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SUSY Highlights from Moriond

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- Inclusive searches
- Direct chargino/neutralino production
- 3rd generation
 - Light staus
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- R parity violating SUSY
- Conclusion

48th RENCONTRES DE MORIOND

2013

La Thuile, Aosta Valley
Italy

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March 2 - 9

- **Electroweak Interactions and Unified Theories**
Study and properties of the BEH-like new boson. Searches for beyond the Standard Model physics: supersymmetry, rare processes, extradimensions, ...
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Physics Beyond the SM

New Physics expected at TeV scale:

- **“Fine tuning” problem:**

$$\Delta m_{H,f}^2 \propto \Lambda_{UV}^2$$

→ SUSY / Technicolour ...

- **Hierarchy problem**

→ Large Extra Dimensions / SUSY ...

- **Dark Matter**

→ SUSY / Extra Dimensions ...

- **Dark Energy**

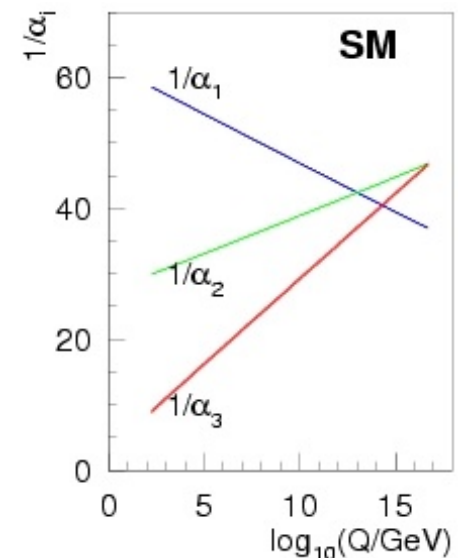
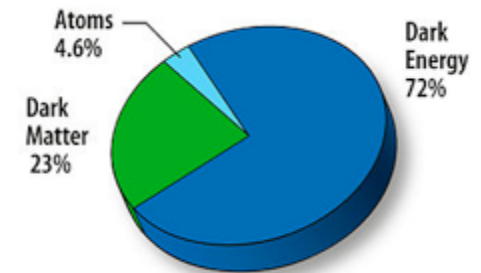
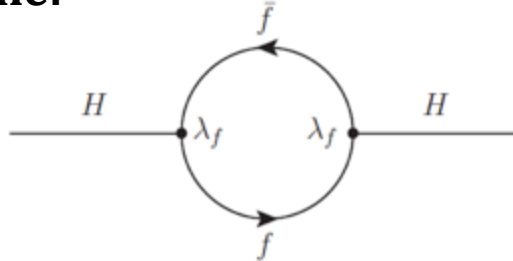
→ ???

- **Unification of gauge couplings**

→ Supersymmetry / Leptoquarks ...

- ...

Best place to search for Physics Beyond the SM → LHC



Supersymmetry

Last possible extension of Poincare group:

Fermions $\leftrightarrow$ Bosons

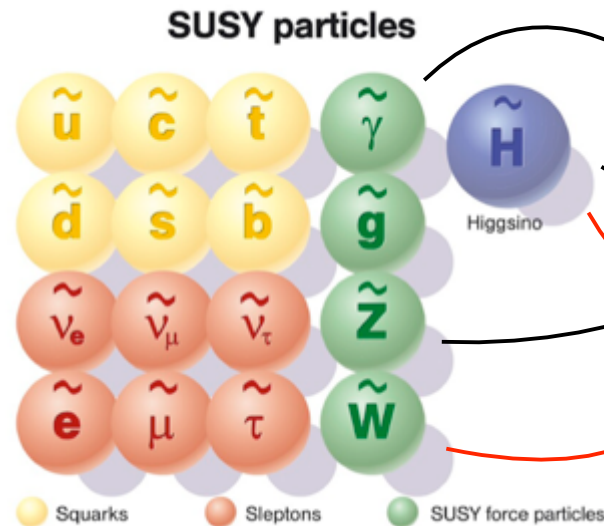
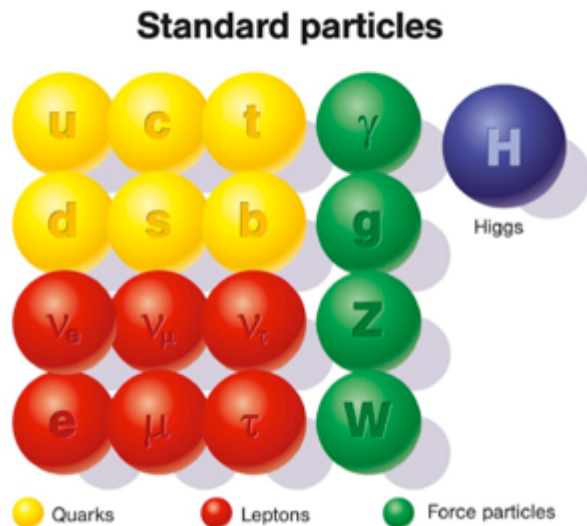
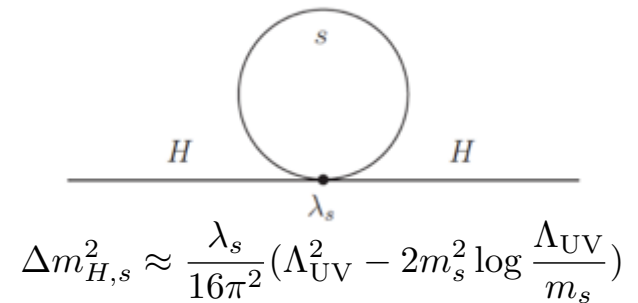
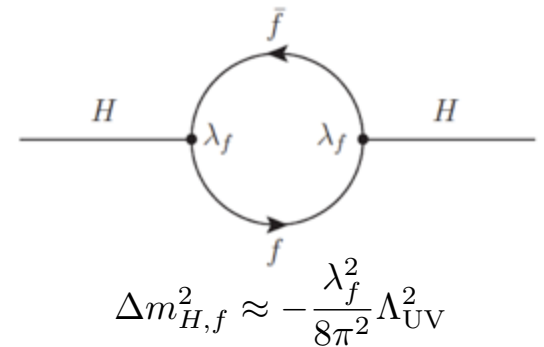
Solve “Fine Tuning” by SUSY opposite sign contributions:

$$\Delta m_{H,\text{tot}}^2 \approx \frac{\lambda_f^2}{4\pi^2} (m_s^2 - m_f^2) \log \frac{\Lambda_{\text{UV}}}{m_s} \quad \text{for } \lambda_f^2 = \lambda_s$$

Conserved R parity: $R = (-1)^{3(B-L)+2S}$

→ SUSY particles produced/annihilated in pairs

→ Lightest SUSY particle (LSP) stable → **DM candidate**



$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2,3,4}^0$
Neutralinos

$\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^\pm$
Charginos

Supersymmetry – Search Strategy

Breaking scenarios: cMSSM, GMSB, AMSB ... $\rightarrow$ Plethora of SUSY models

***R*-Parity conserved SUSY:**

- If $\tilde{q}$ and $\tilde{g}$ not much heavier than other sparticles $\rightarrow$ Strong production dominates
- (Long) decay chains down to LSP
- LSP stable $\rightarrow$ Missing transverse energy

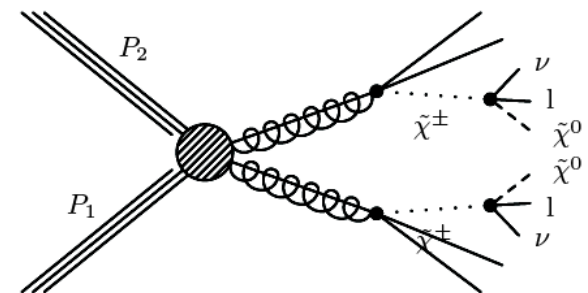
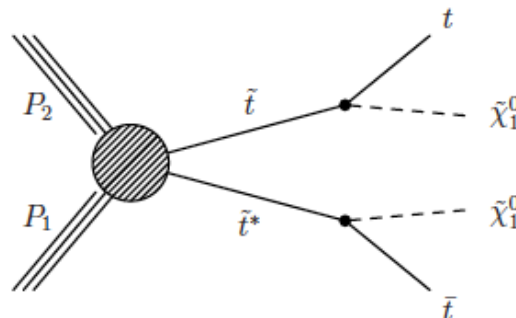
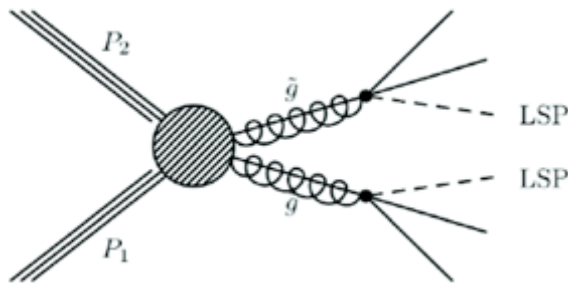
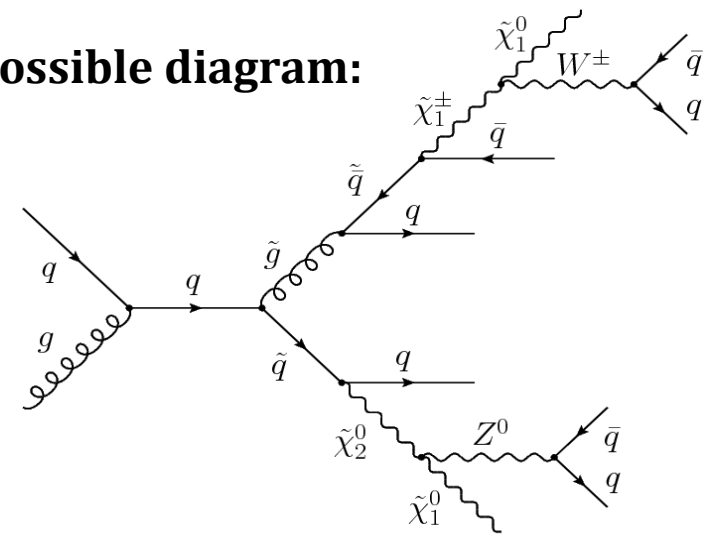
Realized final states very model dependent

Past: Interpretation in specific SUSY breaking models

Present: Interpretation mostly in simplified models (decay topologies)

$\rightarrow$ As model independent as possible

Possible diagram:



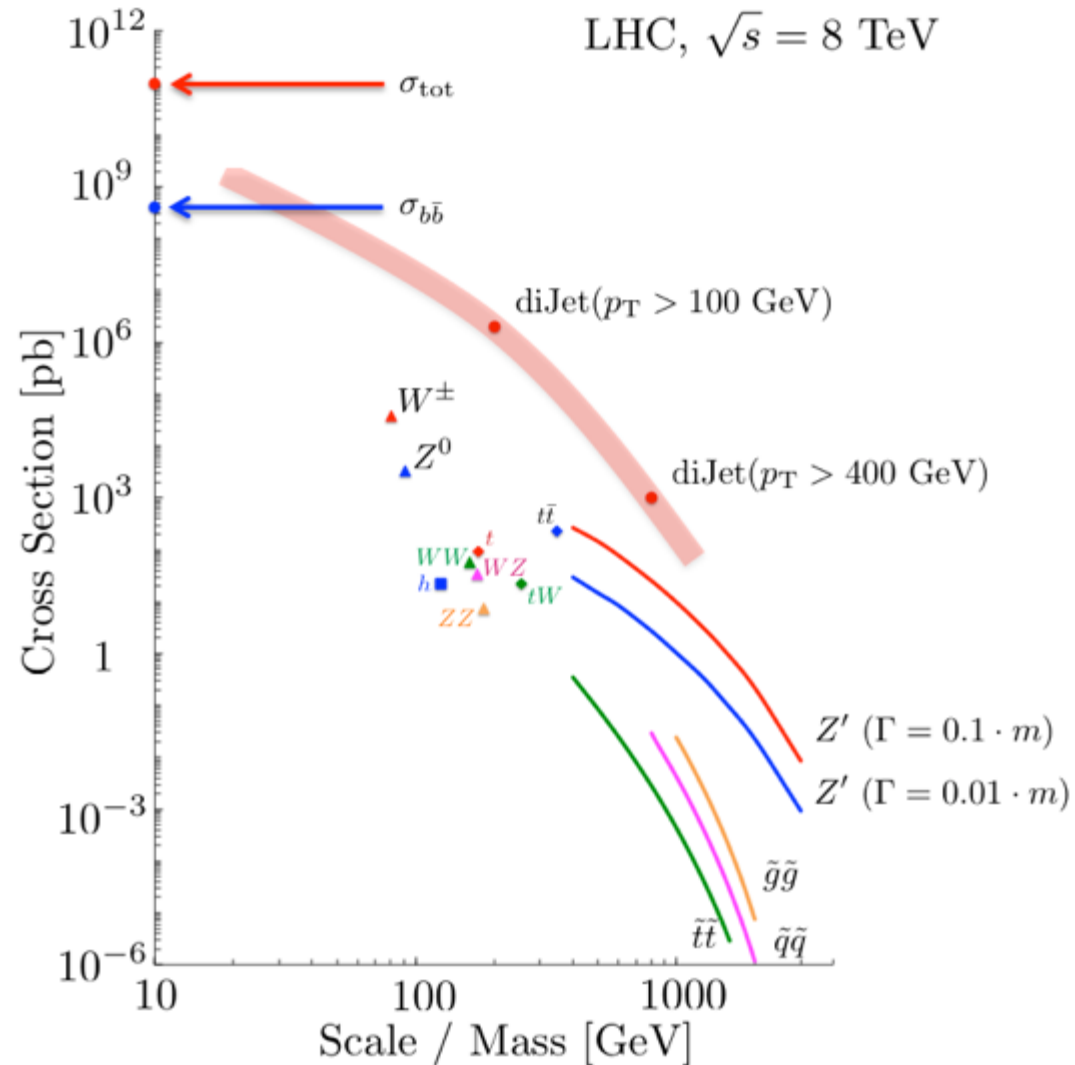
Standard Model Backgrounds

SM backgrounds have order of magnitudes larger cross sections than signal

Search in tails of distributions requires precise knowledge of

- SM processes
- detector effects

→ Use as much as possible data to estimate and validate background predictions

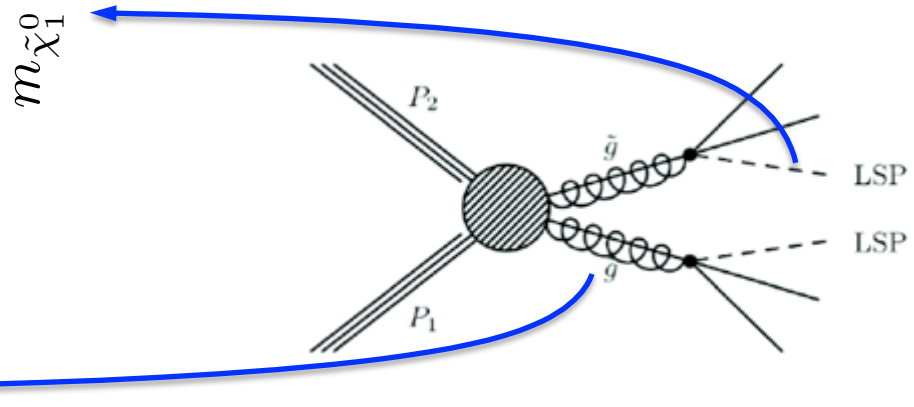
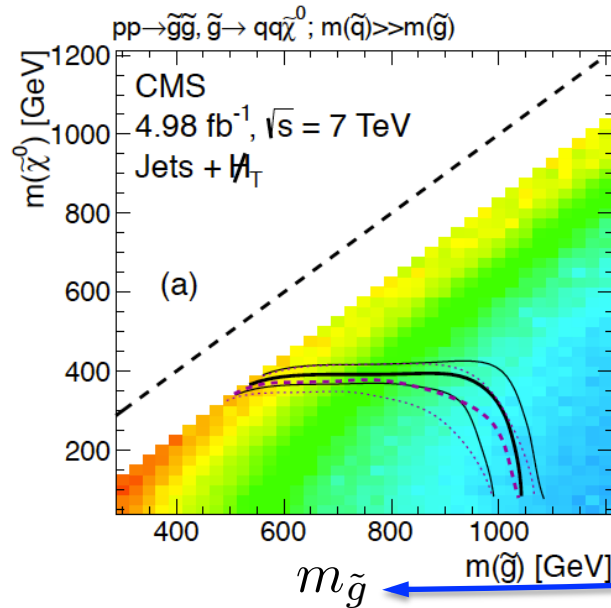


Example: Jets + MHT

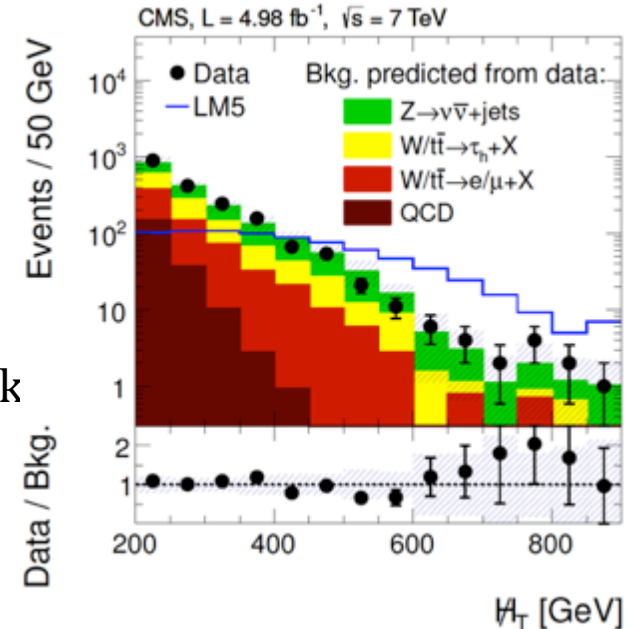
Jets + MHT:

- $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 3$ ($p_T > 50$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$)
- $H_T > 500$ GeV (jet p_T scalar sum: $p_T > 50$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$)
- $MHT > 200$ GeV (jet p_T vector sum: $p_T > 30$ GeV, $|\eta| < 5$)
- $\Delta\Phi(\text{MHT}, \text{jet}_{1,2,3}) > (0.5, 0.5, 0.3)$

No excess $\rightarrow$ Strong limits on 1st and 2nd generation squark gluinos in various simplified models, e. g.



PRL 109, 171803 (2012)



Direct $\tilde{\chi}^0$, $\tilde{\chi}^\pm$ Production

CMS SUS-12-022

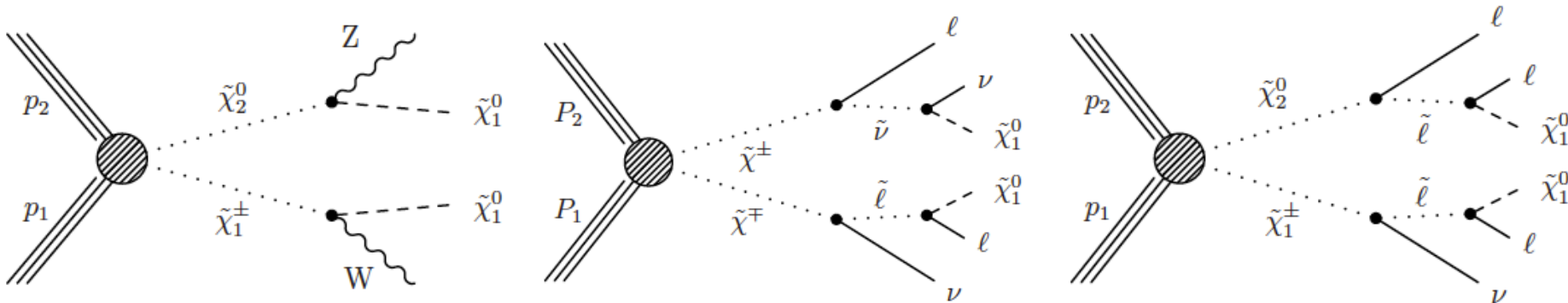
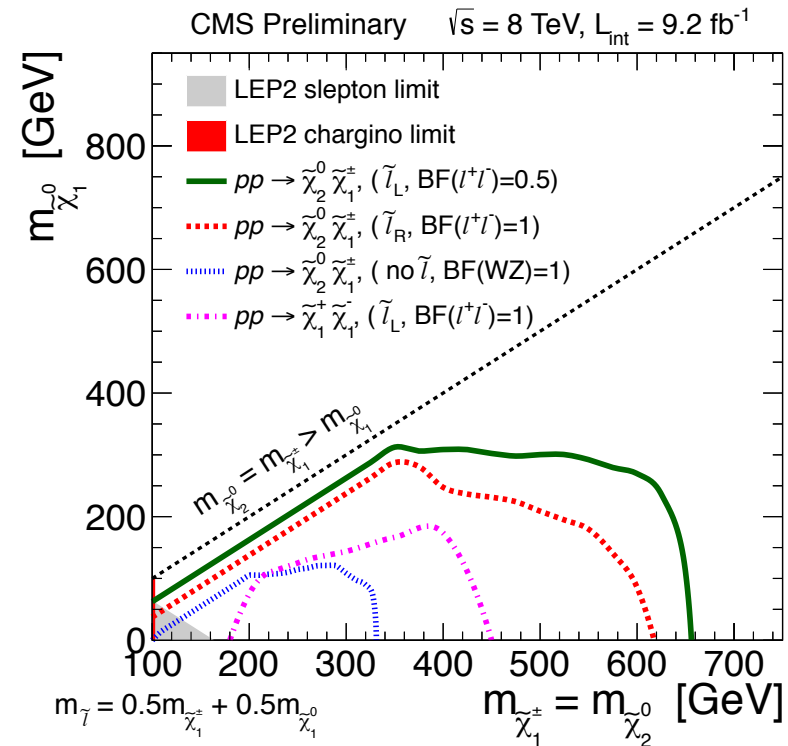
If $\tilde{q}$ and $\tilde{g}$ much heavier than $\tilde{\chi}^0$, $\tilde{\chi}^\pm$

→ **Direct chargino and/or neutralino production**

Leptonic decay modes provide clean signature:

- Many leptons (up to 4) + MET
- Possible opposite sign same flavour pairs with $m_{ll} = m_Z$
- Small jet activity

No excess → Limits





Light Staus – EWK Production ($\geq 2 \tau_{\text{had}}$)

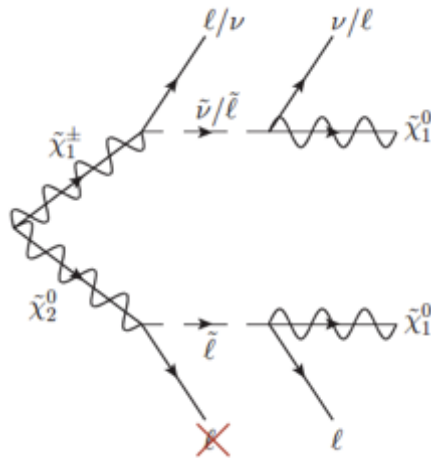
If staus significantly lighter than other sleptons

$\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}^0, \tilde{\chi}^\pm$ decay predominantly in $\tau^+ \tau^- \tilde{\chi}_1^0 / \tau \nu_\tau \tilde{\chi}_1^0$

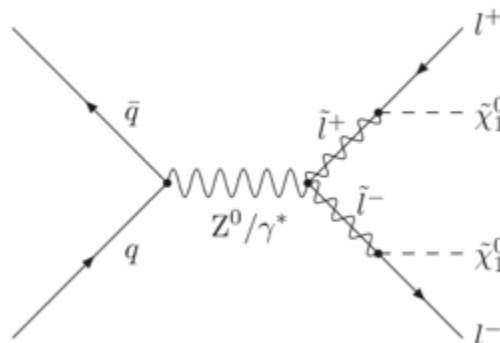
Search for taus, moderate MET, and large M_{T2}

$$M_{T2} = \min_{\vec{p}_T^a + \vec{p}_T^b = \vec{p}_T} \{ \max \{ m_T(p^{\tau,a}, \not{p}_T^a), m_T(p^{\tau,b}, \not{p}_T^b) \} \}$$

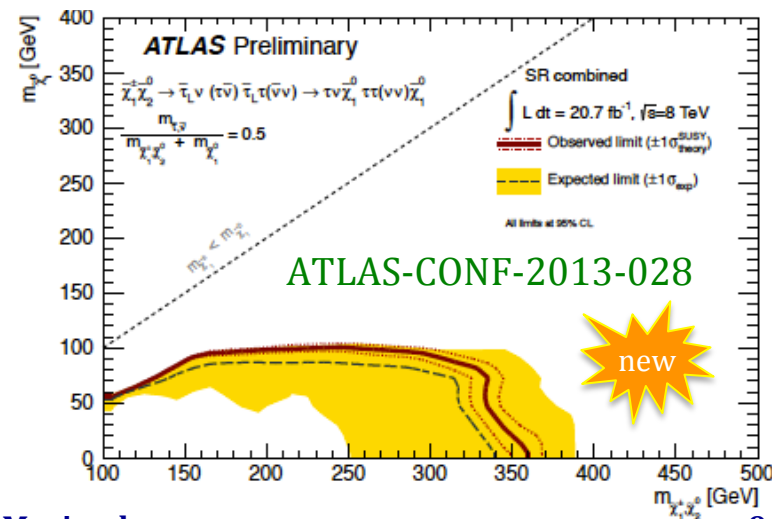
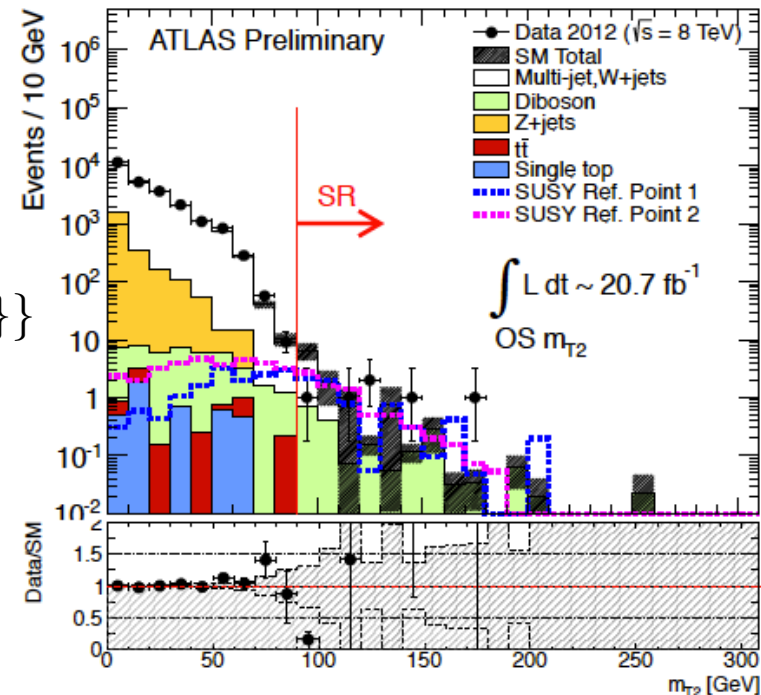
No excess: Interpretation in various models, e. g.



Chargino/neutralino production



Direct stau production





Light Staus – Jet+ MET + 1 or ≥ 2 τ_{had}

GMSB:

Gravitino is LSP (weak coupling to NLSP)

Signature depend on NLSP,
e. g. $\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau \tilde{G}$

Common signature:

Strong production (squark & gluinos) dominates $\rightarrow$ jets; light staus $\rightarrow \tau\tau$; LSPs $\rightarrow$ MET

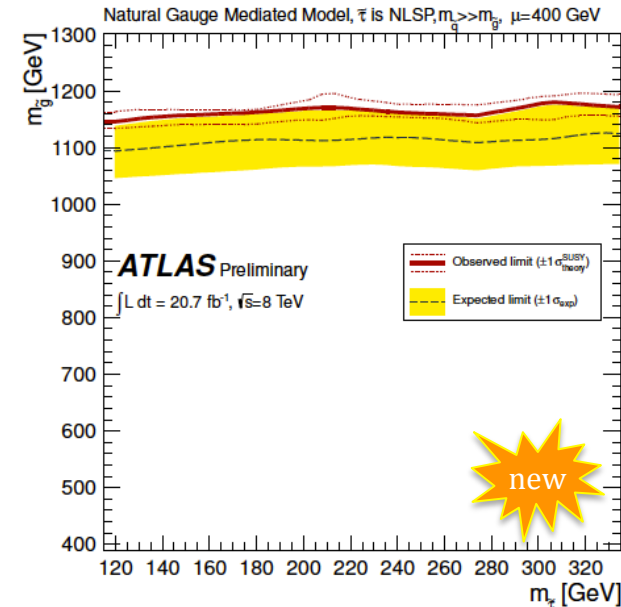
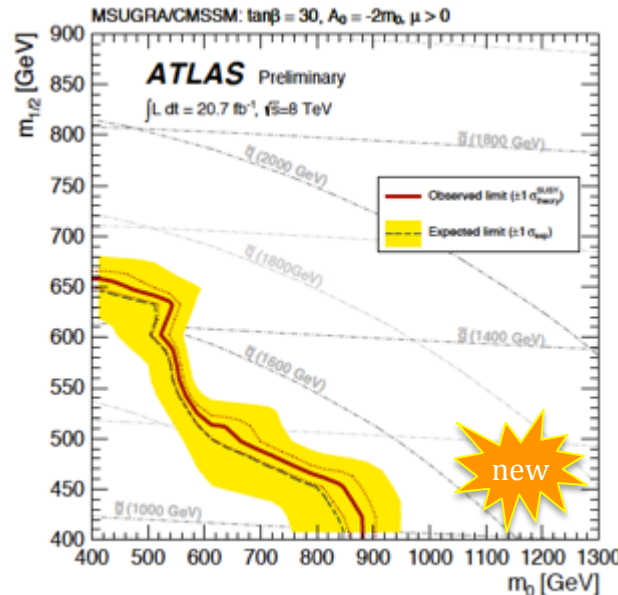
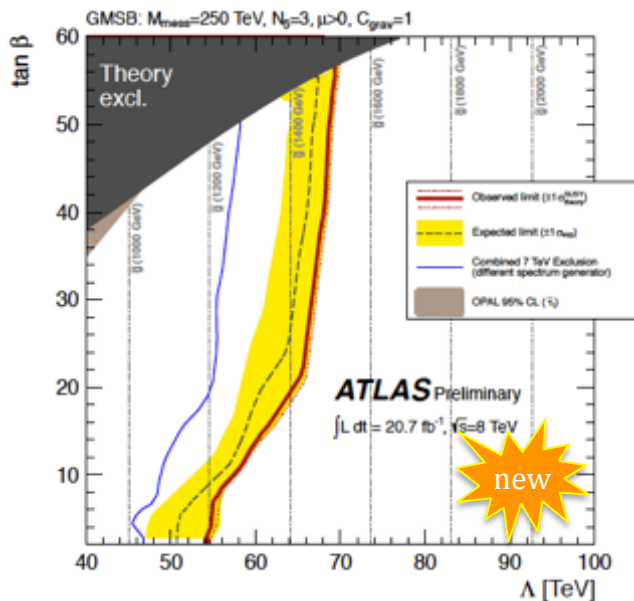
cMSSM:

Fix A_0 , $\tan \beta$ and μ such that
 $m_H \sim 125$ GeV

For some models NLSP =
stau $\rightarrow \tau\tau$ in decay chain

Natural GM:

General Gauge Mediation +
set weak scale parameters
such to avoid fine tuning
 $\rightarrow$ Light staus, accessible
gluinos, other sparticles
heavy



Supersymmetry-Higgs Interplay

Tobe, Wells

PRD 66 (2002) 013010

Implications of 125 GeV Higgs:

$$M_h^2 \leq M_Z^2 \cos^2 2\beta + \frac{3m_t^4}{\sqrt{4\pi^2}} \log \frac{\Delta_S^2}{m_t^2} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta_S^2 = m_{\tilde{t}_1} m_{\tilde{t}_2}$$

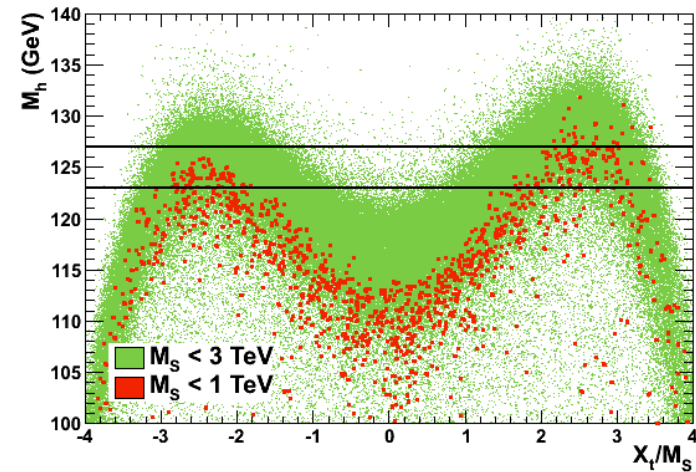
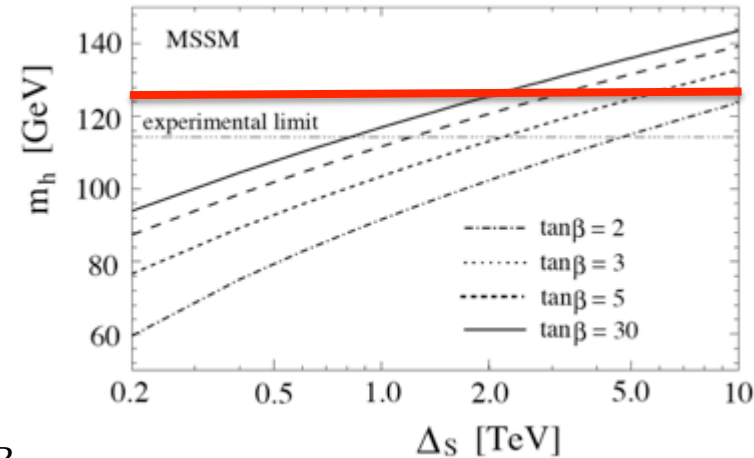
- Either stops are heavy ($\gg 1$ TeV) $\rightarrow$ Tension to “naturalness” ($\rightarrow$ some amount of fine tuning)

$$\frac{M_Z^2}{2} = \frac{(m_{H_d}^2 + \Sigma_d) - (m_{H_u}^2 + \Sigma_u) \tan^2 \beta}{\tan^2 \beta - 1} - \mu^2$$

Radiative EWSB

- or large stop mass splitting (“Maximal mixing”)

$$\mathcal{M}_{\tilde{t}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{m}_{t_L}^2 & m_t \overbrace{(A_t - \mu \cot \beta)}^{X_t} \\ m_t (A_t - \mu \cot \beta) & \tilde{m}_{t_R}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$



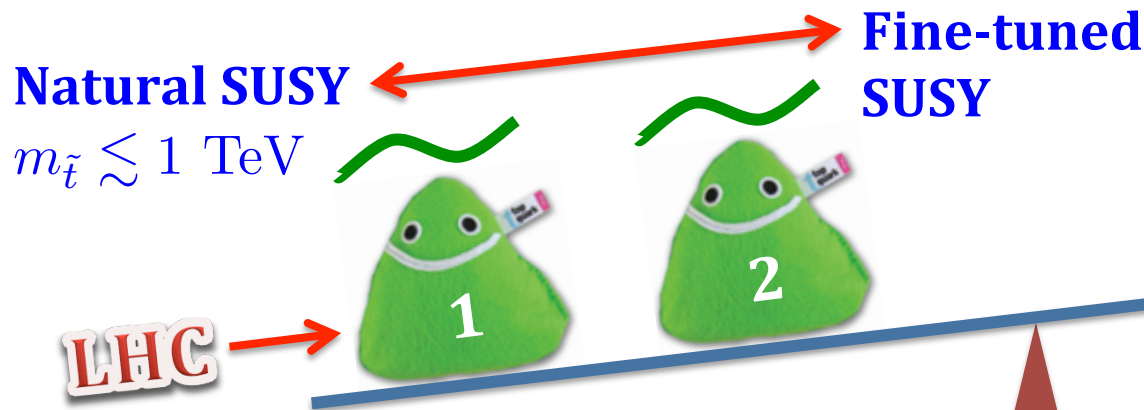
Stop mass splitting

Arbey, Battaglia, Djouadi, Mahmoudi, Quevillon

arXiv:1112.3028

A Simplified Picture

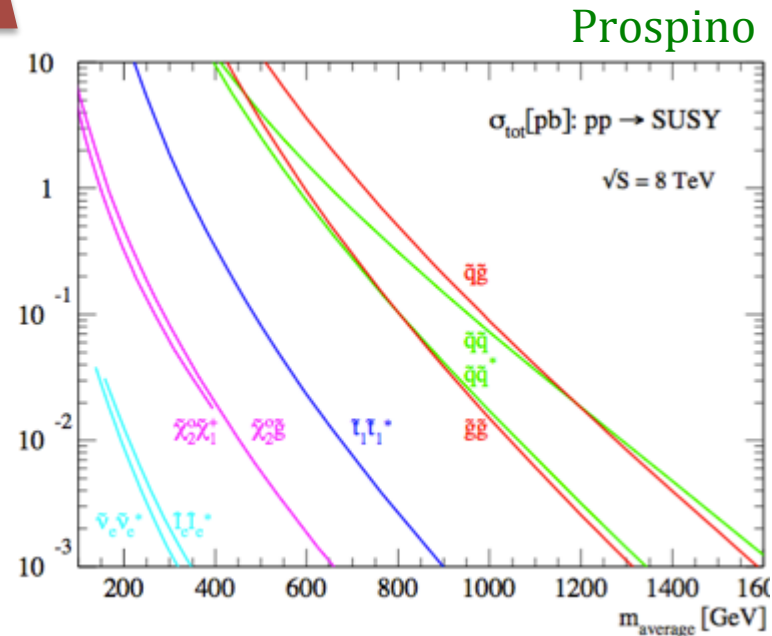
$$m_H \sim 125 \text{ GeV}$$



Stop production cross section significantly smaller
 (compared to light squark production)

→ LHC limits on squarks masses only apply for 1st
 and 2nd generation

→ **Stop quarks can be lighter than 1st and 2nd
 generation squarks!**



Direct sTops Production



$m_{\tilde{t}} < m_{\tilde{g}} \rightarrow$ Direct stop production

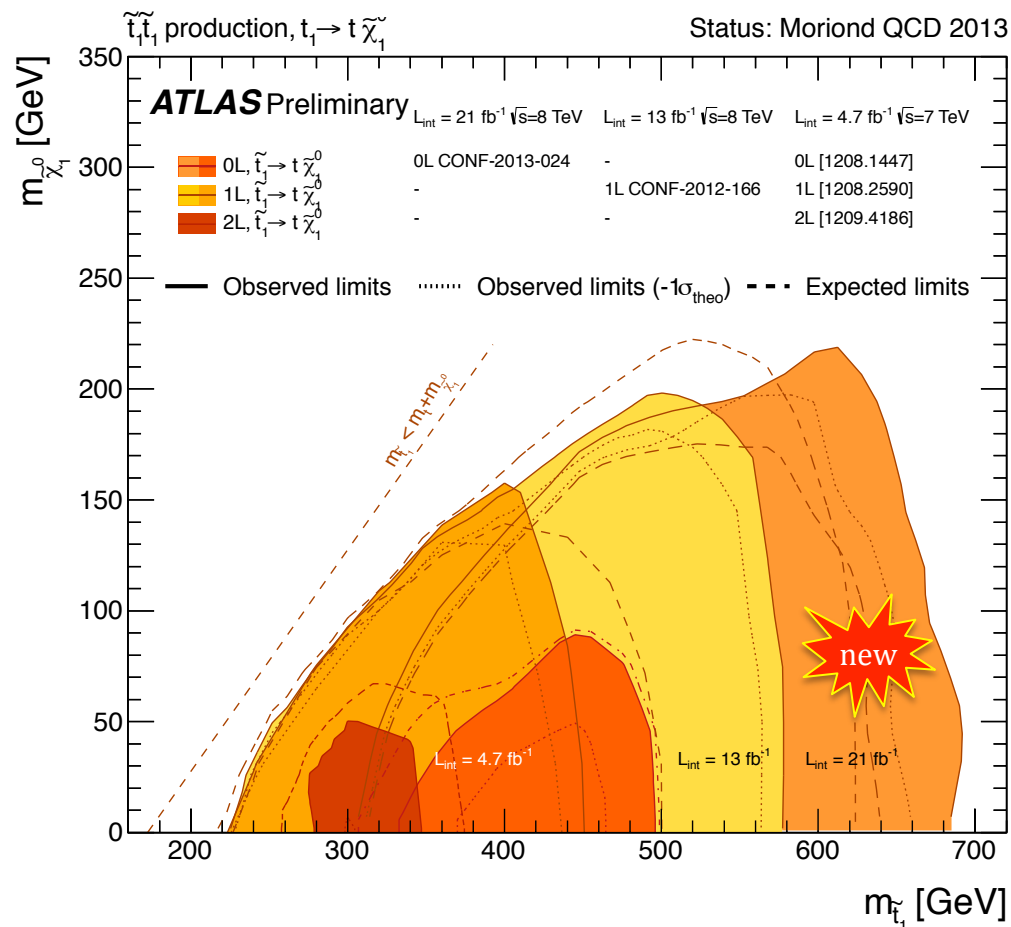
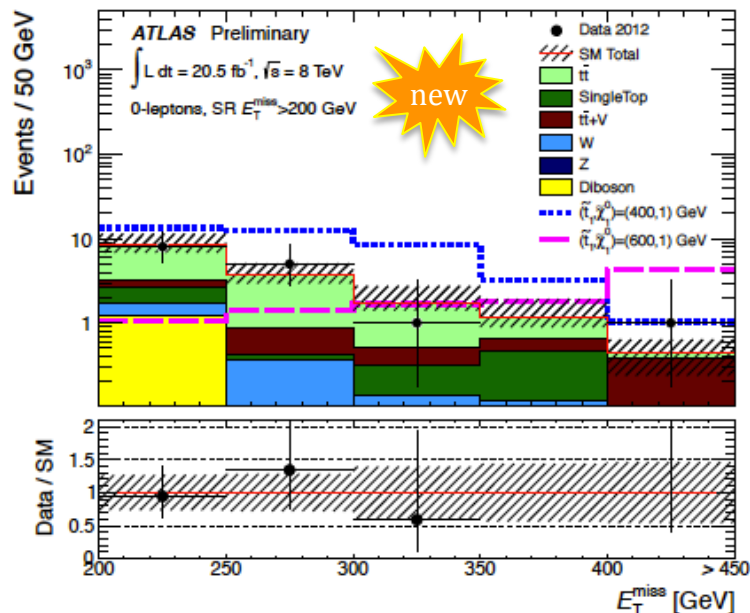
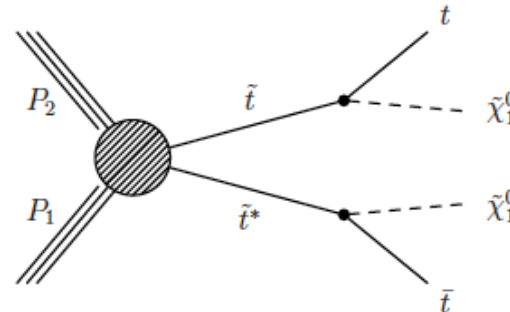
Signature: $t\bar{t} + \text{MET}$

Challenge: dominant background ($t\bar{t}$) has also genuine MET

Leptonic and hadronic searches

No excess above SM expectation

$m_{\tilde{t}} < 680$ GeV (95% C.L., light LSP)



More Stop Searches

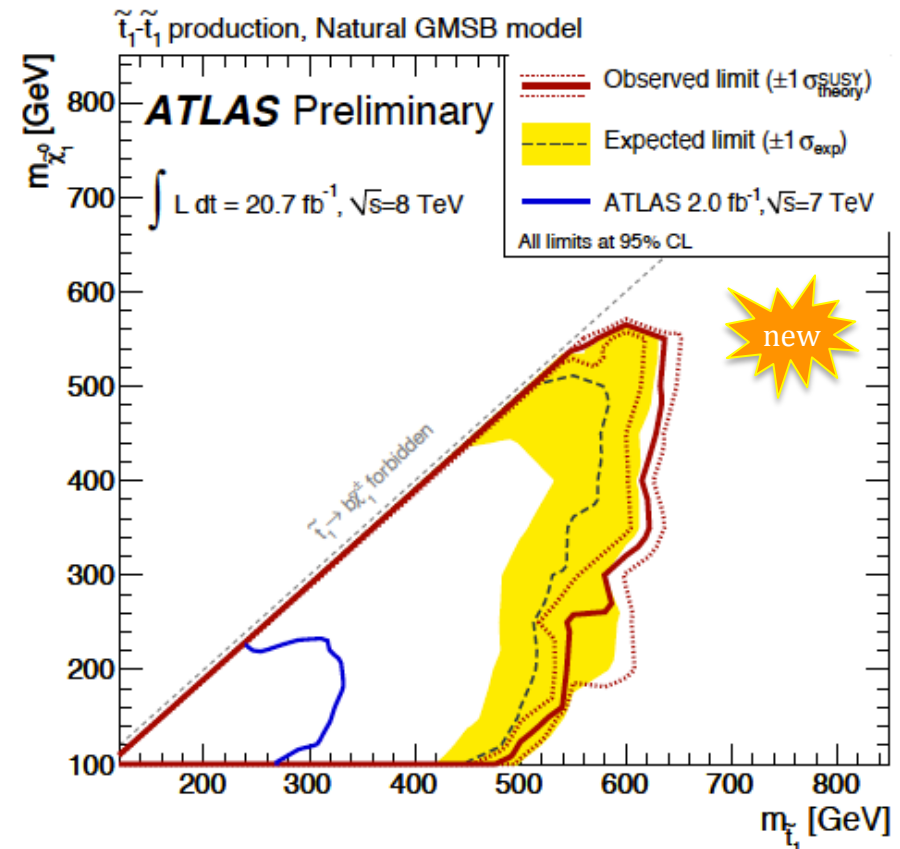
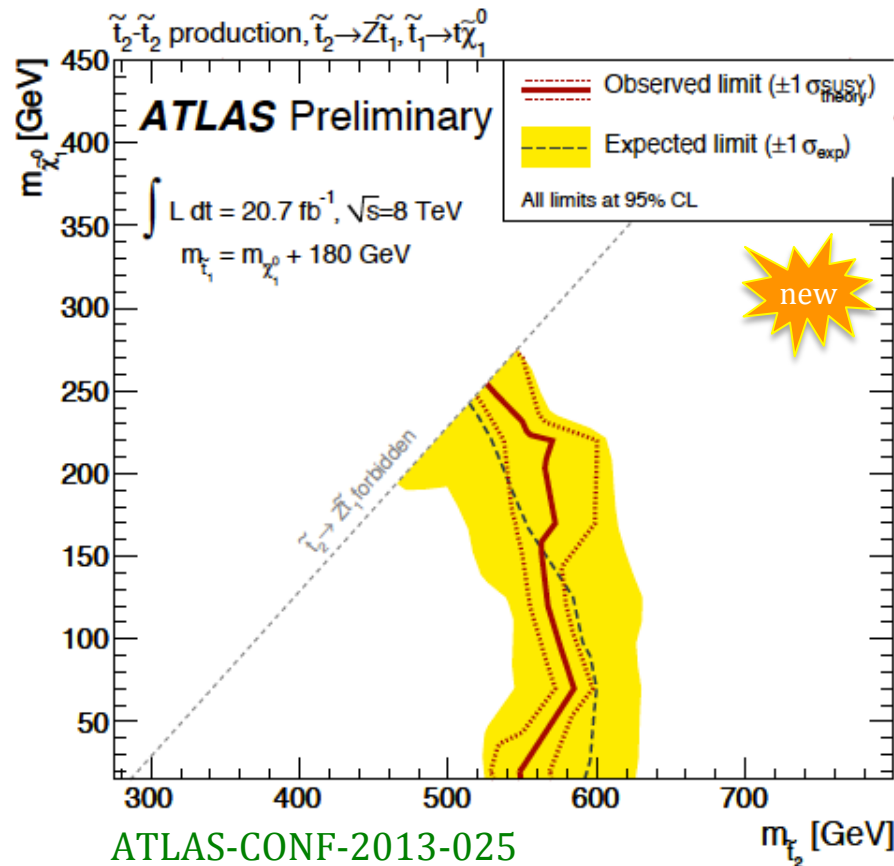
For $m_{\tilde{t}_1} \sim m_t + m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$

similar kinematics of $\tilde{t}_1 \bar{\tilde{t}}_1 \rightarrow t \bar{t} \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ and $t \bar{t}$

If $m_{\tilde{t}_2} \gtrsim m_{\tilde{t}_1} \rightarrow \tilde{t}_2 \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 + Z$

Similar topology in natural GMSB models (NLSP: higgsino like $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$)

$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t + \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow t + Z \tilde{G}$



Light sTops

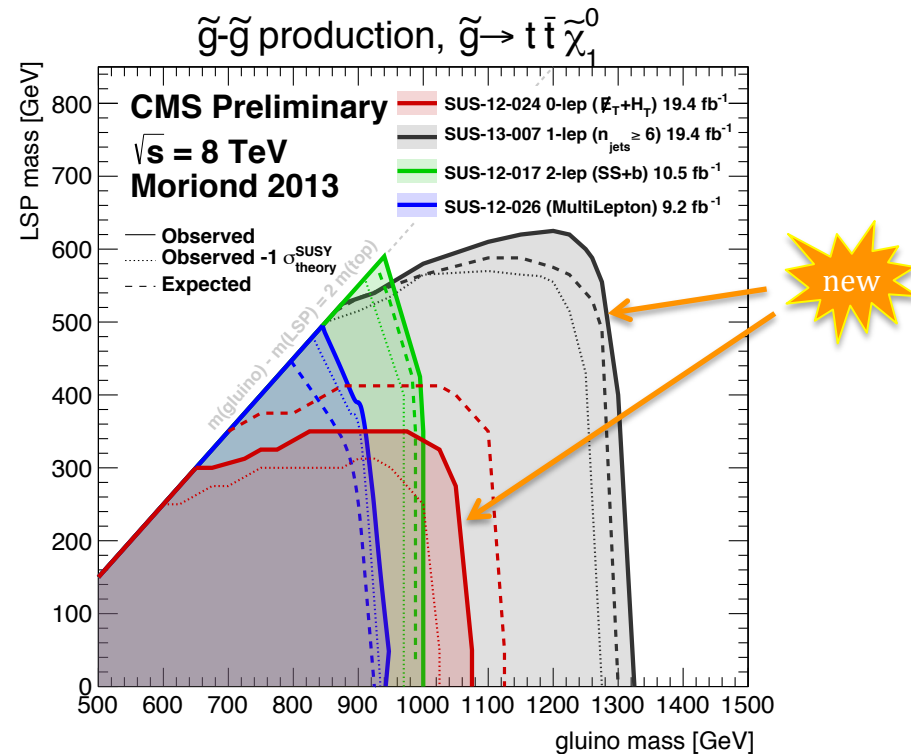
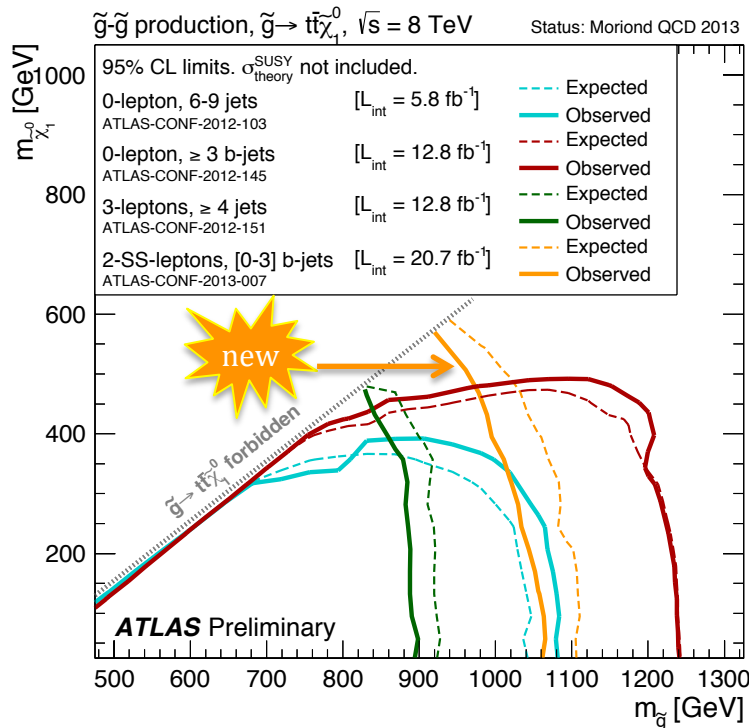
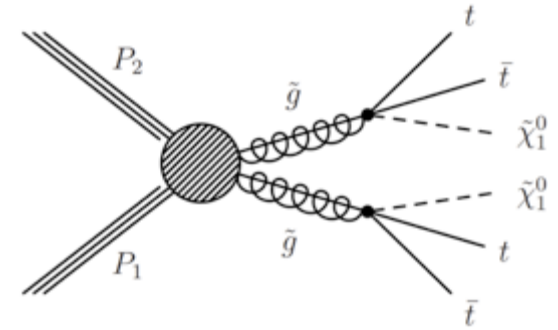
$m_{\tilde{t}} \sim m_{\tilde{g}} \rightarrow$ “Gluino induced” production

Signature: $t\bar{t}t\bar{t} + \text{MET}$

$\rightarrow$ Up to 12 jets; 4 b -tags; MET

Small backgrounds: Searches have good sensitivity, e. g. lepton + 2 b -tags + >5 jets

Gluino masses excluded up to ~ 1.3 TeV (95% C.L.) for light LSPs



Light Sbottoms

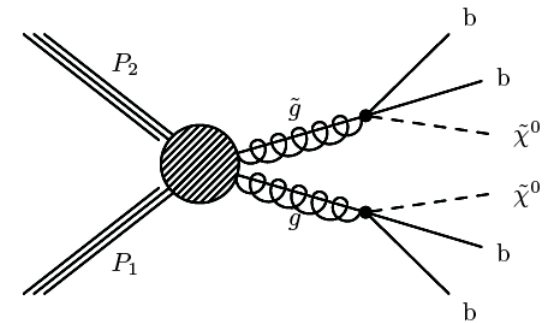
In case of light 3rd generation squarks and dominant gluino production

→ Large number of b jets in final state

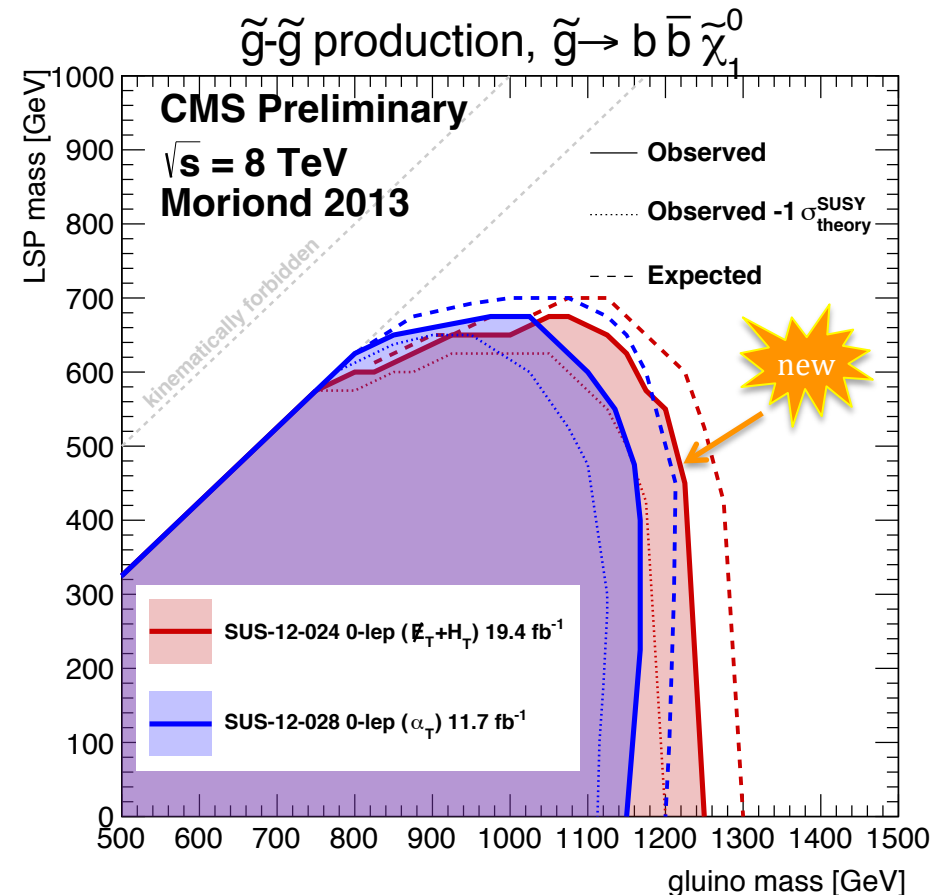
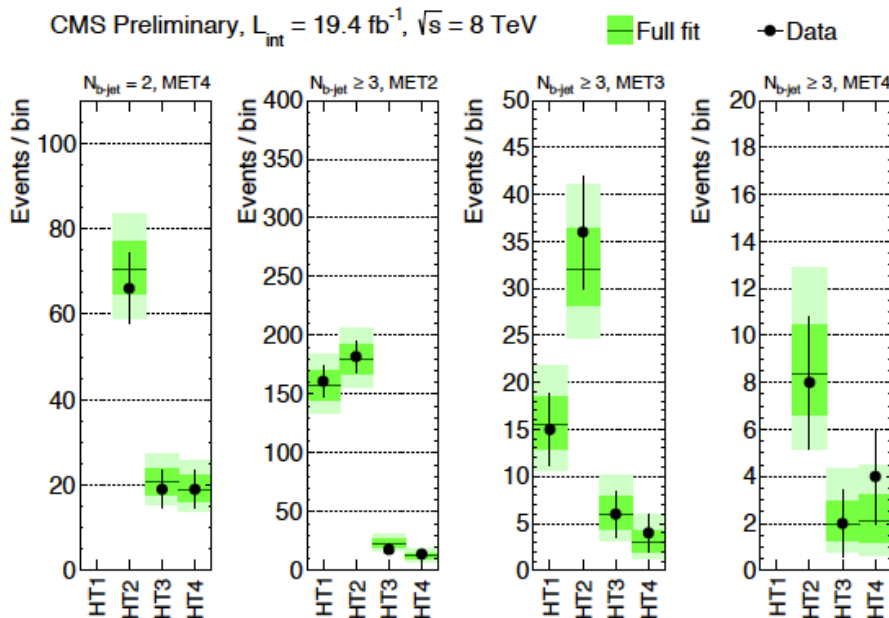
→ Even final state with only b jets possible

e. g. H_T (scalar sum of jet p_T) + b jets + MET

Exclude gluino masses up to 1.25 TeV for light LSP mass



$\tilde{g}\text{-}\tilde{g}$ production, $\tilde{g} \rightarrow b \bar{b} \tilde{\chi}_1^0$



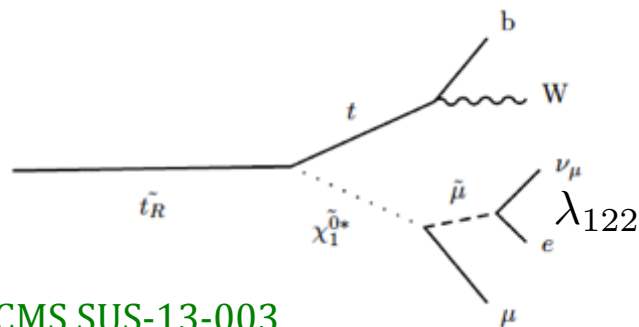
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R-Parity Violating SUSY

R parity violation not in contradiction to long proton lifetime

LSP not stable $\rightarrow$ Use S_T (scalar sum of all p_T) instead of MET

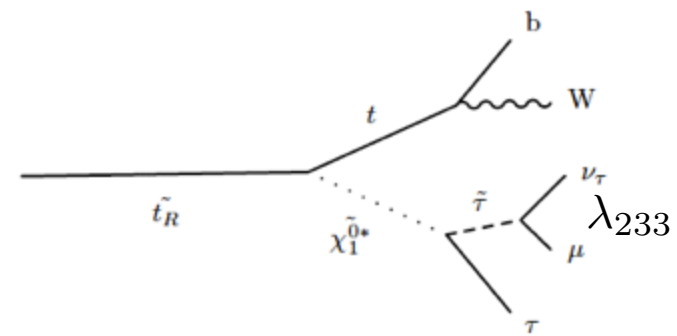
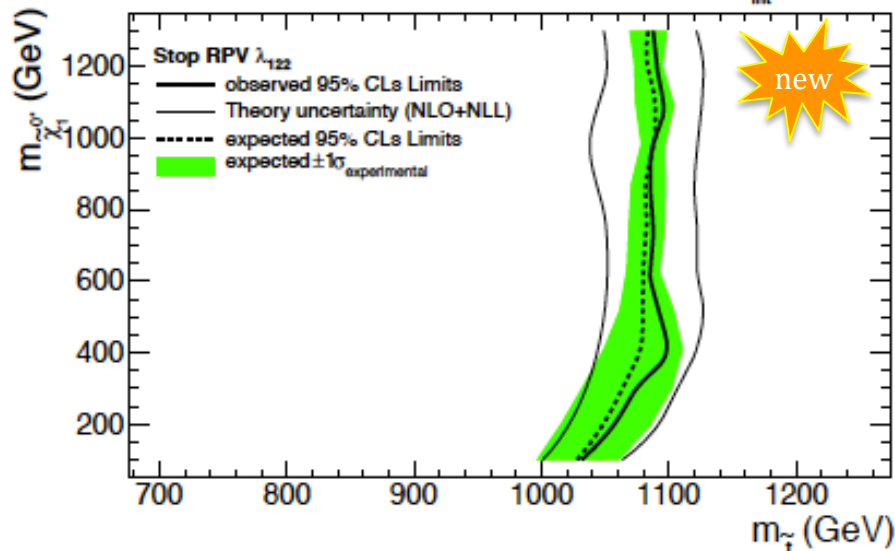
Natural Supersymmetry requires light stops $\rightarrow$ Search for RPV stop decays, e. g.



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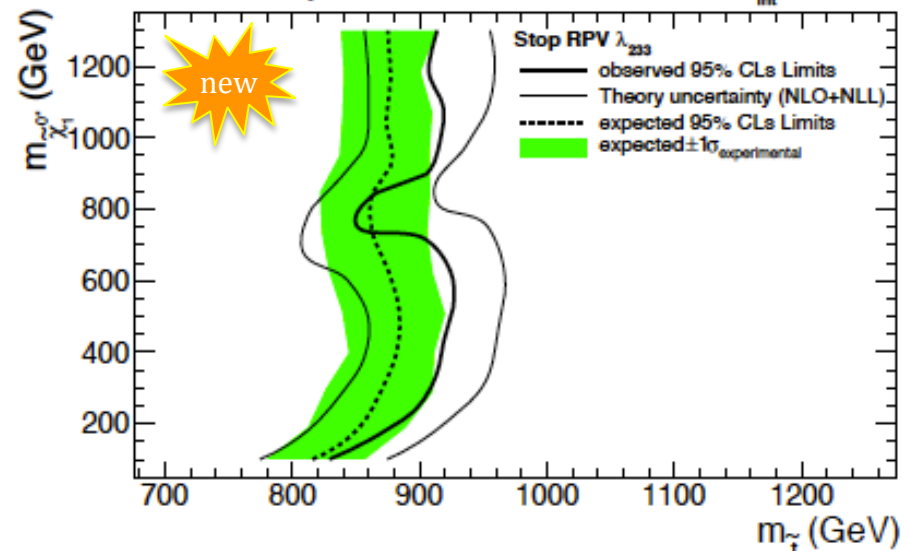
CMS Preliminary

$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$, $L_{\text{int}} = 19.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

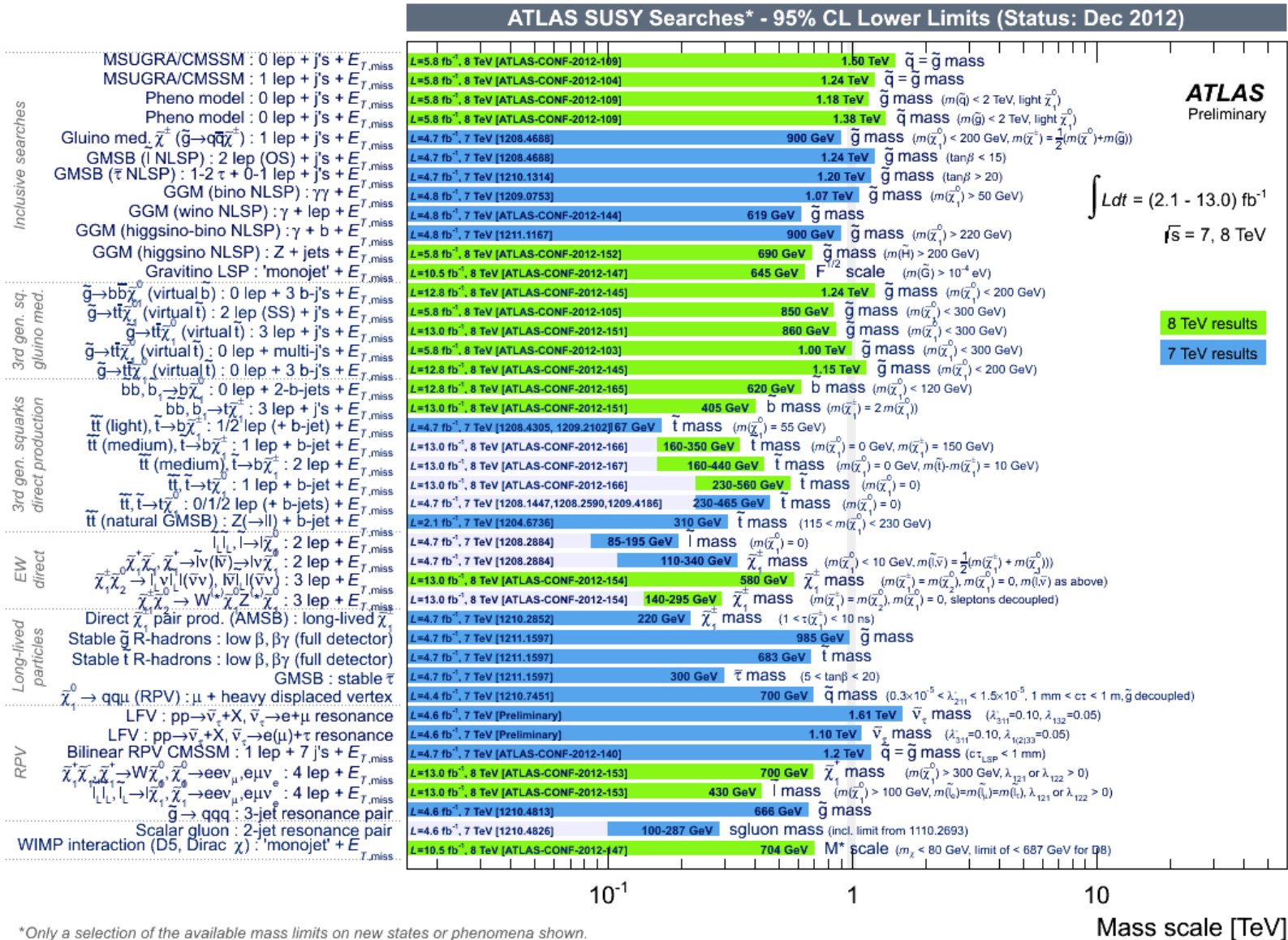


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Supersymmetry – Summary



Natural SUSY under Pressure





Conclusion

- Search for physics beyond the Standard Model is one of the main motivations for the LHC experiments
- So far, no significant deviation from SM observed → Worlds best limits on almost all New Physics models
- Many more ATLAS, CMS, and LHCb results available and more to come from Run 1 dataset → Visit the public result pages
 - <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic>
 - <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResults>
- LHC has entered first long shutdown ... to be continued at 13/14 TeV

The End

... to be continued