

ATLAS SUSY searches with lepton(s), jets and E_{miss}

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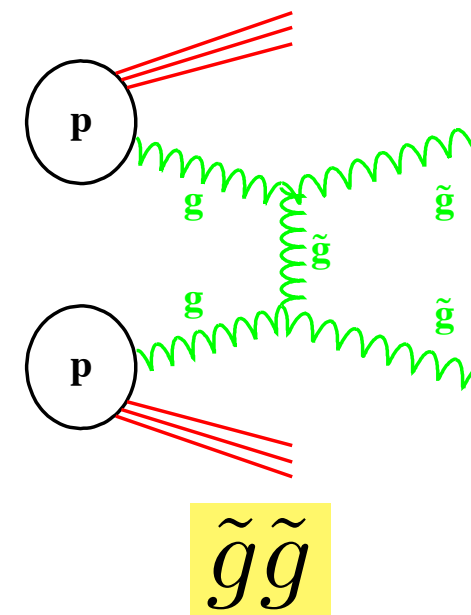
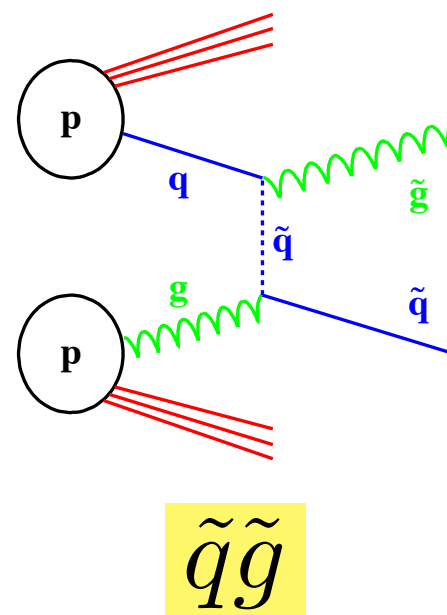
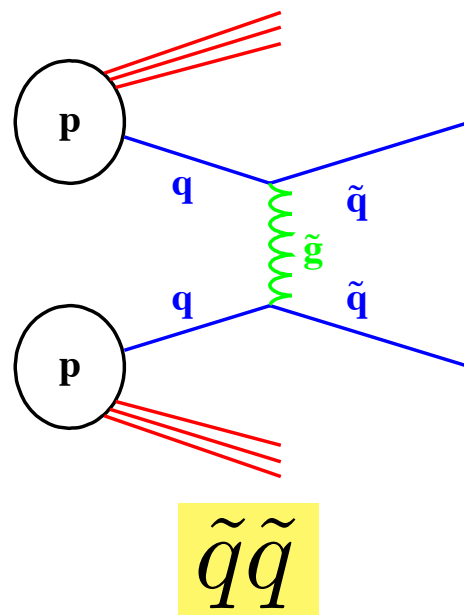


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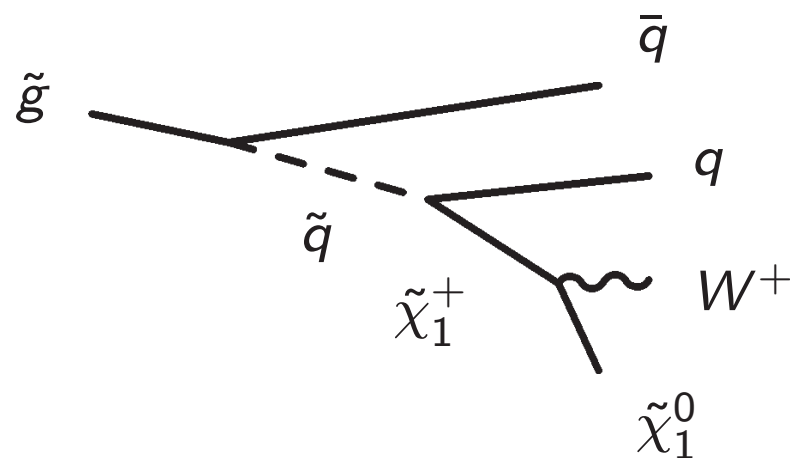
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SUSY with strong production at LHC



- R-parity conservation results in the pair production of SUSY particles
- Production of strongly interacting particles should be abundant



- The final state with leptons is one of the cleanest ways to discover SUSY/new physics
- Leptons are produced along with high- p_T jets and high missing transverse momentum (E_{miss})

● The squarks can also be from 3rd generation depending upon the mass of the gluino

Analysis that will be covered

❖ ATLAS Analysis with final states :

- 1-lepton + jets + E_{miss}
 - High cross-section $\times$ branching ratio
 - Covers a wide range of SUSY models
 - ATLAS analysis : [ATLAS-CONF-2012-041](#) (4.7 fb^{-1})
- Two leptons with same-sign + jets + E_{miss}
 - One of the cleanest channels to discover SUSY
 - Covers gluino mediated decays with high signal significance
 - ATLAS analysis : [arXiv:1203.5763](#) (2 fb^{-1})

1-lepton + jets + E_{miss}
ATLAS-CONF-2012-041
Int. Lumi = 4.7 fb⁻¹

Selection of leptons, jets and E_{miss}

- Leptons (electrons and muons) are divided into two categories
- “Hard” and “Soft” (Recovers phase space with compressed SUSY spectrum)

- **electron:**

- $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ (**Hard**), $|\eta| < 2.47$
- $7 < p_T < 25 \text{ GeV}$ (**Soft**), $|\eta| < 2.47$

- **muon:**

- $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ (Hard), $|\eta| < 2.4$
- $6 < p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}$ (Soft), $|\eta| < 2.4$

- **Jets:**

- $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$
- 75% of $\sum p_T$ of tracks inside a jet should come from tracks associated with a primary vertex *deals with pileup effects at high lumi.*

- **E_{miss}:**

- Calculated using all the objects in the event and with jets of $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ and $|\eta| < 4.5$

- **Trigger:**

- Single lepton (electron, muon) based trigger used
- To recover efficiency at higher lumi., electron trigger with looser shower shape selection
- E_{miss} based trigger is used which has a plateau at $E_{\text{miss}} > 180 \text{ GeV}$

Event Selection for 1-lepton Analysis

Two main variables that defines the selection

- Transverse mass (lepton and E_{miss})

$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^\ell E_T^{\text{miss}}(1 - \cos(\Delta\phi(\vec{\ell}, \vec{p}_T)))}$$

- Effective mass (scalar sum pT of the lepton, jets and E_{miss} in the event)

$$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{inc}} = p_T^\ell + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{jet}}} p_{T,i} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$$

Other variables :

- E_{miss} , $E_{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}$

	3-jet	4-jet	soft-lepton
Trigger	Single electron or muon (+jet)		Missing E_T
N_{lep}	1	1	1
p_T^ℓ (GeV)	> 25 (20)	> 25 (20)	[7,25] ([6,20])
$p_T^{\ell_2}$ (GeV)	< 10	< 10	< 7 (6)
N_{jet}	≥ 3	≥ 4	≥ 2
p_T^{jet} (GeV)	> 100, 25, 25	> 80, 80, 80, 80	> 130, 25
$p_T^{\text{jet } 4}$ (GeV)	< 80	—	—
E_T^{miss} (GeV)	> 250	> 250	> 250
m_T (GeV)	> 100	> 100	> 100
$E_T^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}$	> 0.3	> 0.2	> 0.3
$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{inc}}$ (GeV)	> 1200	> 800	—

3,4-jet signal region is optimized based on CMSSM, aim for large mass differences

soft-lepton signal region covers signals with compressed mass spectra

SM Backgrounds

Minor sources:

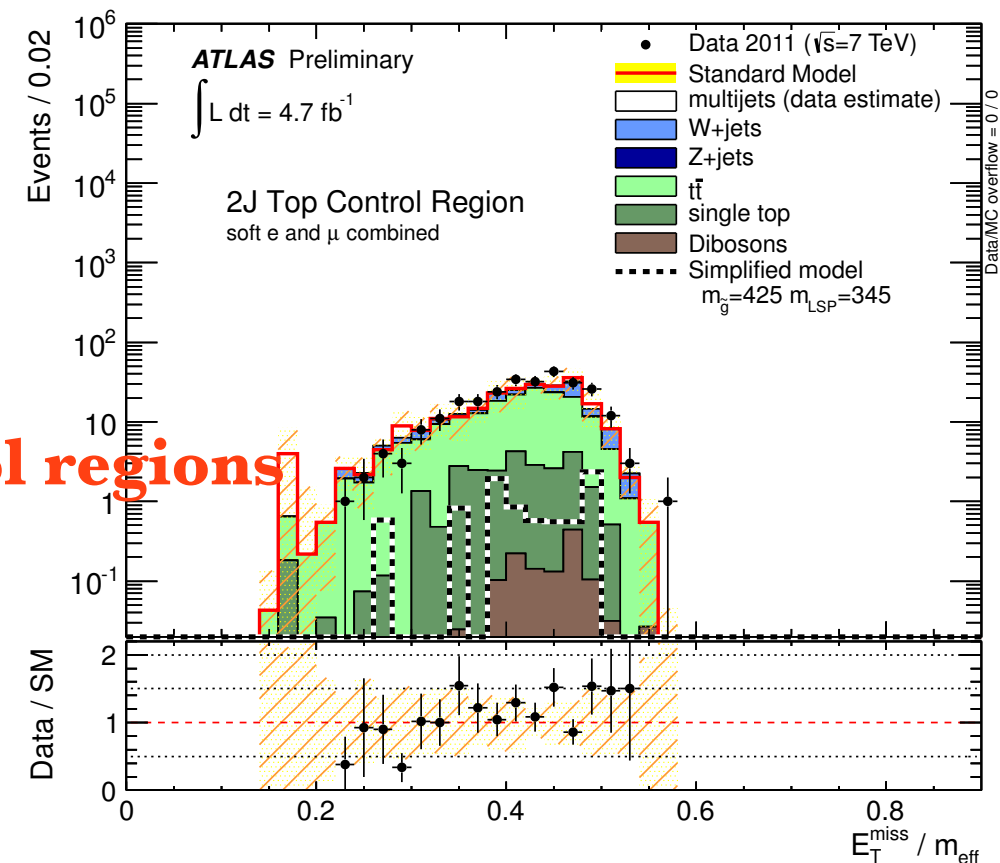
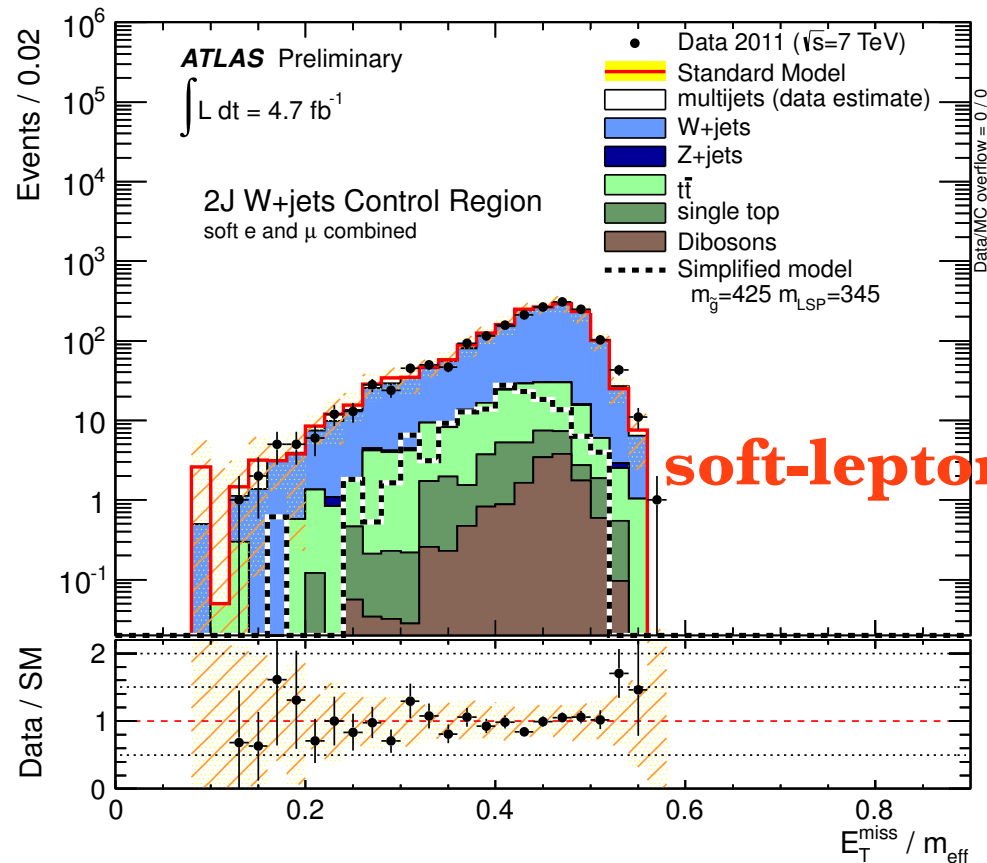
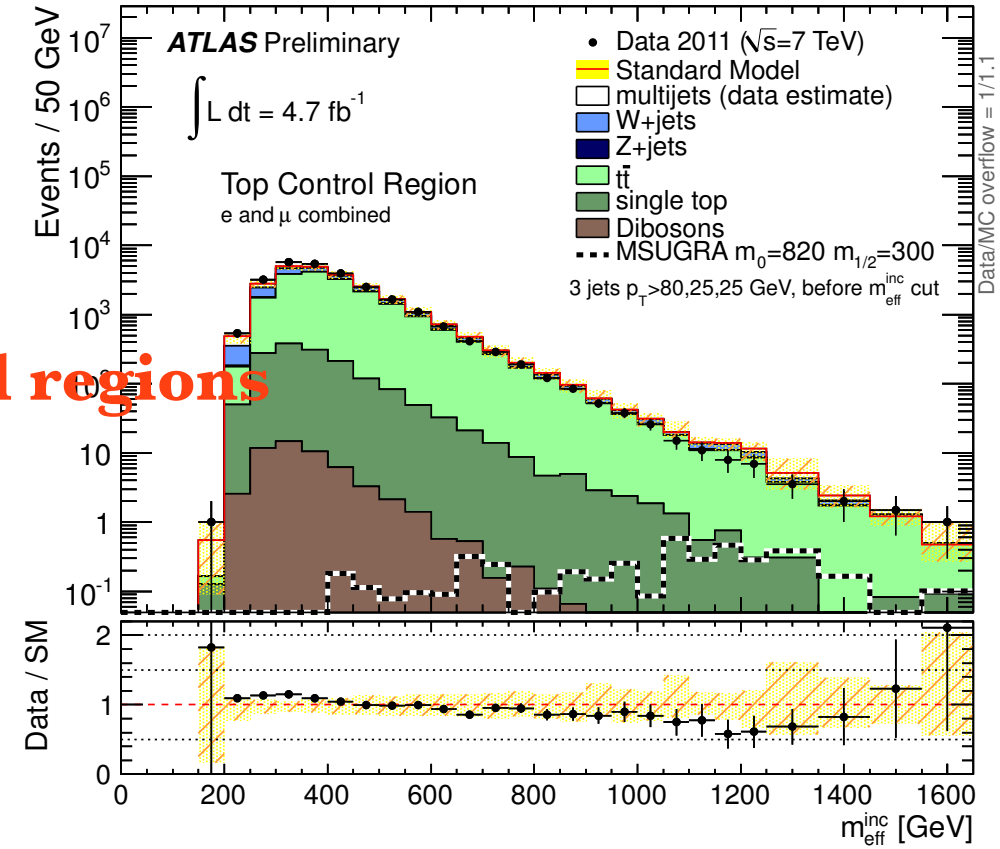
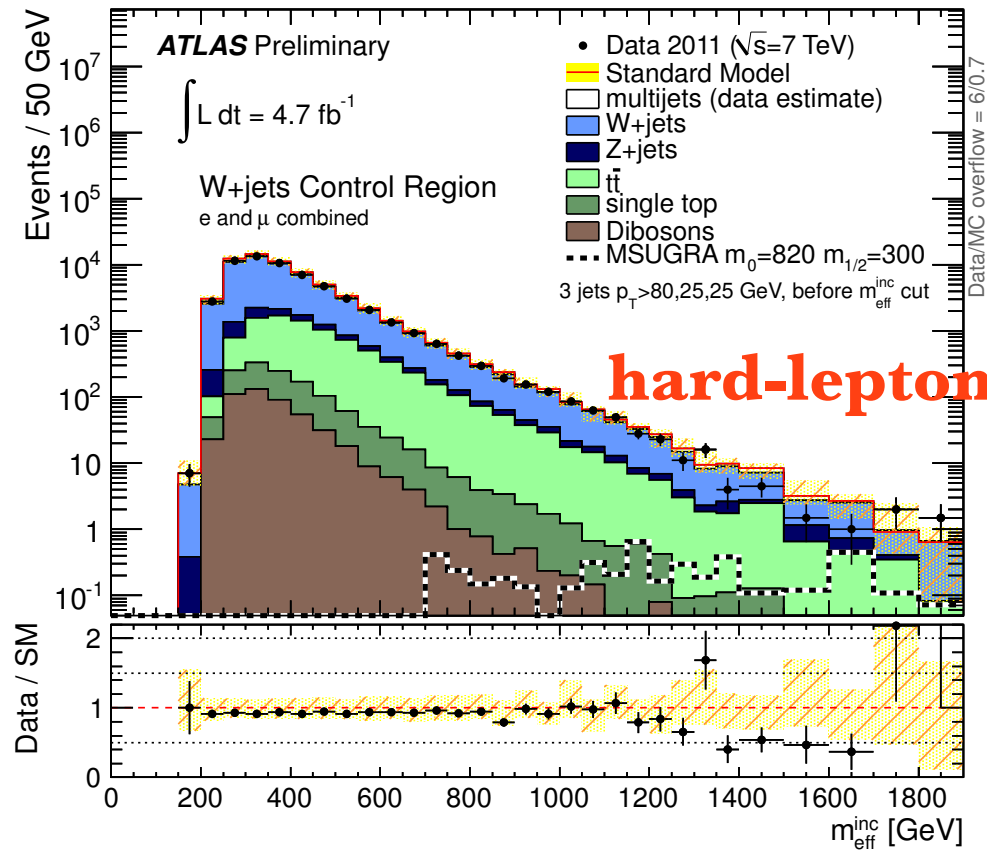
- Z+jets, QCD multijets, single-top and dibosons
 - QCD multijets background is estimated using a data-driven method
 - Others are estimated using MC simulation

Dominant background sources:

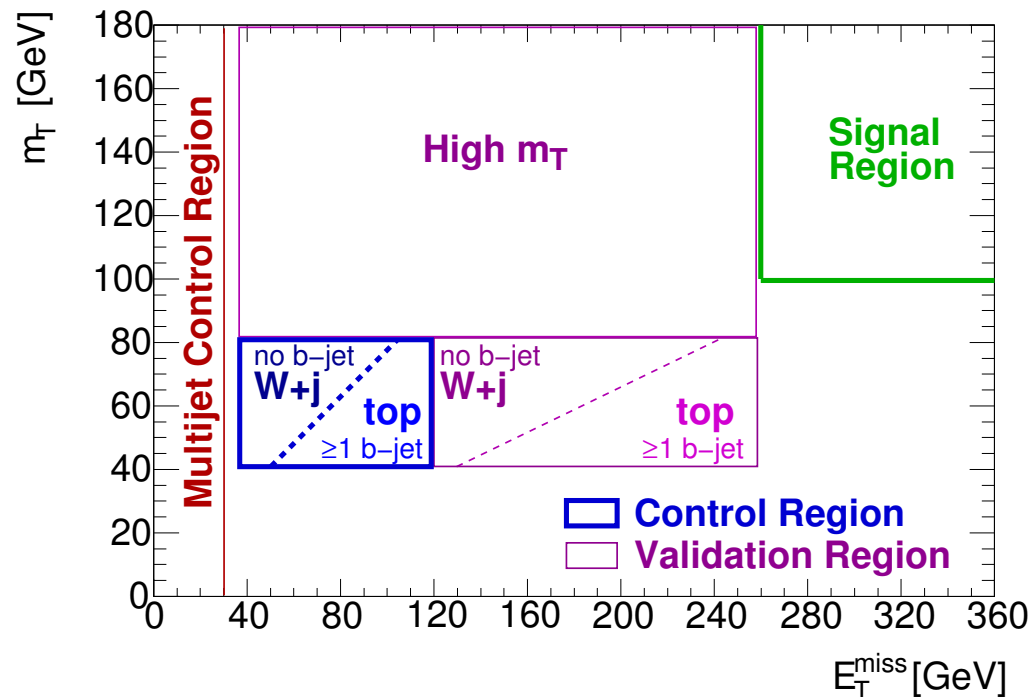
- semi/fully-leptonic ttbar events, W+jets
 - These backgrounds are obtained using specific control regions
 - Main discriminants are E_{tmiss} and m_T
 - Events with b-tag/veto separates ttbar from W+jets in control regions

	3- and 4-jet W control	3- and 4-jet $t\bar{t}$ control	soft-lepton W control	soft-lepton $t\bar{t}$ control
N_{jet}	≥ 3	≥ 3	Same as signal region	
p_T^{jet} (GeV)	$> 80, 25, 25$	$> 80, 25, 25$	Same as signal region	
N_{jet} (b-tagged)	0	≥ 1	0	≥ 1
E_T^{miss} (GeV)	[30,120]	[30,120]	[180,250]	[180,250]
m_T (GeV)	[40,80]	[40,80]	[40,80]	[40,80]
$m_{\text{eff}}^{\text{inc}}$ (GeV)	> 400	> 400	—	—

W+jets and ttbar control region



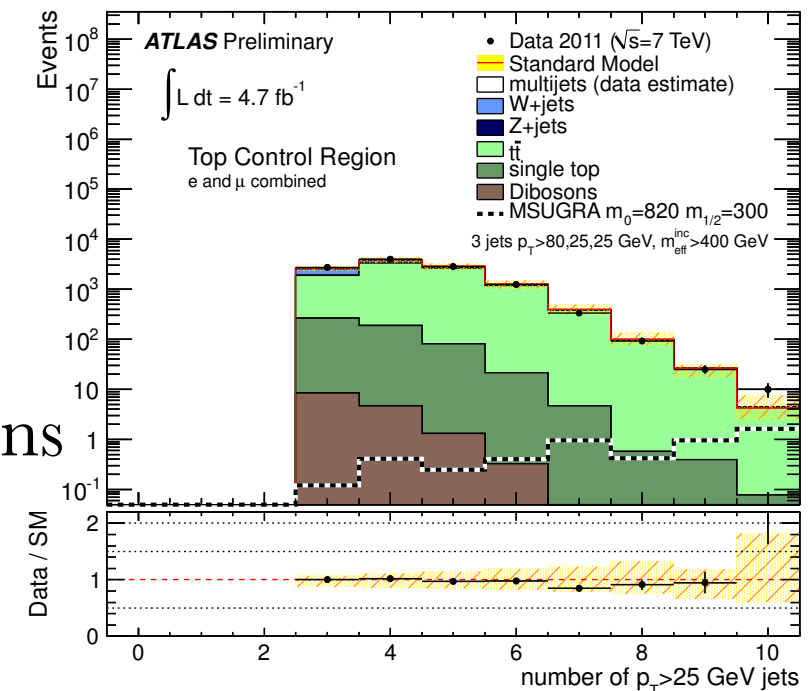
Estimation using Background Fit



SM background in the signal region is estimated using a fit based on profile likelihood method

Input to the fit

- N_{evt} in the W/top control regions in data and MC separated into several jet multiplicity bins



- Transfer factors (TF; Data, MC ratio) from the control regions are used to extrapolate to signal regions
 - Accounts for contamination from other SM processes and signal contamination

Parameters in the fit

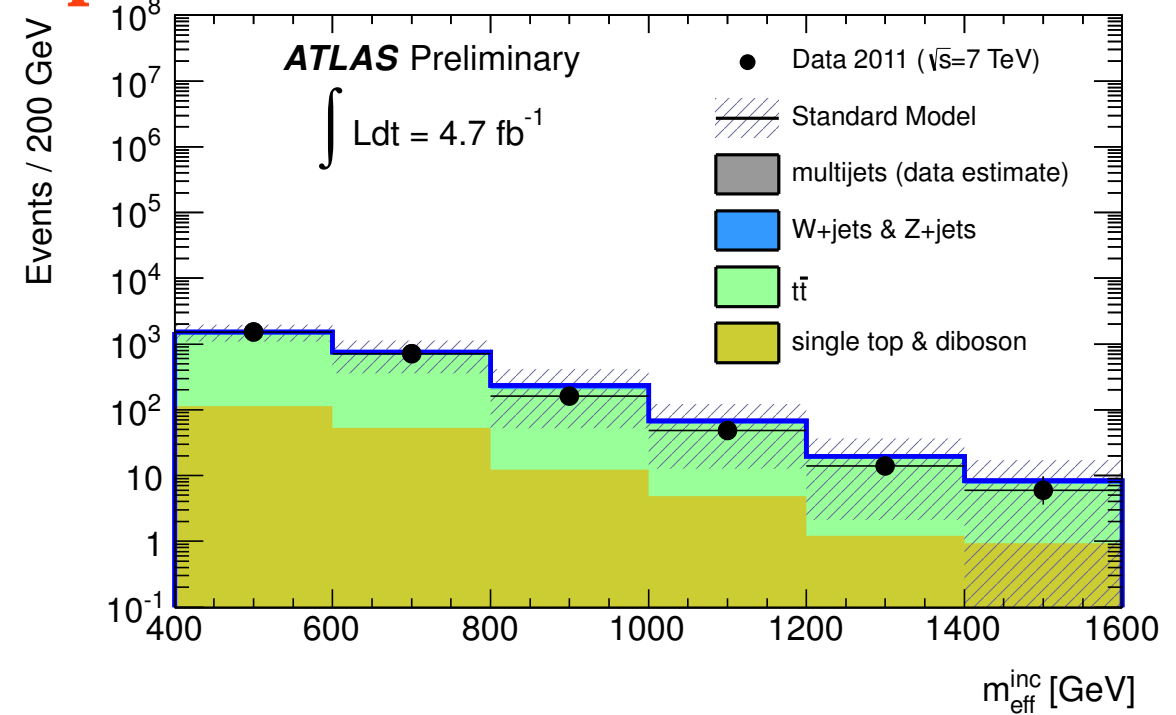
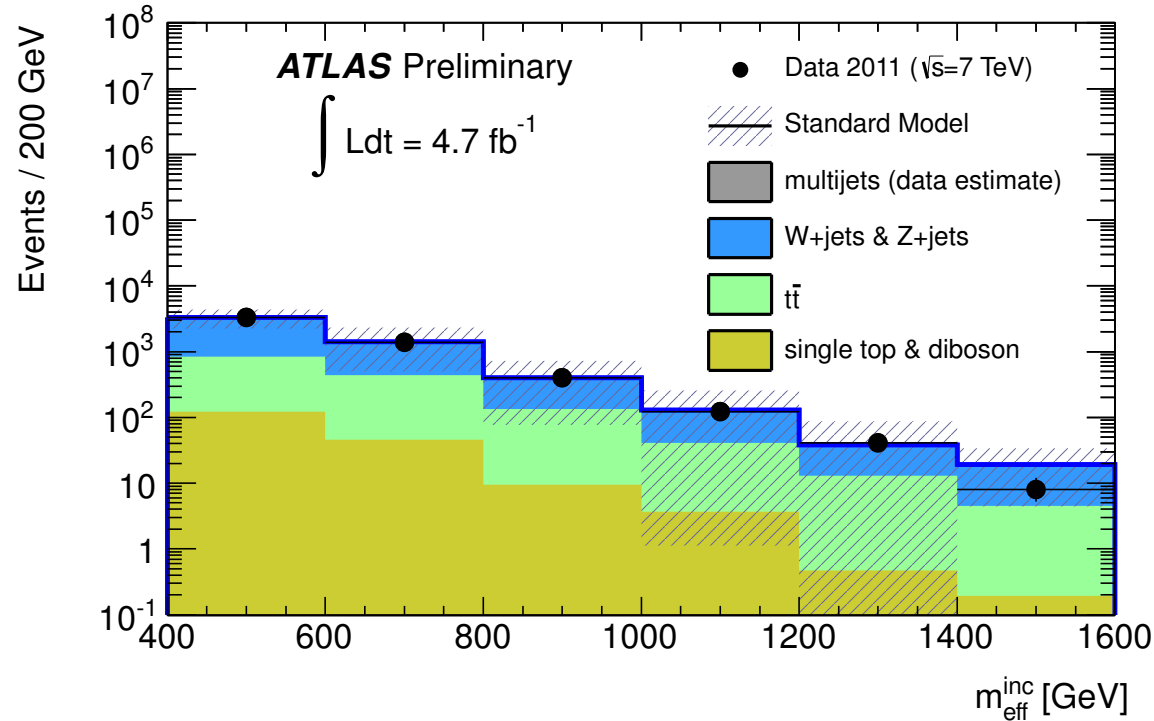
- Normalizations for the W+jets and top background
- Nuisance parameters are the ALPGEN matching scale kT_{fac} and MLM matching parameter pT_{min}

Validation Regions for the fit

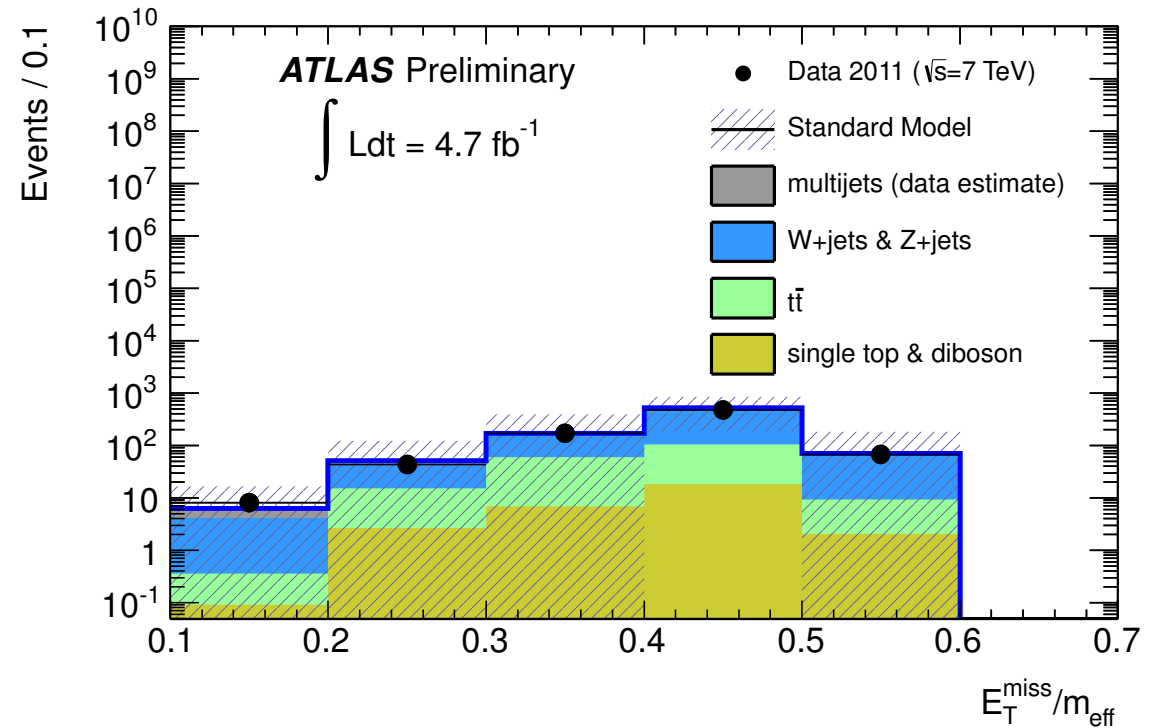
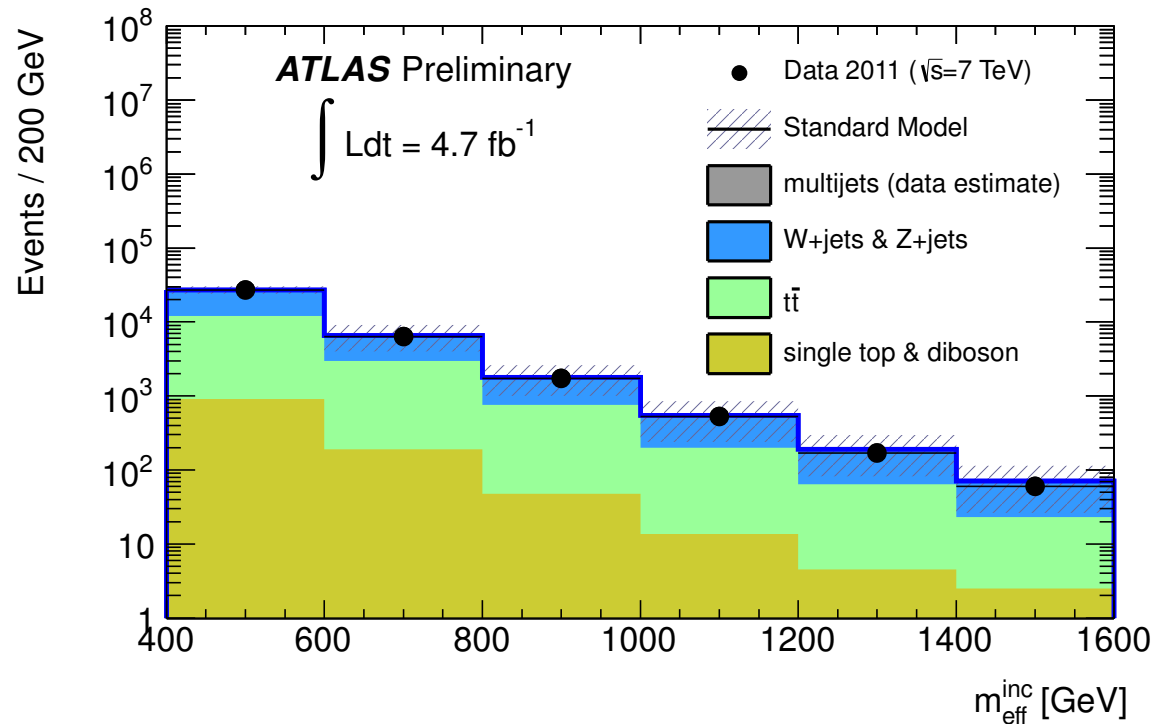
- Fit results are validated using moderate E_{tmiss} or m_T cuts in the control regions

Validation of the BG Fit

hard-lepton



soft-lepton



Validation of the BG Fit

3- and 4-jet channels	W+jets validation	$t\bar{t}$ validation	High m_T validation	$t\bar{t}$ control	W+jets control
Observed events	5281	2458	36041	11143	21324
Fitted bkg events	5300 ± 1000	2600 ± 400	37000 ± 5000	11140 ± 140	21320 ± 150
Fitted top events	1200 ± 220	2180 ± 350	15000 ± 2200	8900 ± 500	4100 ± 500
Fitted W/Z+jets events	3800 ± 900	230 ± 50	18800 ± 2900	1150 ± 120	15000 ± 1100
Fitted other bkg events	181 ± 27	186 ± 22	1170 ± 100	580 ± 60	450 ± 50
Fitted multijet events	9 ± 80	7 ± 50	1300 ± 1600	500 ± 400	1800 ± 1300
MC exp. SM events	5700	2600	39000	11220	22900
MC exp. top events	1290	2220	15500	9000	4300
MC exp. W/Z+jets events	4200	250	20700	1240	16400
MC exp. other bkg events	181	183	1170	560	440
Data-driven multijet events	9	7	1300	400	1700

Soft lepton channel	Validation Region	$t\bar{t}$ Control	W+jets Control
Observed events	764	271	1794
Fitted bkg events	810 ± 230	268 ± 17	1800 ± 50
Fitted top events	160 ± 40	169 ± 24	143 ± 32
Fitted W/Z+jets events	600 ± 200	55 ± 10	1550 ± 60
Fitted other bkg events	30 ± 8	30 ± 4	40 ± 5
Fitted multijet events	30 ± 40	14 ± 16	60 ± 70
MC exp. SM events	820	237	1810
MC exp. top events	160	157	164
MC exp. W/Z+jets events	600	43	1540
MC exp. other bkg events	29	25	41
Data-driven multijet events	31	12	60

Results

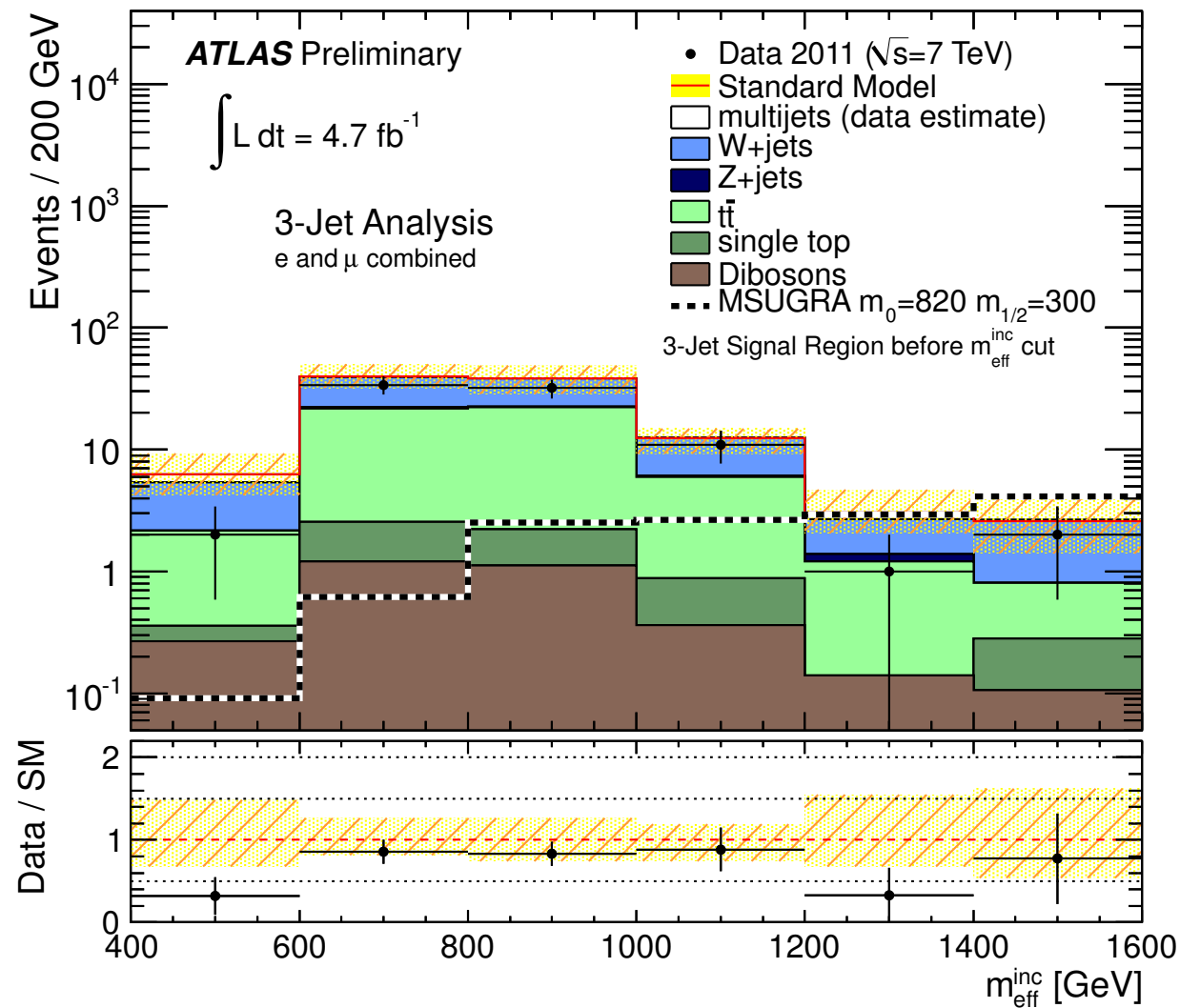
	3-jet	4-jet	soft lepton
Observed events	3	6	26
Fitted bkg events	5.7 ± 4.0	8.3 ± 3.1	32 ± 11
Fitted top events	2.0 ± 1.5	5.3 ± 2.1	8.6 ± 3.4
Fitted W/Z+jets events	2.9 ± 2.1	2.0 ± 0.7	15 ± 7
Fitted other bkg events	0.5 ± 0.7	0.9 ± 0.8	0.62 ± 0.24
Fitted multijet events	0.3 ± 0.4	0.17 ± 0.30	8 ± 4
MC exp. SM events	5.6	7.9	32
MC exp. top events	1.9	5.0	8.6
MC exp. W/Z+jets events	3.1	2.0	15
MC exp. other bkg events	0.3	0.7	0.62
Data-driven multijet events	0.3	0.17	8

Model Independent Limit (CLs)

Signal channel	$\langle \epsilon \sigma \rangle_{\text{obs}}^{95} [\text{fb}]$	S_{obs}^{95}	S_{exp}^{95}	CL_B
3-jet	1.3	6.1	$7.2^{+3.0}_{-2.1}$	0.31
4-jet	1.5	7.2	$8.0^{+3.5}_{-2.4}$	0.36
soft-lepton	3.7	17.2	20^{+7}_{-5}	0.32

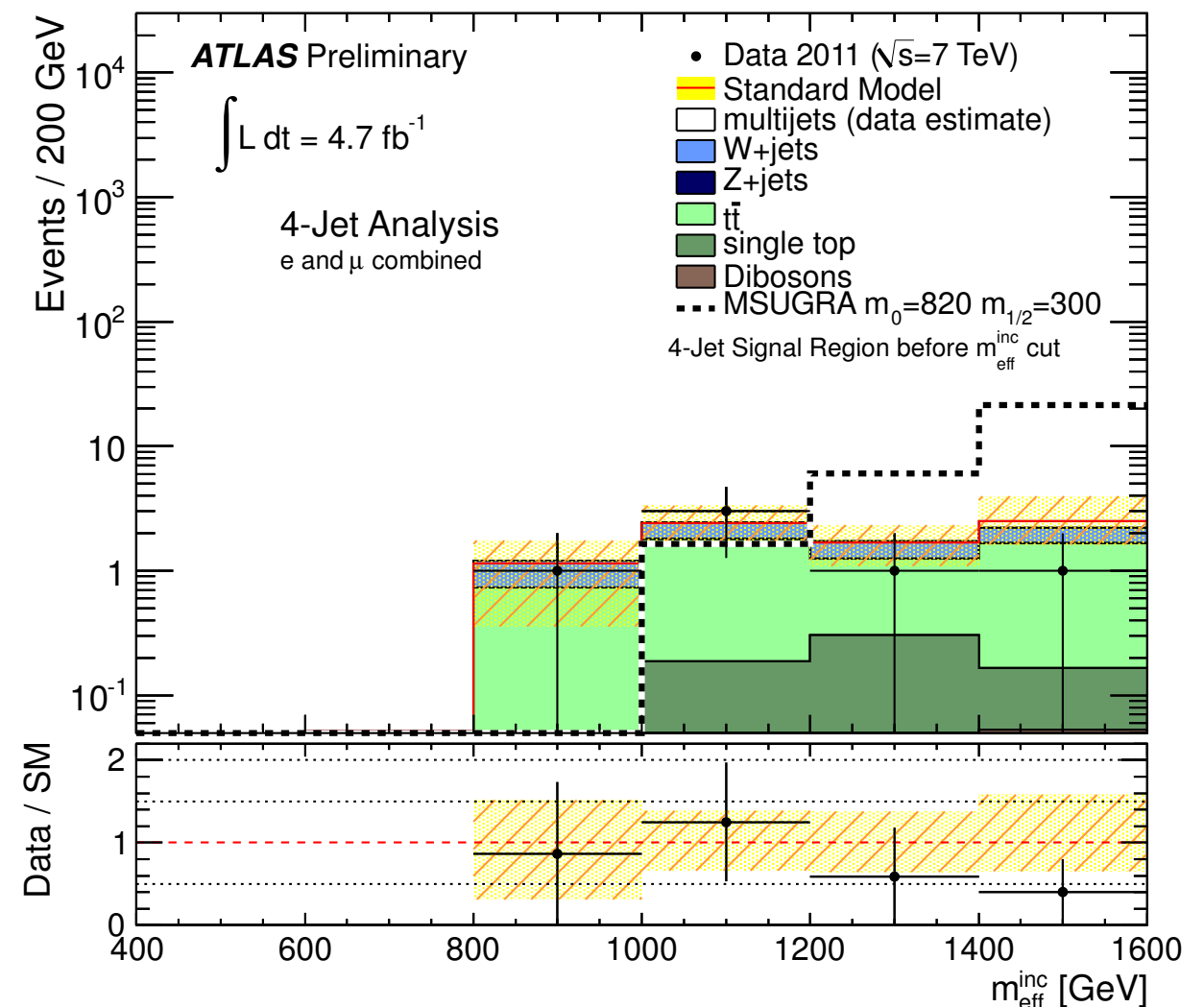
Results including Signal shape

For exclusion of a particular signal, shape information of M_{eff} is used in the fit (additional discrimination)



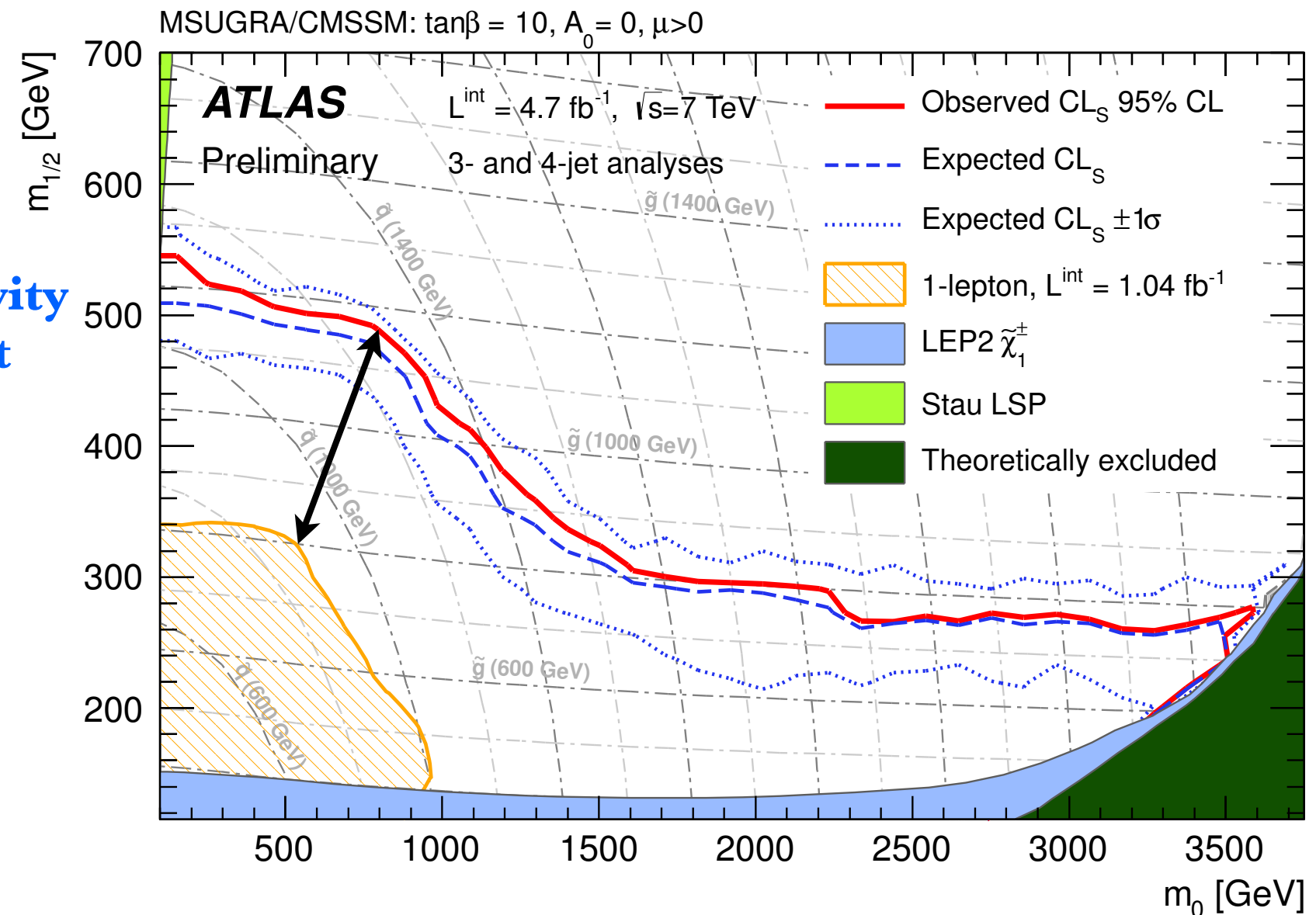
The likelihood is extended to include the bin-by-bin information of the shape

It also accounts for the signal contamination in the control regions



Interpretation (CMSSM)

Big increase in sensitivity
as a result of the BG fit
and optimization for
CMSSM models



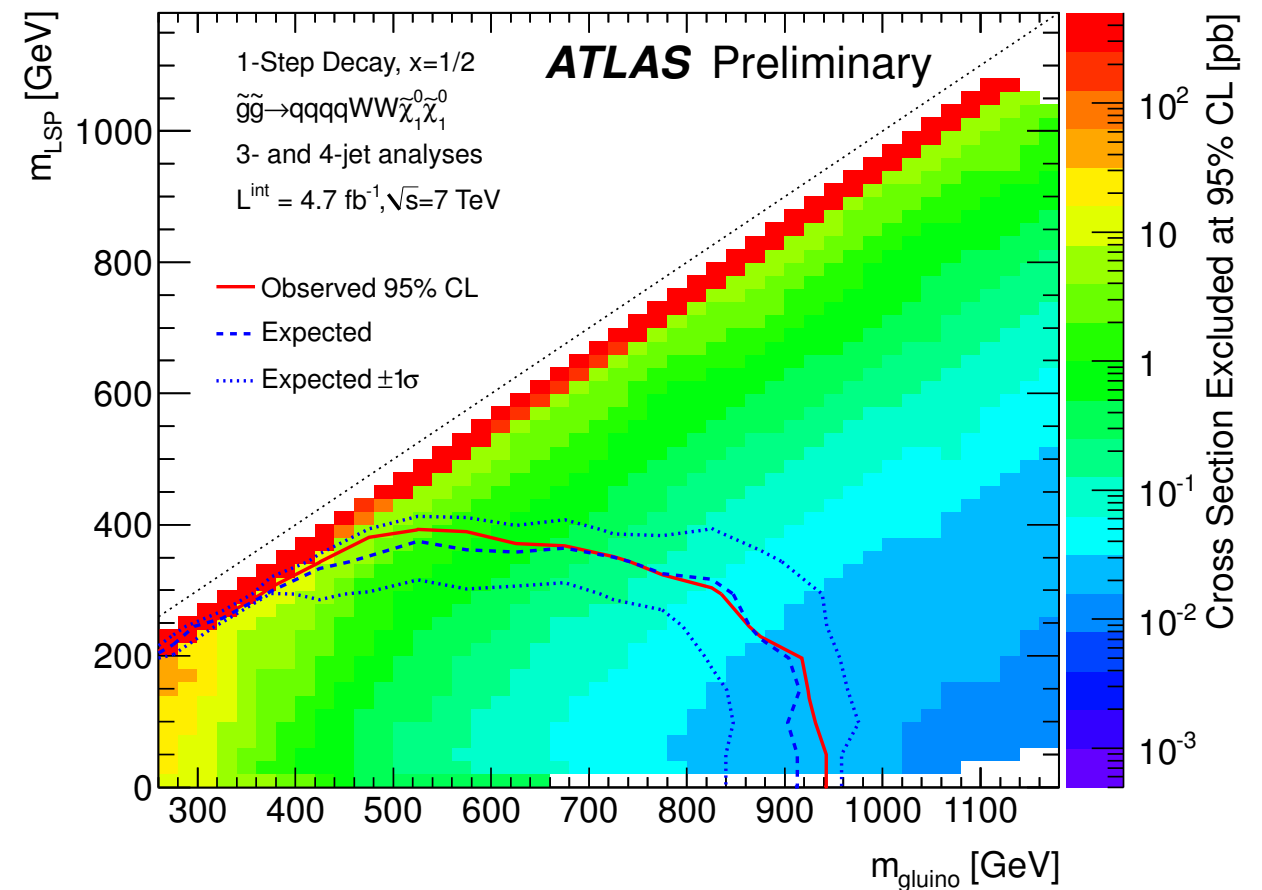
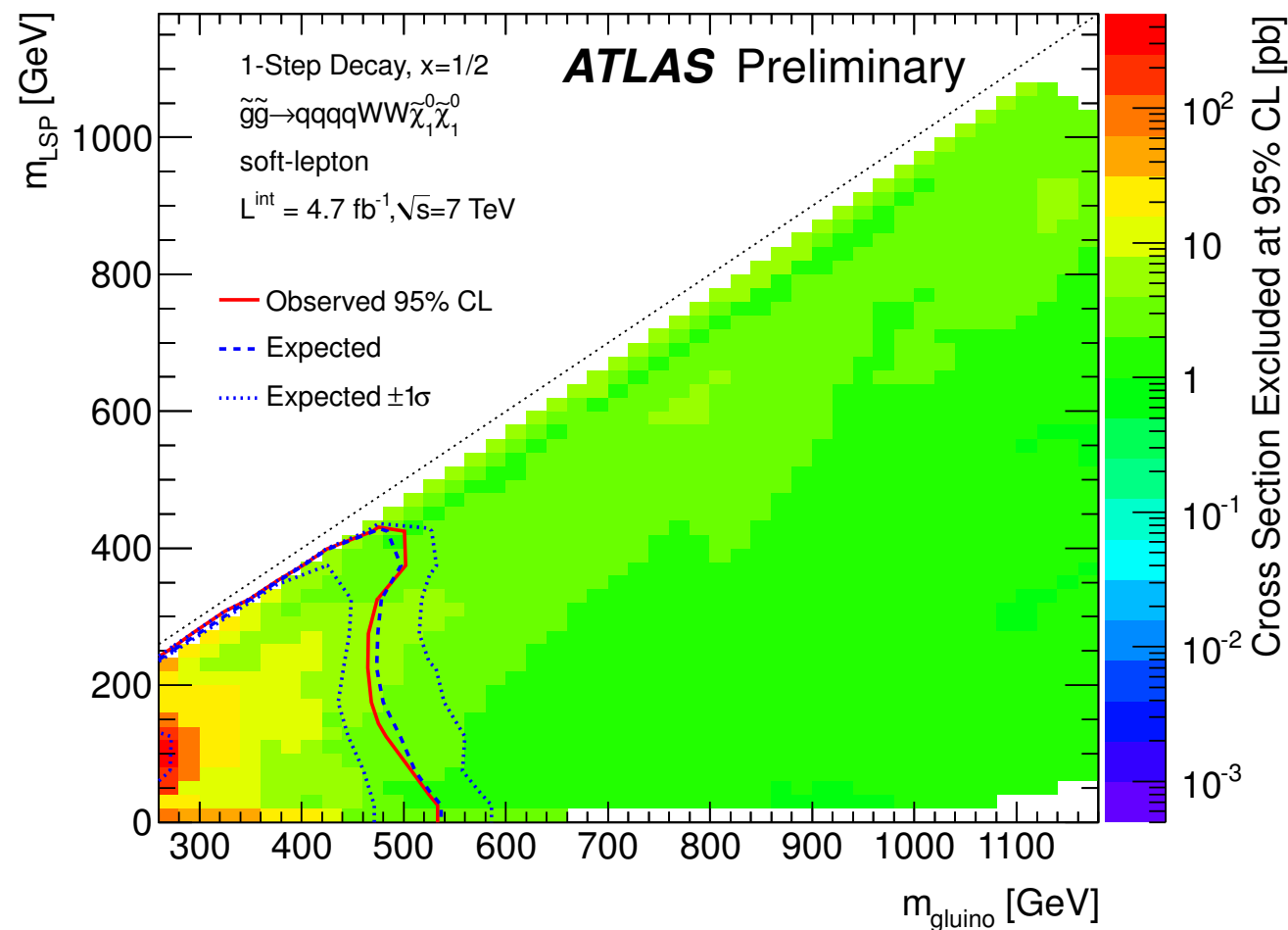
- Statistically combine the 3- and 4-jet analysis
- Masses below 1200 GeV is excluded at 95% CL

Interpretation (Simplified Model)

Use one step gluino decay in a $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ production mode with the following assumptions :

$$\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}'\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow q\bar{q}'W^\pm\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

$$m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(m_{\tilde{g}} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0})$$



- Statistical combination of 3- and 4-jet analysis
- Soft lepton complements in the diagonal region for very compressed spectra of particles

**$m(\tilde{g}) \sim 900$ GeV excluded
for $m(\text{LSP}) \sim 200$ GeV**

2-lepton same-sign + jets + E_{miss}

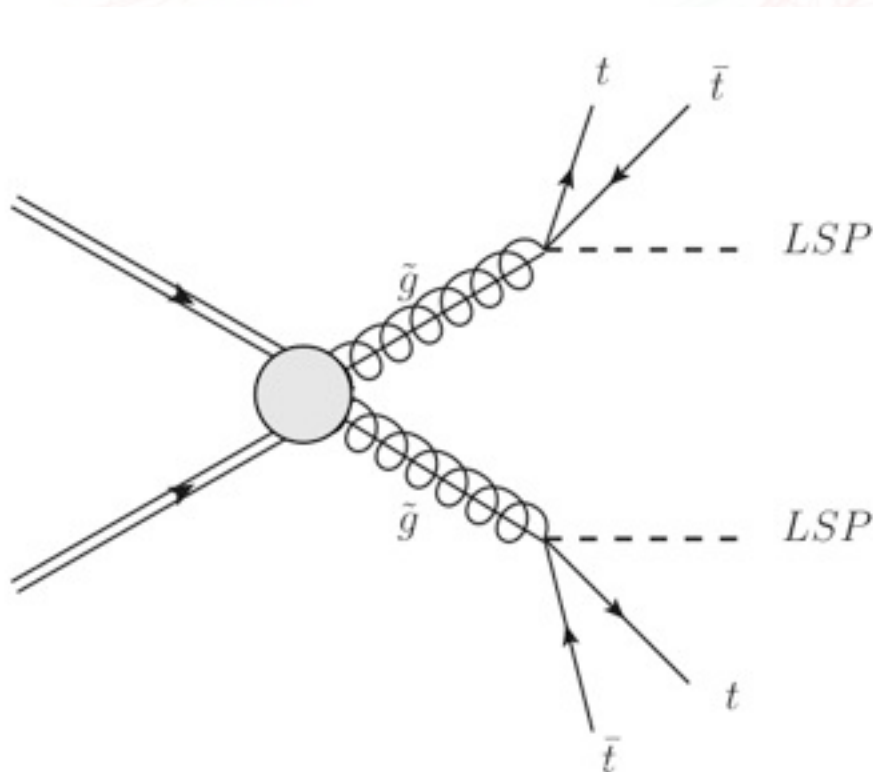
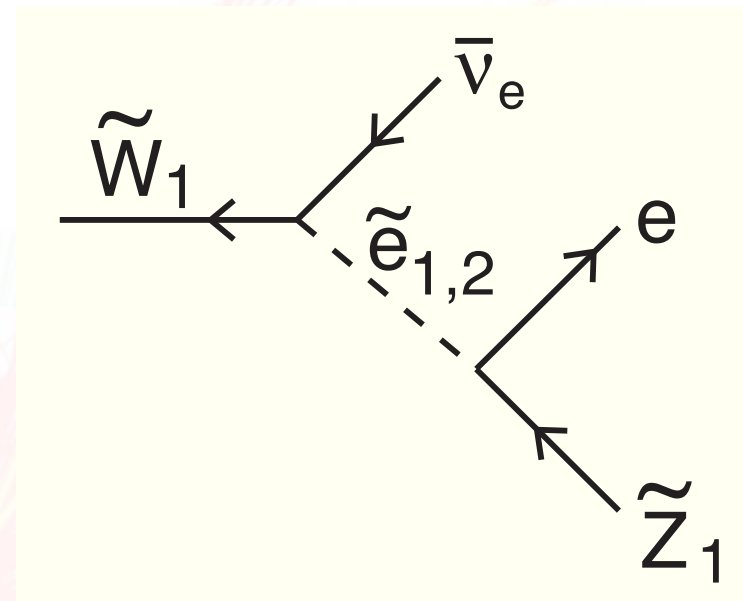
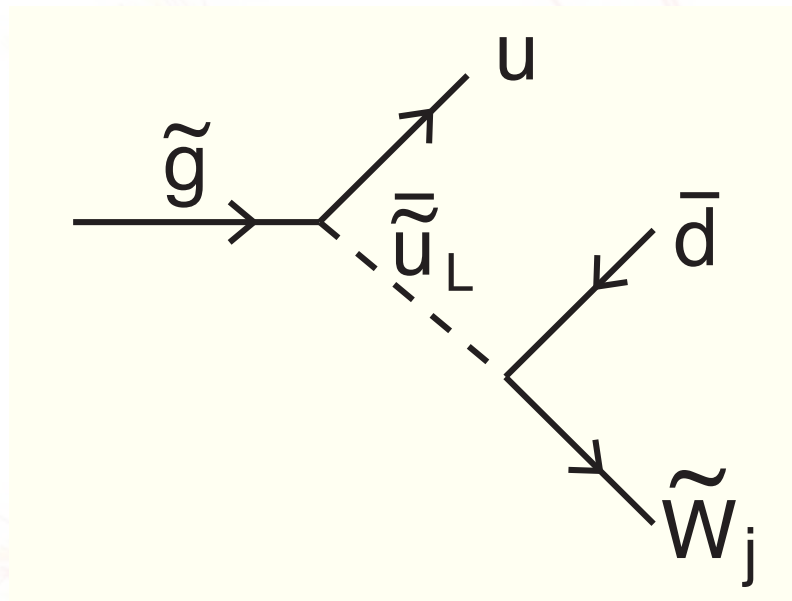
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Gluinos with two same-sign leptons

- Gluino is assumed to be Majorana in nature
- A pair produced gluino has equal probabilities to decay to a pair of leptons with same charge (same-sign) and opposite charge
- Signature with two same-sign (SS) leptons are clean and sensitive for a SUSY/new physics discovery
 - **Motivation:**
 - The contribution from the SM processes are much smaller compared to the signal expectation
 - Observation of a new signal would be clean and significant

Gluino mediated productions



Leptons are produced via cascade decays of gluino to squarks and via sleptons or chargino decay

If gluino is heavier than the top quark, it produces a stop-top pair

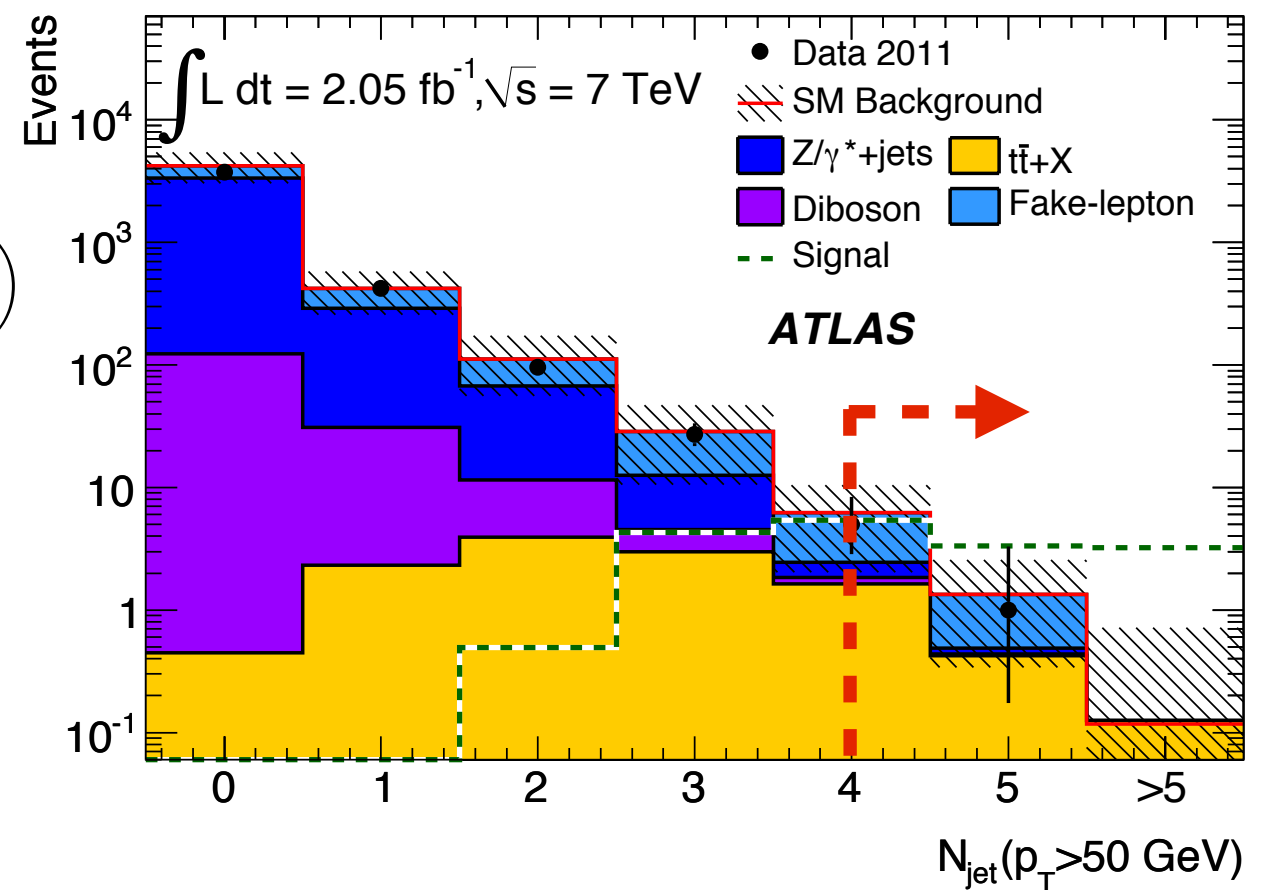
Leptons can be produced from the decays of top, enhancing the production rate for SS leptons

Selection Criteria

In these decays, high- p_T jets and high $E_{T\text{miss}}$ are produced in a signal event along with two or more leptons (with at least a pair of SS leptons)

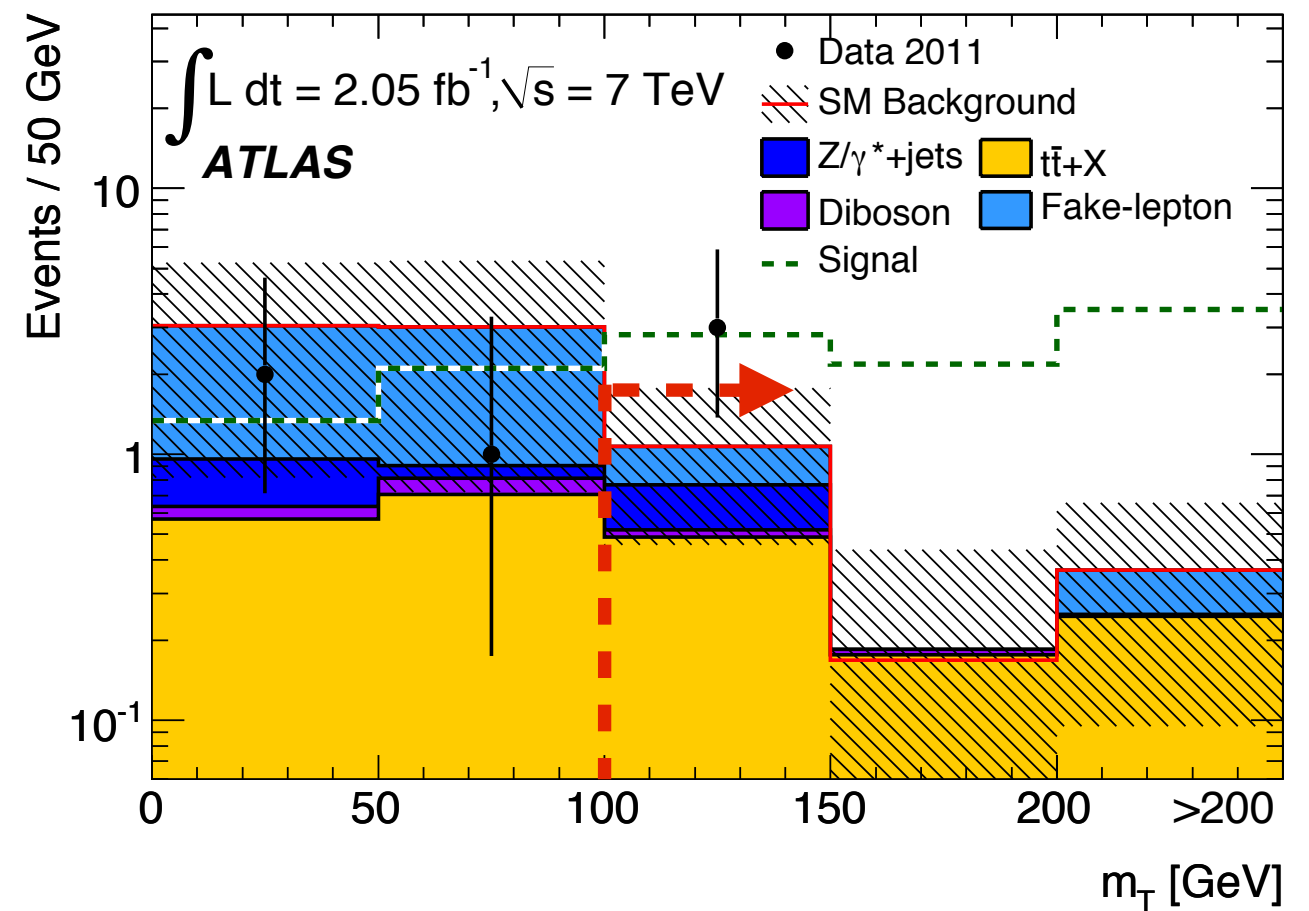
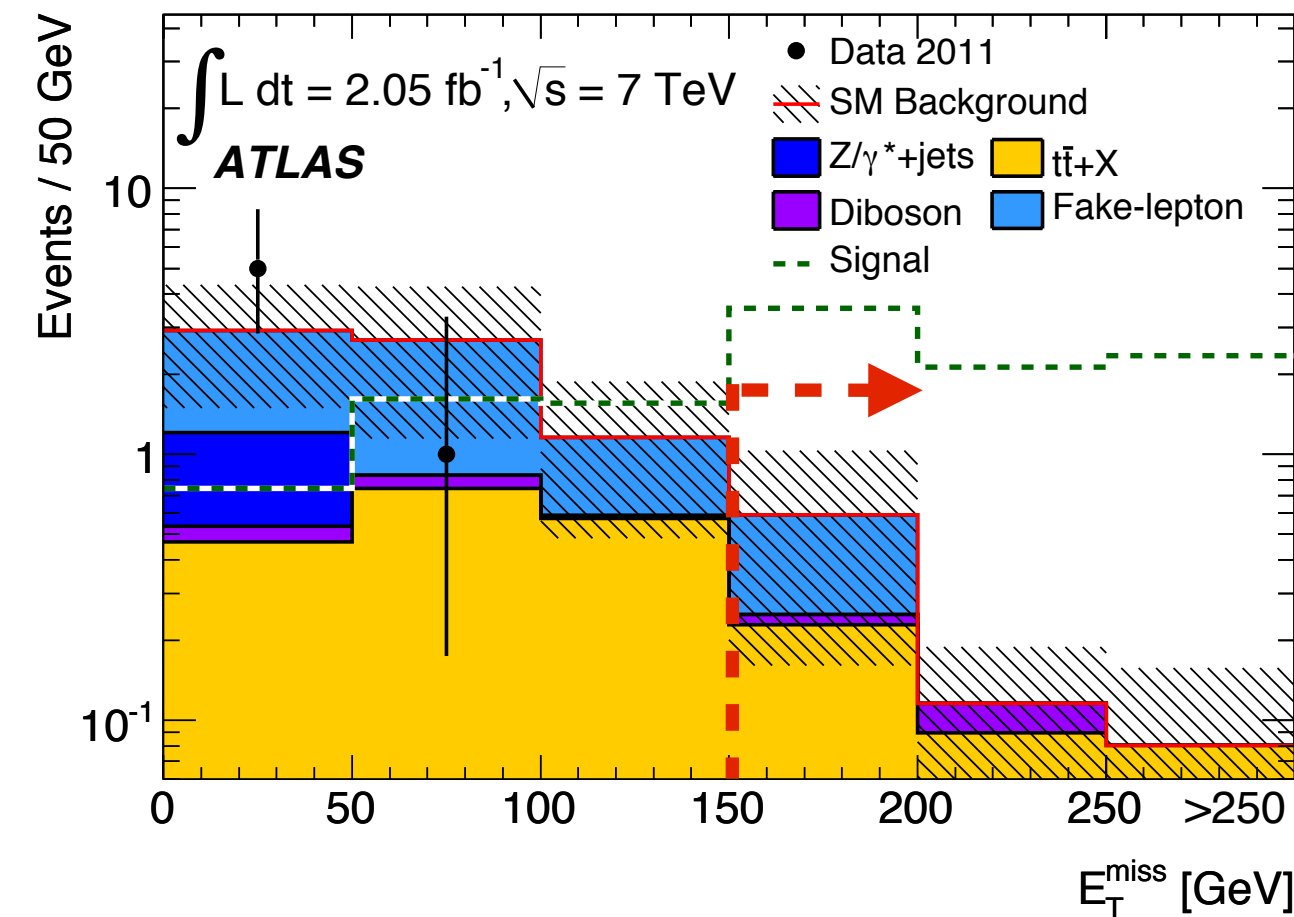
Selection criteria :

- ≥ 2 SS leptons ($p_T > 20$ GeV)
- ≥ 4 jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV)
- Signal Region :
 - (1) $E_{T\text{miss}} > 150$ GeV
 - (2) $M_T > 100$ GeV



A typical signal (gluino mediated stop-top decay) has been considered : $m(\text{gl}) \sim 650 \text{ GeV}$, $m(\text{LSP}) \sim 150 \text{ GeV}$

Variables defining Signal Regions



● A cut on E_T^{miss} reduces most of the SM backgrounds

● Some of the irreducible backgrounds are further suppressed by a cut on the Transverse mass (M_T) of the leading lepton and E_T^{miss} system

SM processes as background

The background in SS dilepton analysis due to SM processes can be divided into three categories

1) Fake-lepton background

- Originates from processes that produces at least 1 lepton from a jet-fake-lepton or non-isolated source
- Processes : $t\bar{t}$ + jets, W +jets, QCD- $b\bar{b}$, single-top etc...

2) Electron charge mis-identification

- Originates when a real electron goes through a hard bremsstrahlung producing a photon that converts into a pair of electrons
- One of these converted electrons with another lepton from the parent particle creates a same-sign pair
- Processes : Z +jets, dileptonic- $t\bar{t}$, Diboson

3) Irreducible background

- Real leptons and real $E_{T\text{miss}}$
- Processes : $W^\pm W^\pm qq$, $t\bar{t}$ production with associated gauge bosons ($t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}Z$, etc...)
- Some of these processes are not experimentally observed yet

How do we measure them ?

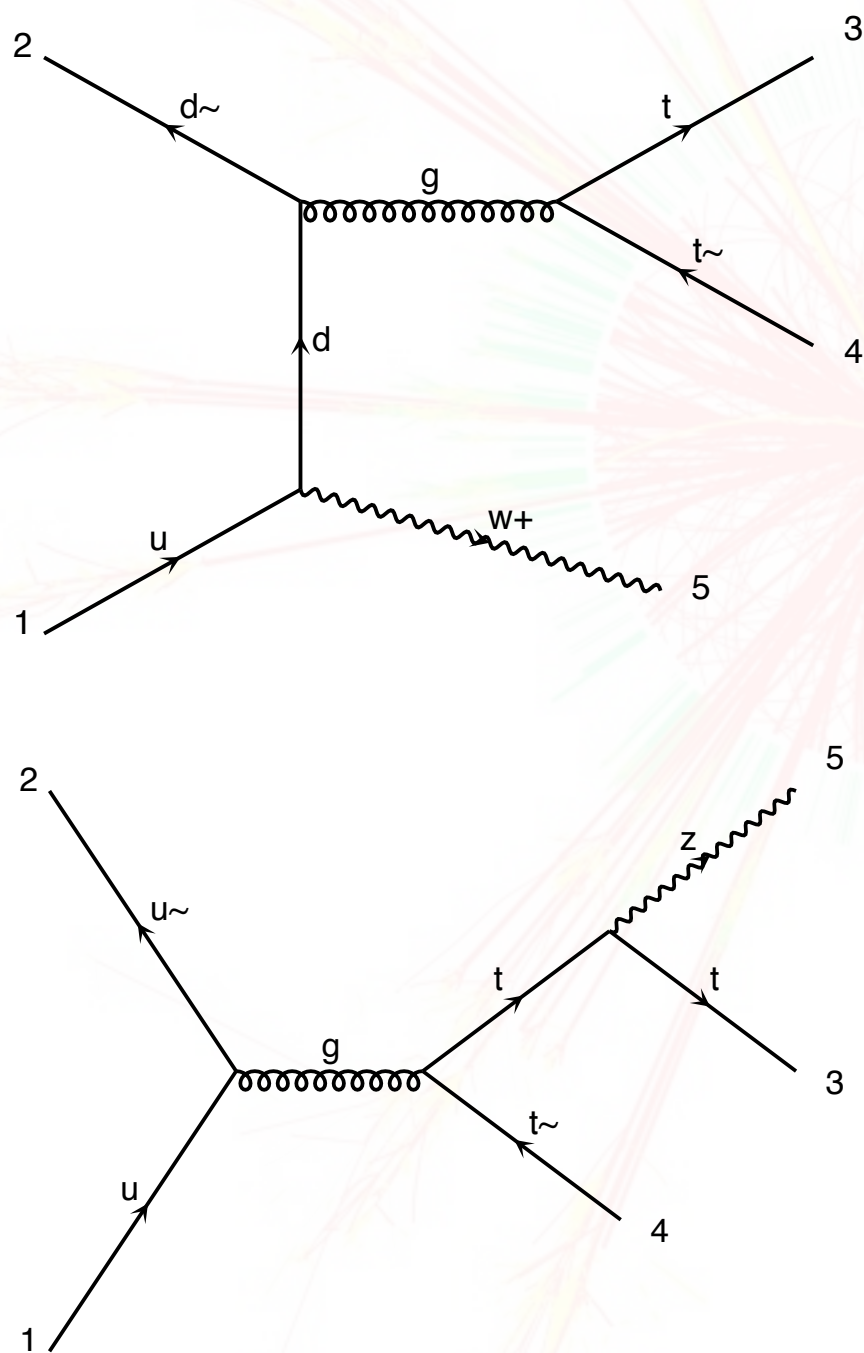
Fake-lepton background is measured by a data-driven process (aka ‘Matrix method’)

$$\begin{bmatrix} N_{TT} \\ N_{TL} \\ N_{LT} \\ N_{LL} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 r_2 & r_1 f_2 & f_1 r_2 & f_1 f_2 \\ r_1(1-r_2) & r_1(1-f_2) & f_1(1-r_2) & f_1(1-f_2) \\ (1-r_1)r_2 & (1-r_1)f_2 & (1-f_1)r_2 & (1-f_1)f_2 \\ (1-r_1)(1-r_2) & (1-r_1)(1-f_2) & (1-f_1)(1-r_2) & (1-f_1)(1-f_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} N_{RR} \\ N_{RF} \\ N_{FR} \\ N_{FF} \end{bmatrix}$$

- N_{RF} , N_{FR} and N_{FF} are obtained by inverting the matrix
- N_{TL} , N_{LL} are the number of events obtained after loosening at least one/two out of two leptons
- ‘ r ’ and ‘ f ’ are the efficiency to obtain a real and fake leptons
- The efficiencies are obtained using dedicated control samples in data
- Estimation method is then validated in regions with looser event selection criteria (based on p_T of jets, E_{Tmiss})

- Backgrounds due to **charge misidentification** is obtained using a semi-data driven method
- Control samples using $Z(ee)$ decay are used to obtain the charge misid in MC and data
- Major contribution of charge misid in the signal region comes from dileptonic $t\bar{t}$ +jets events, where both leptons originate from W decay and one of them is misid
- The misid rate from $Z(ee)$ control region is applied to dileptonic- $t\bar{t}$ with lepton p_T and η dependence

Irreducible background processes are **$t\bar{t}+X$ ($X=W, Z$)**



These are rare productions, so MC simulation is used to derive the rate of these processes in the signal region

Careful and extensive studies of MC uncertainties are made to ensure the validity of the estimation

Dominant uncertainties are mainly on theoretical cross-sections of these samples

Background Estimation Results

SR1	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$
$t\bar{t} + X$	0.13 ± 0.09	0.16 ± 0.11	0.09 ± 0.06
Diboson	0.009 ± 0.010	0.017 ± 0.004	0.02 ± 0.02
Fake-lepton	0.09 ± 0.08	< 0.1	0.25 ± 0.15
Charge mis-ID	0.041 ± 0.008	0.039 ± 0.008	negligible
Total SM	0.27 ± 0.12	0.22 ± 0.15	0.36 ± 0.16
Observed	0	0	0

SR2	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$
$t\bar{t} + X$	0.05 ± 0.03	0.11 ± 0.11	0.06 ± 0.05
Diboson	0.001 ± 0.001	negligible	0.02 ± 0.02
Fake-lepton	< 0.1	< 0.1	< 0.1
Charge mis-ID	0.023 ± 0.006	0.016 ± 0.004	negligible
Total SM	0.07 ± 0.11	0.12 ± 0.13	0.08 ± 0.11
Observed	0	0	0

Interpretation with 2 fb^{-1} of ATLAS data

In background compatible observation, limit is set at 95% CL :

1) The visible cross-section of a new signal independent of any signal model

2) Using several signal models

	SR1	SR2
$t\bar{t} + X$	0.37 ± 0.26	0.21 ± 0.16
Diboson	0.05 ± 0.02	0.02 ± 0.01
Fake-lepton	0.34 ± 0.20	< 0.17
Charge mis-ID	0.08 ± 0.01	0.039 ± 0.007
Total SM	0.84 ± 0.33	0.27 ± 0.24
Observed	0	0
$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{obs}} [\text{fb}]$	< 1.6	< 1.5
$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{exp}} [\text{fb}]$	$< 1.7^{+0.5}_{-0.1}$	$< 1.6^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$

With zero observation, a limit on the visible cross-section with 2 fb^{-1} integrated luminosity : 3 signal counts correspond to 1.5 fb

Interpretation using signal models

(1) Simplified Gluino ($\tilde{g}$) mediated stop-top($\tilde{t}t$) production
Use decays of $\tilde{t}$ and put limits on masses of different particles, $m(\tilde{g})$, $m(\tilde{t})$ and $m(\text{LSP})$

(2) Constrained MSSM/MSUGRA

5 parameters : m_0 , $m_{1/2}$, $\tan\beta$, A_0 , $\text{sgn}(\mu)$

Fix 3 of these parameters and scan other two

Simplified Model with $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ production

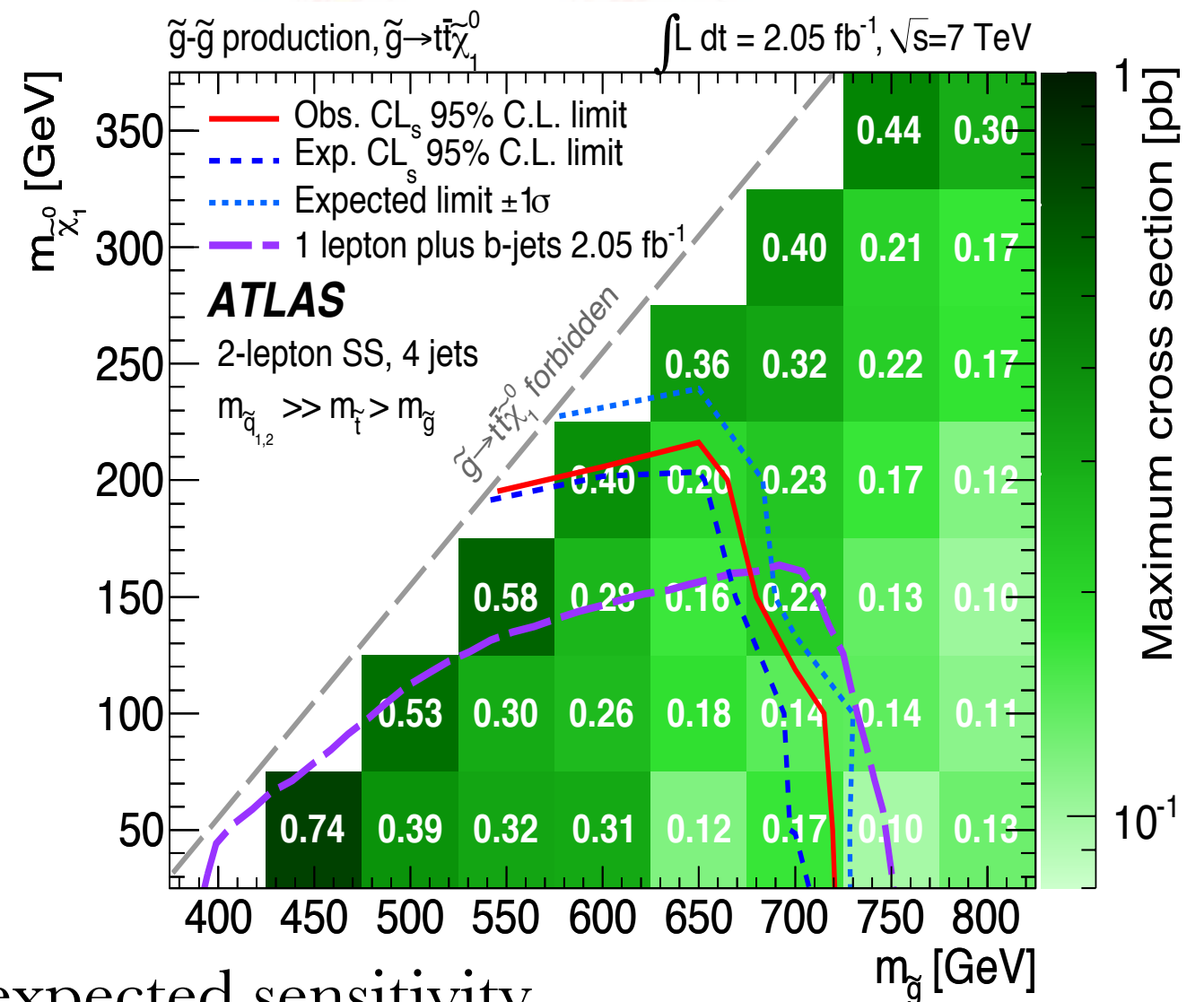
Mass Spectrum

- $m(\tilde{g}) < m(\tilde{t}) \sim 1.2 \text{ TeV}$
- Other squarks are heavier

Decays

$\text{BR}(\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 1$

- Signal Region (2) provides the best expected sensitivity
- Limit is produced as $f[m(\tilde{g}), m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)]$
 - Gluino masses below 650 (720) GeV for neutralino masses below 215 (100) GeV are excluded
- Maximum 95% CL upper cross section limit for each model are also shown
- Better sensitivity in most part of the parameter space compared to 1-lepton+b-jet search for same signal



Interpretation with MSSM-24 scenario

Mass Spectrum

- Consider $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ and $t\tilde{t}^*$ production
- All squarks are heavier than gluino except stop with
 - $m(\tilde{g}) > m(\tilde{t}) + m(t)$
 - $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm) \sim 2m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$
 - $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 60 \text{ GeV}$

Decays

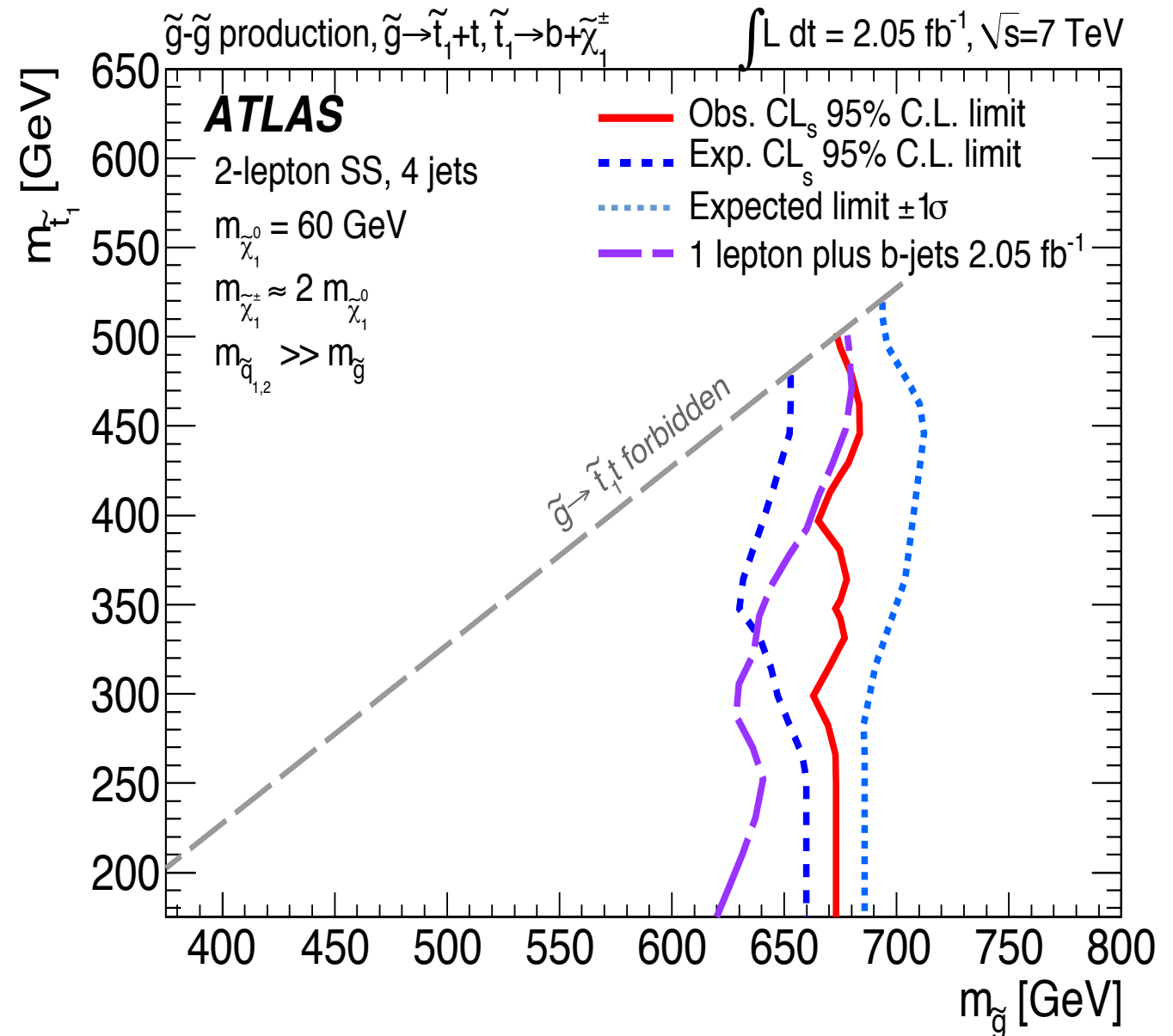
- $\text{BR}(\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\tilde{t}) = 1$
- $\text{BR}(\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm) = 1$
- $\text{BR}(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \ell\nu\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$

Signal Region (2) provides the best expected sensitivity

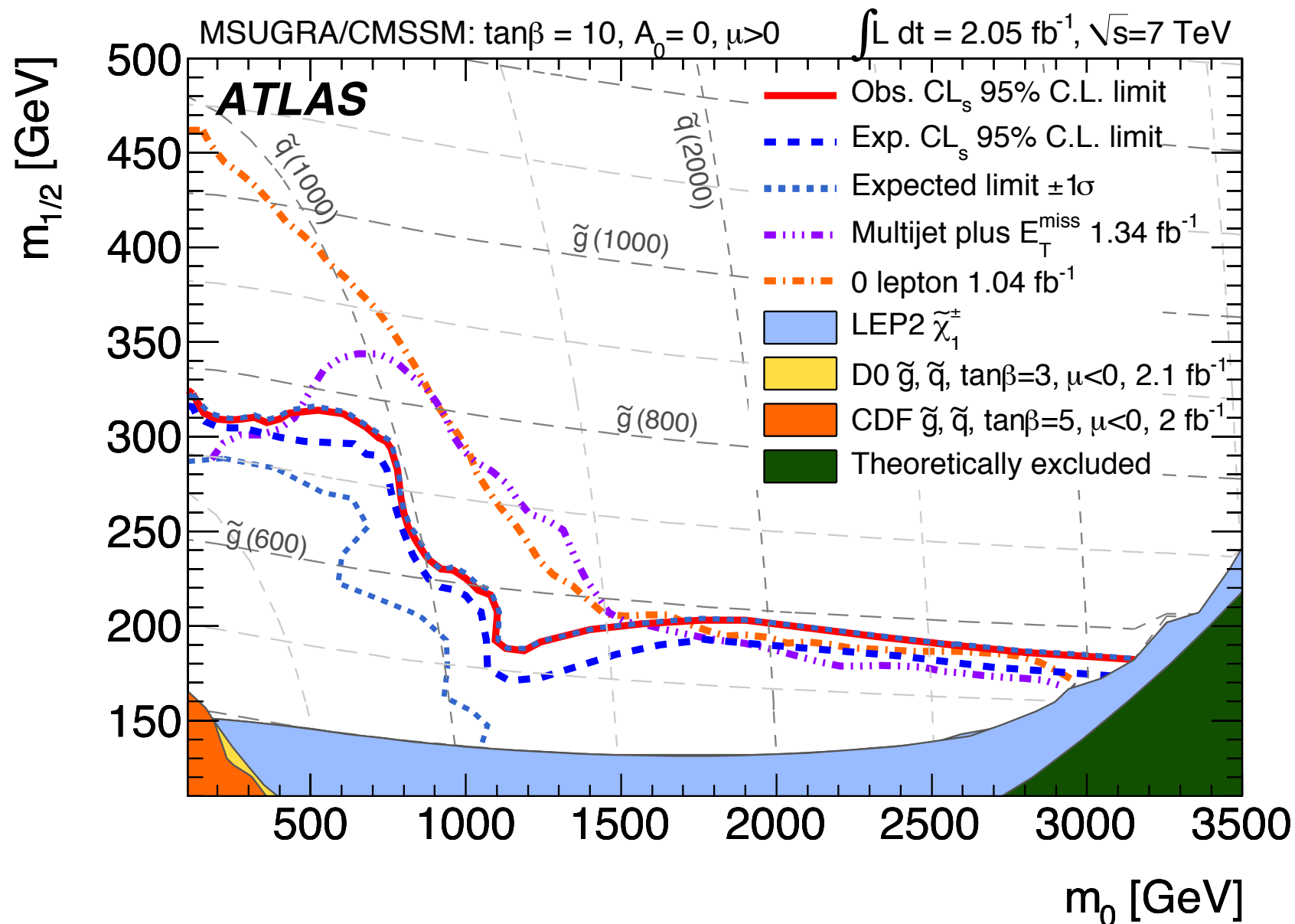
Limit is produced as $f[m(\tilde{g}), m(\tilde{t})]$

Gluino masses below 670 GeV for stop masses below 460 GeV are excluded

Similar sensitivity compared to 1-lepton+b-jet search for same signal



CMSSM/MSUGRA limits



Result improves in some areas of the parameter space and competitive with other searches

Limit:

- $m_0 < 700 \text{ GeV}$ is excluded for $m_{1/2} < 300 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_0 \sim 2 \text{ TeV}$ is excluded for $m_{1/2} < 180 \text{ GeV}$

SUMMARY

- Strong-SUSY is being heavily constrained by the searches at the LHC
- The leptonic searches look for corners that are not covered
 - Compressed spectra of SUSY particles
 - Decay via third generation
- With the updated 1-lepton + jets + E_{miss} searches, ATLAS provides one of the best limits in CMSSM with 4.7 fb⁻¹
 - A new analysis is done with soft-lepton scenario that complements the default hard-lepton case
 - Masses of strongly produced particles are excluded up to 1.2 TeV for CMSSM model
 - $m(\tilde{g}) < 900 \text{ GeV}$ is excluded for $m(\text{LSP}) \sim 200 \text{ GeV}$ for the simplified model considered
- Same-sign dilepton search is clean and very sensitive for new physics, especially for gluino production modes
 - Decay via 3rd generation squarks are extremely important and can be exploited using this channel
 - $m(\tilde{g}) \sim 670 \text{ GeV}$ is excluded up to $m(\tilde{t}) \sim 460 \text{ GeV}$