



# Search for supersymmetry in jets plus missing transverse momentum final states with the ATLAS detector

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# Introduction

- If accessible, squarks and gluinos will be produced copiously at the LHC
- In R-parity conserving scenarios, the simplest signature is multiple jets and missing  $E_T$  from  $\tilde{g} \to qq\tilde{\chi}_1^0$   $\tilde{q} \to q\tilde{\chi}_1^0$
- Total Integrated Luminosity [fb<sup>-†</sup> ATLAS Online Luminosity  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ • Previous results (with 35 pb<sup>-1</sup>) published 1.6 LHC Delivered in Phys. Lett. B 701 (2011) p186. 1.4 ATLAS Recorded 1.2 Total Delivered: 1.32 fb<sup>-1</sup> Intermediate result (with 165 pb<sup>-1</sup>) Total Recorded: 1.26 fb<sup>-1</sup> released in spring: ATLAS-0.8 CONF-2011-086 0.6 0.4 Analysis improved and 0.2 updated using 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> 27/02 27/03 24/04 22/05 19/06 17/07

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# Object definition

#### **JET PRESELECTION:**

- Anti-k\_T -  $\Delta R = 0.4$ - P\_T > 20 GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.8$ 

Missing E<sub>T</sub> (MET): - Reconstructed from the vectorial sum of all jets and leptons. Clusters not belonging to any jets are added to the MET

#### **LEPTON VETO:**

- <u>Electrons</u> Identified using shower shape and track matching criteria;  $P_T > 20$ GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.47$ - <u>Muons</u> identified with a track matching between the ID and muon spectrometer;  $P_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ 

• Events containing one lepton (e or  $\mu$ ) are analysed in a complementary analysis (see talk from H.Hayward, including results with searches with more complex final states)

## Event selection

- Depending on the SUSY mass hierarchy, different production processes favoured (g̃g, g̃q, q̃q̃)
  - Signal regions optimised to maximise sensitivity to different production processes



# Analysis strategy

- Main expected SM background: W/Z + jets, top production, QCD multi-jet
- For each background, for each signal region, one or more dedicated control regions (CR)
- Background determination done with a combined fit to all CRs (mutual background contamination in CR and correlations automatically taken into account)
- Transfer factors (TF) from each background process CR to the SR are computed using a mix of data-driven and Monte Carlo driven techniques.

$$N(SR, est, proc) = N(CR, obs, proc)$$

$$\left[\frac{N(SR, raw, proc)}{N(CR, raw, proc)}\right]$$

# QCD background estimation

- QCD pseudo-events obtained by smearing low E<sub>T</sub> significance events with a jet response function.
- Validation:
  - QCD prediction from pseudoevents compared to data in events where  $\Delta \phi_{min (jet, ET^{miss})} < 0.4$
  - QCD multi-jet events have large MET because of jet mismeasurement or heavy flavours leptonic decays.
  - In both cases MET tends to align with one of the jets



# Z control region

- $Z \rightarrow vv$  is the dominant component of the total Z background
- Estimation done in 2 CR (in both cases replacing the boson with MET):
  - γ+jets events (use robustness of ratio between photon and Z production cross section)
  - Z (→ee,μμ) + jets



## W and top control regions

- Two control regions defined in events containing one additional lepton (additional selection 30 GeV  $< M_T < 100$  GeV):
  - Applying a b-tag veto a W control region is obtained.
  - Applying a b-tag requirement a top control region is obtained.



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# Systematic uncertainties

- Systematic uncertainties are reduced by the use of the transfer factors
- Jet energy scale and resolution uncertainties derived using 2010 data
  - Additional, conservative, uncertainties due to pileup considered
  - (typical effect on TF ~15%)
- Monte Carlo modelling uncertainties addressed by comparing transfer factor obtained with, e.g., ALPGEN or MC@NLO and varying renormalisation and factorisation scales (~25%)
- Depending on the CR: CR available statistics, lepton identification, b-tagging, etc. considered, typically with a smaller impact.







# Results

Process	Signal Region				
	≥ 2-jet	≥ 3-jet	$\geq$ 4-jet, $m_{\rm eff} > 500  {\rm GeV}$	$\geq$ 4-jet, $m_{\rm eff} > 1000 {\rm GeV}$	High mass
$Z/\gamma$ +jets	32.5 ± 2.6 ± 6.8	25.8 ± 2.6 ± 4.9	$208 \pm 9 \pm 37$	$16.2 \pm 2.1 \pm 3.6$	3.3 ± 1.0 ± 1.3
W+jets	$26.2 \pm 3.9 \pm 6.7$	$22.7 \pm 3.5 \pm 5.8$	$367 \pm 30 \pm 126$	$12.7 \pm 2.1 \pm 4.7$	$2.2 \pm 0.9 \pm 1.2$
$t\bar{t}$ + single top	$3.4 \pm 1.5 \pm 1.6$	$5.6 \pm 2.0 \pm 2.2$	375 ± 37 ± 74	$3.7 \pm 1.2 \pm 2.0$	5.6 ± 1.7 ± 2.1
QCD jets	$0.22 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.24$	$0.92 \pm 0.12 \pm 0.46$	$34 \pm 2 \pm 29$	$0.74 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.51$	$2.10 \pm 0.37 \pm 0.83$
Total	$62.3 \pm 4.3 \pm 9.2$	$55 \pm 3.8 \pm 7.3$	$984 \pm 39 \pm 145$	$33.4 \pm 2.9 \pm 6.3$	$13.2 \pm 1.9 \pm 2.6$
Data	58	59	1118	40	18
excluded <b>o</b> x acc (fb)	24	30	477	32	17

- No discrepancy with respect to SM predictions.
- The result is interpreted as a 95% CL exclusion limit on effective cross sections using a profile likelihood ratio approach following the CLs prescriptions.
- Analysis giving best expected limit used in each point.

# Result interpretation (1)



- Simplified model (pheno MSSM) interpretation:
  - LSP mass set to 0, all other sparticle masses set to 5 TeV except a common (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation) squark mass and the gluino mass (shown in the plot)
  - Up to m ~ 1 TeV excluded for equal gluino-squark masses (2010 limit extended by ~250 GeV).
- Exclusion limit not too sensitive to the neutralino mass up to ~200 GeV

# Result interpretation (2)



- Results interpreted in mSUGRA/CMSSM (A<sub>0</sub> = 0, tan $\beta$  = 10,  $\mu$ >0)
- Limit in large m<sub>0</sub> region profits from the introduction of signal regions with large jet multiplicities.
- Equal squark-gluino masses excluded below 980 GeV

# Conclusions

- The ATLAS search for R-parity conserving SUSY in final states with jets and transverse missing momentum has been updated to L = 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> and the analysis strategy improved.
- Full agreement with SM prediction observed in five signal regions defined based on jet multiplicity and m<sub>eff</sub> cut.
- The results have been used to derive a 95% CL exclusion limit:
  - In simplified models with only squark (1st and 2nd generation) and gluino accessible,  $m \sim 1$  TeV excluded if  $m_g = m_q$ .
  - In mSUGRA/CMSSM, equal gluino and squark masses are excluded up to 980 GeV.
  - A paper is in preparation.



# Jet energy scale uncertainties

- Derived using 2010 data
- Main component of the uncertainty at high p<sub>T</sub>: calorimeter uncertainty
- Additional uncertainties taken into account:
  - 2011 pileup
  - response dependency on the flavour
  - response dependency on jet isolation



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# 2 jets signal region control plots



# 4 jets signal region control plots



# High mass signal region control plots



# 2 jets signal region exclusion limits



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# 3 jets signal region exclusion limits



# 4 jets signal region ( $m_{eff} > 500 \text{ GeV}$ )



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# 4 jets signal region ( $m_{eff} > 1 \text{ TeV}$ )



# High mass signal region



# Delta phi distribution



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