

A photograph of the interior of the ATLAS detector at CERN. The image shows a complex arrangement of scientific equipment, including a large central circular structure surrounded by various electronic components, cables, and structural elements. The scene is dimly lit, with some areas illuminated by overhead lights.

Searches for Squarks and Gluinos in the Jets + MET + 0-Lepton Channel at ATLAS

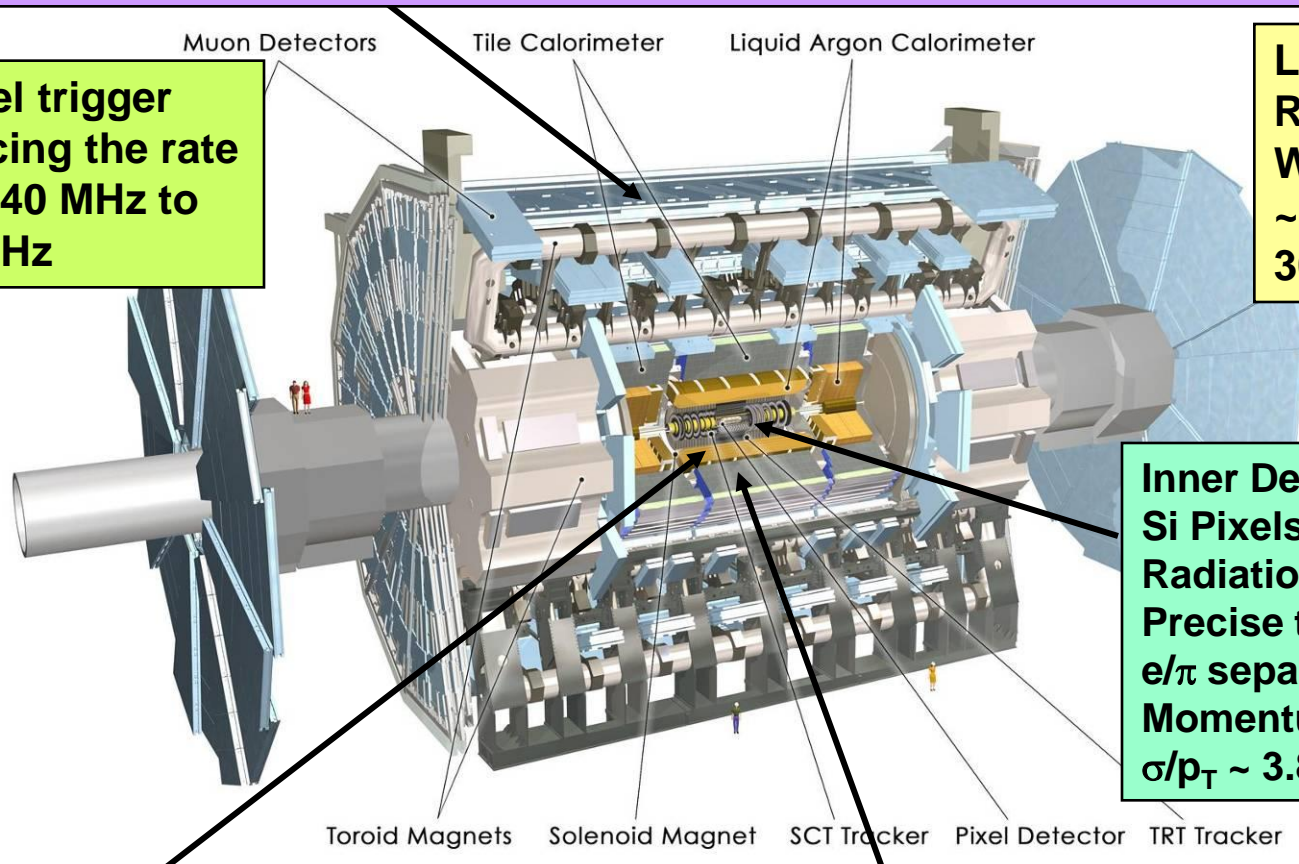
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The ATLAS Detector

Muon Spectrometer ($|\eta| < 2.7$): air-core toroids with gas-based muon chambers
Muon trigger and measurement with momentum resolution $< 10\%$ up to $\sqrt{s} E_\mu \sim 1$ TeV



3-level trigger
reducing the rate
from 40 MHz to
 ~ 200 Hz

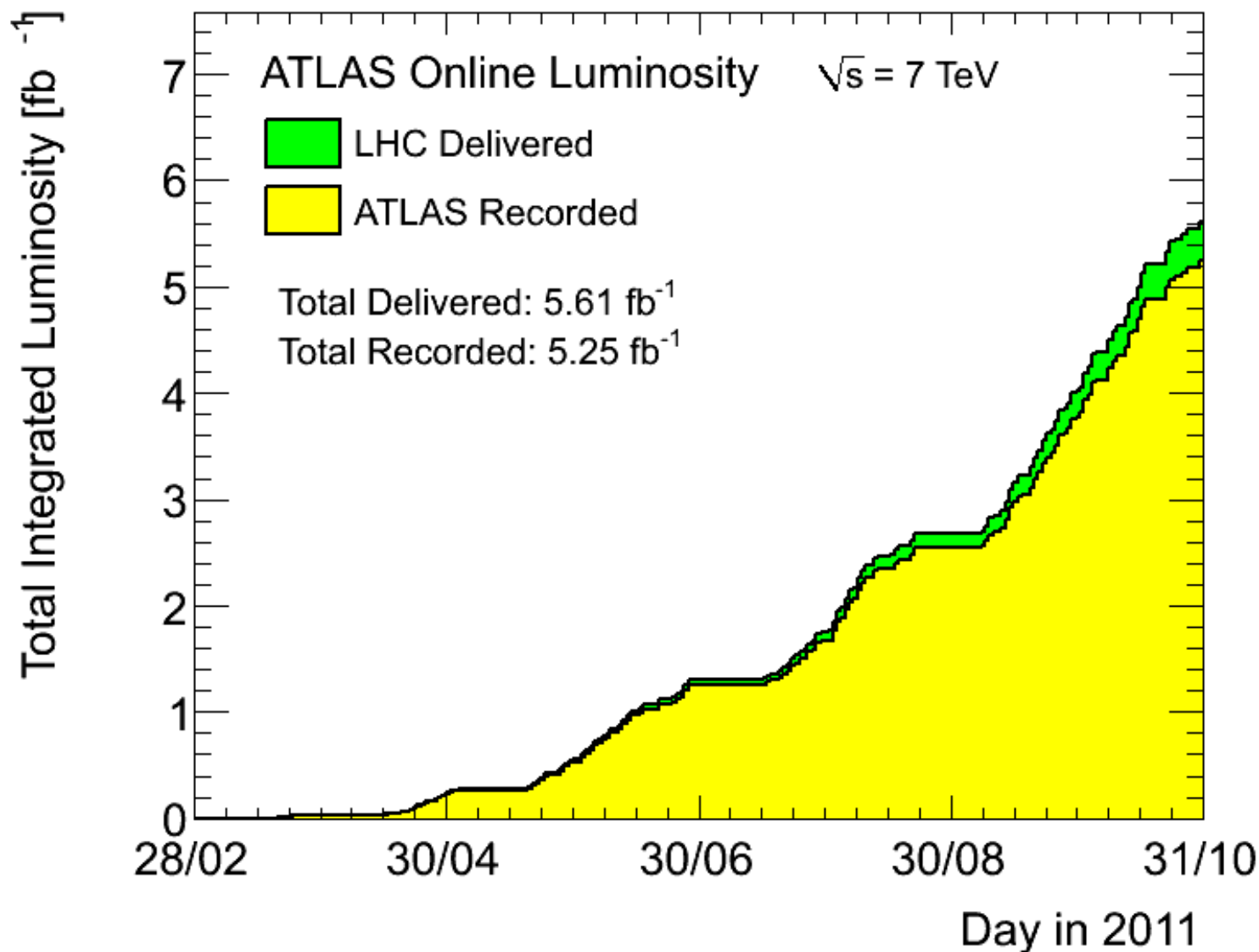
Length : ~ 46 m
Radius : ~ 12 m
Weight : ~ 7000 tons
 $\sim 10^8$ electronic channels
3000 km of cables

Inner Detector ($|\eta| < 2.5$, $B=2$ T):
Si Pixels, Si strips, Transition
Radiation detector (straws)
Precise tracking and vertexing,
 e/π separation
Momentum resolution ($\eta=0$):
 $\sigma/p_T \sim 3.8 \times 10^{-4} p_T (\text{GeV}) \oplus 0.015$

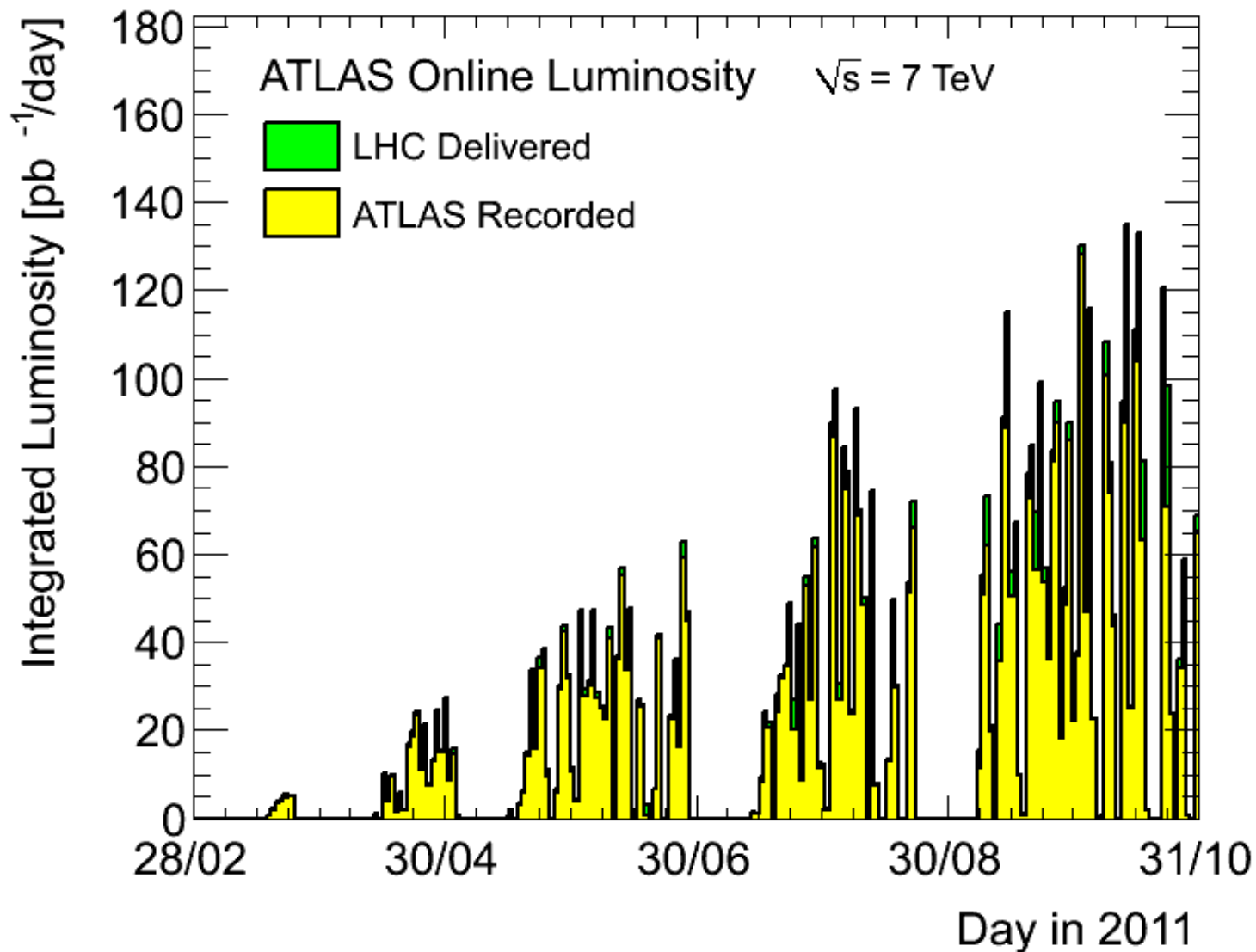
EM calorimeter: Pb-LAr Accordion
 e/γ trigger, identification and measurement
E-resolution: $\sigma/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E}$

HAD calorimetry ($|\eta| < 5$)
Fe/scintillator Tiles (central), Cu/W-LAr (fwd)
Trigger and measurement of jets and missing E_T
E-resolution: $\sigma/E \sim 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03$

Luminosity

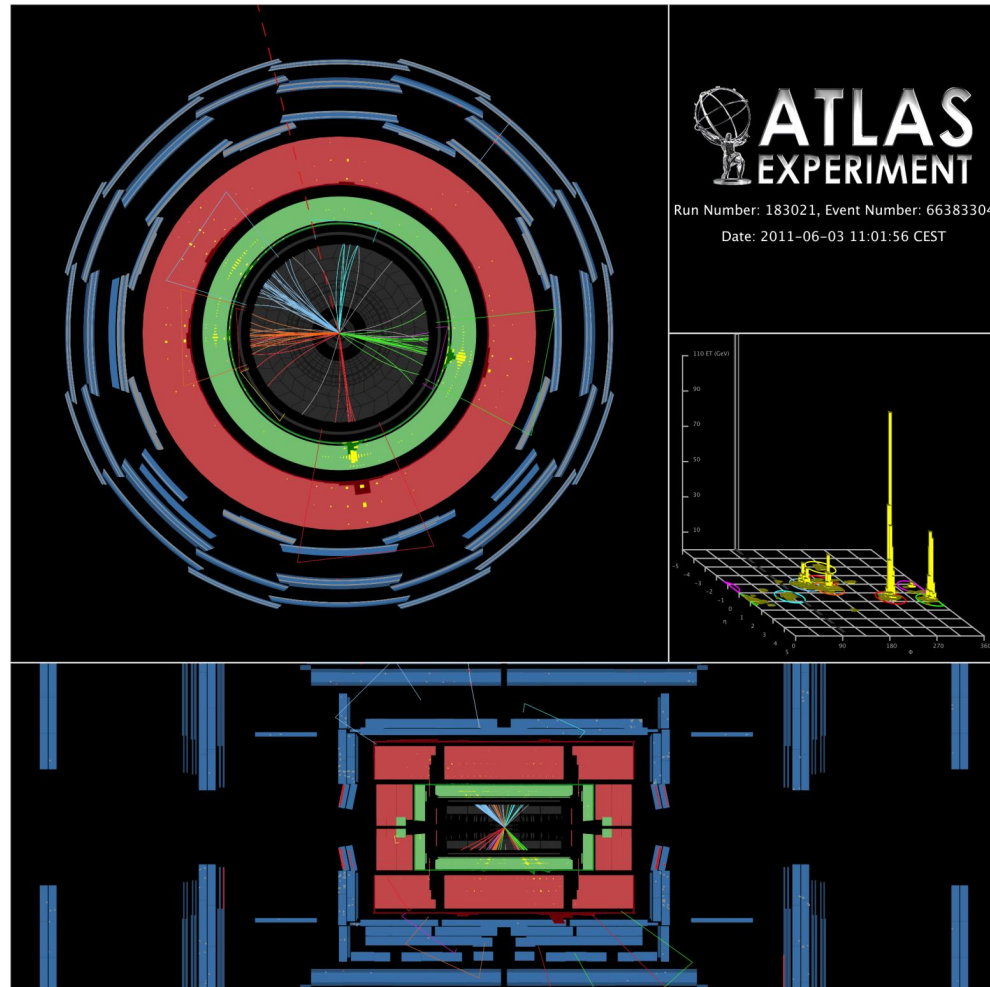


Luminosity



Motivation

- Strong production (squarks, gluinos) dominates SUSY cross-section unless large mass hierarchy (1)
- LSP/DM production generates MET even without leptons (2)
- SM real MET signature usually accompanied by leptons (except $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$) (3)
- Implies require jets (1), MET (2) and veto leptonic events (3)
- Remaining: QCD fake/real MET events, fake-jets/missed leptons, and $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$.



Strategy

- Search for production of strongly interacting sparticles (squarks/gluinos) decaying to jets and invisible LSPs
- Analysis of 1.04 fb^{-1} of data from early 2011 presented at EPS
- Similar strategy to that used with 2010 data (presented at Moriond 2011)
- Select events with jets + MET and no identified leptons
- Main backgrounds:
 - QCD jets (fake MET and HF decays),
 - Top pairs (semi/fully-leptonic) with lepton missed or faking jet (τ)
 - $W(\rightarrow l\nu)$ +jets with lepton missed or faking jet (τ)
 - $Z(\rightarrow \nu\nu)$ +jets (irreducible)
- Lepton veto ($p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$) suppresses top and W +jets backgrounds

Signal Regions

- Signal Region selections designed for sensitivity to specific topologies / classes of models
- Large n_{jet} focuses on gluino-dominated / high m_0 (CMSSM/MSUGRA) models
- Low n_{jet} sensitive to squark-dominated / low m_0 models
- 4-jet $M_{\text{eff}} > 500$ GeV SR targets low mass-splitting models

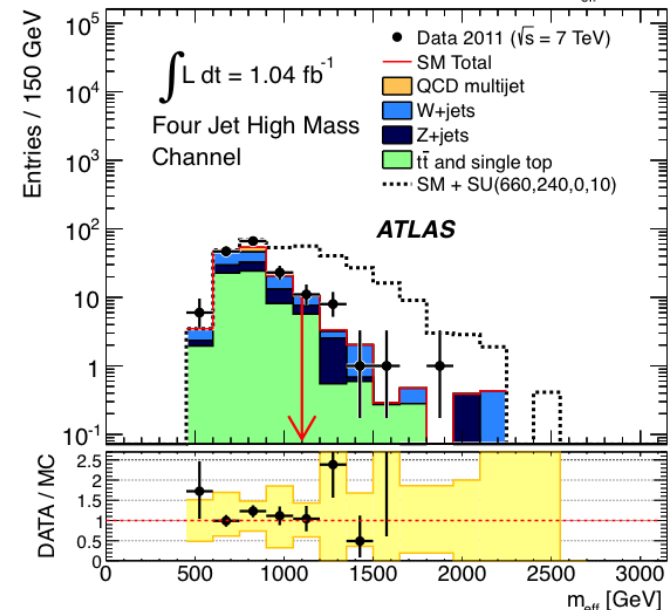
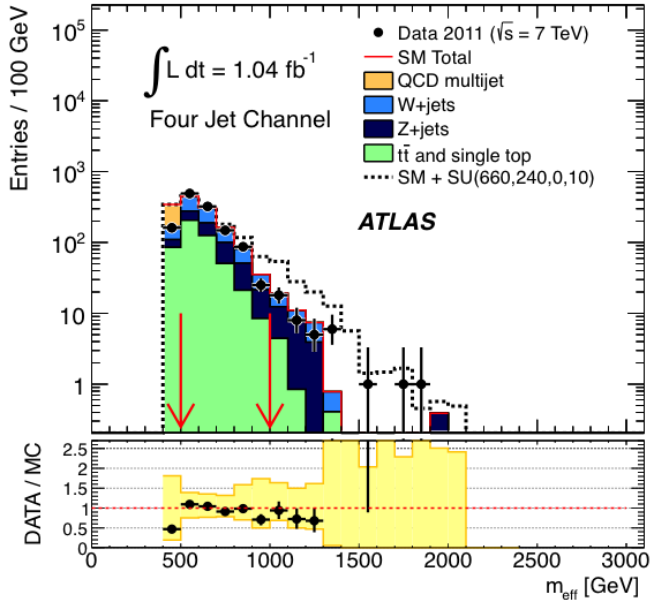
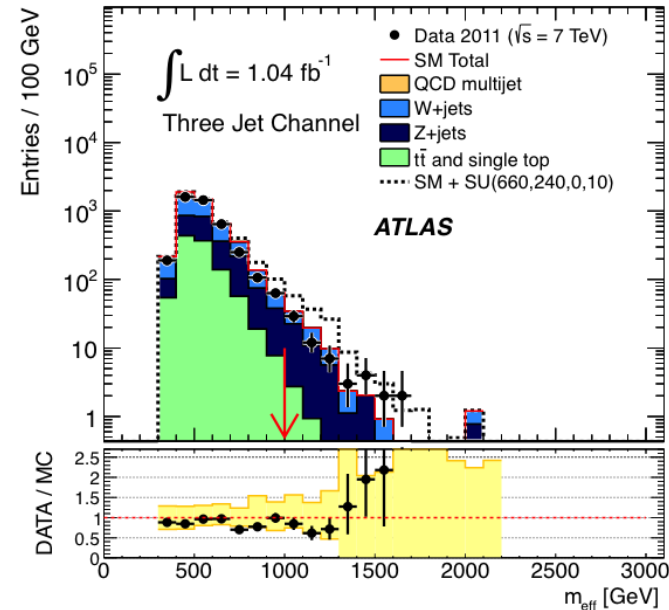
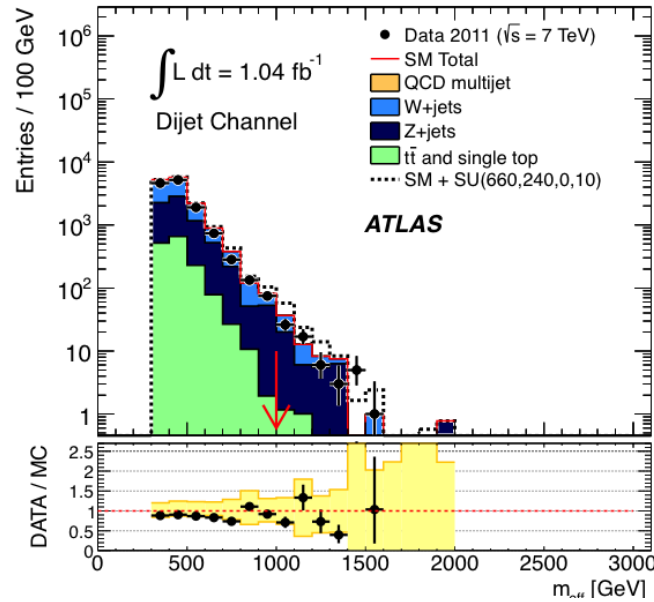
Signal Region	$\geq 2\text{-jet}$	$\geq 3\text{-jet}$	$\geq 4\text{-jet}$	High mass
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$	> 130	> 130	> 130	> 130
Leading jet p_{T}	> 130	> 130	> 130	> 130
Second jet p_{T}	> 40	> 40	> 40	> 80
Third jet p_{T}	–	> 40	> 40	> 80
Fourth jet p_{T}	–	–	> 40	> 80
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, \vec{P}_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}})_{\text{min}}$	> 0.4	> 0.4	> 0.4	> 0.4
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}/m_{\text{eff}}$	> 0.3	> 0.25	> 0.25	> 0.2
m_{eff}	> 1000	> 1000	$> 500/1000$	> 1100

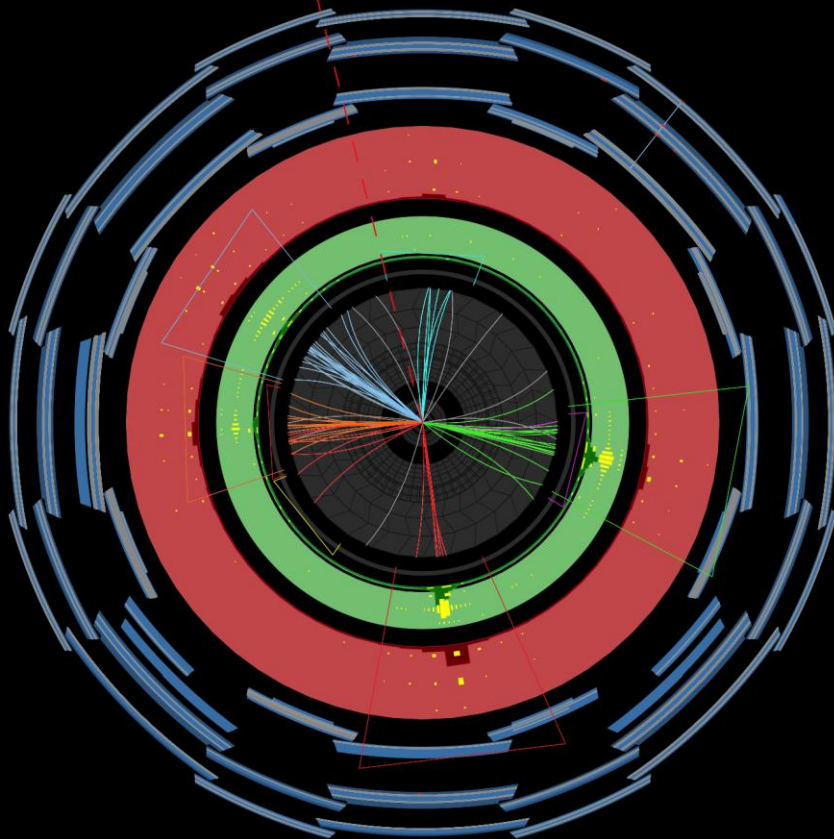
Signal Regions

- MET and leading jet p_T cuts protect against trigger turn-on
- ‘Effective mass’ scalar sum of jet p_T and MET
 - Number of jets used differs between SRs
- $\Delta\phi(j, \text{MET})$ cuts (leading 3 jets) reject QCD jet background where MET produced in association with a single jet
- $\text{MET}/M_{\text{eff}}$ cuts select topology where jets point away from MET

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Signal Region Meff Distributions

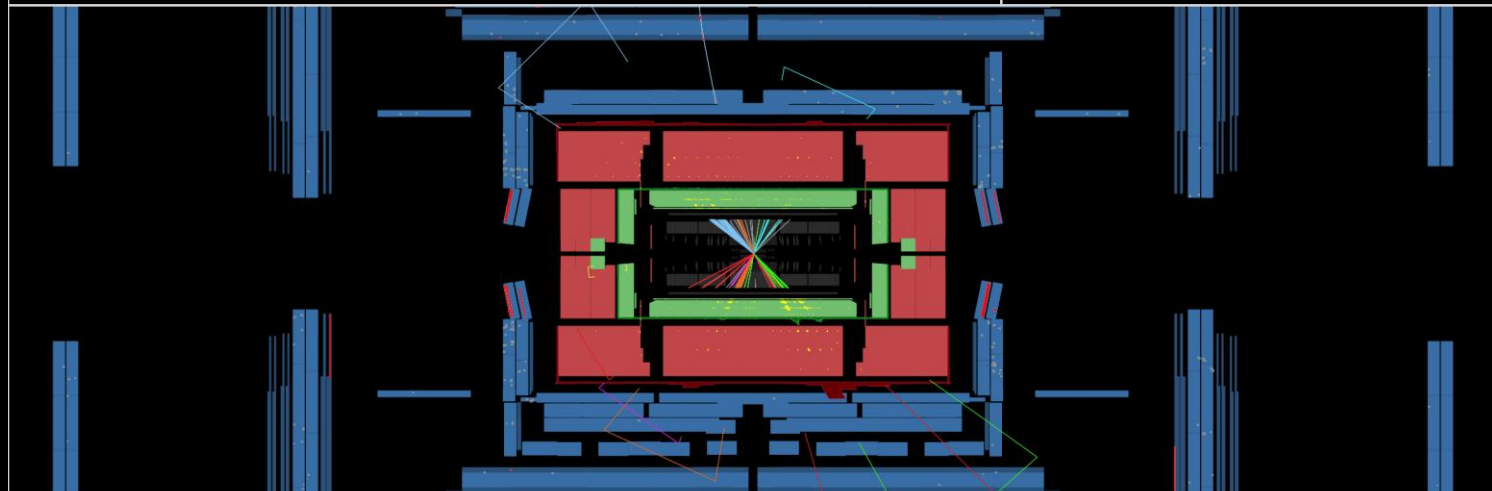
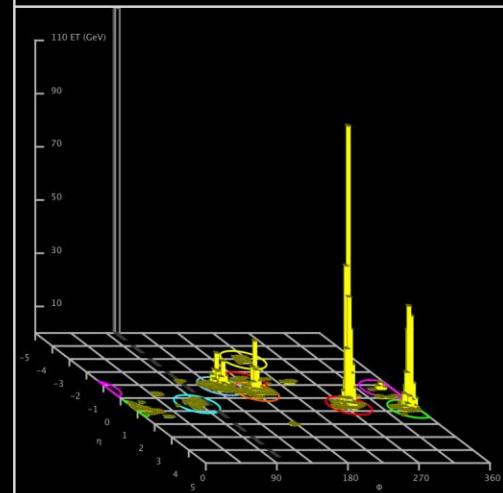




ATLAS EXPERIMENT

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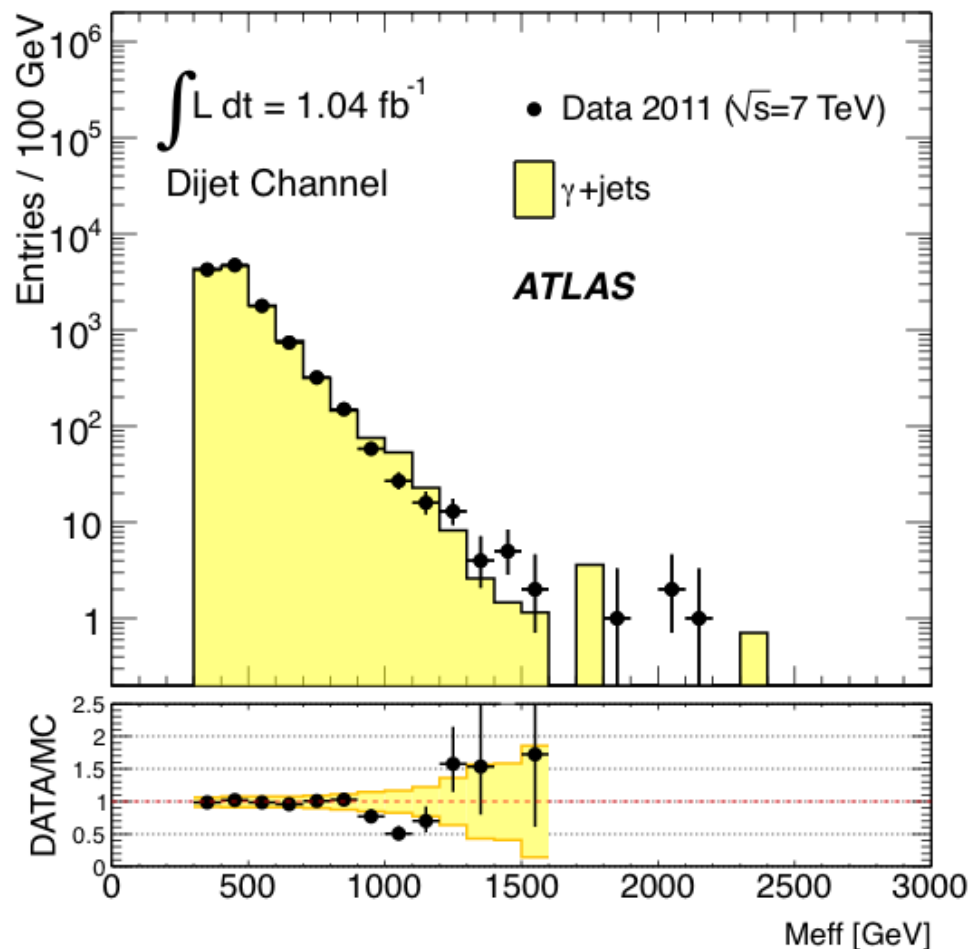


Background Estimation

- SM backgrounds estimated using background-enriched data control regions (CR), with MC (ALPGEN or MC@NLO) or data-driven 'transfer factors' (TF) used to translate to signal regions (SR)
- Correlations between CR's from cross-contamination of backgrounds taken into account with CR-SR TFs.
- Backgrounds in SR obtained from coherent likelihood fit to CR observations, taking into account correlated (e.g. JES) and uncorrelated (e.g. MC stats) TF uncertainties
- Many correlated uncertainties largely cancel through use of CR/SR TF ratio (e.g. JES, PDF etc.)

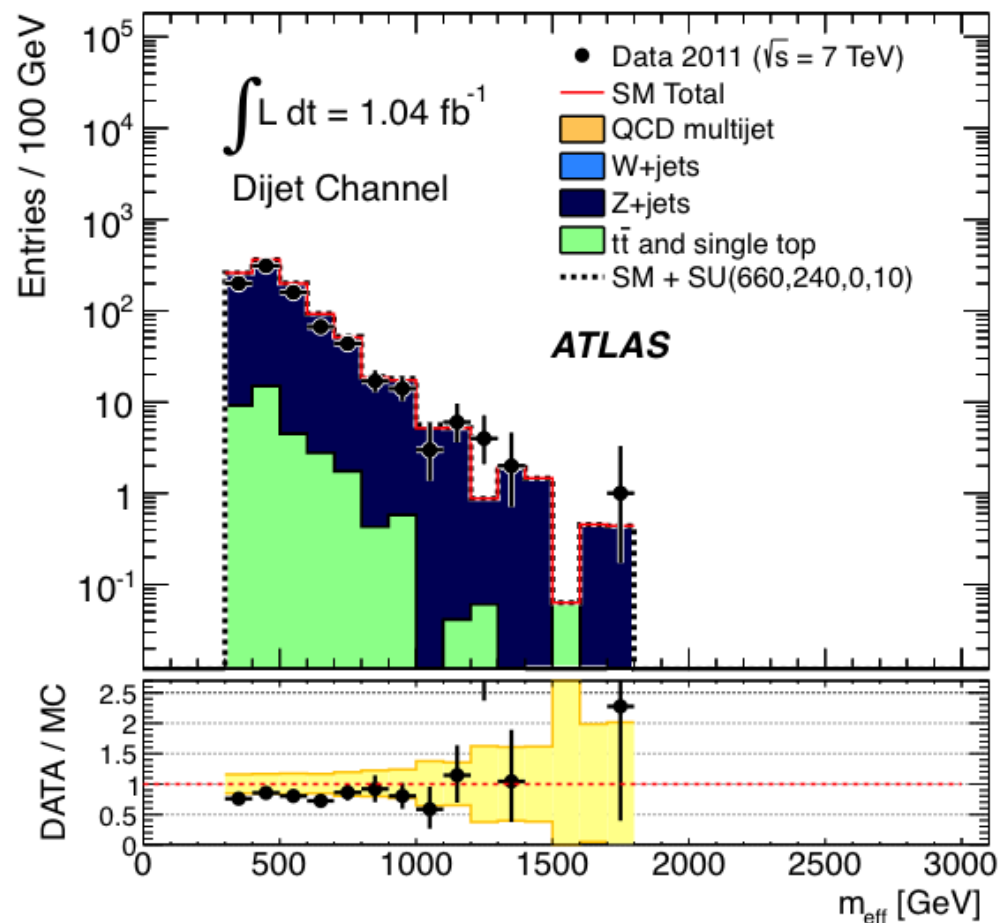
CR1a: Z+Jets Background

- Estimated with two independent CRs
- CR1a selects γ +jets events and adds γp_T to MET to simulate $Z(\rightarrow\mu\mu)$ + jets events
- TF obtained from first principles using corrections for photon acceptance, efficiency etc.



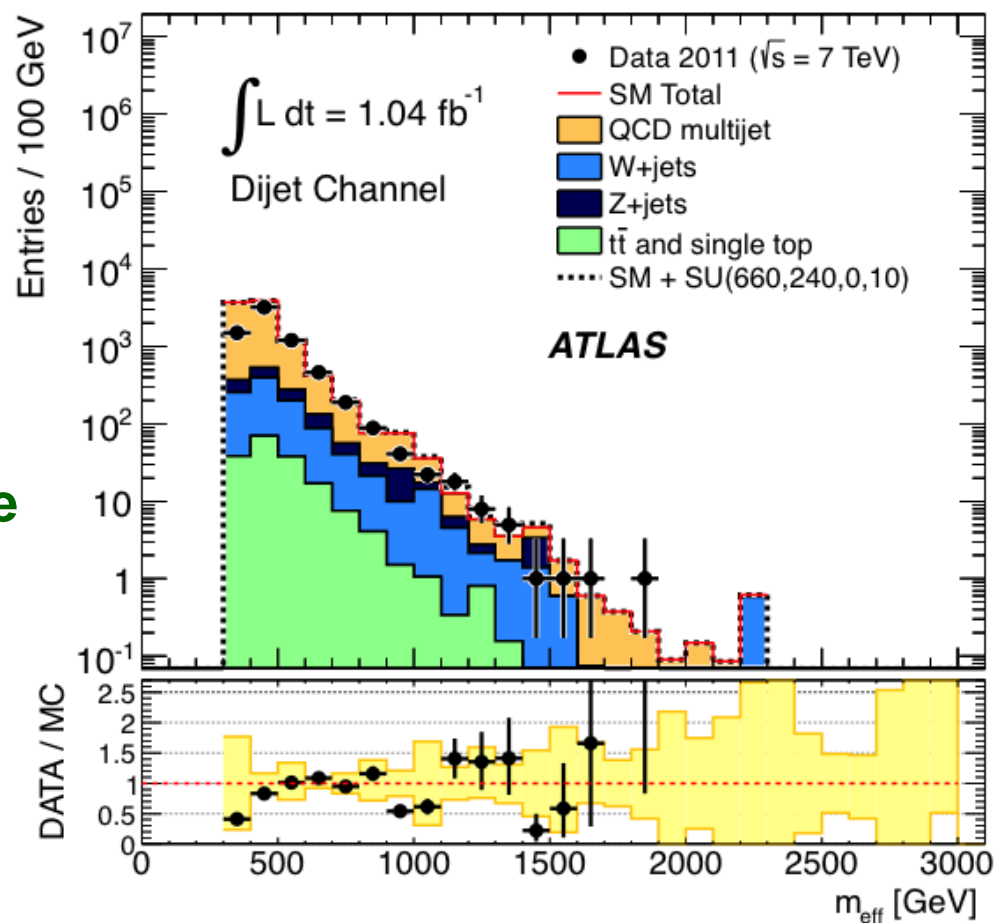
CR1b: Z+Jets Background

- CR1b selects $Z(\rightarrow ee/\mu\mu)$ +jets events and adds leptons to MET to model $Z(\rightarrow uu)$ +jets
- SR MET/Meff, $\Delta\phi(j, \text{MET})$ cuts and Meff cuts relaxed to increase acceptance (except for 4-jet $M_{\text{eff}} > 500$ GeV SR)
- TF calculated using ALPGEN with theoretical and experimental systematics estimates
- $Z(\rightarrow ll)$ +jets SR background also taken into account in TF
- Both CR1a and CR1b constraints used in likelihood function



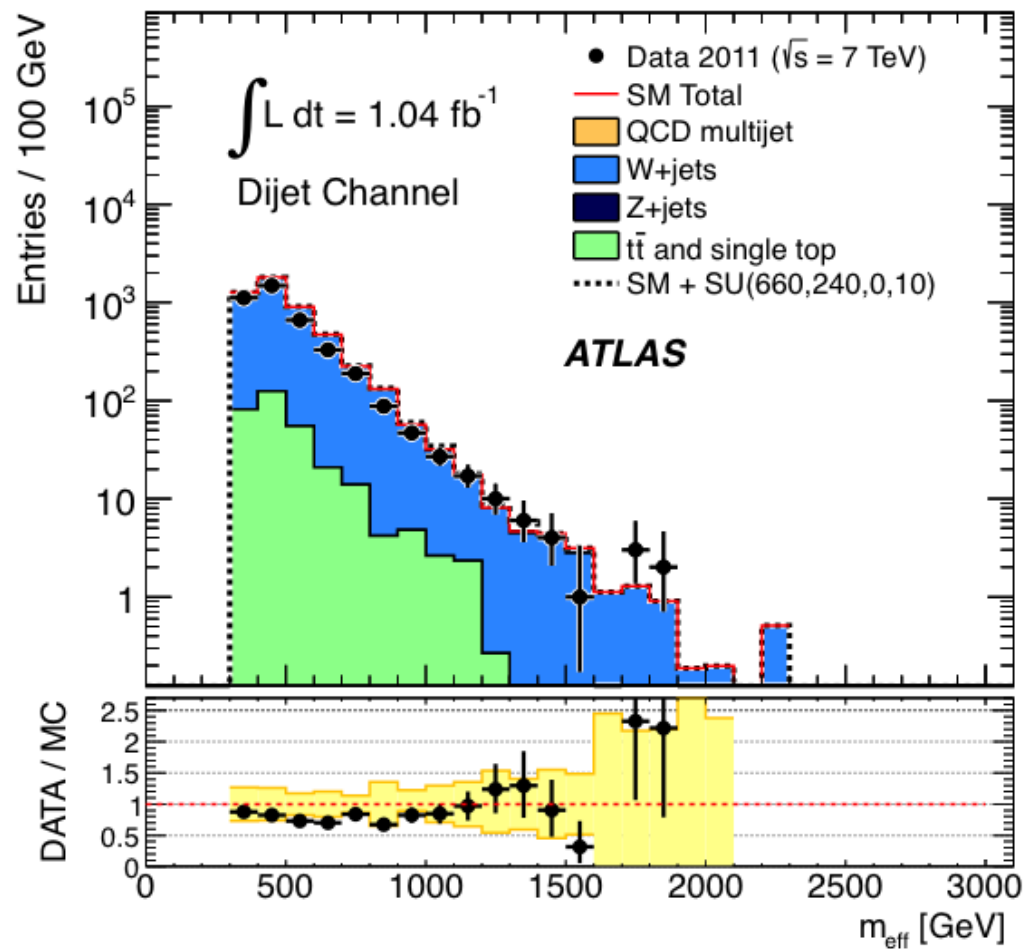
CR2: QCD Jet Background

- Require $\Delta\phi(j, \text{MET}) < 0.2$ to create QCD jet dominated region
- TFs obtained by smearing p_T of jets in low MET 'seed' events using jet response function
- Jet response function baseline obtained from MC jet truth/reco comparison
- Gaussian part modified to match data jet p_T asymmetry distribution in dijet events
- Tail modified to match MET distribution in data 3-jet 'Mercedes' events



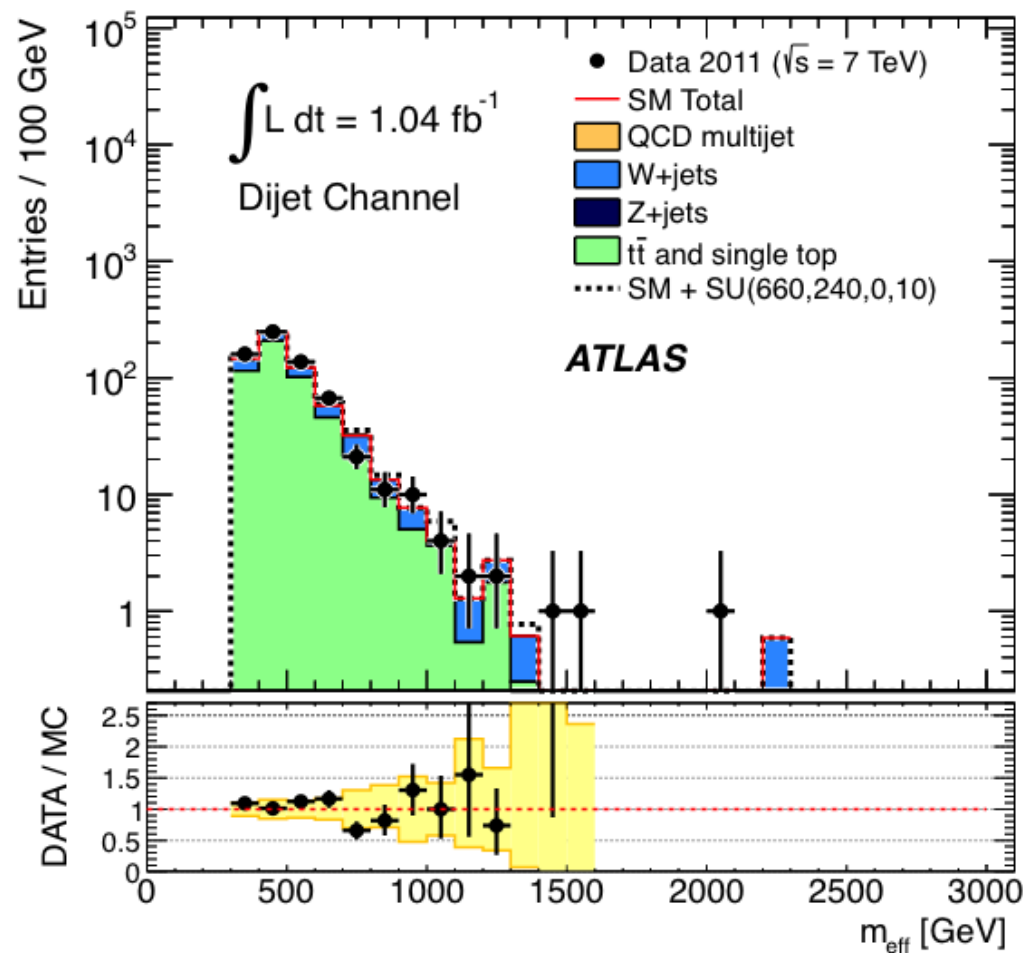
CR3: W+Jets Background

- 1-lepton + MET sample selected with $30 \text{ GeV} < M_T(l, \nu) < 80 \text{ GeV}$ requirement
- b-jet veto applied to separate from top control regions
- Lepton treated as jet (i.e. not added to MET): models approximately hadronictau faking jet
- TFs calculated using ALPGEN with theoretical and systematic uncertainties estimates



CR4: Top Background

- 1-lepton + MET sample selected with $30 \text{ GeV} < M_T(l, \nu) < 80 \text{ GeV}$ requirement
- b-jet requirement applied to separate from W+jet control regions
- Lepton treated as jet (i.e. not added to MET): models approximately hadronic tau faking jet
- TFs calculated using ALPGEN with theoretical and systematic uncertainties estimates



Transfer Factors

- Example for 'high mass' signal region

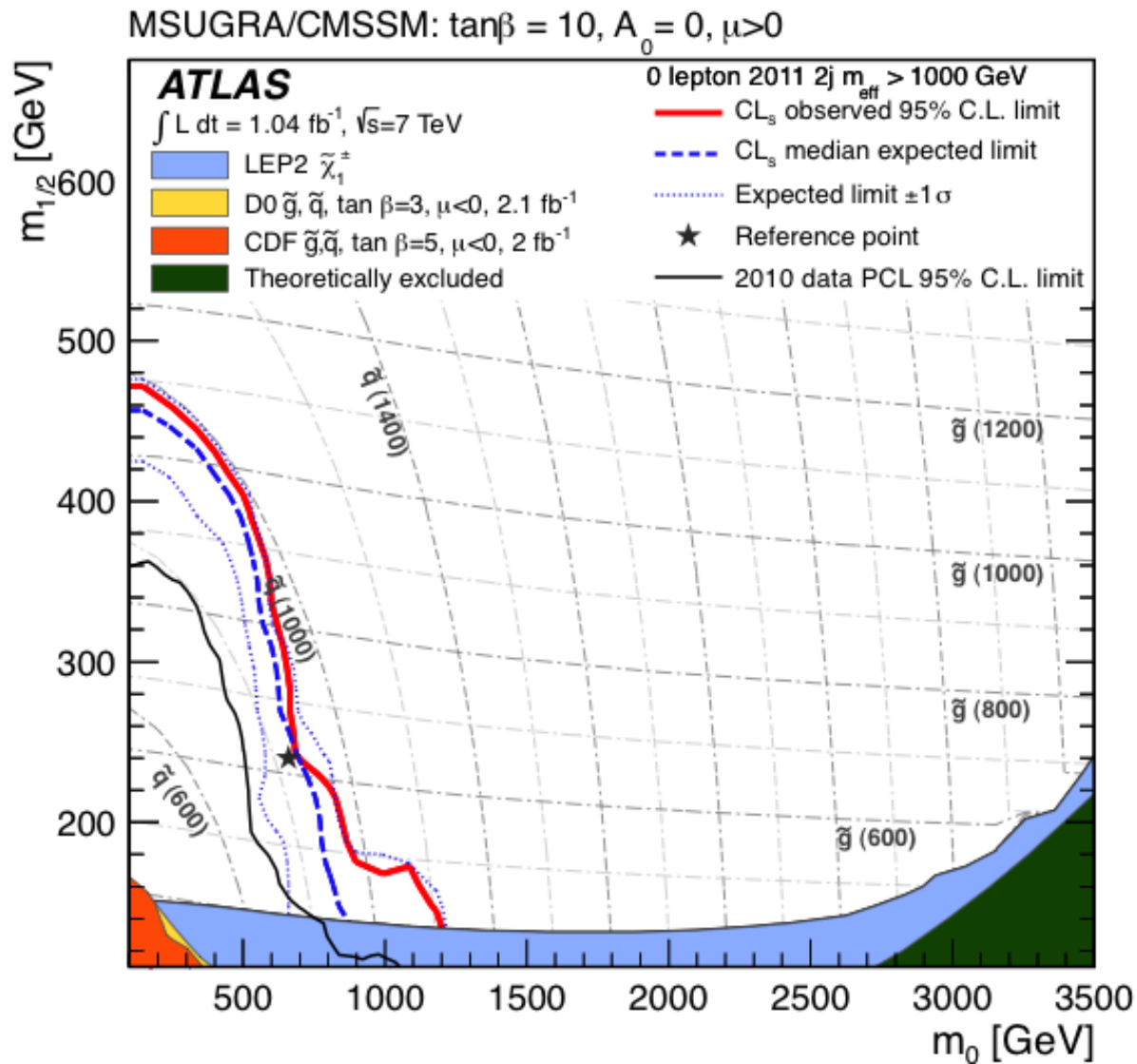
	Signal / Control Region					
	CR1a	CR1b	CR2	CR3	CR4	SR
Data	8	7	34	15	12	18
Targeted background	Z/γ +jets	Z/γ +jets	QCD multi-jet	W +jets	$t\bar{t}$ + single top	–
Transfer factor	0.374	0.812	0.063	0.196	0.372	–
Fitted Z/γ +jets	8.3	5.8	0.7	0.5	0.0	3.3
Fitted QCD multi-jet	–	–	29.8	0.8	0.6	2.1
Fitted W +jets	–	–	0.5	10.0	0.4	2.1
Fitted $t\bar{t}$ + single top	–	0.0	3.0	3.7	11.0	5.7
Fitted total background	8.3	5.9	34.0	15.0	12.0	13.1
Statistical uncertainty	± 2.7	± 1.2	± 5.8	± 3.9	± 3.5	± 1.9
Systematic uncertainty	± 0.6	± 1.7	± 0.1	± 0.1	± 0.2	± 2.5

Results

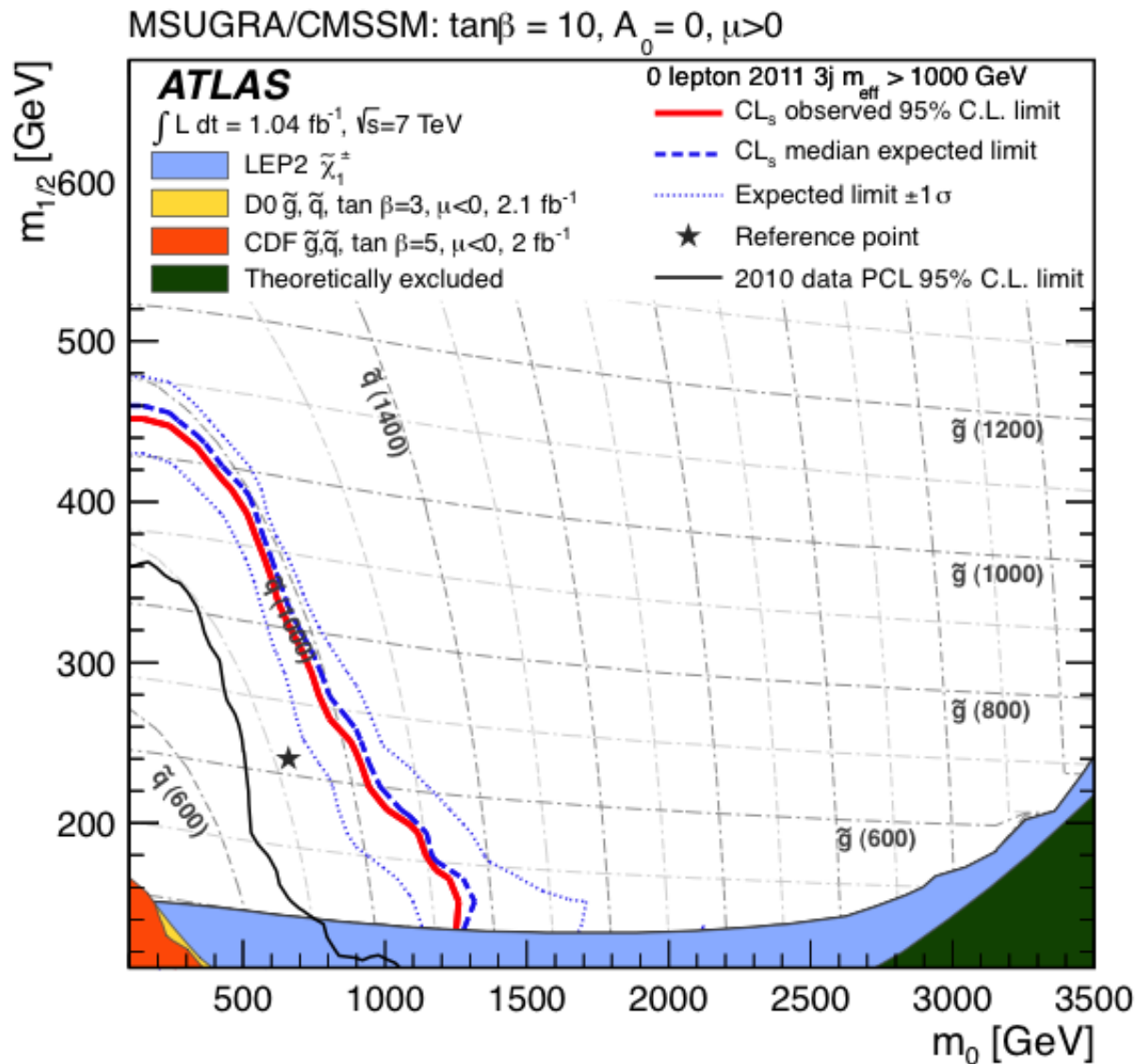
Process	Signal Region				
	$\geq 2\text{-jet}$	$\geq 3\text{-jet}$	$\geq 4\text{-jet},$ $m_{\text{eff}} > 500 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 4\text{-jet},$ $m_{\text{eff}} > 1000 \text{ GeV}$	High mass
$Z/\gamma + \text{jets}$	$32.3 \pm 2.6 \pm 6.9$	$25.5 \pm 2.6 \pm 4.9$	$209 \pm 9 \pm 38$	$16.2 \pm 2.2 \pm 3.7$	$3.3 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.3$
$W + \text{jets}$	$26.4 \pm 4.0 \pm 6.7$	$22.6 \pm 3.5 \pm 5.6$	$349 \pm 30 \pm 122$	$13.0 \pm 2.2 \pm 4.7$	$2.1 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.1$
$t\bar{t} + \text{single top}$	$3.4 \pm 1.6 \pm 1.6$	$5.9 \pm 2.0 \pm 2.2$	$425 \pm 39 \pm 84$	$4.0 \pm 1.3 \pm 2.0$	$5.7 \pm 1.8 \pm 1.9$
QCD multi-jet	$0.22 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.24$	$0.92 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.46$	$34 \pm 2 \pm 29$	$0.73 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.50$	$2.10 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.82$
Total	$62.4 \pm 4.4 \pm 9.3$	$54.9 \pm 3.9 \pm 7.1$	$1015 \pm 41 \pm 144$	$33.9 \pm 2.9 \pm 6.2$	$13.1 \pm 1.9 \pm 2.5$
Data	58	59	1118	40	18

- **No evidence of excess**
- **Set limits in model planes, taking into account background and signal systematics**

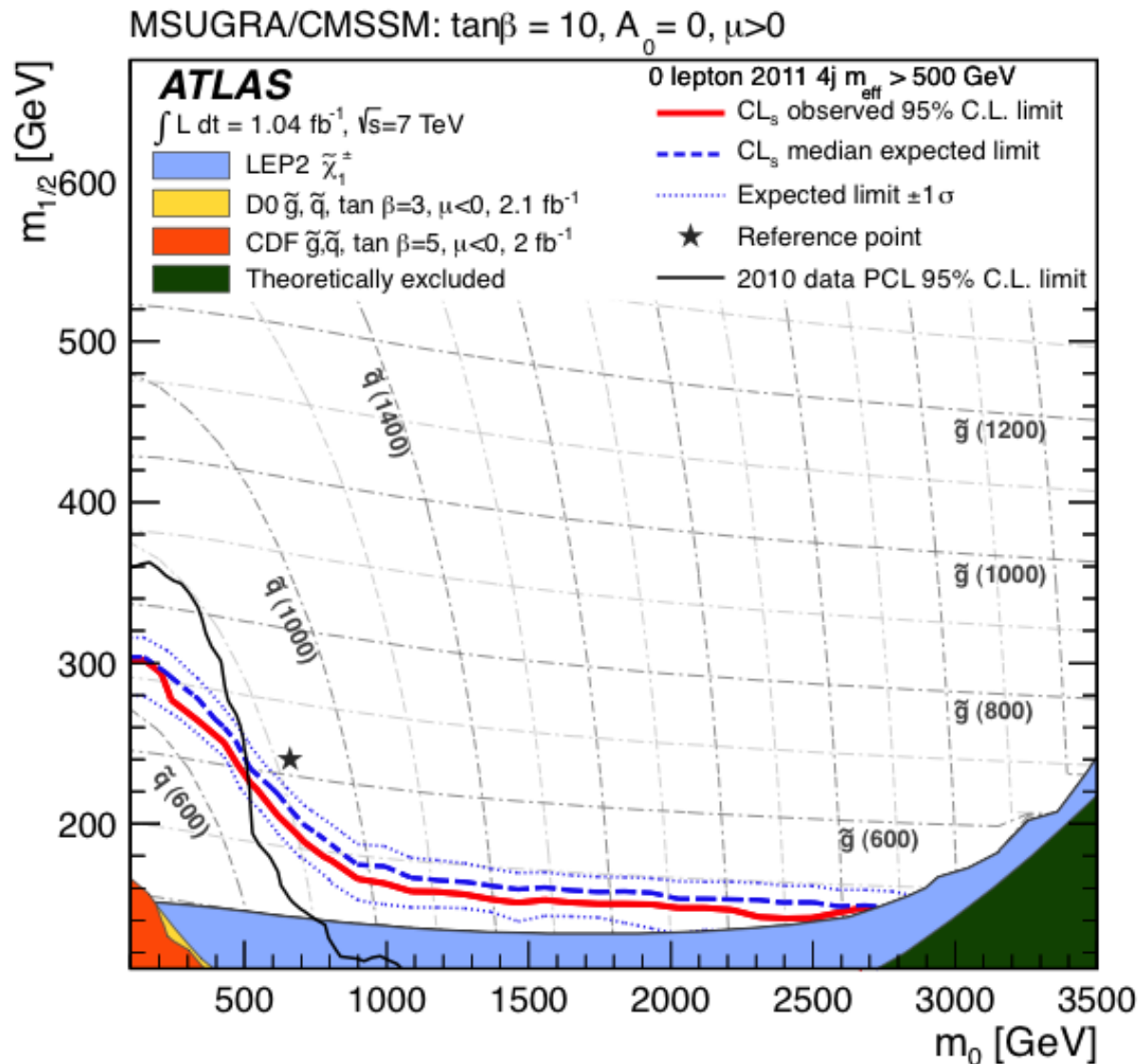
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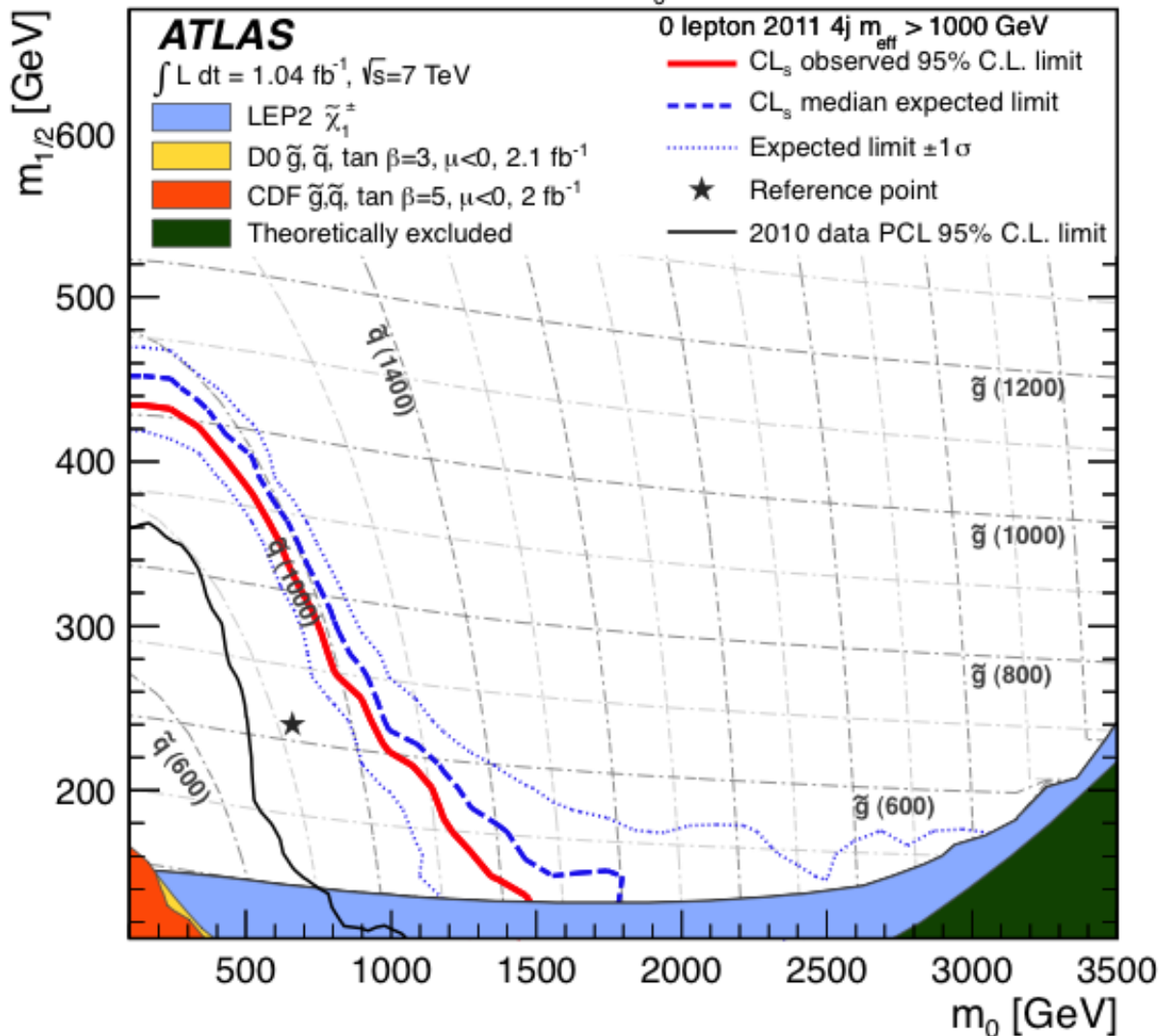


mSUGRA/CMSSM Limits

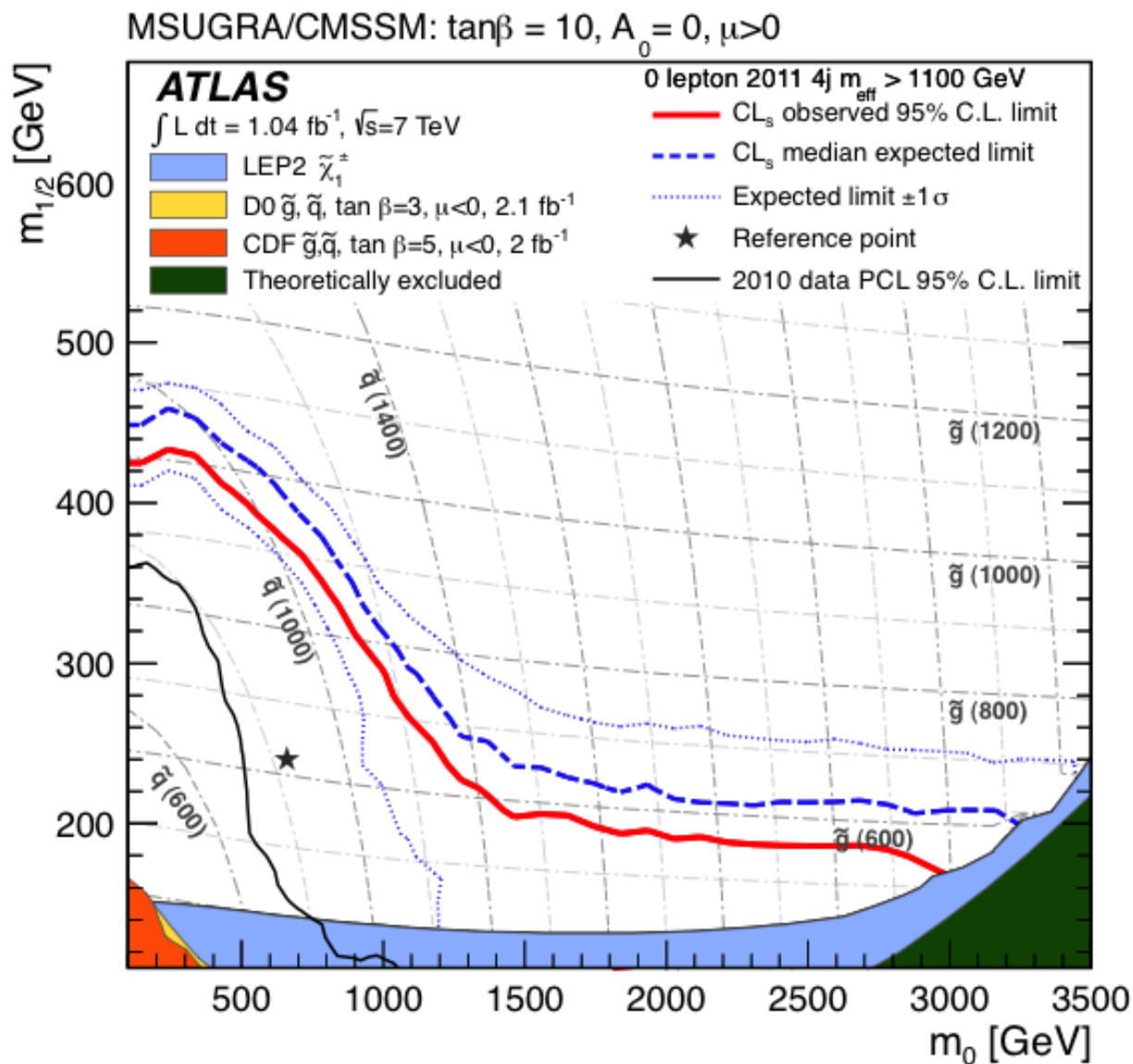


mSUGRA/CMSSM Limits

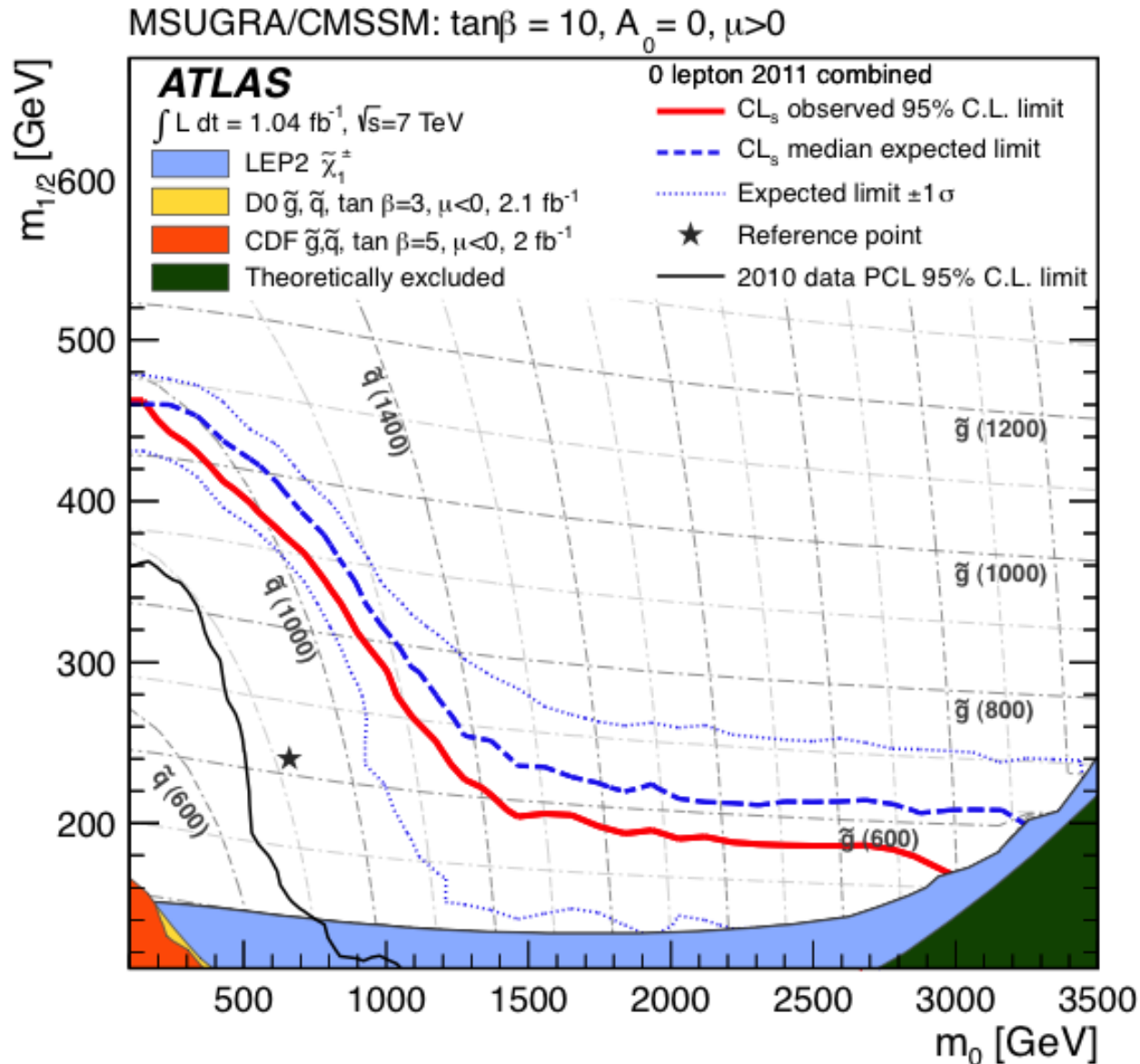
MSUGRA/CMSSM: $\tan\beta = 10$, $A_0 = 0$, $\mu > 0$



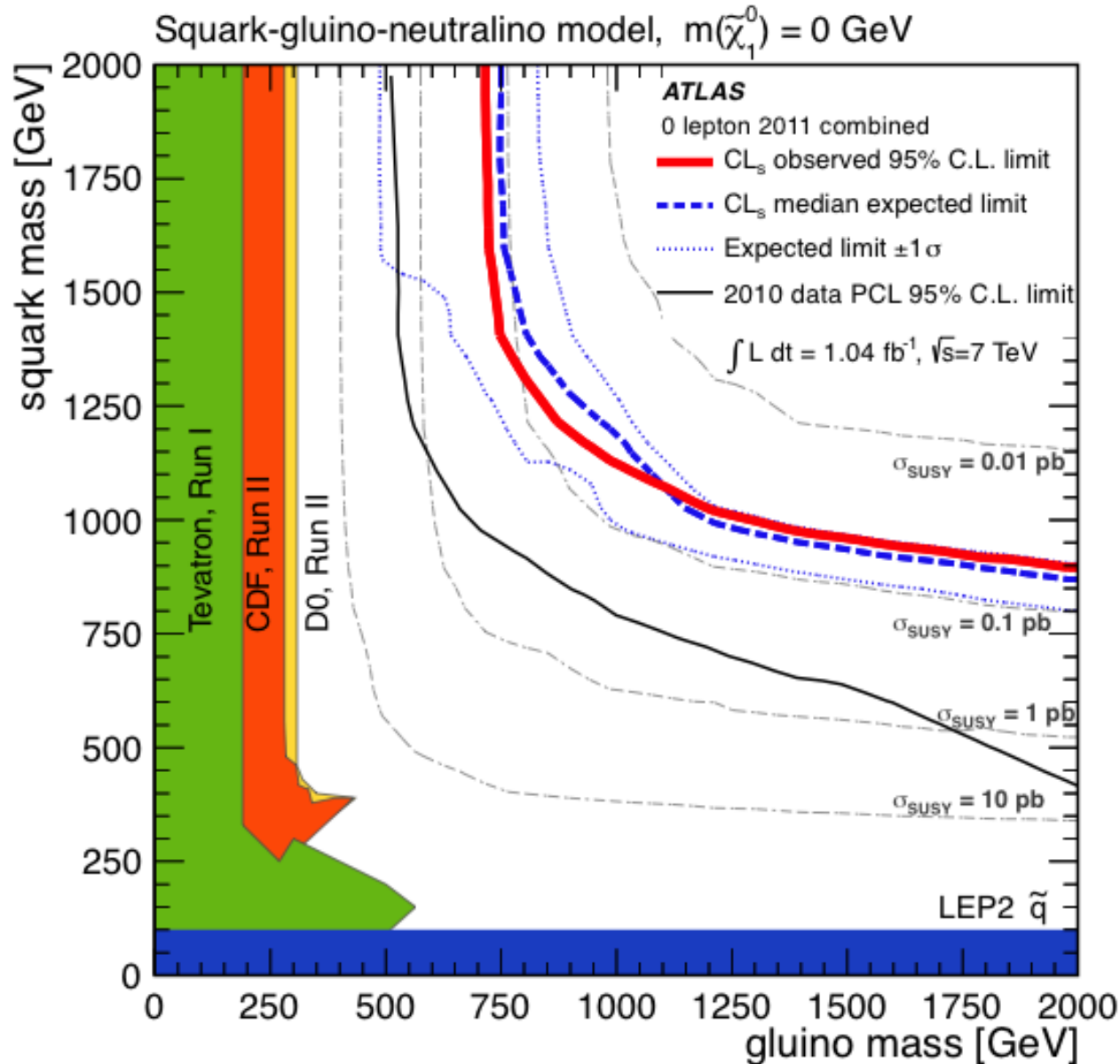
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Simplified Model Limits



Cross-Section & Mass Limits

- Additional interpretation in terms of upper limits on $\sigma \times \epsilon \times A$ for each channel
 - 22, 25, 429, 27 and 17 fb
- Alternative models can be checked by reproducing analysis applied to signal model
- Gluino (squark) masses below 700 (875) GeV excluded for squark (gluino) masses below 2 TeV and light LSP ($m < 200$ GeV)
- Gluino/squark masses below 1075 GeV excluded for equal masses and light LSP ($m < 200$ GeV)
- In mSUGRA / CMSSM degenerate mass limit ~ 950 GeV

- **Dutta: “Discovering SUSY should not be a problem!”**

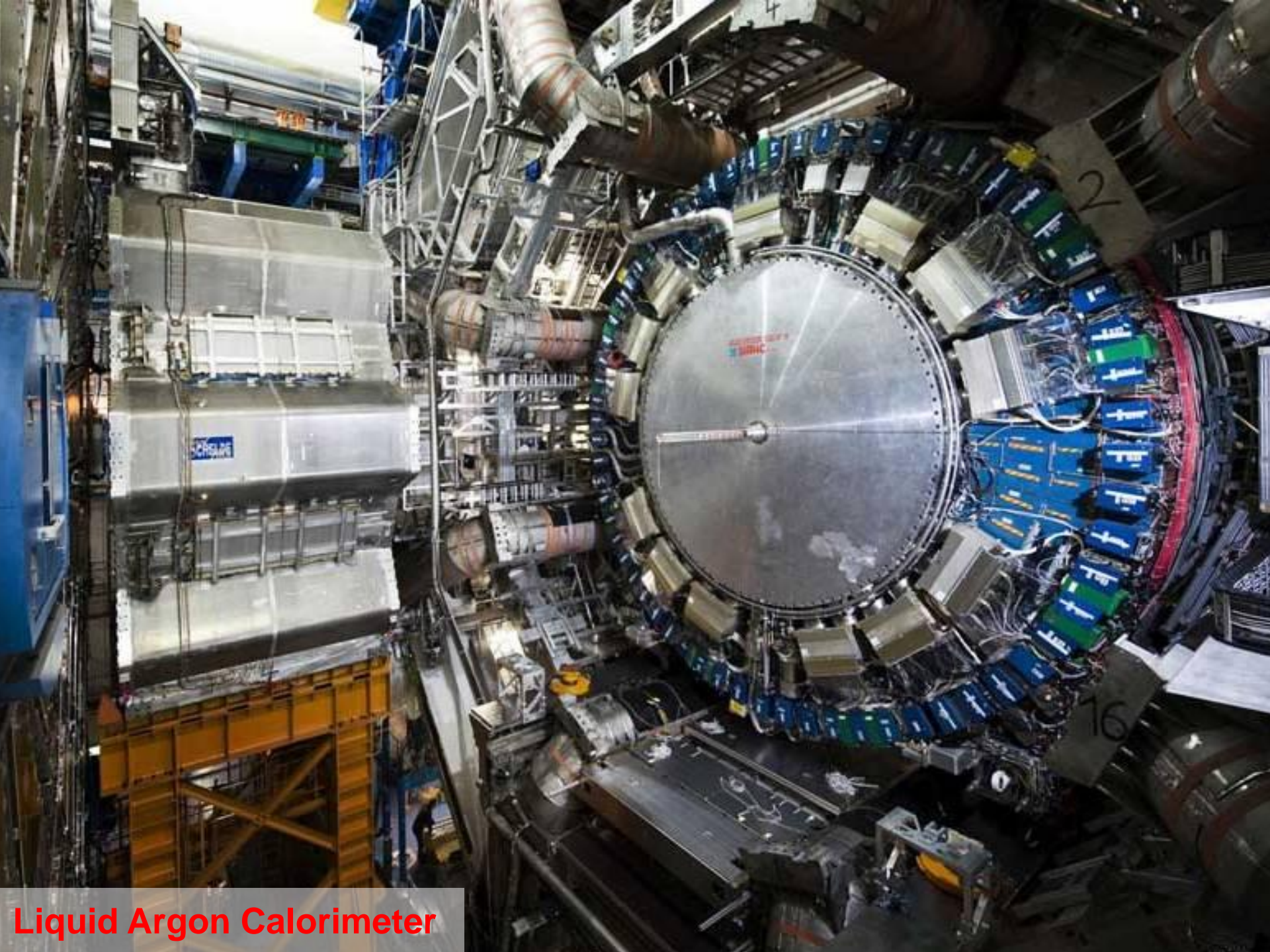
Back-up



>3000 physicists
38 countries
175 institutes

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~300 UK
14 institutes



Liquid Argon Calorimeter

