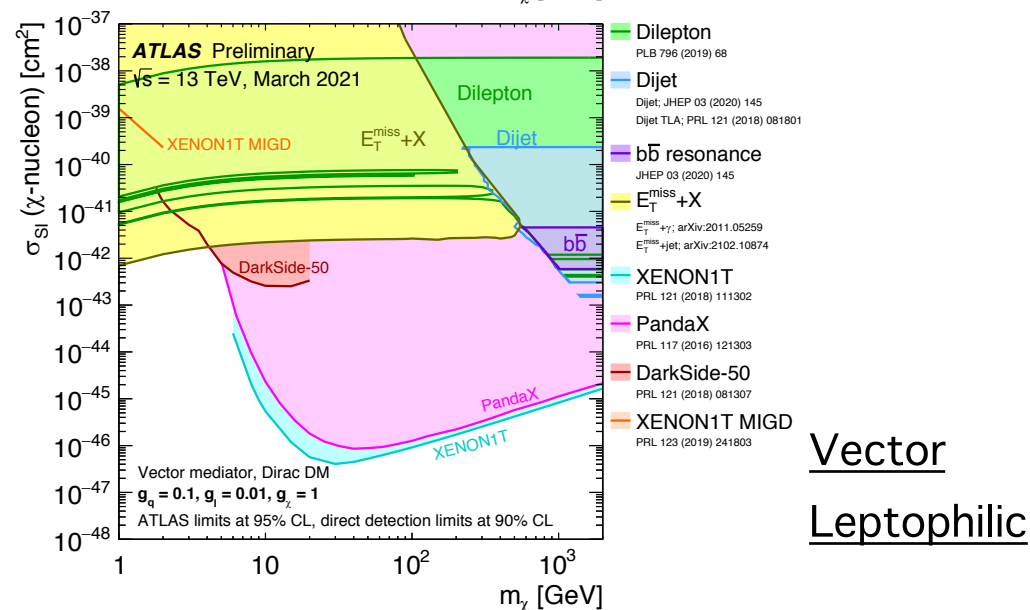
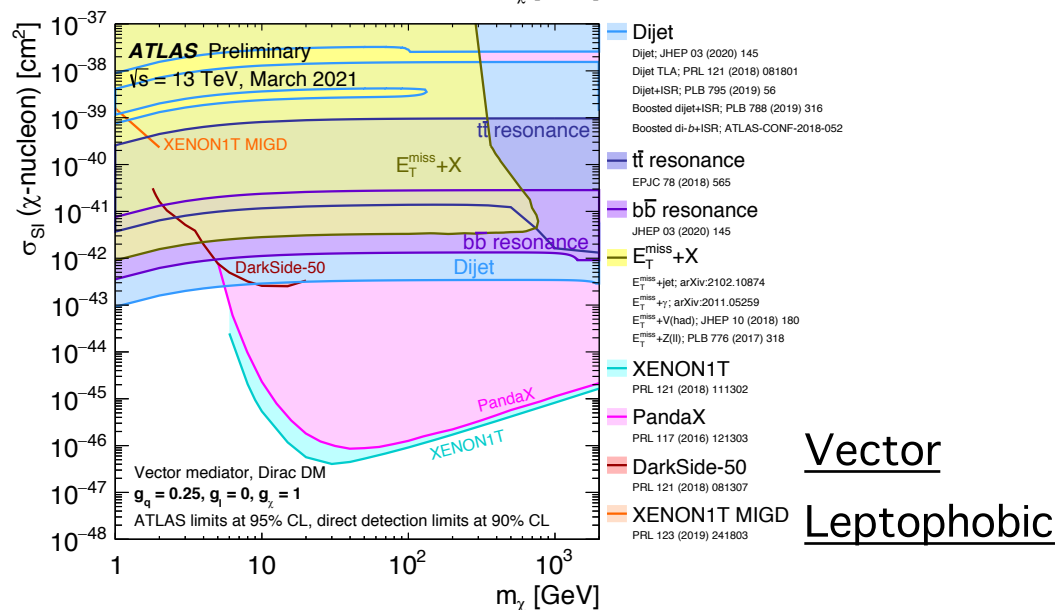
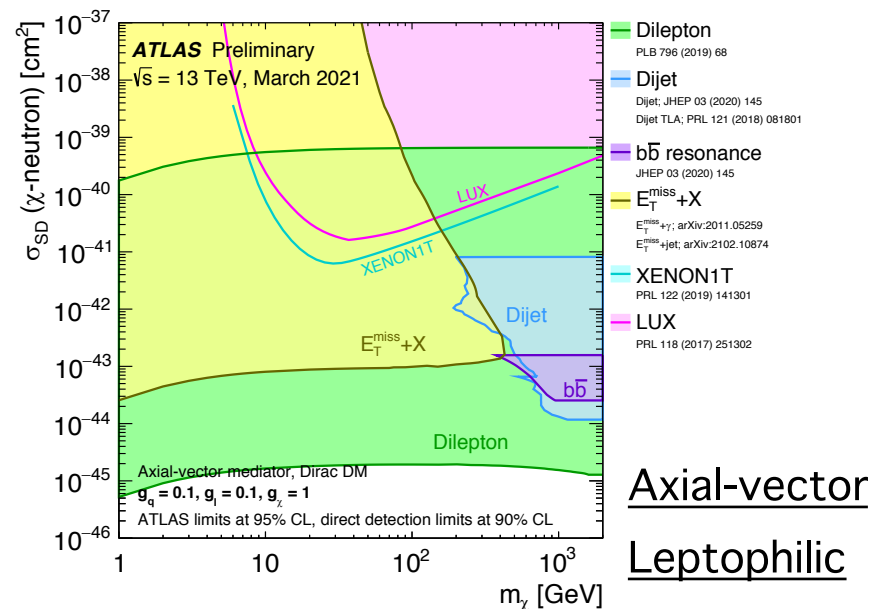
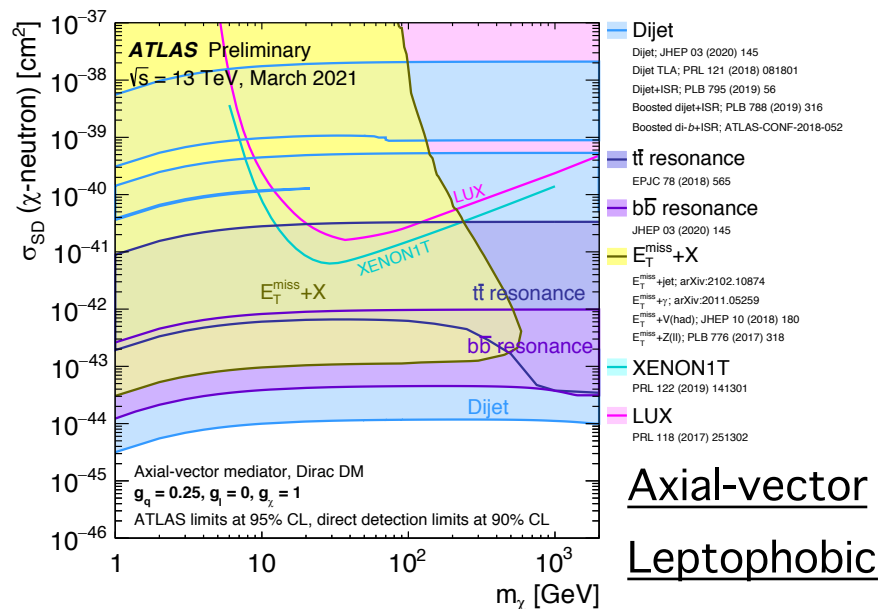
Signal Region	SR-DF $_{[110,120]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-DF $_{[120,140]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-DF $_{[140,160]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-DF $_{[160,180]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-DF $_{[180,220]}^{2\text{-body}}$	SR-DF $_{[220,\infty)}^{2\text{-body}}$
Total SM background uncertainty	20%	20%	15%	16%	14%	21%
VV theoretical uncertainties	1.0%	1.3%	2.6%	1.0%	2.0%	1.8%
t \bar{t} theoretical uncertainties	9.6%	12%	7.6%	—	3.1%	—
t \bar{t} Z theoretical uncertainties	1.2%	2.0%	5.3%	6.6%	5.7%	16%
t \bar{t} -Wt interference	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other theoretical uncertainties	1.0%	1.2%	2.8%	3.2%	2.7%	3.3%
MC statistical uncertainty	4.7%	5.0%	6.9%	8.2%	7.7%	6.6%
t \bar{t} normalisation	7.2%	5.6%	1.2%	—	—	—
t \bar{t} Z normalisation	1.4%	2.8%	6.9%	9.1%	7.3%	7.2%
Jet energy scale	8.5%	10%	2.5%	6.1%	1.0%	2.6%
Jet energy resolution	13%	6.6%	6.2%	4.3%	5.3%	2.0%
E $_T^{\text{miss}}$ modelling	3.5%	6.1%	1.0%	2.2%	2.2%	1.0%
Lepton modelling	1.5%	1.1%	1.6%	1.3%	1.3%	1.0%
Flavour tagging	1.0%	1.0%	1.3%	2.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Pile-up reweighting and JVT	—	1.6%	1.0%	—	1.0%	—
Fake and non-prompt leptons	—	3.5%	—	—	7.1%	13%

- Main uncertainties include t \bar{t} , t \bar{t} Z modeling and jet energy resolution and scale

Summary of simplified models



Summary of simplified models



Mono-Z (MET+Z), 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

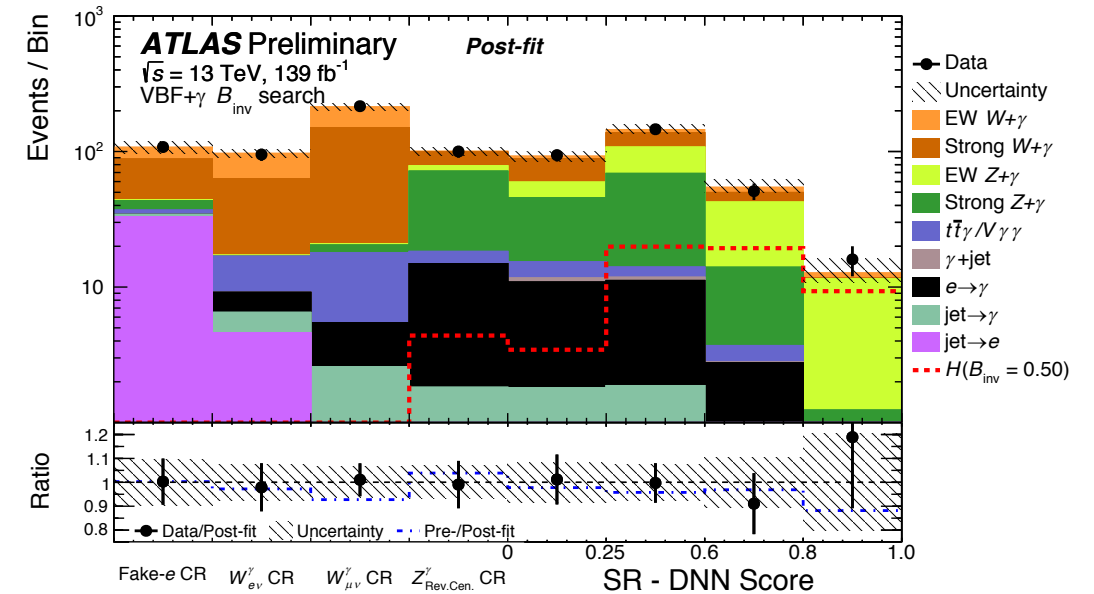
	SR	$e\mu$ CR	3 l CR	4 l CR
Observed events	6382	891	11415	314
Expected yields after fit	6385 ± 80	894 ± 29	11410 ± 110	295 ± 11
$ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell + \text{inv}$	-4 ± 110	-	-	-
$ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\nu\nu$	2669 ± 110	-	443.4 ± 7.5	-
WZ	1624 ± 28	11.59 ± 0.23	10646 ± 110	-
$Z + \text{jets}$	1110 ± 100	0.802 ± 0.018	237.6 ± 4.0	-
Non-resonant	876 ± 39	878 ± 29	-	-
$ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\ell$	85.2 ± 5.5	-	-	295 ± 11
$t\bar{t}V$	12.5 ± 1.1	1.769 ± 0.036	48.98 ± 0.82	-
Triboson	12.2 ± 1.4	2.886 ± 0.076	35.65 ± 0.60	-

Uncertainty source	$\Delta\mathcal{B}$ [%]
Statistical uncertainty	5.1
Systematic uncertainties	7.1
Theory uncertainties	4.9
Signal modelling	0.4
ZZ modelling	4.4
Non- ZZ background modelling	2.0
Experimental uncertainties (excl. MC stat.)	4.2
Luminosity, pile-up	1.5
Jets, E_T^{miss}	3.5
Flavour tagging	0.4
Electrons, muons	1.2
MC statistical uncertainty	1.7
Total uncertainty	8.8

- Main uncertainties include ZZ modeling and jet reconstruction

VBF+MET+photon

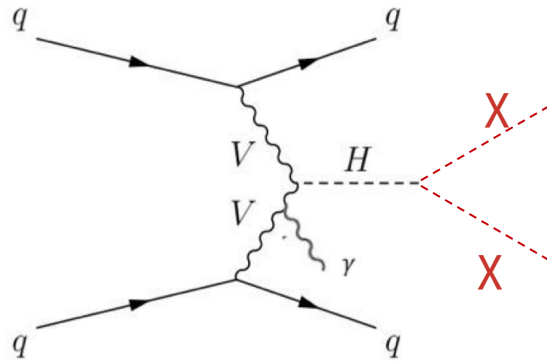
Variable	SR	$W_{\mu\nu}^\gamma$ CR	$W_{e\nu}^\gamma$ CR	$Z_{\text{Rev.Cen.}}^\gamma$ CR	Fake- e CR
(j_1) [GeV]			> 60		
(j_2) [GeV]			> 50		
			2,3		
$N_{\text{b-jet}}$			< 2		
$\Delta\phi_{jj}$			< 2.5 [2.0]		
$ \Delta\eta_{jj} $			> 3.0		
$\eta(j_1) \times \eta(j_2)$			< 0		
C_3			< 0.7		
m_{jj} [GeV]			> 0.25		
$E_T^{\text{miss,lep-rm}}$ [GeV]	> 150	-	> 80	> 150	< 80
$E_T^{\text{jets,no-jvt}}$ [GeV]	-	> 150	> 150	-	> 150
$\Delta\phi(j_i, E_T^{\text{miss,lep-rm}})$			> 130		
N_γ			1		
(γ) [GeV]		$> 15, < 110$	$[> 15, < \max(110, 0.733 \times m_T)]$		
C_γ	> 0.4	> 0.4	> 0.4	< 0.4	> 0.4
$\Delta\phi(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss,lep-rm}})$			> 1.8 [-]		
N_ℓ	0	1 μ	1 e	0	1 e
(ℓ) [GeV]			> 30		



Source	1σ Uncertainty on \mathcal{B}_{inv}
Data stats.	0.106
$V\gamma$ +jets theory	0.056
MC stats.	0.045
Jet Scale and Resolution	0.045
Photon	0.032
$e \rightarrow \gamma, \text{jet} \rightarrow e, \gamma$ Bkg.	0.026
Pileup	0.025
$W\gamma$ +jets/ $Z\gamma$ +jets Norm.	0.021
	0.012
Signal theory	0.004
Lepton	0.002
Total	0.148

Region definition and categorization

VBF
+MET
+photon



- **Signal region (SR)**

- $n_{\text{jet}} = 2$ or 3
- $\Delta\eta_{jj} > 3$
- $m_{jj} > 250$ GeV
- $n_{\gamma} = 1$
- MET > 150 GeV
- Lepton veto
- Detailed selections in backups

- **Control regions (included in the statistical fitting)**

- $W(\rightarrow e\nu)\gamma$ +jets (require 1e)
- $W(\rightarrow \mu\nu)\gamma$ +jets (require 1 μ)

- **Validation regions (not included in the statistical fitting)**

- $Z(\rightarrow ll)\gamma$ +jets (require 2l)
- Fake-e (require 1 loose-e)

VBF+MET+photon region definition

VBF
+MET
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Signal region

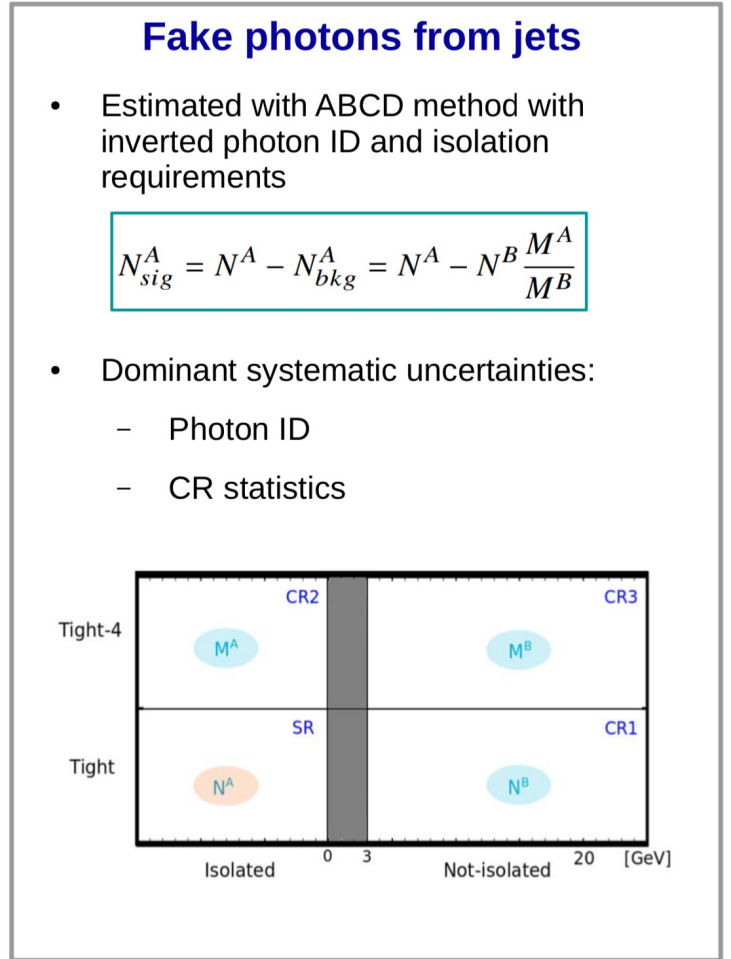
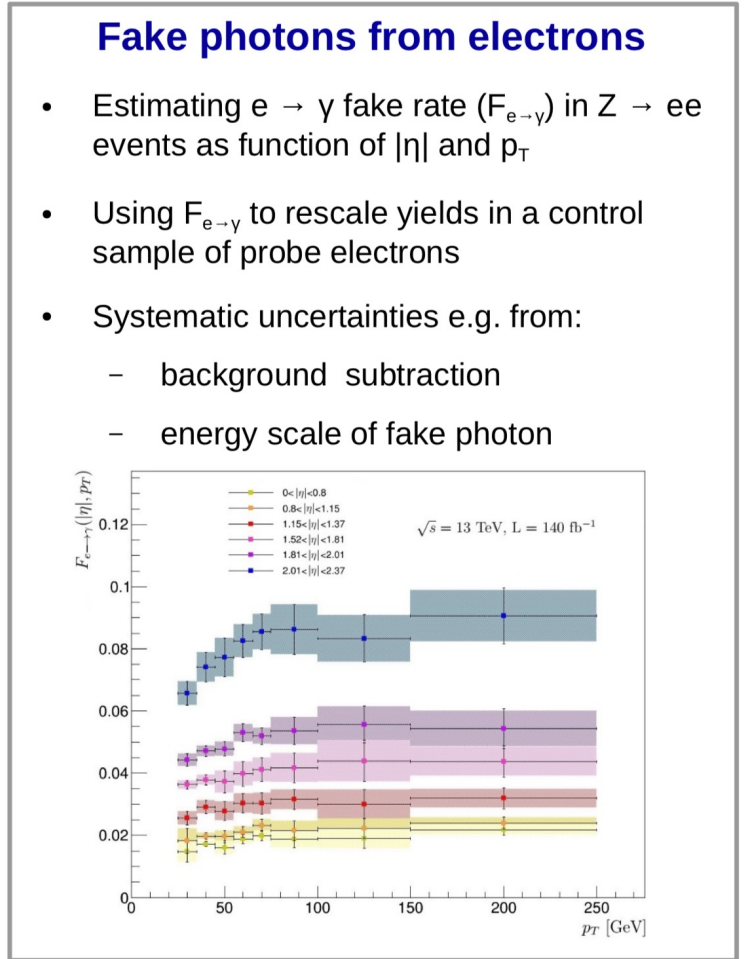
Jet cuts	
Cut	SR
N_{photon}	=1
$N_{\text{baseline-lepton}}$	=0
N_{jet}	=2,3
$N_{\text{b-jet (77% WP)}}$	<2
$p_{\text{T}}(j_1)$	> 60 GeV
$p_{\text{T}}(j_2)$	> 50 GeV
MET	> 150 GeV
MET_CST_jet	> 120 GeV
$\eta(j_1) \times \eta(j_2)$	<0
$\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2)$	> 3.0
$\Delta\phi(j_1, j_2)$	< 2
$\Delta\phi(j_{1,2,3}, \text{MET})$	> 1
abs. $\Delta\phi(\text{MET}, \text{photon})$	> 1.8
Photon Centrality	> 0.4
Third jet centrality	< 0.7
$M(j_1, j_2)$	> 250 GeV
Photon p_{T}	< 110 GeV
abs(Photon Pointing)	< 250 mm

Lepton selections for signal region and control regions

Cut	<i>inv.</i>	$W(\rightarrow e\nu)\gamma+\text{jets}$	$W(\rightarrow \mu\nu)\gamma+\text{jets}$	$Z(\rightarrow \ell\ell)\gamma+\text{jets}$
Lepton Flavours	0	e^-/e^+	μ^-/μ^+	$e^-, e^+/\mu^-, \mu^+$
“Veto” muons and electrons	0	1	1	2
“Signal” muons and electrons	0	1	1	2
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_1)$	–	>30 GeV	>30 GeV	>30 GeV
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_2)$	–	–	–	>4.5 GeV
$ M(\ell\ell) - M_Z $	–	–	–	<25 GeV
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ (with leptons)	> 80 GeV	–	–	< 70 GeV

VBF+MET+photon background estimation

- Main backgrounds V+jets+photon modeled with MC
- V+jets (jet faking photon) estimated with ABCD method
- Electron faking photon ($We\nu$) estimated through Zee process in data
- Photon+jets estimated by jet smearing to increase statistics



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VBF+MET+photon DNN

VBF
+MET
+photon

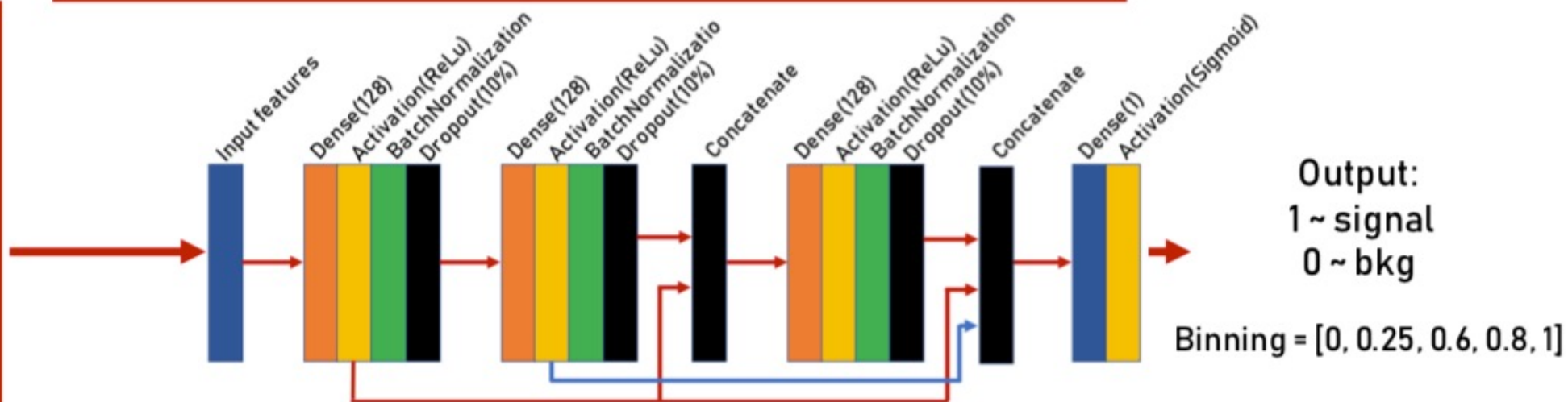
- Alternative approach to the Cutbased analysis (m_{jj} fit)

Training sample pre-selections (looser than SR/VR):

- $n_{ph}=1$
- $n_{jet}=2/3$
- $E_T^{miss,no-lep} > 140 GeV$
- $\gamma+jet$ sample excluded

Input features

- $\Delta\eta_{jj}$
- $\Delta\phi_{jj}$
- m_{jj}
- $E_T^{miss,no-lep}$
- $\eta(\gamma)$
- $p_T(j_1)$
- $p_T(j_2)$
- $\eta(j_2)$



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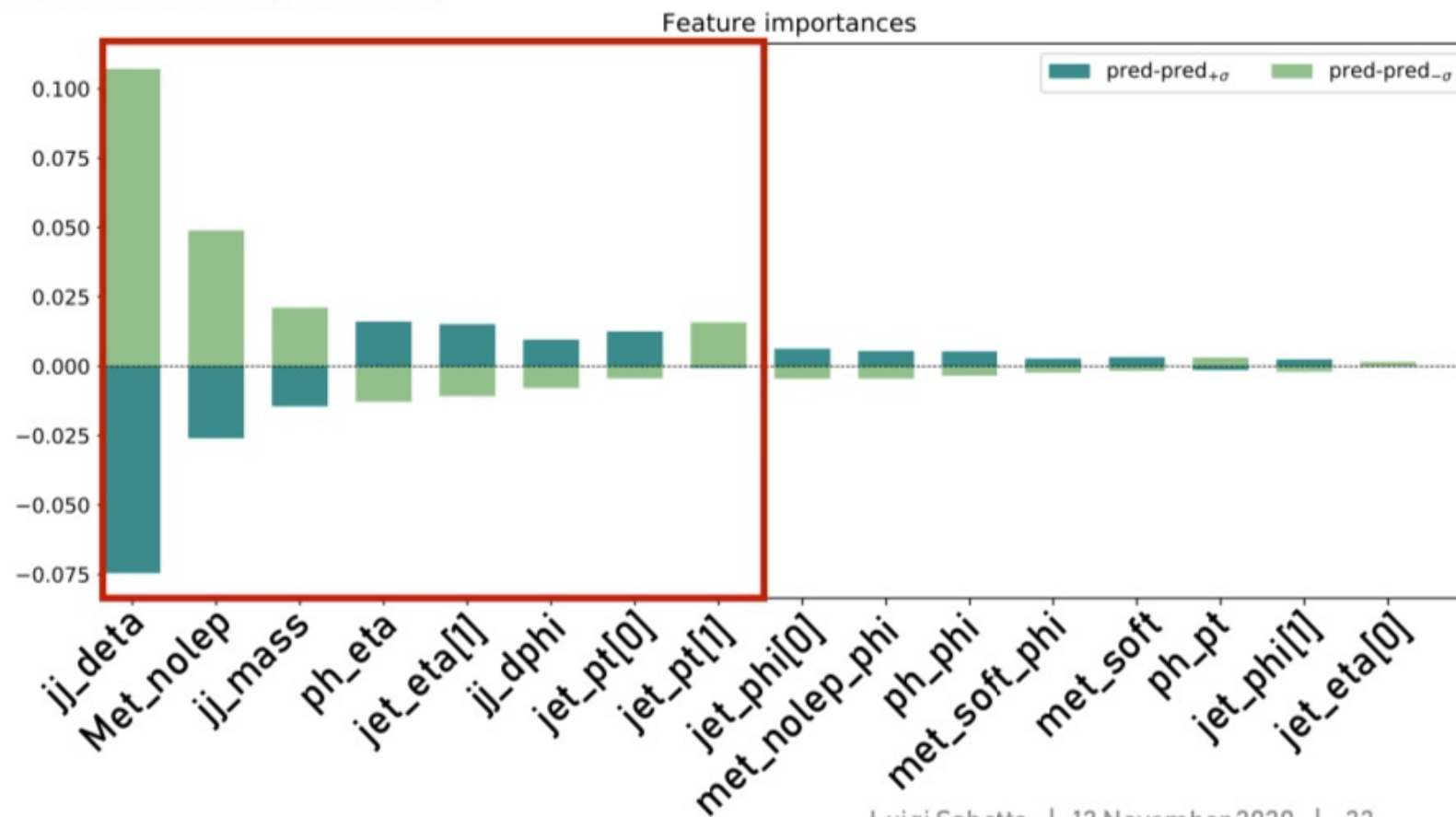
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VBF+MET+photon DNN

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Feature chosen via a **backward elimination process**:

- 1) Each feature is **varied** up and down **by 10%** and the average variation of DNN output interpreted as feature importance
- 2) The **least important** feature is **removed** and the model retrained with the new set of features



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Mono-h (MET+h), 13TeV, 139fb⁻¹

Resolved	Merged
Primary E_T^{miss} trigger	
Data quality selections	
$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 150$ GeV	
Lepton veto & extended τ -lepton veto	
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}_{1,2,3}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 20^\circ$	
$E_T^{\text{miss}} < 500$ GeV	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 500$ GeV
At least 2 small- R jets	At least 1 large- R jet
At least 2 b -tagged small- R jets	At least 2 b -tagged associated variable- R track jets
$p_{T_h} > 100$ GeV if $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 350$ GeV	—
$p_{T_h} > 300$ GeV if $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 350$ GeV	—
$m_T^{b,\text{min}} > 170$ GeV	—
$m_T^{b,\text{max}} > 200$ GeV	—
$S > 12$	—
$N_{\text{small-}R \text{ jets}} \leq 4$ if 2 b -tag	—
$N_{\text{small-}R \text{ jets}} \leq 5$ if ≥ 3 b -tag	—
$50 \text{ GeV} < m_h < 280 \text{ GeV}$	$50 \text{ GeV} < m_h < 270 \text{ GeV}$

	0 lepton	1 muon	2 leptons
Aim	Signal regions	$t\bar{t}$ and W+HF control region	Z+HF control region
Fitted observable	m_h distribution	Muon charge (2 b -tag) Yields (≥ 3 b -tag)	Yields
b -tag multiplicities	resolved (small- R jets): 2, ≥ 3 merged (variable- R track jets): 2 (inside Higgs candidate), ≥ 3 (2 inside Higgs candidate)		
E_T^{miss} proxy	E_T^{miss}	$E_{T, \text{lep. invis.}}^{\text{miss}}$	$E_{T, \text{lep. invis.}}^{\text{miss}}$
Bins in E_T^{miss} proxy	resolved: [150, 200], [200, 350] and [350, 500] GeV 2 b -tag merged signal regions (0 lepton): [500, 750] and [750, ∞] GeV Other merged regions: [500, ∞] GeV		

Source of uncertainty	Fractional squared uncertainty on μ		
	Z'-2HDM signals, (m'_Z, m_A) [GeV]		
	(800, 500)	(1400, 1000)	(2800, 300)
Z+HF normalisation	0.11	0.03	<0.01
W+HF normalisation	0.02	0.01	<0.01
$t\bar{t}$ normalisation	0.16	0.04	<0.01
Z modelling uncertainties	0.02	0.07	<0.01
W modelling uncertainties	<0.01	0.01	<0.01
$t\bar{t}$ modelling uncertainties	0.13	0.05	<0.01
Single t modelling uncertainties	0.18	0.02	<0.01
Other modelling uncertainties	0.05	0.01	<0.01
Jets	0.20	0.06	0.01
b -tagging	0.01	0.01	0.04
E_T^{miss} soft term and pile-up	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Other experimental systematic uncertainties	0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Signal systematic uncertainties	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
MC sample statistics	0.08	0.07	0.11
Statistical uncertainty	0.27	0.61	0.79
Total systematic uncertainties	0.73	0.39	0.21

- Main uncertainties include modeling of Z+jets and jet energy resolution

2HDM+a combination & summary

- Target the DM model: **2HDM+a** ([arXiv:1701.07427](https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.07427))
 - Based on the type-II Two-Higgs-Doublet Model with an additional pseudoscalar mediating the interaction between SM and fermionic DM
 - The simplest gauge-invariant and UV-complete extension to the simplified model with a pseudoscalar mediator
 - Considered as a benchmark by LHC DM Working Group ([arXiv:1810.09420](https://arxiv.org/abs/1810.09420))
 - **Rich in phenomenology** and offers various signatures and complementary exclusion from different experiments
- Previous results summarized in the 36 fb^{-1} [DM summary paper](#)
- New results with 139 fb^{-1} :
 - First **statistical combination**: MET+h(bb) + MET+Z(II)
 - Include **MET+Wt** channel and **reinterpretation of H[±]tb**
 - Include **bb-initiated** production of the 2HDM+a signal (apart from gg-initiated)
 - Perform **4** additional parameter scans

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Parameters	Description
$m_h, m_H, m_{H^\pm}, m_A, m_a$	Masses of the Higgs bosons h, H, H^\pm, A , and the additional pseudoscalar mediator a
m_χ	Mass of the Dark Matter particle χ
g_χ	Yukawa coupling constant between a and χ
v	Electroweak VEV
$\tan\beta$	Ratio of the VEVs of the two Higgs doublets
α, θ	Mixing angles between CP-even and CP-odd eigenstates
$\lambda_{p1}, \lambda_{p1}, \lambda_3$	Three quartic couplings between the scalar doublets and the mediator



Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alignment limit: $\cos(\beta-\alpha)=0$, $m_h=125$ GeV, $v=246$ GeV $g_\chi=1$ $\lambda_{p1}=\lambda_{p1}=\lambda_3=3$ $m_H=m_{H^\pm}=m_A$
Remaining parameters	<u>$m_A, m_a, m_\chi, \theta, \tan\beta$</u>

- The 2HDM+a is fully defined by 14 parameters
- Reduced to 5 free parameters with experimental constraints and phenomenological considerations: $m_A, m_a, m_\chi, \theta, \tan\beta$



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Index	Description
Scan 1	2D scan in $(m_a - m_A)$ with $\tan\beta=1$, $m_\chi=10$ GeV and (a.) $\sin\theta=0.35$ <u>(b.) $\sin\theta=0.7$</u>
Scan 2	2D scan in $(m_a - \tan\beta)$ with $m_A=0.6$ TeV, $m_\chi=10$ GeV and (a.) $\sin\theta=0.35$ <u>(b.) $\sin\theta=0.7$</u>
Scan 3	1D scan in $\sin\theta$ with $\tan\beta=1$ and (a.) $m_A=0.6$ TeV, $m_a=200$ GeV (low-mass scan) (b.) $m_A=1$ TeV, $m_a=350$ GeV (high-mass scan)
Scan 4	1D scan in m_χ with $m_A=0.6$ TeV, $m_a=250$ GeV, $\tan\beta=1$, $\sin\theta=0.35$
Scan 5	<u>2D scan in $(m_A - \tan\beta)$ with $m_a=250$ GeV, $m_\chi=10$ GeV and</u> (a.) $\sin\theta=0.35$ <u>(b.) $\sin\theta=0.7$</u>

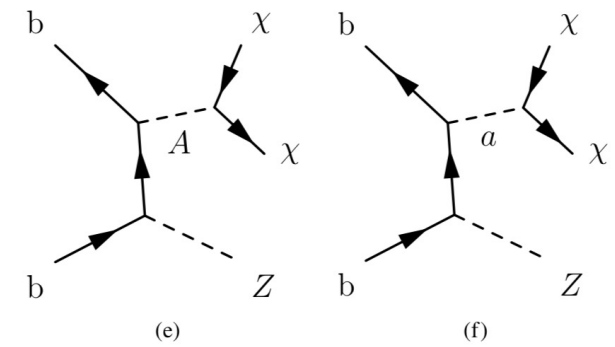
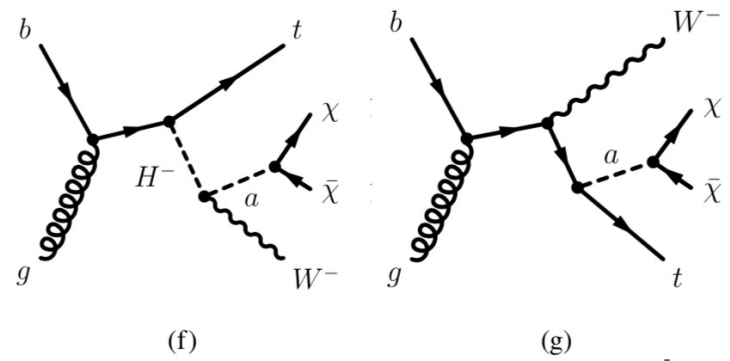
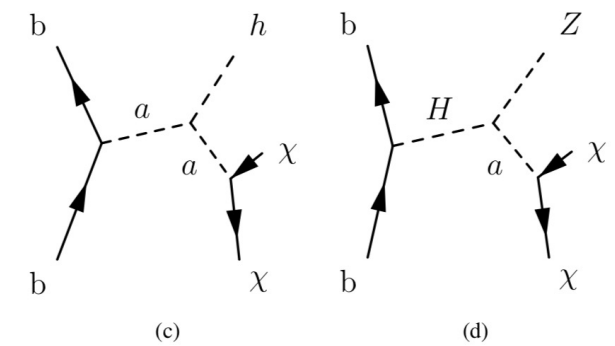
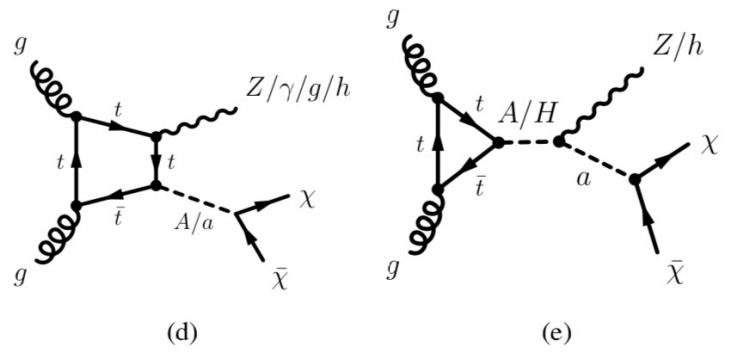
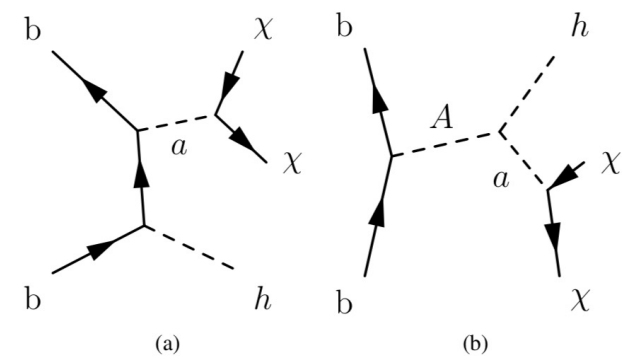
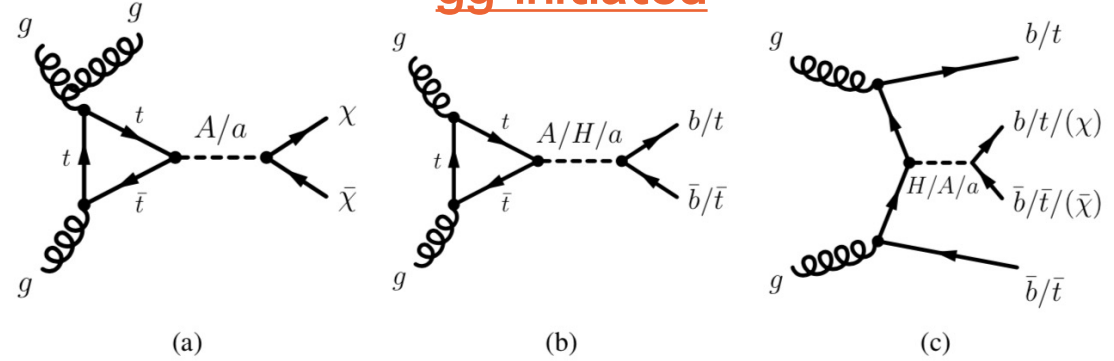
- 5 parameter scans recommended by LHC DM WG + 4 additional scans



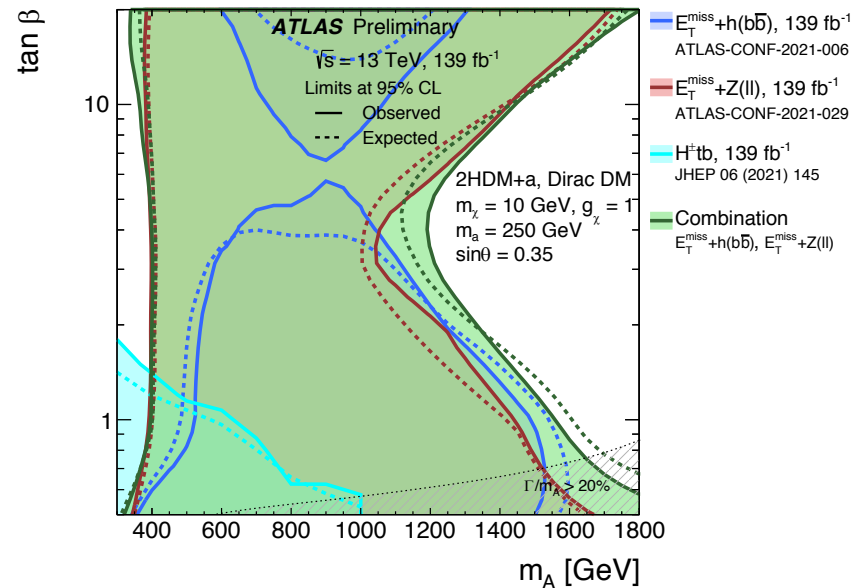
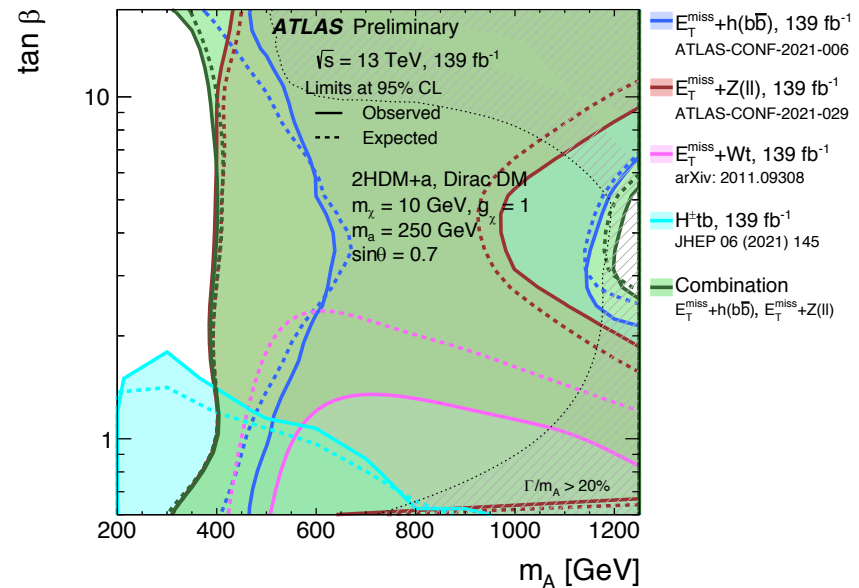
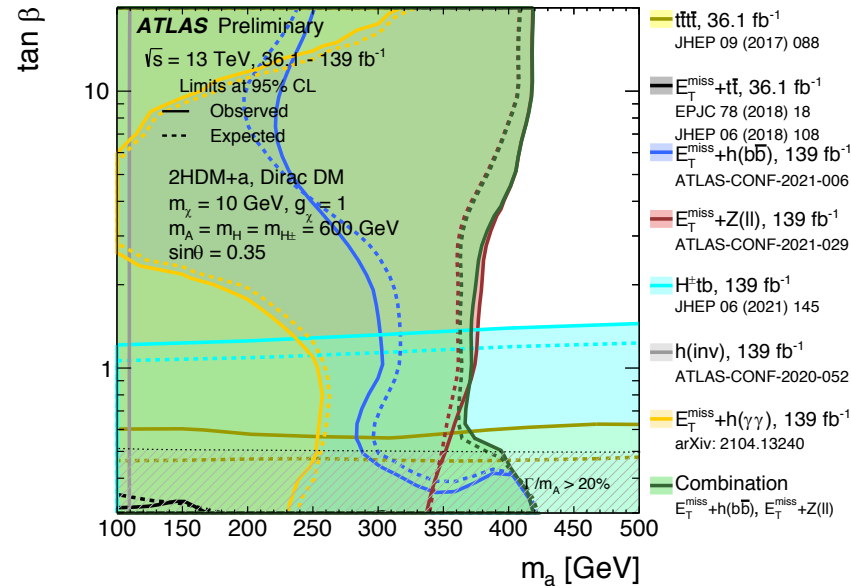
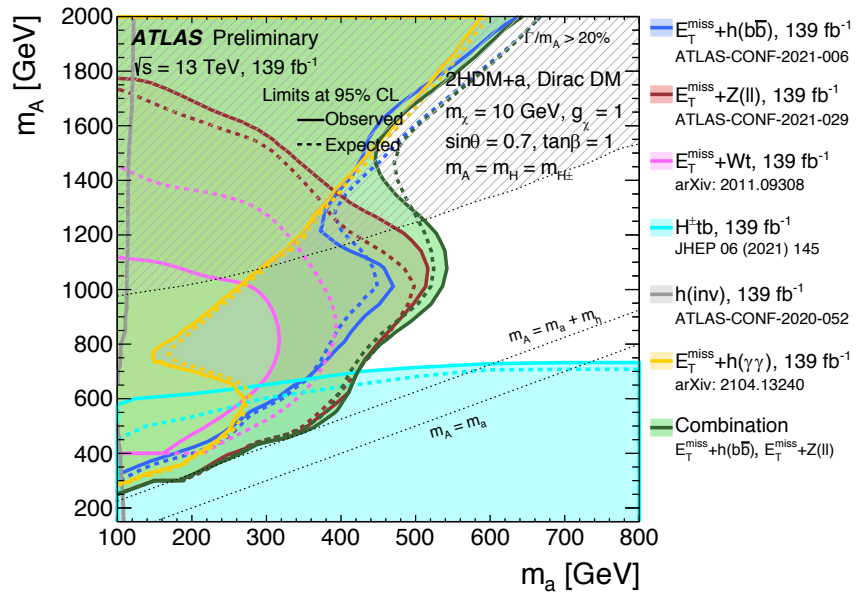
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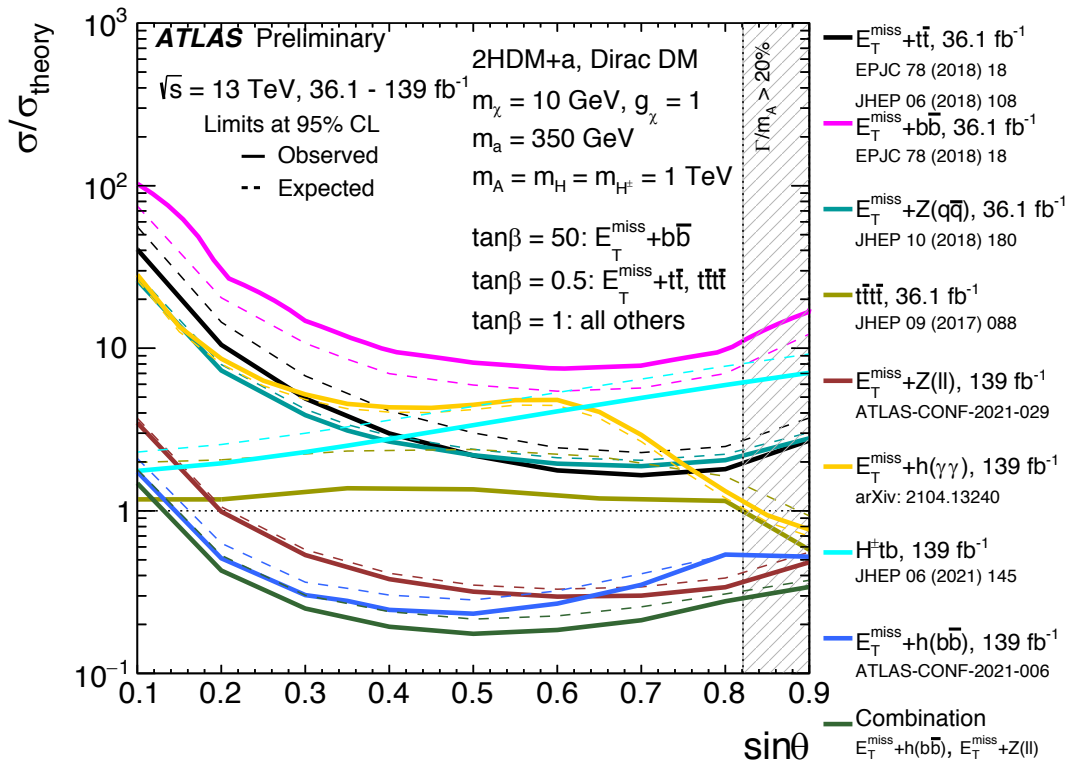
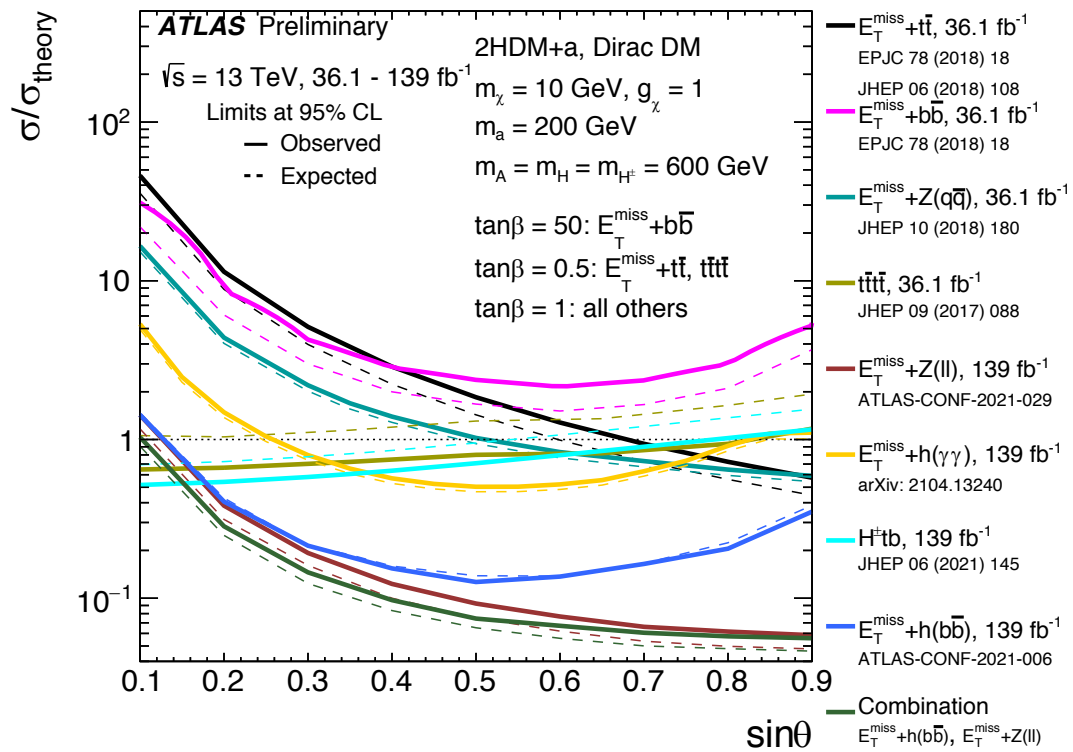
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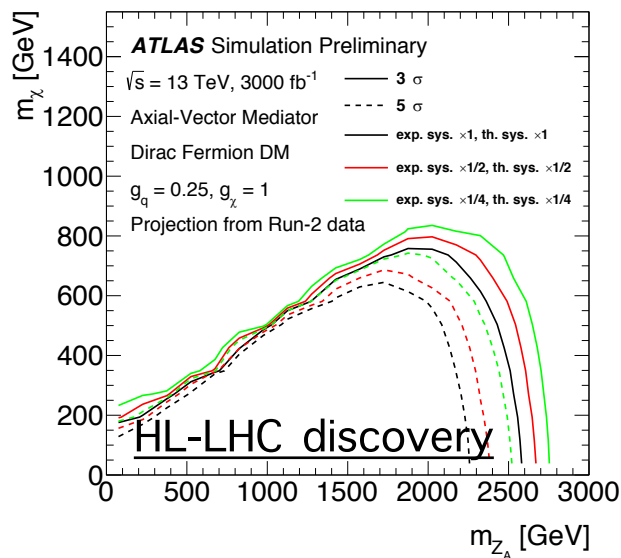
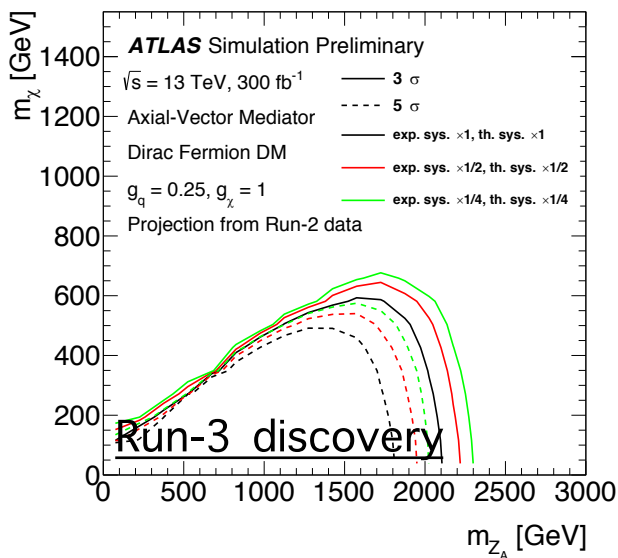
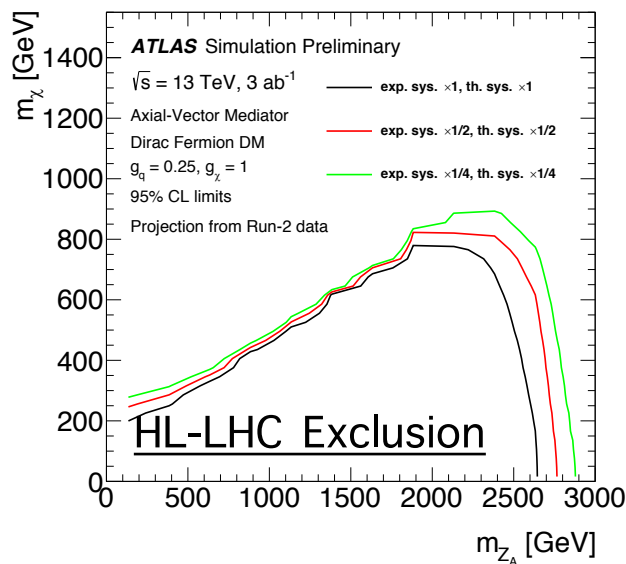
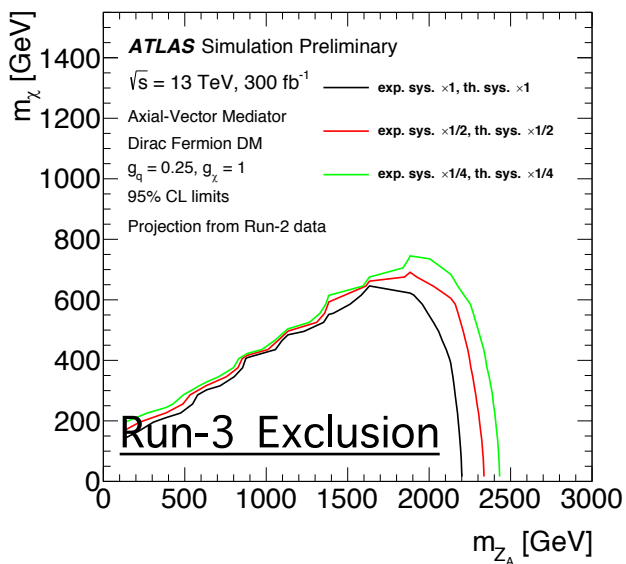
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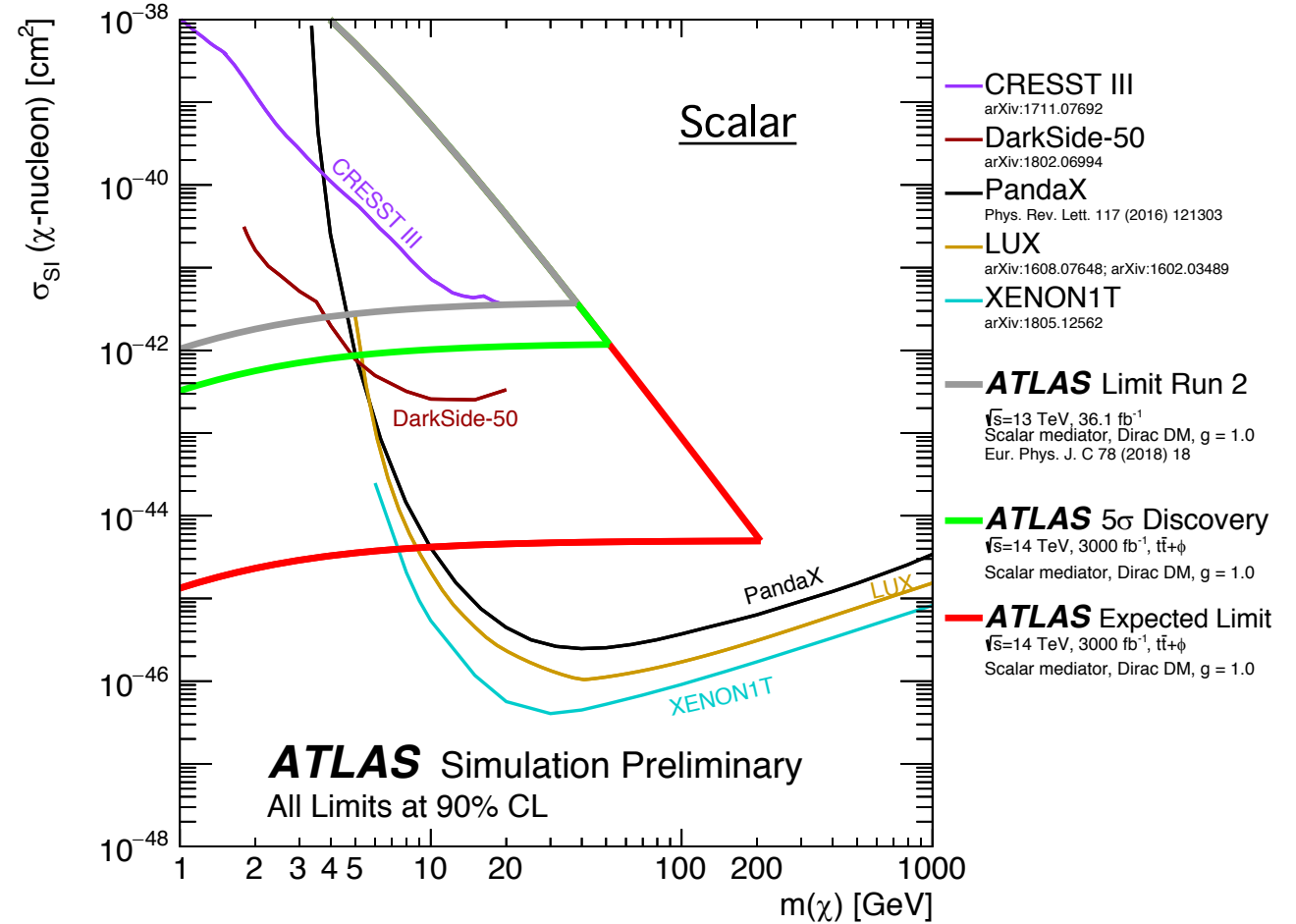
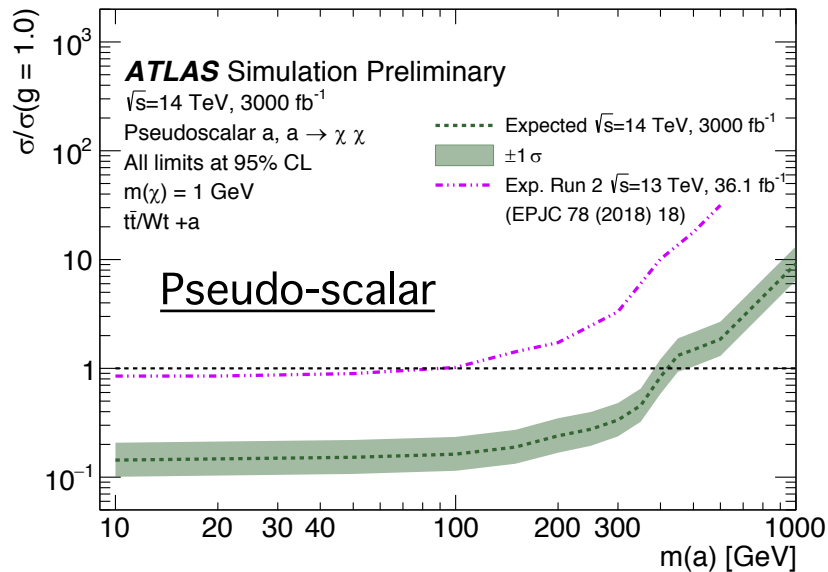
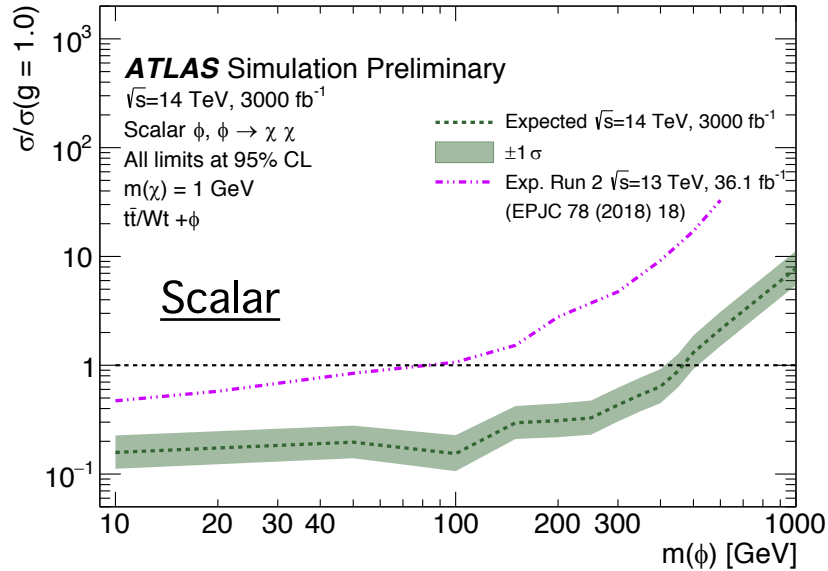
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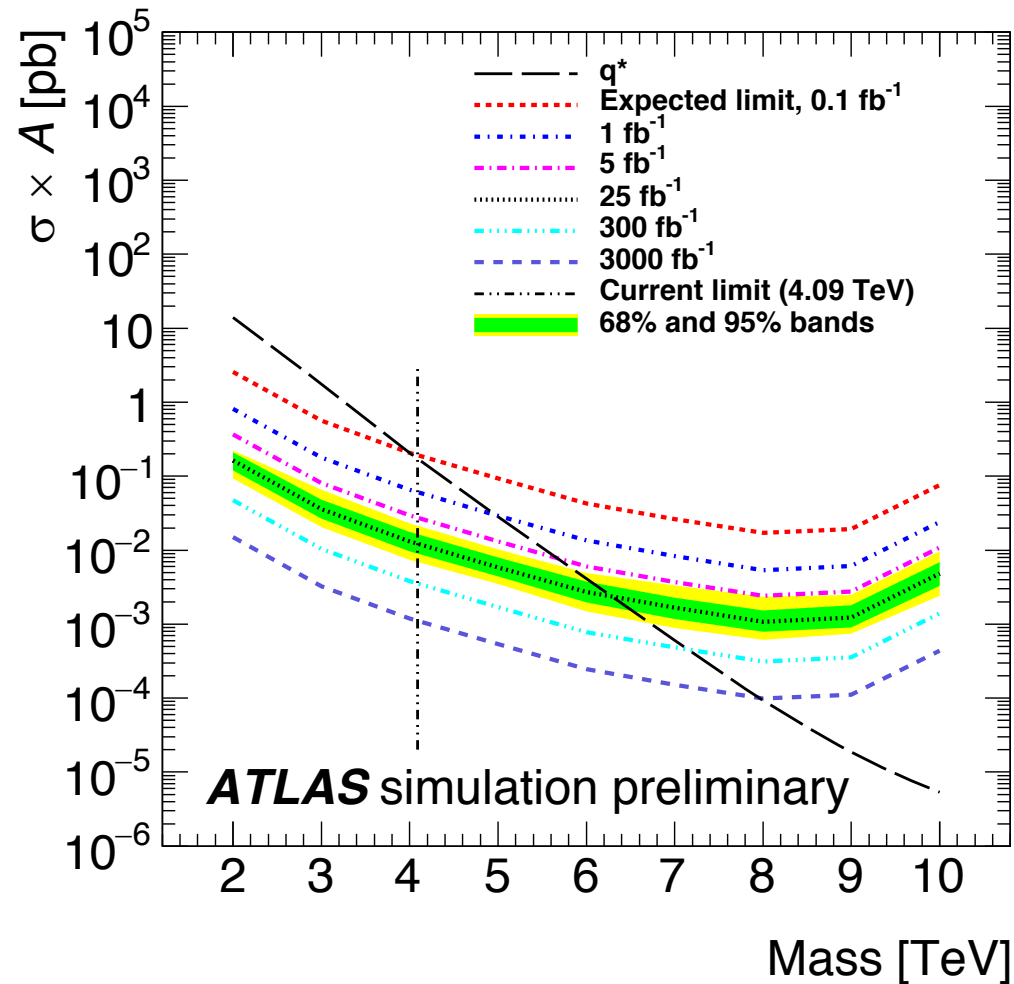
Mono-jet projection



MET+heavy-flavor projection



Di-jet projection



- The projection is performed on the excited quarks model instead of simplified models