

Supersymmetry Searches at ATLAS and CMS

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An Introduction

- Very many **Searches for Supersymmetry** completed by both the ATLAS and CMS collaborations in 2011 and 2012¹
- It is a privilege to attempt to summarise these searches here...
- I will do my best to summarise it all, where possible showing the latest ones (i.e. SUSY and HCP, 7 TeV and 8 TeV) from both experiments
- See:
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/SupersymmetryPublicResults> and
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsSUS>
for a complete list and all the details!

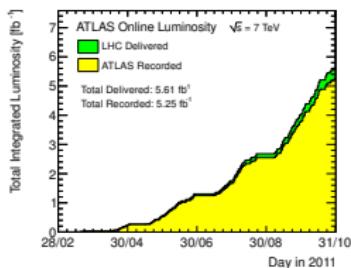
¹And probably more to come before the year is over!

How many searches?

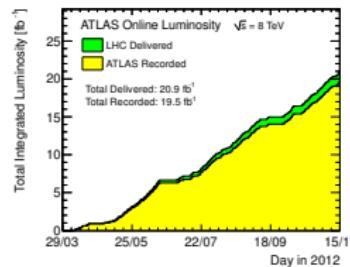
ATLAS SUSY Searches (2011 - 2012)

see: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/SupersymmetryPublicResults>

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = 4.7 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$$



$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = > 15 \text{ fb}^{-1} \text{ at } \sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$$



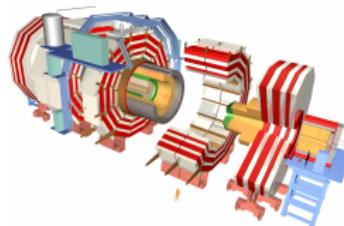
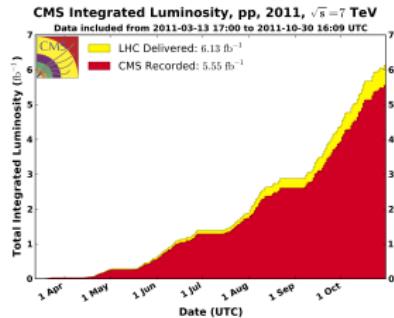
- 15 papers and 8 CONF notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 1 - 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - 20+ papers and 7 CONF notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 4.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- + 2010 35 pb⁻¹ results

- 10 notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt 6 - 13 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
(6 new at HCP last week)

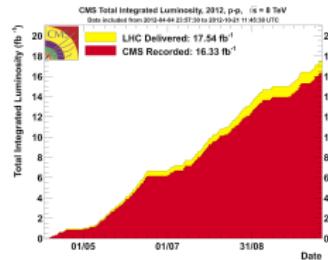
CMS SUSY Searches (2011- 2012)

see: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsSUS>

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- 1 paper and 13 notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 1 - 2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - 12 papers and 12 notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt \approx 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- + 2010 35 pb⁻¹ results

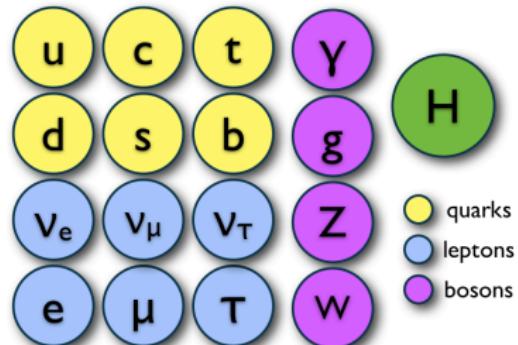
- 7 notes with $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 4-12 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
(4 new at HCP last week)

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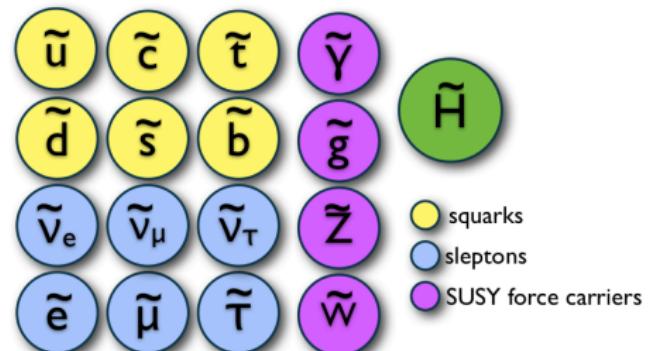
Supersymmetry (1)

- Weak scale SUSY is one of the most extensively studied extensions to the Standard Model
- Postulates superpartners for all the SM particles:
SM fermions \Leftrightarrow **SUSY bosons**
SM bosons \Leftrightarrow **SUSY fermions**

Standard Model:

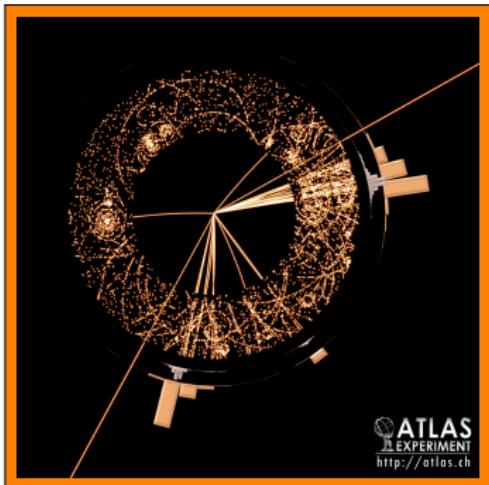


Supersymmetry:



Supersymmetry (2)

Supersymmetry is not just one model...



If R -parity is conserved

$R_p = (-1)^{(3B-3L+2s)}$, SM (SUSY) particles have
 $R_p = +1 \text{ } (-1)$

- The lightest supersymmetry particle (LSP) is stable, it does not decay
- SUSY particles are produced in pairs

(but of course this need not be the case)

SUSY must be a broken symmetry

e.g. through a hidden sector with a messenger field

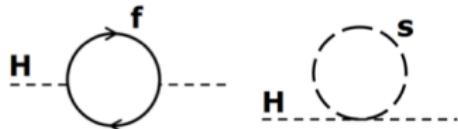
- **Supergravity** break SUSY via gravity
- **GMSB** break SUSY via new gauge interactions
- **AMSB** SUSY is broken by anomalies

Supersymmetry (3)

- We've perhaps been expecting SUSY for quite some time...
- But we've seen no sign of her... is the theory wrong? is she hiding?
- ... wide range of signatures, and many places to hide...

○ Key Motivations?

- ▶ Dark matter - WIMP fits with SUSY
- ▶ Light Higgs - new physics is needed to stabilise mass



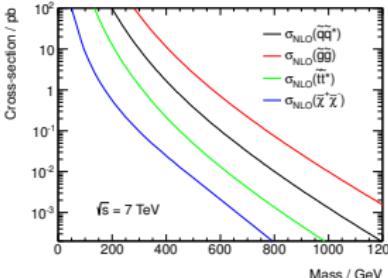
$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{|\lambda_f|^2}{16\pi^2} \left[-2\Lambda_{UV}^2 + 6m_f^2 \ln(\Lambda_{UV}/m_f) + \dots \right]$$

UV cut-off gives finite mass

$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{\lambda_s}{16\pi^2} \left[\Lambda_{UV}^2 - 2m_s^2 \ln(\Lambda_{UV}/m_s) + \dots \right]$$

SUSY provides correct coupling and number of states for cancellations

Where to begin?



“Strong Production”

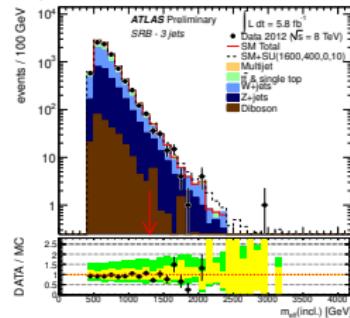
- Search for the most obvious thing (?)
- The LHC is a “QCD machine”...
- ... **1st and 2nd generation squarks ($\tilde{u}, \tilde{d}, \tilde{s}, \tilde{c}$) and gluinos will be produced dominantly**
- (unless the 3rd generation and electroweak sparticles are much lighter)
- If R -parity is conserved: neutral light LSP, sparticles produced in pairs
- **Look for the strong production and decay of squarks and gluinos**
 $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$
 - \tilde{q} and \tilde{g} cascade through lighter sparticles to reach the LSP
 - E_T^{miss} (from escaping LSPs) signature, expect jets
 - Any sleptons and gauginos produced in the cascades can give leptons, further-jets, b -jets etc

ATLAS 0-Lepton Search

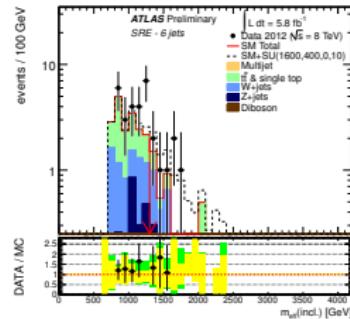
8 TeV 5.8 fb^{-1} ATLAS-CONF-2012-109

- Target $\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ and $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ decays
- Following $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$, $\tilde{q}\tilde{g}$, $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$ production
- → expect different jet multiplicity depending on the process
- **Search in events with 2-6 jets + E_T^{miss} at high m_{eff}**
(m_{eff} : scalar sum of jet p_T and E_T^{miss})

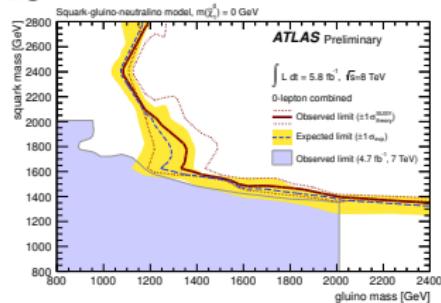
3-jet selection:



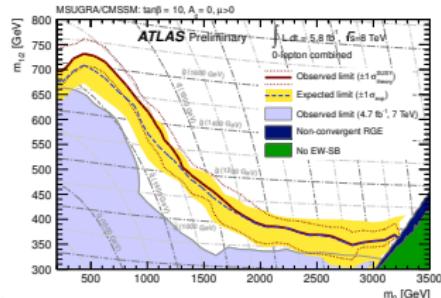
6-jet selection:



- squarks and gluinos with direct decays to the SM and LSP



- mSUGRA/CMSSM framework



CMS 0-Lepton Search

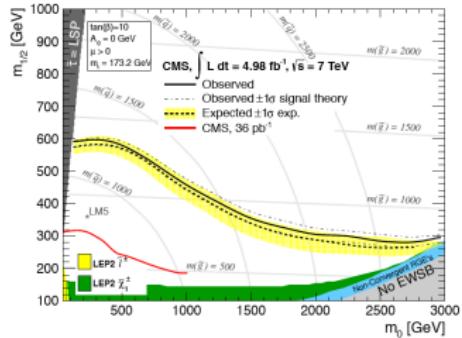
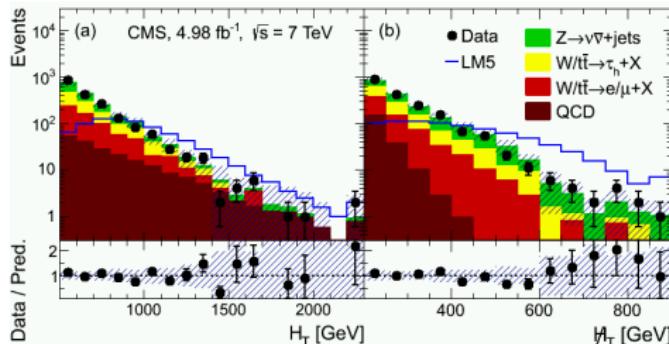
7 TeV 4.98 fb^{-1} CMS-SUS-12-011, arXiv:1207.1898

H_T (left) and missing H_T (right)

- Search in events with ≥ 3 jets + E_T^{miss} at high H_T
(H_T : scalar sum of jet p_T)

Aside on the CMSSM?

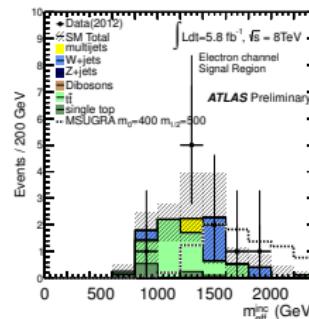
- Often used as a benchmark
- Pick $\tan \beta = 10$, $A_0 = 0$, $\mu > 0$, scan m_0 , $m_{1/2}$
- Only weak dependence on $\tan \beta$ up to ~ 40



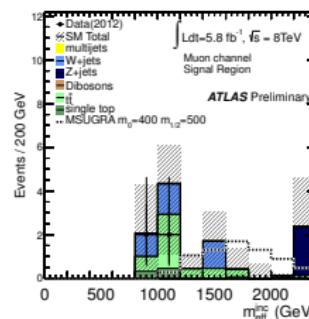
ATLAS 1 Lepton ≥ 4 jets

8 TeV 5.8 fb^{-1} ATLAS-CONF-2012-104

Electron channel:



Muon channel:



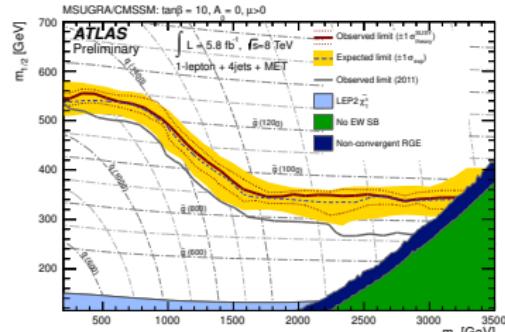
- Strongly interactive SUSY particles can decay into jets, the LSP and leptons

$$\text{e.g. } \tilde{q} \rightarrow q \tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm} \rightarrow q W^{\pm} \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow q e^{\pm} \nu_e \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

- Consider 4 jet final states, and one isolated electron or muon

- Veto on 2nd lepton to remove overlap with other searches
- Look at high E_T^{miss} , m_{eff} , m_T and $E_T^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}} > 0.2$

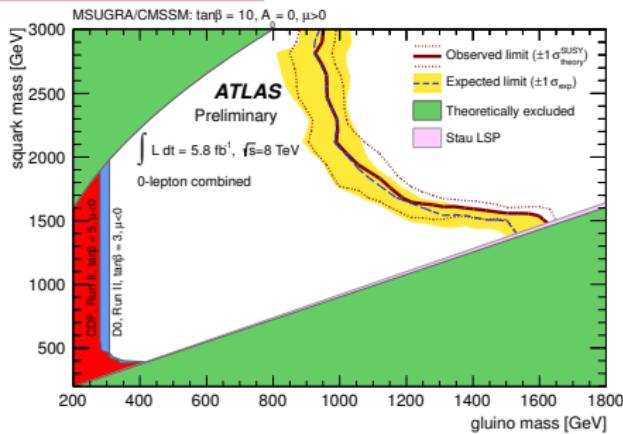
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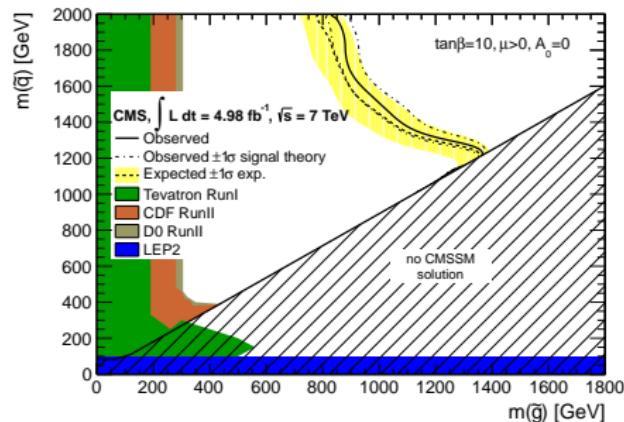
see also: CMS-SUS-11-011 OS-dilepton, ATLAS-CONF-2012-105 SS-dilepton searches

CMS and ATLAS searches have excluded light squarks and gluinos up to 1 TeV

ATLAS-CONF-2012-109



PRL 109, 171803



$$m_{\tilde{q}} \gtrsim 1.4 \text{ TeV}, m_{\tilde{g}} \gtrsim 900 \text{ GeV} \text{ OR } m_{\tilde{q}} - m_{\tilde{g}} \gtrsim 1.4 \text{ TeV}$$

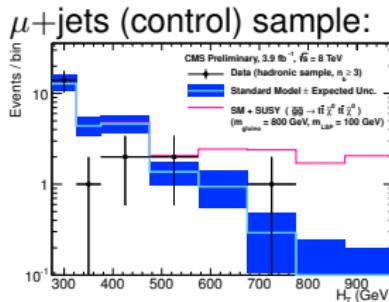
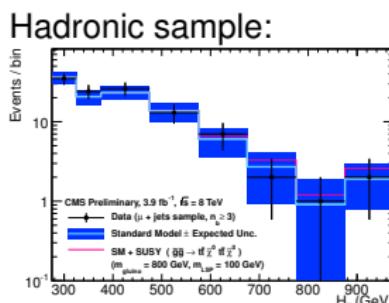
... but they are not as sensitive to the 3rd generation.

CMS 0-Lepton α_T search

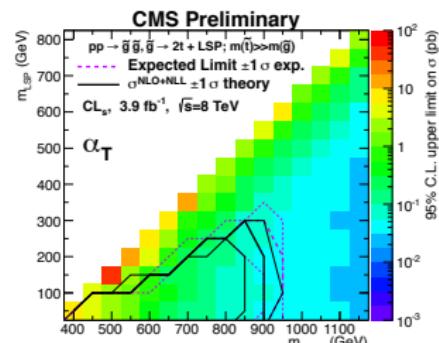
8 TeV 3.9 fb^{-1} CMS PAS SUS-12-016

Updated to 11.7 fb^{-1} at HCP (CMS PAS SUS-12-028)

- Again design for sensitivity to E_T^{miss} signatures in events with ≥ 2 jets
- But categorise by no. b -jets ($0, 1, 2, \geq 3$)
 - (1) improves sensitivity to third-generation squark signatures
 - (2) whilst retaining sensitivity to massive coloured particle production processes ($\tilde{q}\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$)
- α_T is used to remove QCD
- Search in bins of H_T and no. b -jets
(H_T : scalar sum of jet p_T)



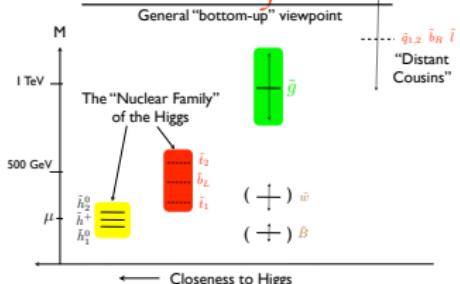
- Simplified model,
 $pp \rightarrow g\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0 t\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$



^aNB: $m(\tilde{t}) >> m(\tilde{g})$, stop off-shell

see: also ATLAS ATLAS-CONF-2012-103 $\geq 6 - 9$ jets 0 Lepton Search

A Natural Spectrum



Natural SUSY?

- Returning to:

$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{|\lambda_f|^2}{16\pi^2} [-2\Lambda_{UV}^2 + 6m_f^2 \ln(\Lambda_{UV}/m_f) + \dots]$$

Dominant loop is from t : only the 3rd generation squarks need to be light

- 3rd generation cross-section smaller - existing limits don't rule this out.
- Generally speaking Jets + E_T^{miss} searches probe \tilde{u} , \tilde{d} , \tilde{c} , \tilde{s}
but not \tilde{t} , \tilde{b}

Natural SUSY?

- o **3rd Generation**

- o 3rd generation squarks can be relatively light (150-250 GeV), produced in pairs with high-cross section, or appear in gluino cascade decay (gluinos can't be too heavy).

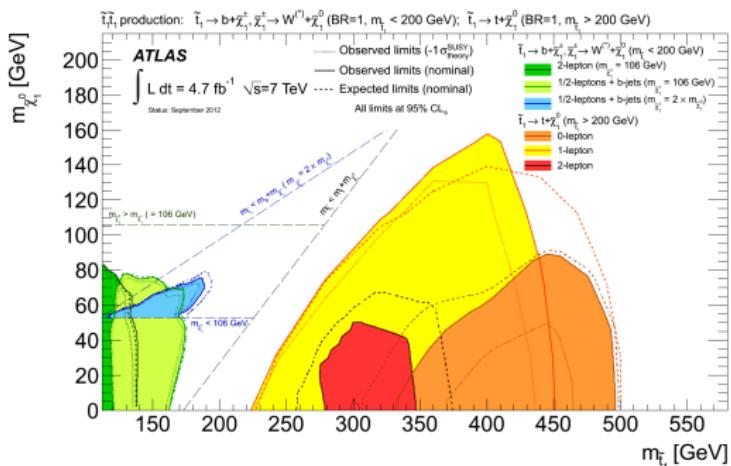
- 1 Direct Production: expect bs , Ws , ts and E_T^{miss}
 - 2 Gluino mediated: all of the above - +jets

- o **Gauginos**

- o Should be light
- o Signature expected: leptons, E_T^{miss} , no jets

ATLAS Direct Stop Searches

- Final results (at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$, 5 fb^{-1}) summarised in the $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 - \tilde{t}_1$ plane below
 - $m(\tilde{t}) > m(t)$: hadronic or leptonic top decays with extra E_T^{miss}
 $(\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow W b\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$
 - $m(\tilde{t}) < m(t)$: top-like decay via chargino, lower p_T leptons
 $(\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow bW^{(*)}\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$



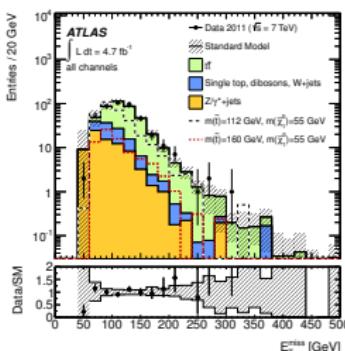
Can ATLAS fill in the white spaces at 8 TeV?

- arXiv: 1209.4186
- arXiv: 1209.2102
- arXiv: 1208.4305
- arXiv: 1208.2590
- arXiv: 1208.1447

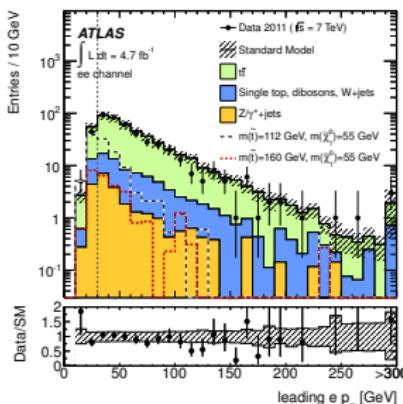
ATLAS Very Light Stop Search

7 TeV 4.7 fb^{-1} arXiv:1208.4305

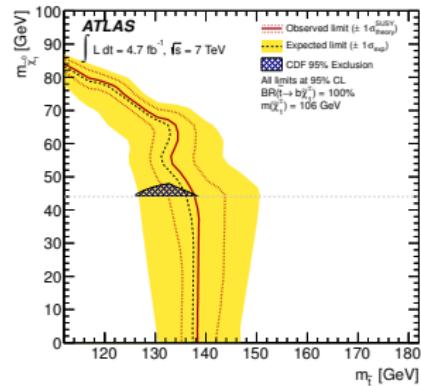
- Search for pair produced light scalar top quarks
- 2 lepton final state**
- High E_T^{miss} , at least one jet, low lepton p_T



Signal concentrated at low lepton p_T



Assume $\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ decays via a virtual W boson
Assume $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm) = 106 \text{ GeV}$

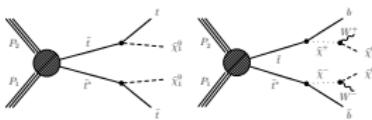


(corresponds to dark green patch on previous slide)

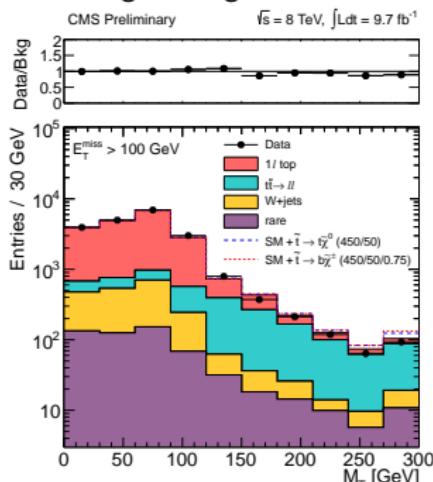
CMS Direct Stop Search

8 TeV 9.7 fb^{-1} CMS PAS SUS-12-023 New at HCP

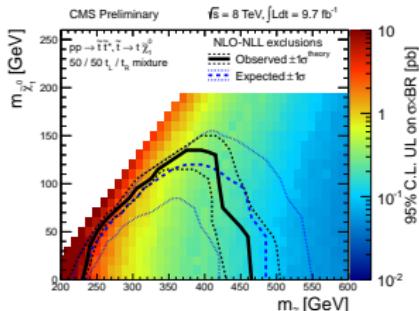
- Single isolated e or μ , jets and large E_T^{miss}
- Sensitivity to $\tilde{t} \rightarrow t\tilde{\chi}_1^0$, $\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow bW\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$
- High p_T jets (incl. 2 b jets), E_T^{miss} signature
- Search at high m_T



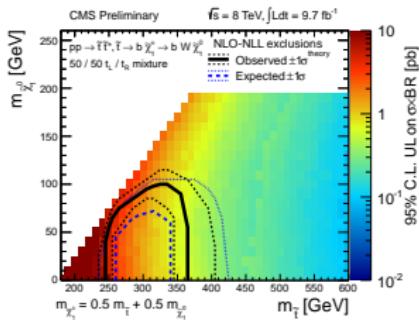
$M_T > 150$ GeV corresponds to one signal region.



Stop to top



Stop to bottom



CMS SS-dilepton and ≥ 2 b-jets search

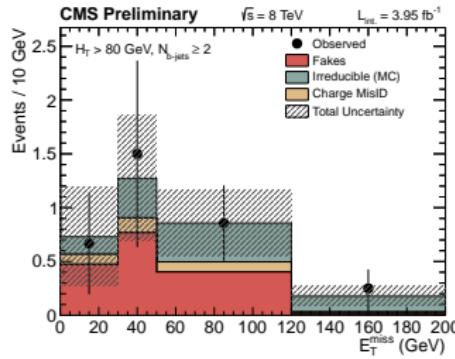
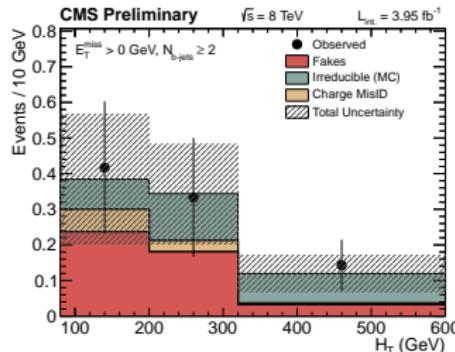
8 TeV 3.95 fb^{-1} CMS PAS SUS-12-017

Updated to 10.5 fb^{-1} at HCP (CMS PAS SUS-12-029)

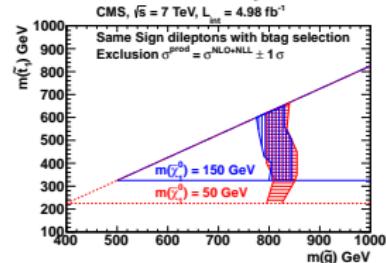
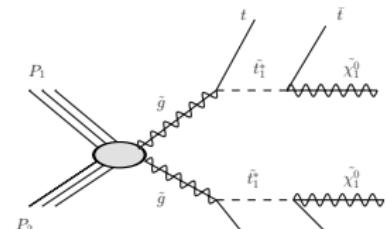
Search in various bins of the H_T / E_T^{miss} plane (13 events in total)

Backgrounds:

- fake leptons (from HF decays, mis-identified hadrons, muons from meson decay in flight, electrons from conversions)
- charge “flip”, rare SM processes with 2 SS leptons and b -jets (e.g. $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}W$)



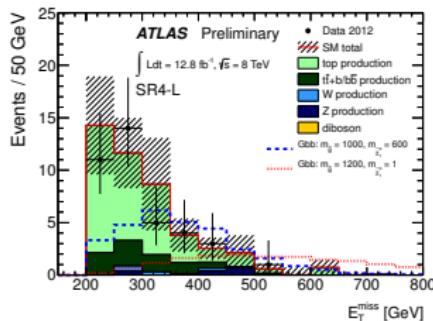
Analysis is sensitive to both gluino mediated, and direct production, of 3rd generation squarks.



ATLAS 0 lepton ≥ 3 b-jets Search

8 TeV 13.0 fb^{-1} ATLAS-CONF-2012-145 New at HCP

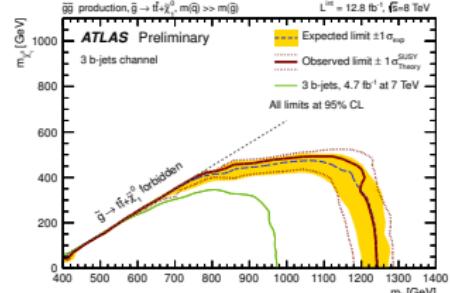
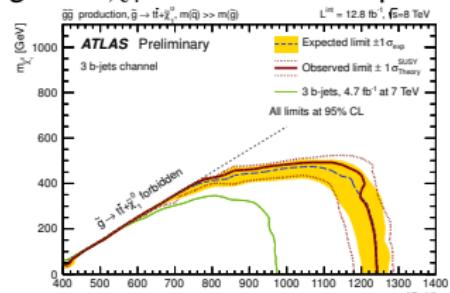
- 4 or 6 jets, 3+ b-tagged
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$
- Define multiple signal regions using different m_{eff} cuts



Backgrounds:

- Dominated by: $t\bar{t}$ +jets
- Others: $t\bar{t} + b/b\bar{b}$, W, Z and diboson

Assume $pp \rightarrow \tilde{g}\tilde{g}$
 $\tilde{g} \rightarrow b\tilde{b}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ via off-shell sbottom
 $\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\tilde{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ via off-shell stop

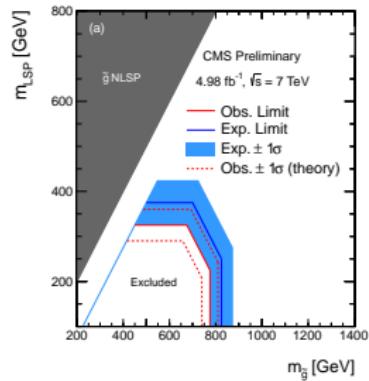
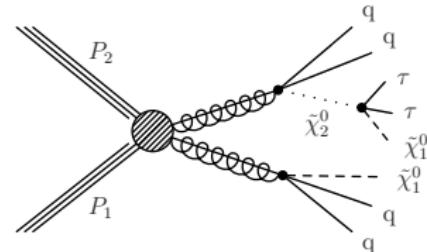
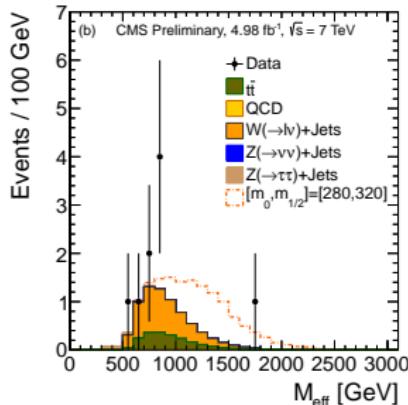


CMS search for τ -leptons in all hadronic events

7 TeV 4.98 fb^{-1} CMS PAS SUS-12-004

Not just searches for light stop/bottom.

Could also be **light** $\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau$ production
with jets and E_T^{miss}



High luminosity brings sensitivity to electroweak production...

- If coloured SUSY particles are very massive while non-coloured SUSY particles are light, weak gauginos and sleptons may dominate SUSY production at the LHC.
- Limits on \tilde{q} and \tilde{g} masses pushed very high
- Naturalness favours gaugino masses ~ 100 GeV

Search strategy? e.g.

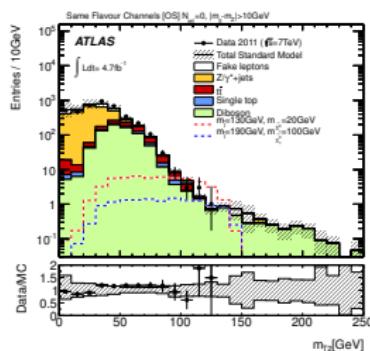
Targeted Process	Signal Region
Two-lepton Final States	
$\tilde{\ell}^\pm \tilde{\ell}^\mp \rightarrow (\ell^\mp \tilde{\chi}_1^0) + (\ell^\mp \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$	SR- m_{T2}
$\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_1^\mp \rightarrow (\ell^\mp \nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0) + (\ell^\mp \nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$	SR- m_{T2} , SR-OSjveto
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_i \rightarrow (\ell^\mp \ell^\mp \tilde{\chi}_1^0) + (q\bar{q}' \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$	SR-2jets
Three-lepton Final States	
$\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow (\ell^\mp \ell^\mp \tilde{\chi}_1^0) + (\ell^\mp \nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0)$	SR-OSjveto, SR-SSjveto

Table: Decay modes targeted by each SR in arXiv:1208.2884. $\tilde{\chi}_i$ denotes either a chargino or a neutralino. In decays producing three real leptons, one must be mis-reconstructed or fall outside the acceptance of the detector.

ATLAS direct slepton and gaugino production

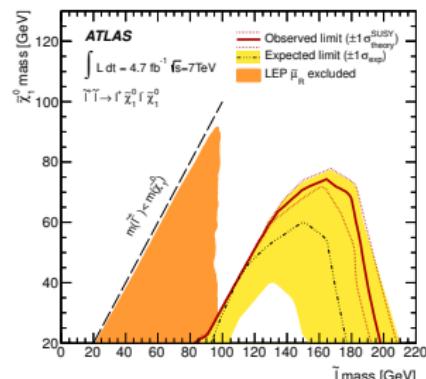
7 TeV 4.7 fb⁻¹ arXiv:1208.2884

Search for $\tilde{t}^\pm \tilde{t}^\mp$ pair-production and $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_1^\mp, \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ 2 lepton final state

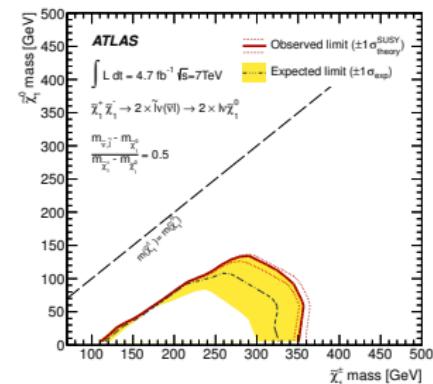


High- m_{τ_2} brings
particular sensitivity to \tilde{t}
and $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ pair production

Limits on direct \tilde{t} production.



Sensitivity to weak production processes limited by the lower cross-section.



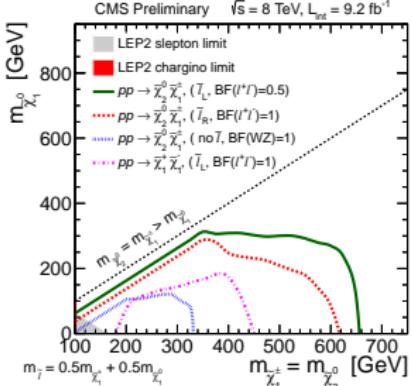
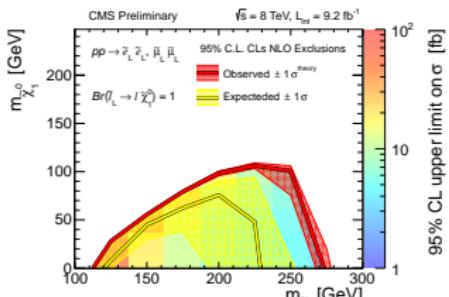
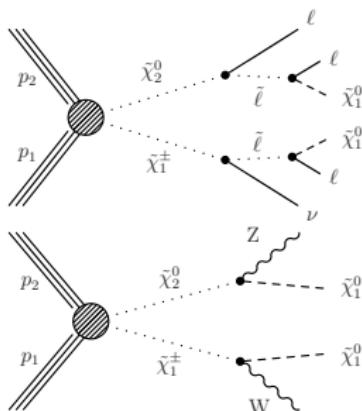
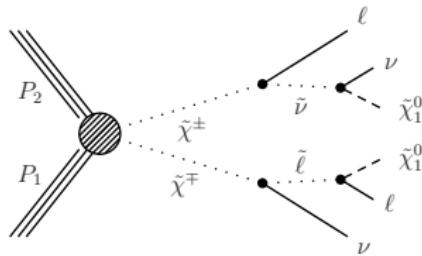
See: ≥ 3 leptons at ATLAS 7 TeV (arXiv:1208.3144), 3 leptons at ATLAS 8 TeV (ATLAS-CONF-2012-154)

CMS direct slepton and gaugino production

8 TeV 9.2 fb^{-1} CMS SUS-12-028

New at HCP

- 3 leptons, 4 leptons, two SS leptons, two OS-SF leptons...



RPV, Long-lived Particles?

If R-parity isn't conserved - ...

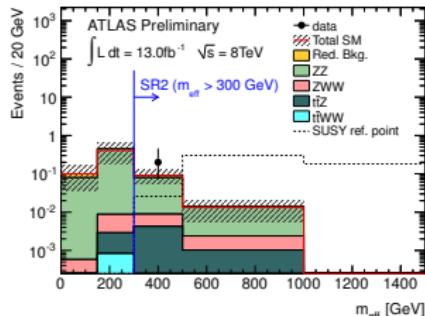
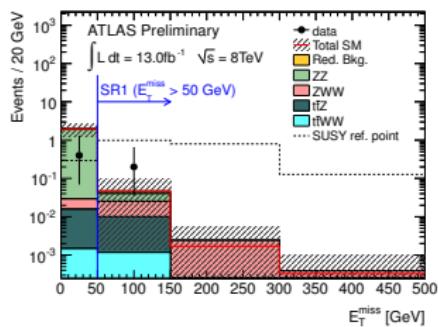
- lower E_T^{miss}
- SUSY particles decaying to SM particles
- possibilities for different final states

ATLAS 4 Lepton RPV Search

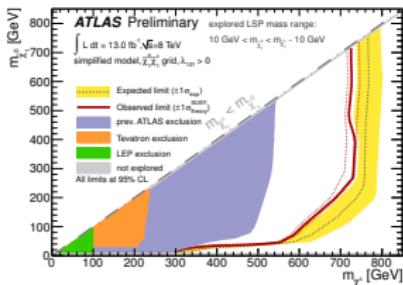
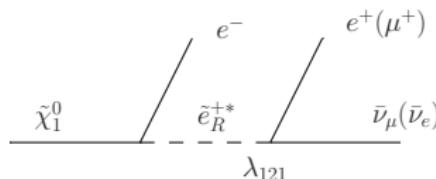
8 TeV 13.0 fb^{-1} ATLAS-CONF-2012-153 New at HCP

- **Search for RPV SUSY with four or more leptons (electrons or muons)**
Non-zero λ_{121} coupling
- Irreducible (four real, isolated leptons) and reducible (at least one fake) background components
- ZZ , WZ and $t\bar{t}$ dominate in the SR

Moderate E_T^{miss} , high m_{eff}



Simplified model interpretation
Pair produce wino-like charginos ($\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow W \tilde{\chi}_1^0$)

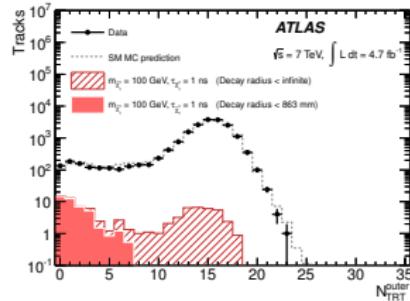


ATLAS Disappearing Track

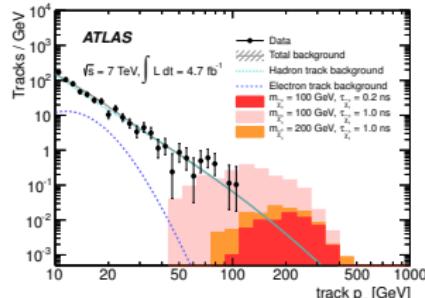
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No. outer hits in TRT for data and signal:

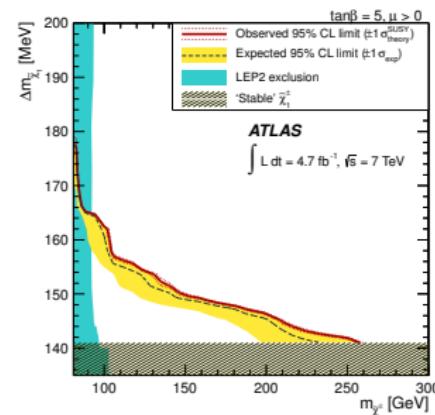
- Direct chargino pair production in anomaly mediated SUSY breaking
Chargino lifetime long enough to be detected in the tracking detectors
- search for tracks with few associated hits in the outer region of the tracker
- analyse the p_T spectrum of such tracks



p_T distribution of candidate tracks:



Limits in AMSB model parameter space

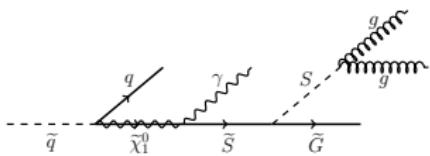


Others?

- If SUSY particle masses are close together, reduce the p_T in the final states
- Multiple jets, but little E_T^{miss}
- Compressed spectra, stealth SUSY...

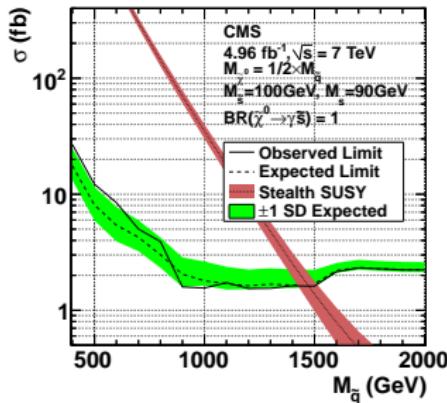
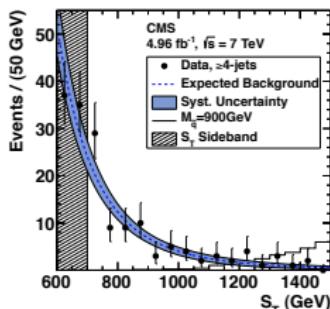
CMS Stealth SUSY

7 TeV 4.98 fb^{-1} arXiv:1210.2052



- Low E_T^{miss} , many energetic final-state objects
- Light “hidden sector” particles can mediate decays to many low p_T objects
- Very rich phenomenology

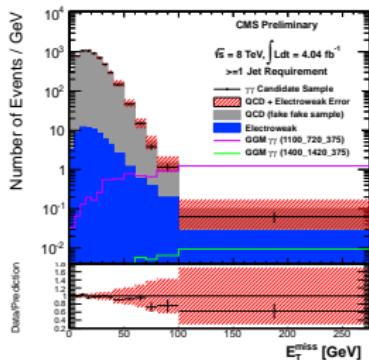
**Search in events with
 $\gamma\gamma + \leq 4 \text{ jets, and large total energy}$
(no requirement on E_T^{miss})**



General Gauge Mediation

- The Gravitino \tilde{G} is the LSP and very light
- The nature of the NLSP determines the main signature of the decay
 - 1 Stau $\rightarrow \tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$
 - 2 Bino $\rightarrow \gamma + E_T^{\text{miss}}$
 - 3 Wino $\rightarrow W + E_T^{\text{miss}}$
 - 4 Higgsino $\rightarrow H/Z + E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- Gives lots of interesting things to look for: τ s, γ s....

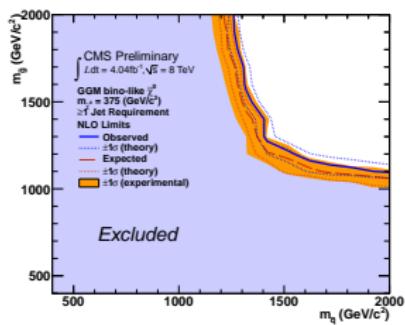
- Addresses a General Gauge Mediation scenario
- \tilde{G} LSP, $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ NLSP ($\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ co-NLSP possible)
- Looking for $\gamma\gamma + \text{jet} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ or $\gamma + 2\text{jet} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$



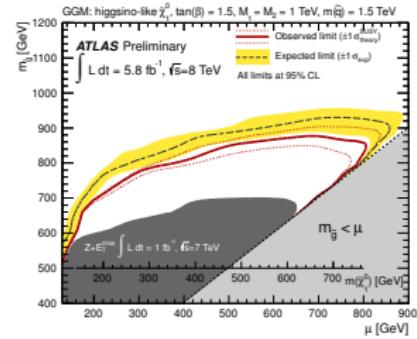
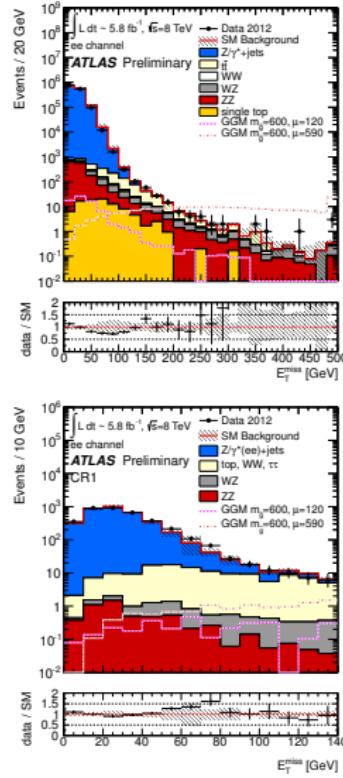
Backgrounds:

- Mis-measurement of E_T^{miss} in QCD processes, multijets with jets mimicking γ
- True E_T^{miss} events with real or fake γ , and a W boson decaying to an e mis-identified as a γ .

NLSP bino or wino-like
 $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \gamma \tilde{G}$
 $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow Z \tilde{G}$
 (with a wino-like NLSP, signal is suppressed by chargino decays without photons)

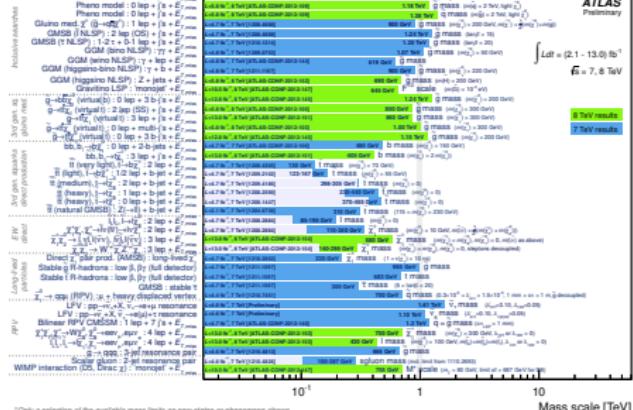


- General Gauge Mediation scenario
- \tilde{G} LSP, NLSP is a Higgsino-like neutralino
- $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow h\tilde{G}$ or $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow Z\tilde{G}$
- Search for events with at least one Z decay into OS ℓ pairs and E_T^{miss}



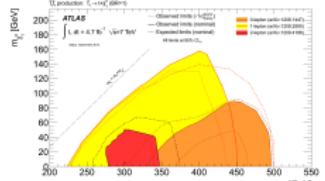
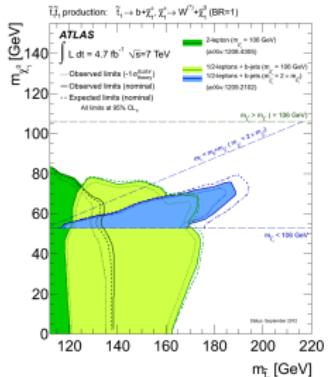
A Summary?

Summary Plots: ATLAS



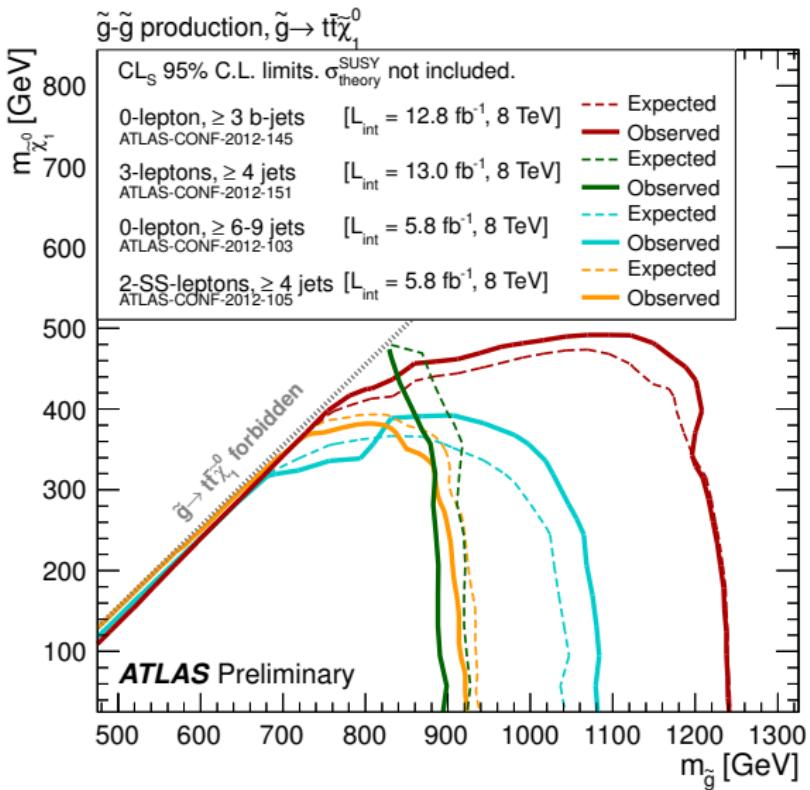
Mass reach of ATLAS SUSY searches

Updated for HCP

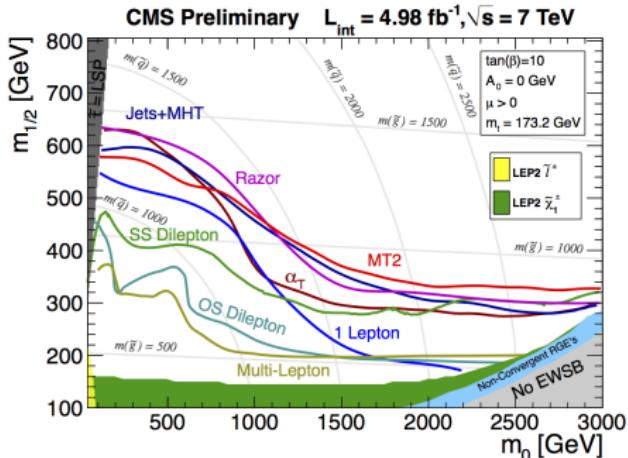


Summary of ATLAS dedicated searches for stop production

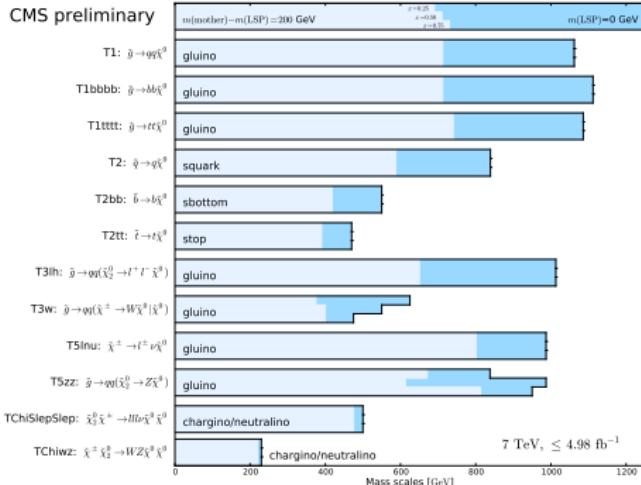
Summary Plots: ATLAS New at HCP



Summary Plots: CMS



Observed limits from several 2011 CMS SUSY searches plotted in the CMSSM ($m_0, m_{1/2}$) plane



Range of excluded mass scale in Simplified Model Spectra from several 2011 CMS SUSY searches: best analysis result per topology
see CMS SUS-11-016 for more detail

Conclusions

- ATLAS and CMS searches have **left little room for SUSY** in the reach of the existing data
- ATLAS and CMS have **set bounds at the TeV-scale on gluino and squark production**
- Reaching **sensitivity to sub-femtobarn cross-sections**
- 2011 and 2012 searches constrain squark and gluino masses uniformly in multiple model frameworks
- Plausible “**natural**” scenarios are still not ruled out: stop and/or RPV scenarios have few(er) constraints
- But **allowed phase space is certainly getting squeezed**
- **Higgs-like boson discovered, but at high end of (MSSM) preference**
- Need **heavy squarks, large stop mixing or beyond MSSM**
- This talk has illustrated a variety of results - covering all kinds of signatures
- Still no sign of SUSY... (but the full 2012 dataset is still to be analysed!)