



THE QUEST FOR SUSY @ LHC

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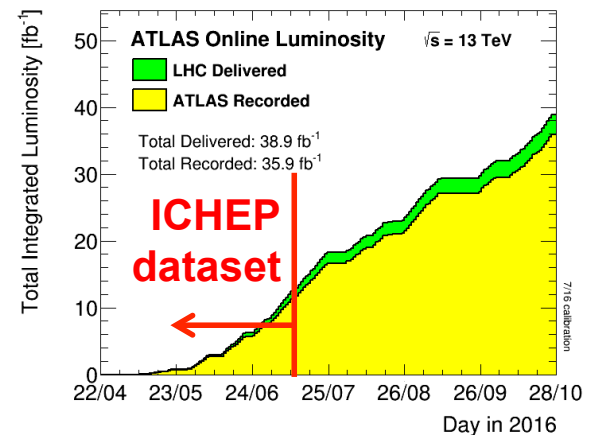
- **18 ATLAS** SUSY conference notes since August



- **19 CMS** SUSY conference notes since August

- But only 20 minutes today ... ☹️

- So hard choices made to fit in today's slot
 - 8 analyses presented ! Some others flashed



- Talk focusing on **4 main topics**: different eras of LHC Run 2
 - **Strong** production searches → **very early/early** searches
 - **Third generation** (focusing on stop searches) → **early** searches
 - **Electroweak** production → **ongoing** searches
 - **RPV SUSY** → **preliminary** searches

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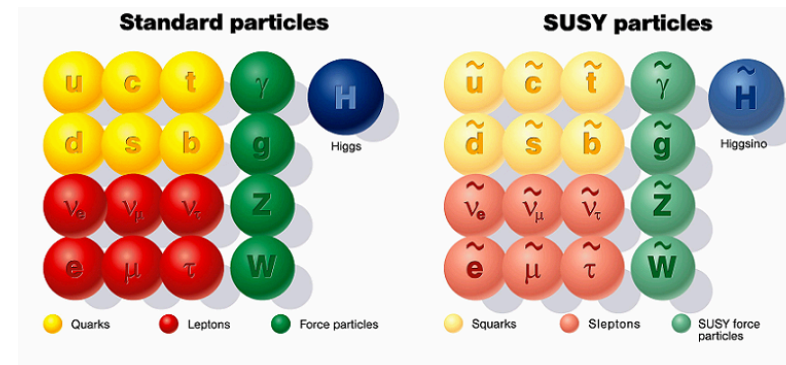
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**No discovery of SUSY
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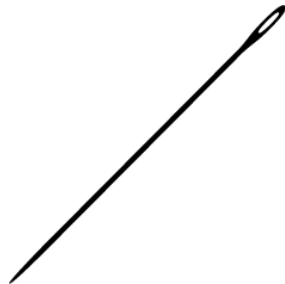
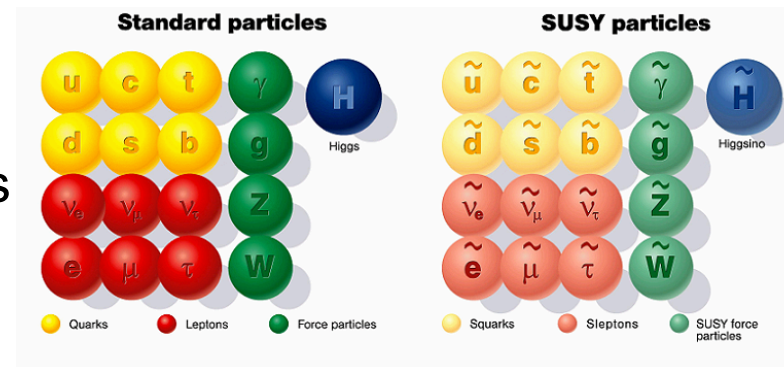
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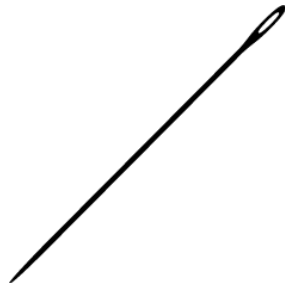
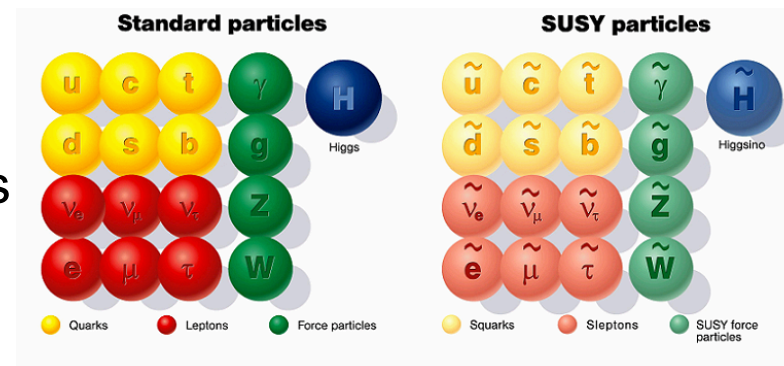
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- **Extremely hard** to perform a full scan of the parameter space ...
 - Mostly use (very) **simplified models** depending on O(2) parameters

Quest for SUSY @ LHC

- Mainly looked for by **ATLAS** and **CMS**
 - **Hard to reinvent the wheel**
 - Both experiments use **close recipes**:
 - Signatures, background modeling, systematic treatment, ...
 - But with some **noticeable differences in strategy**
- In particular: **use of shapes** !
 - **CMS** heavily uses “shapes” or multi-channel approaches
 - **Pros**
 - *Improved sensitivity* (more information learnt from data/different phase space corners)
 - **Cons**
 - Depends on the *signal shape* ... But is it known ?
 - *Background estimation* needs to be more refined (to account for shape effects)
 - **ATLAS** mostly using single-bin **cut-and-count** analyses
 - **Pros**
 - Easier to *recast* (only event count)
 - Only background *normalisation* to be corrected for
 - **Cons**
 - Slightly worse *sensitivity*

Outline

- **Strong production** : squarks and gluinos
- **3rd generation**: the top squark searches
- **Electroweak SUSY**
- **R-parity violating SUSY**

SQUARKS AND GLUINOS

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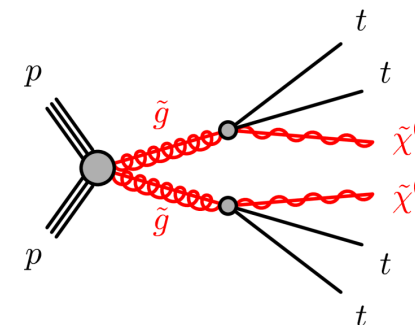
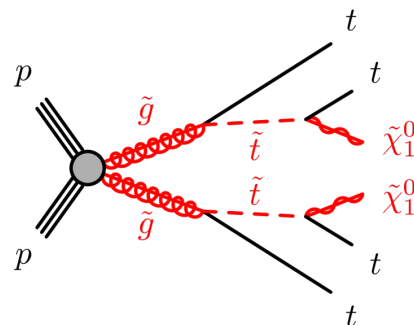
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Squark and gluino productions

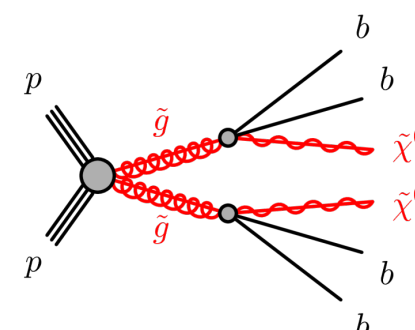
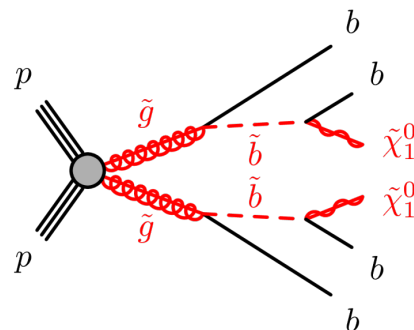


- Ideal target for the **early Run 2**
 - Large cross-section increase w.r.t. 8 TeV
 - Largely dominating w.r.t. EW for reasonably heavy squarks/gluinos
 - **No need for very high lumi to be sensitive**
- Two main **simplified models** considered

- $pp \rightarrow tttt + N1N1$



- $pp \rightarrow bbbb + N1N1$



gg \rightarrow tttt + N1N1



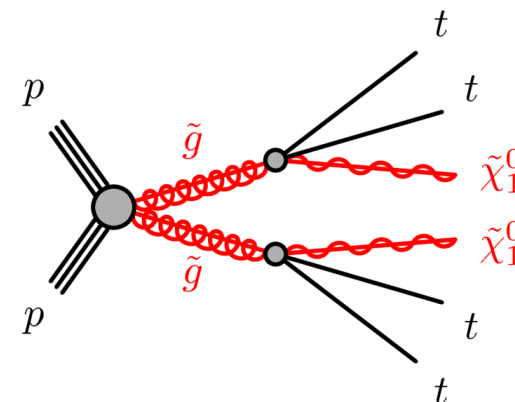
- Covered in both **ATLAS** and **CMS**
 - **4 top quarks** in the final state
 - Very **spectacular** final states !!!
 - 0 lepton \rightarrow large Njets (up to 12 hard jets)
 - 1 lepton \rightarrow large BR and clear signature
 - $\geq 2L$ \rightarrow particularly interesting in same-sign

- Signature always contains:

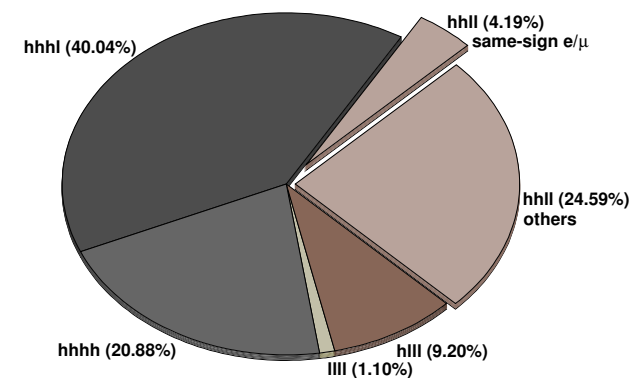
- Many **jets**
- Large **MET**
- Many **b-jets**

- Dominating **backgrounds** sources

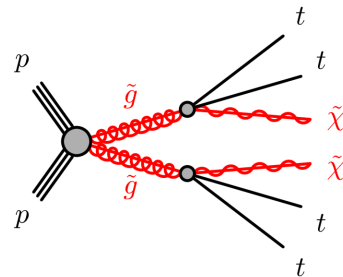
- t \bar{t} bar+jets / V+jets *via* MC or *via* instrumental background (fake leptons, lost leptons, ...)



WWWW decays branching fractions

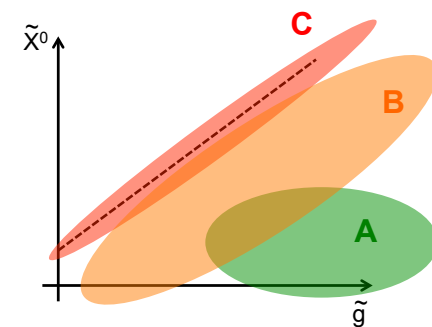


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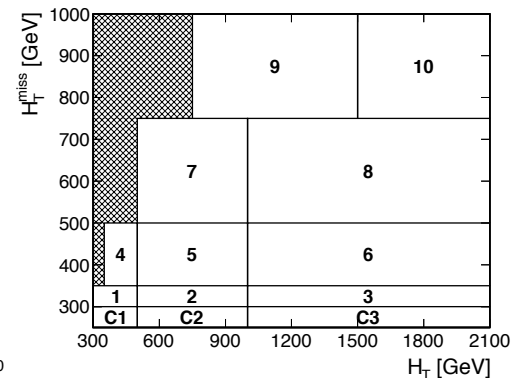
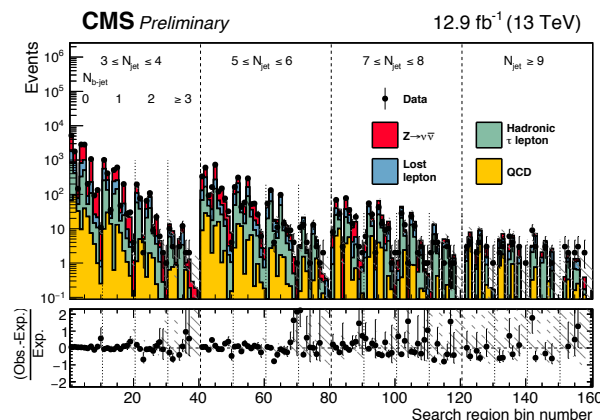
• ATLAS strategy

- Tight **event-counting regions** targeting different phase space corners
- Control regions (CR) defined to normalize backgrounds
- Background validated in validation regions (VR)
- Relies on kinematic/event variables:
 - m_{eff} , N_{jets} , $N_{\text{b-jets}}$, MET, N_{leptons} , $m_{\text{T}}(\text{b}, \text{MET})$, top-tagging, ...

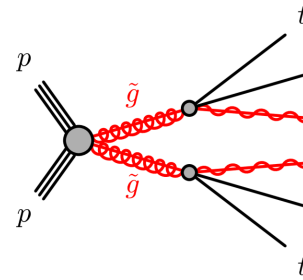


• CMS strategy

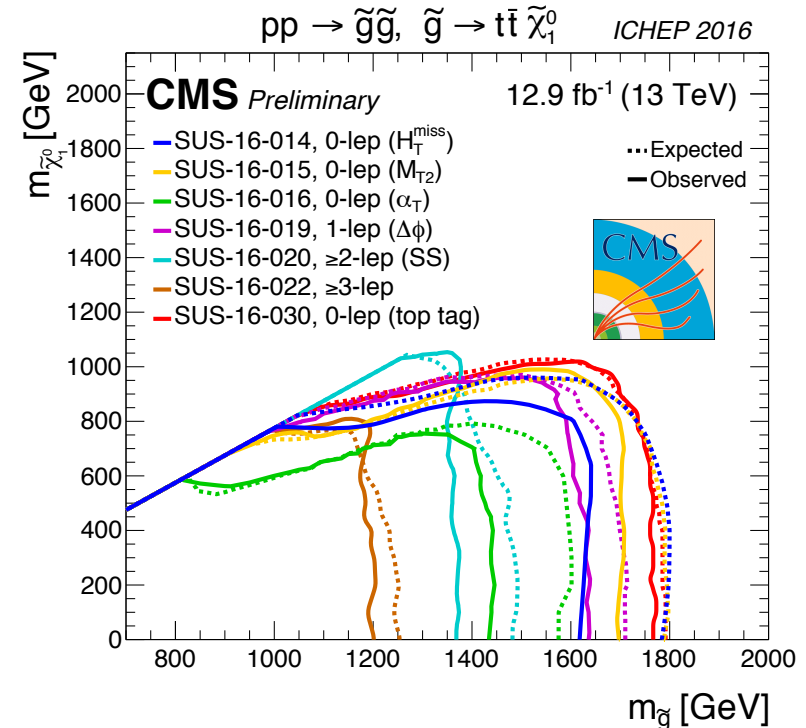
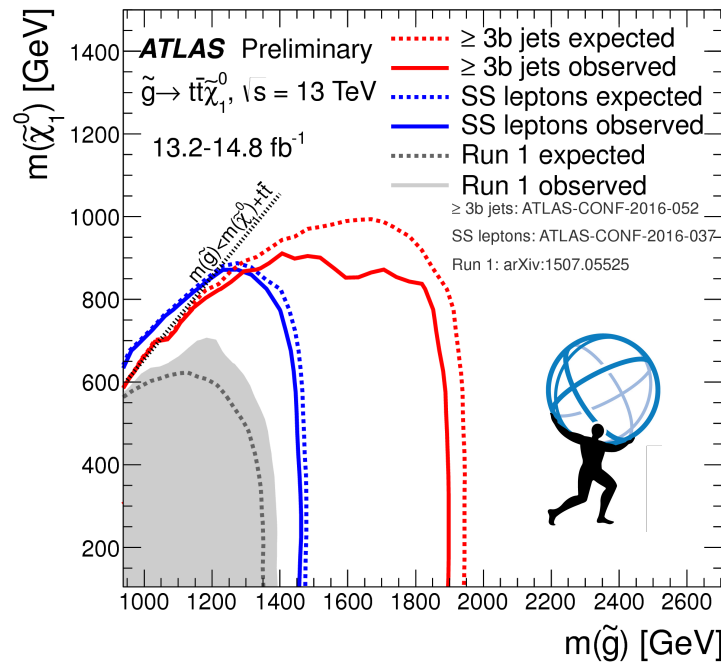
- Large number of non-overlapping SRs (160 regions in 0L) combined altogether
- CRs defined to estimate each background source individually
- Closure tests performed to validate backgrounds prediction



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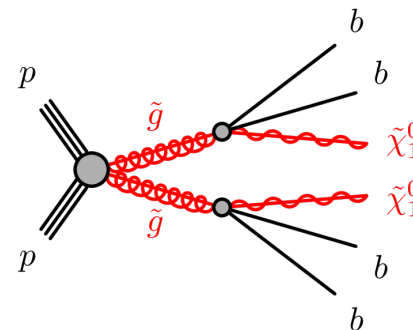


- **No significant excess** observed compared to background expectations

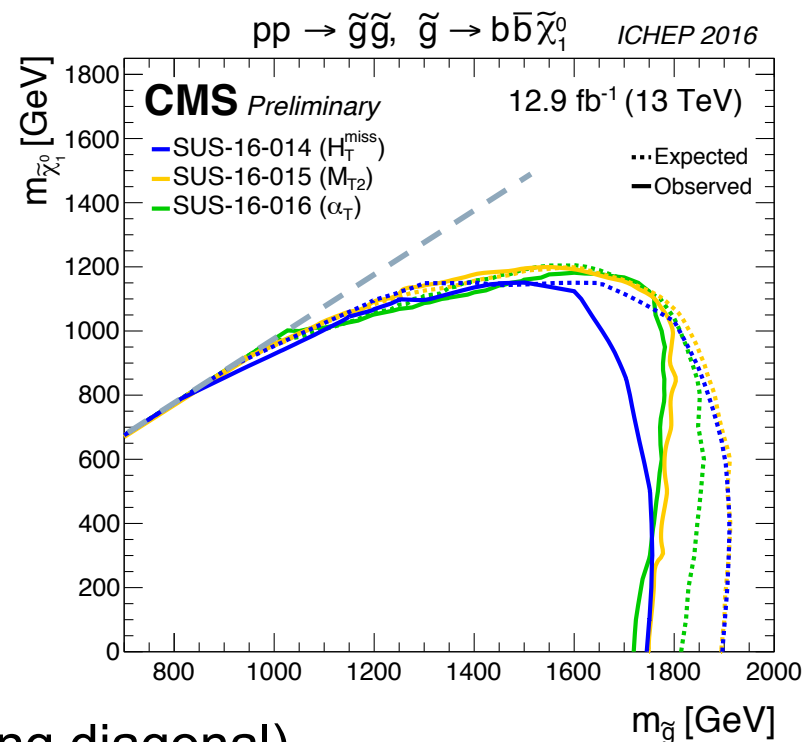
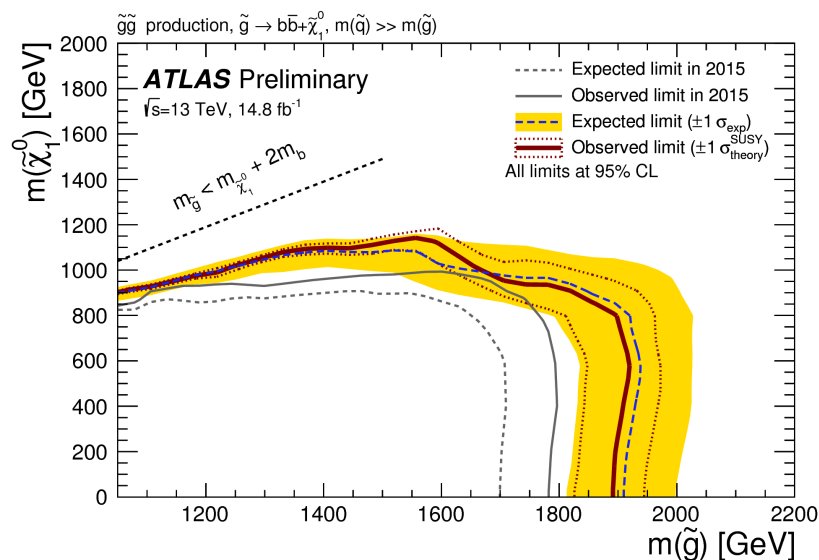


- Each analysis sensitive in **different corners**
 - same-sign more sensitive along diagonal, 0/1-lep for massless neutralinos
- ATLAS more sensitive due to 0L/1L channels statistical combination

$gg \rightarrow bbbb + N1N1$



- Only accessible in **0L channel**
 - Multiple b-jets and high MET
 - Analysis strategies very close to previous one



- **CMS more sensitive** (especially along diagonal)
 - Thanks to multi-bin combination \rightarrow recover SR inefficiencies in this regime

3RD GENERATION

... but only stop for today ...

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3rd generation squark searches (I)

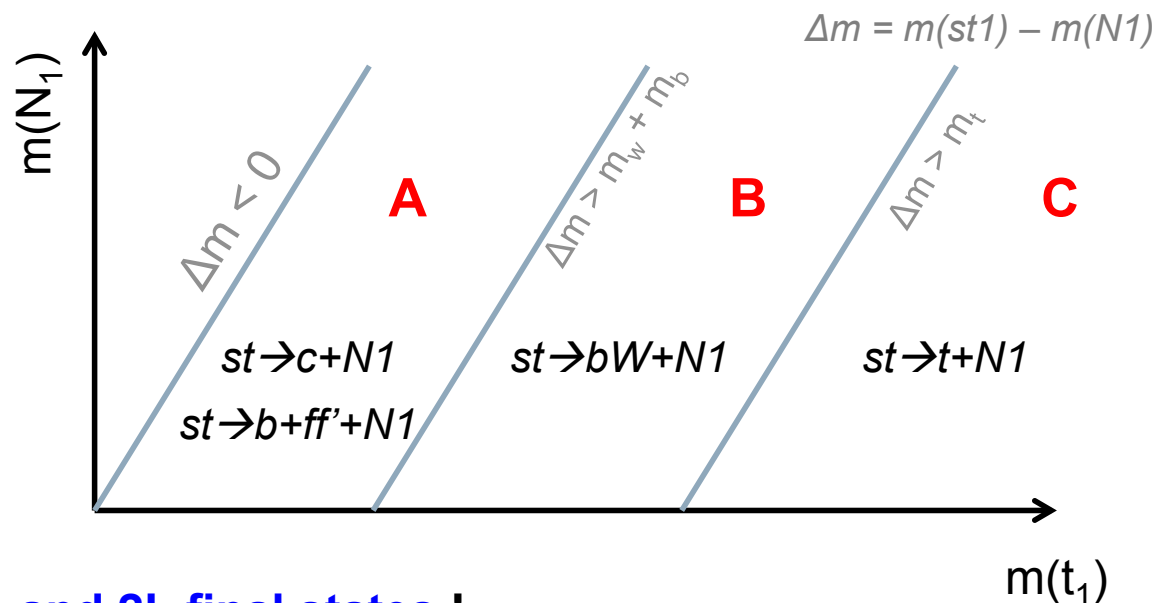


- **Simplified models** to depend on 2 parameters only

- Top squark mass
- Neutralino mass

- Different **mass splittings**

- = different decay types
- = different experimental signatures



- Can be searched for in **0, 1 and 2L final states !**

- **ICHEP** phase space coverage

- CMS: 3 regions
- ATLAS: only 2 (intermediate and high splitting)

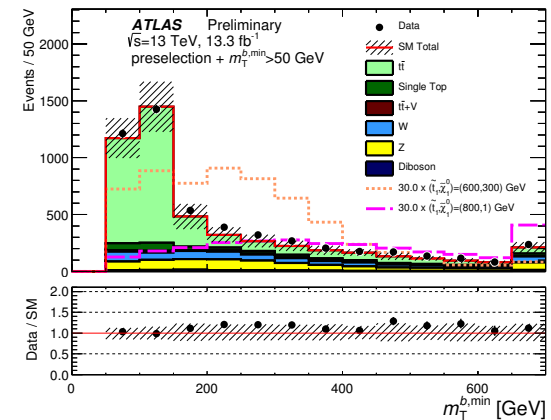
- No dramatic change in **analysis strategies**

3rd generation squark searches (II)



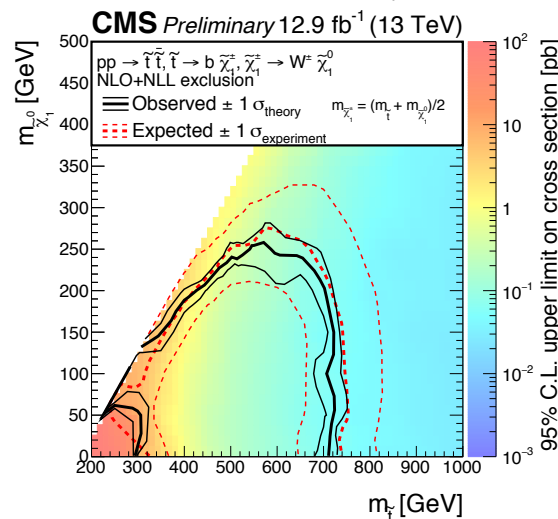
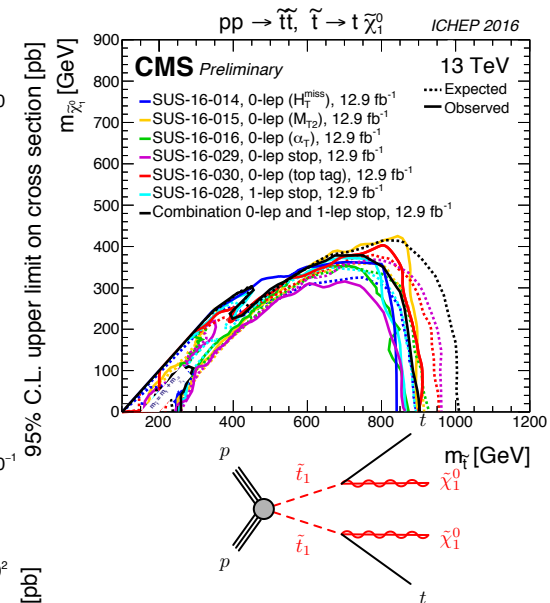
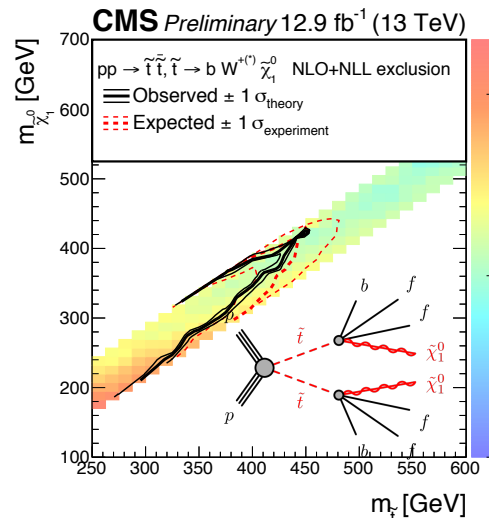
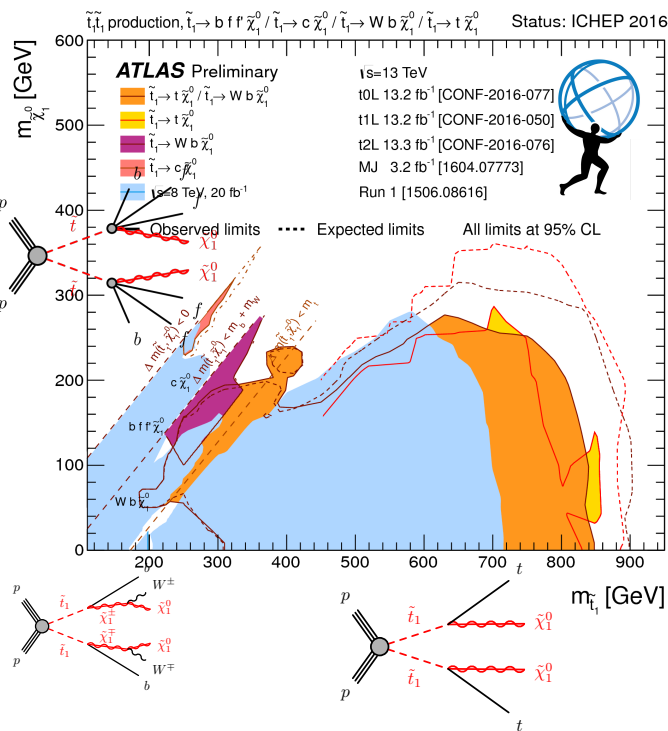
• Analysis strategies

- Sensitivity to different kinematics: same problematic as for tttt/bbbb+N1
- **High Δm searches**
 - High top p_T : top/W tagging algorithms (jet reclustering, substructure-based, ...)
 - Use of $m_T^{b,\min}$ (supresses ttbar+jets)
- **Intermediate/low Δm**
 - Recursive Jigsaw (ISR-tagging) (ATLAS)
 - Anti-b-tagging (ISR-tagging) (CMS)
 - Lower jet multiplicity requirement
- Same as previous section
 - ATLAS: few overlapping regions
 - CMS: full multi-channels combination



- **Can be searched for in 0, 1 and 2L final states !**
- CMS covering 3 regions with ICHEP dataset (ATLAS only 2)

3rd generation squark searches (III)



- Some slight **excesses** ($\sim 2\text{-}3\sigma$) in ATLAS – weaker in CMS
- Sensitivity close between both experiments

ELECTROWEAK PRODUCTION

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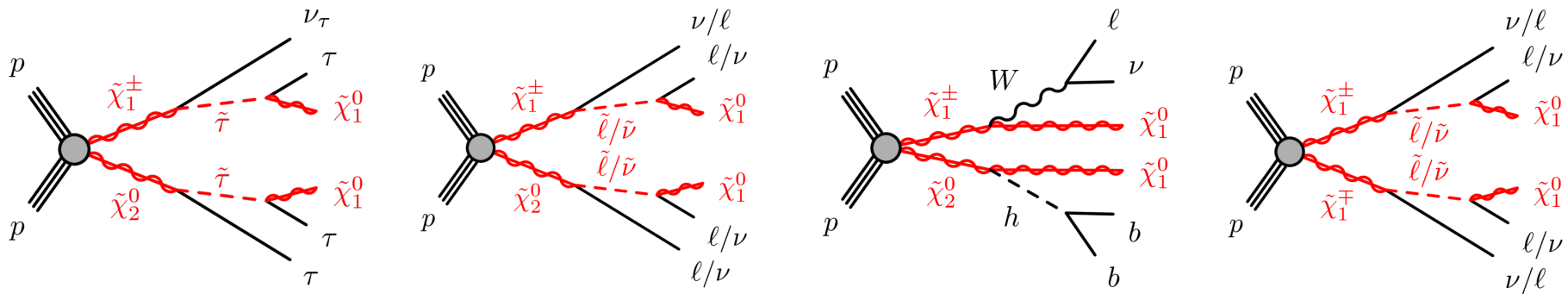
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Electroweak production (I)



- Constraints on **gluinos/stops are quite stringent** ...
- Despite lower expected cross-section, LHC starting to be sensitive **to EW SUSY production**
 - e.g. Direct production of electroweakinos



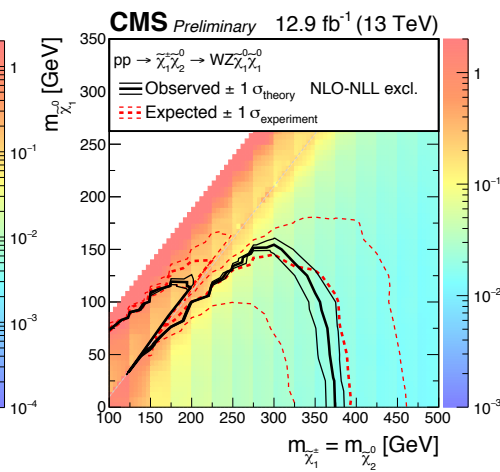
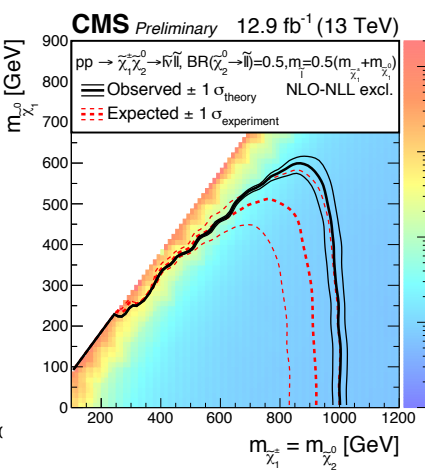
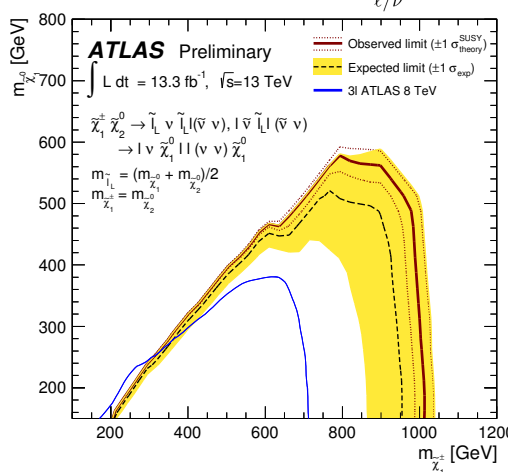
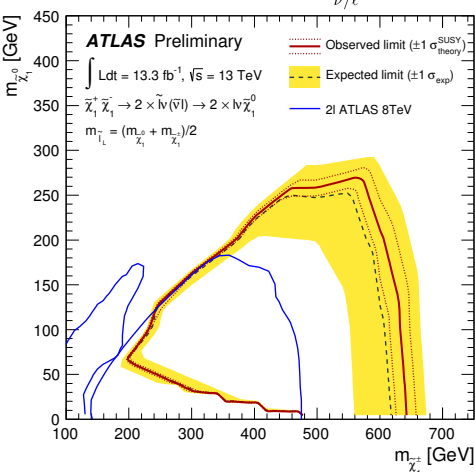
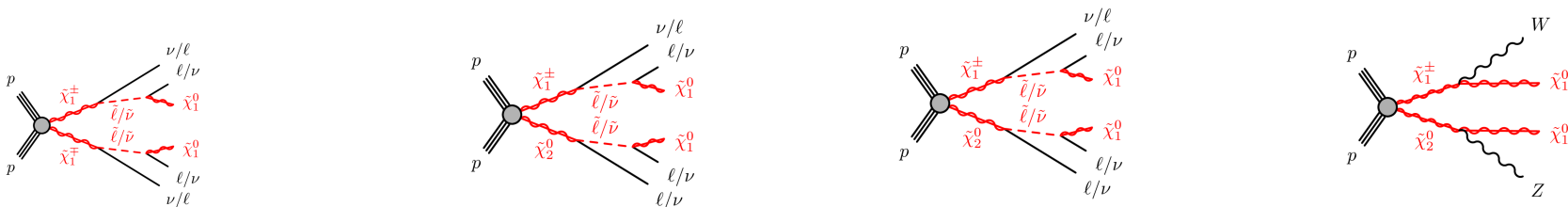
NB: C1 and N2 considered as degenerate

- For now, mainly **spectacular final states**
 - **Multiple leptons** (≥ 3 leptons – democratic charginos/neutralino decays)
 - **Multiple taus** (1 or 3 taus – tau-enriched or -dominated models)
 - **Multiple b-jets** (Higgs bosons in decay chain)

Electroweak production (II)



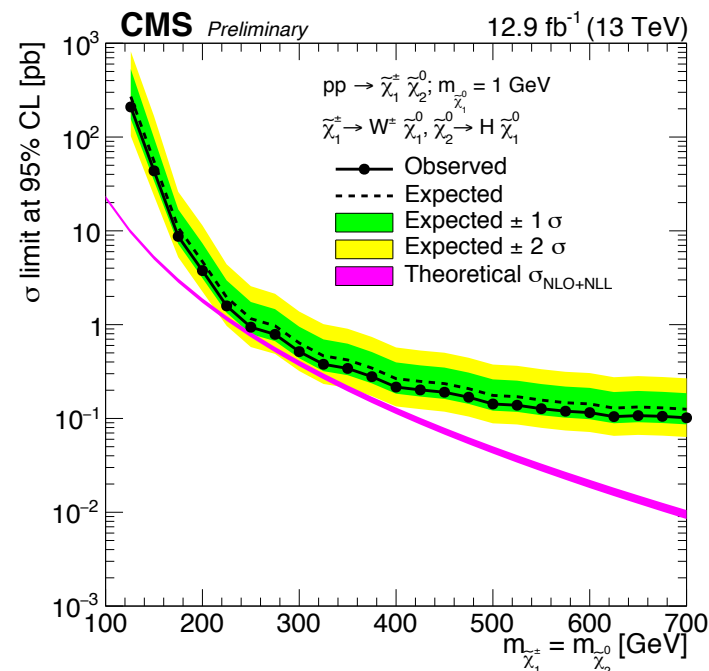
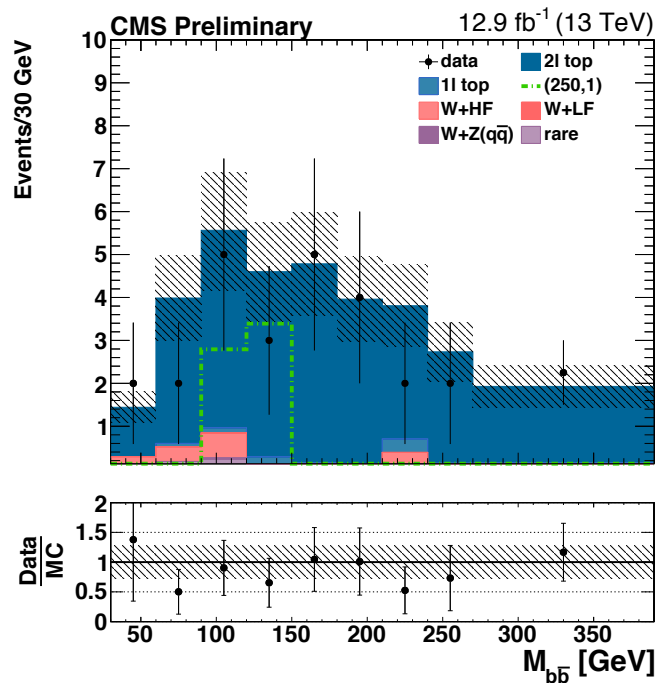
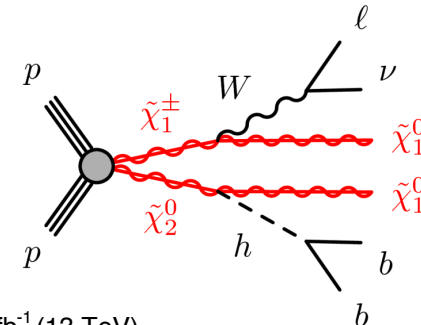
- Search in **multi-lepton** final states
 - Democratic decays of N2 and C1
- Searched for in **2-lepton** (C1C1 or C1N2 with unidentified leptons)
 - CMS uses information about tau leptons to classify events
 - ATLAS only uses electrons/muons
- Searched for in **≥3 leptons** (C1N2) or **≥4 leptons**



Electroweak production (III)



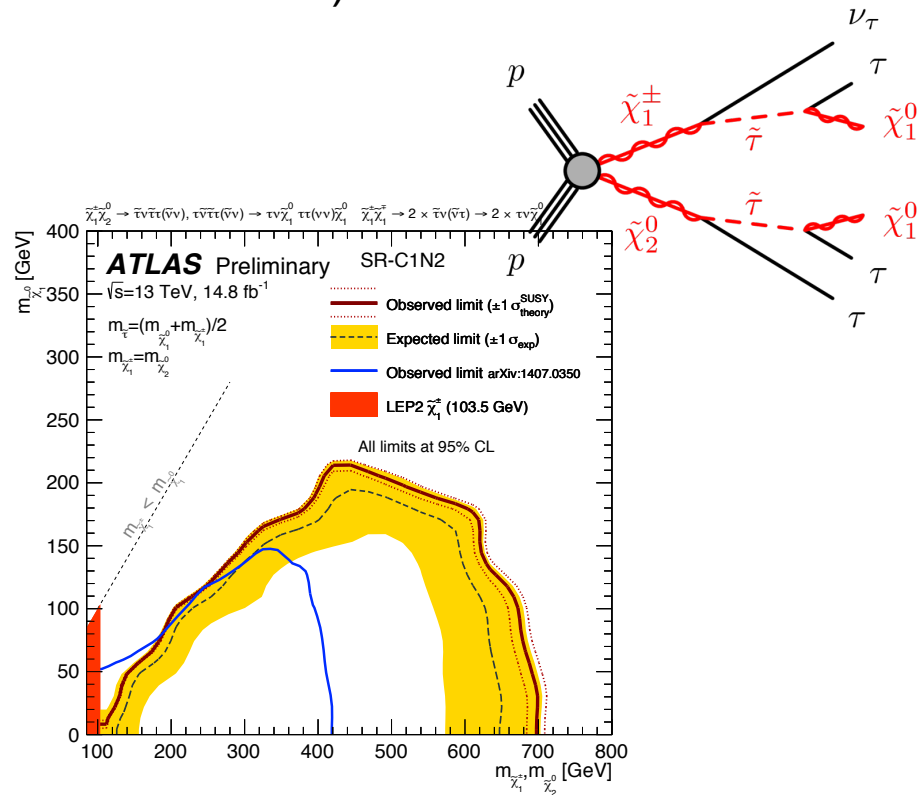
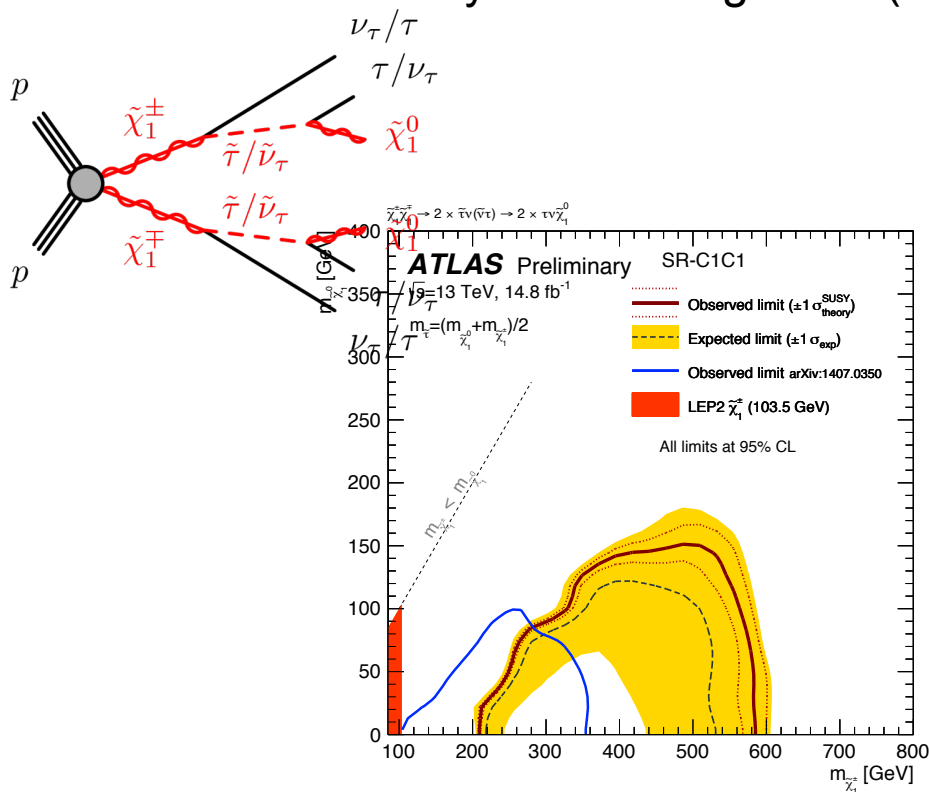
- Search for EW SUSY in **WH final states** (1-lepton)
 - Only considering $H \rightarrow bb$ decays (mass requirement)
 - *Massless* neutralino
 - Only one region (high energy + 2 b-jets)



Electroweak production (IV)



- Search in **tau-lepton** events
 - ≥ 2 taus in events
 - Good for trigger !
 - b-jet and Z veto (ttbar/Z+jets suppressed)
 - Dominated by QCD background (misidentified taus)

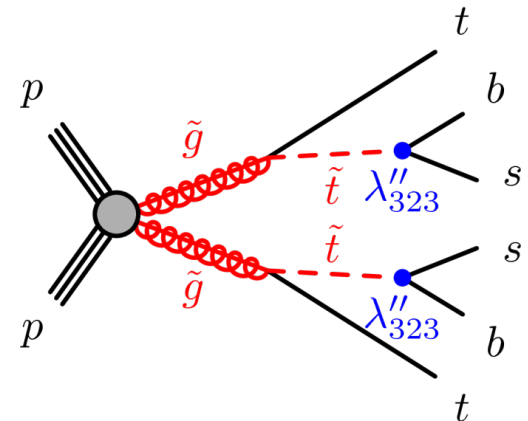
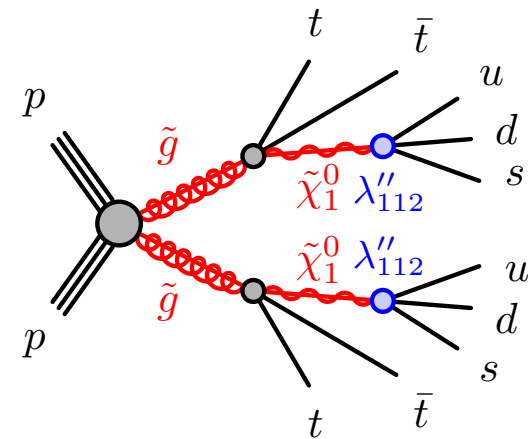


R-PARITY VIOLATING SUSY

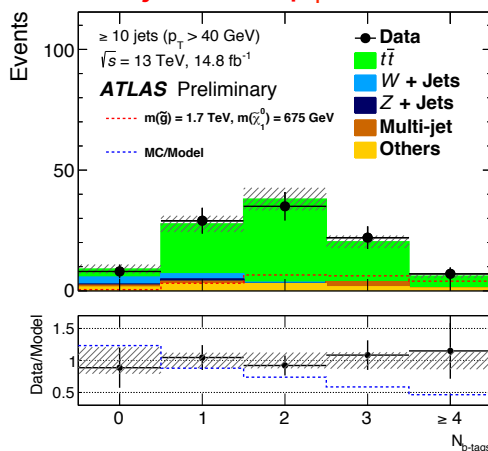
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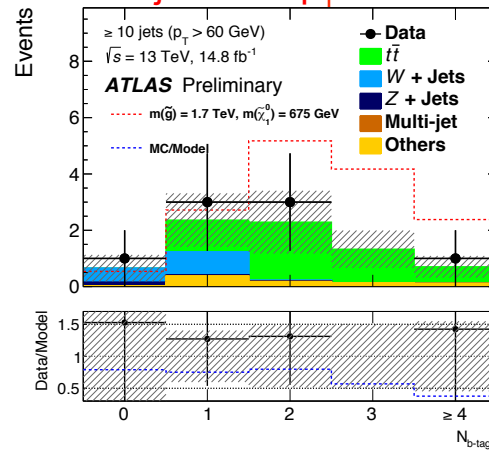
- Studied in ATLAS and CMS
 - No update from CMS with 2016 data
 - Focusing on **ATLAS program**
- R-parity violation described by one non-zero parameter: λ''
- Search performed in **1-lepton channel**
 - Very high jet multiplicity expected (up to 16 jets !!!!)
 - Multiple SRs with up to ≥ 10 jets
 - Background (ttbar+jets) estimated by fit to data in different jet multiplicity bins \rightarrow modeling looks excellent !



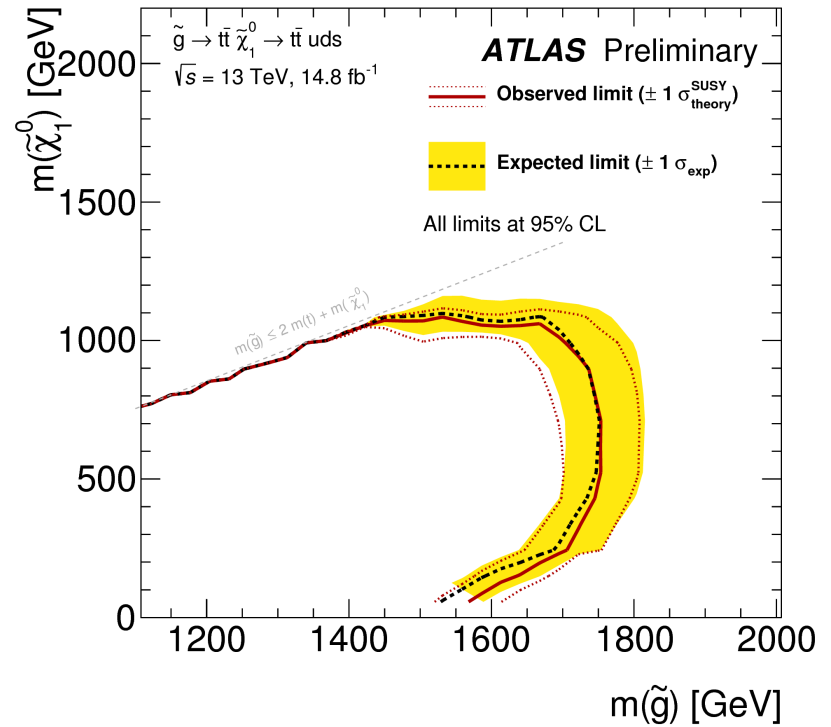
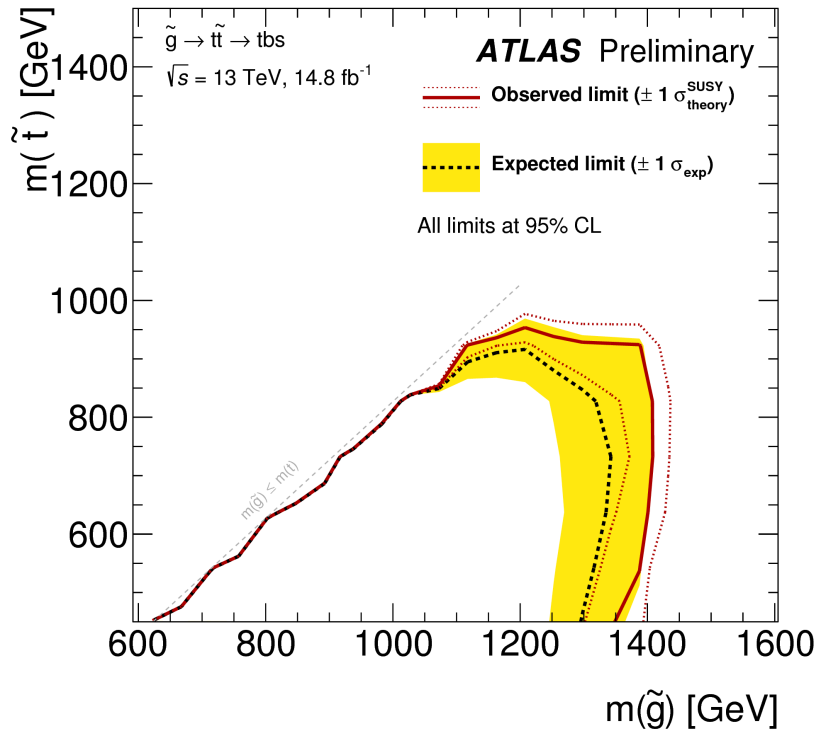
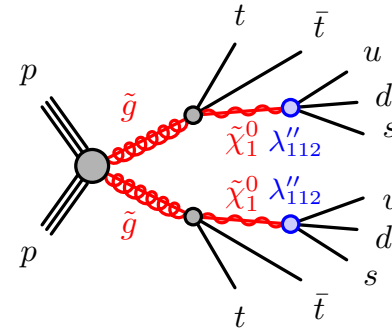
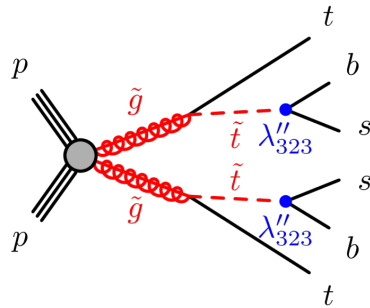
≥ 10 jets with $p_T > 40$ GeV



≥ 10 jets with $p_T > 60$ GeV



RPV SUSY (II)



Conclusions & Outlooks

- **ATLAS & CMS heavily involved in SUSY searches @ 13 TeV**
 - Overall similar sensitivity despite some differences in strategies
- **First searches for SUSY targeting most promising final states**
 - *Strong* production
 - *3rd generation*
 - Sensitivity strongly improved wrt Run 1 ...
 - **But still no discovery** ☹
- **Luminosity increasing** (together with gluino/squark constraints)
 - Study of “new” production mechanisms / signatures
 - EW SUSY, RPV, ...
 - Also time to investigate new models / more realistic (but still simplified) ones