



# Searching for SUSY at the LHC

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# Outline



## Who is SUSY, does she exist ?

- SUSY's characteristics (looks) and why we search for her

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- Detectors, reconstructed objects

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- Search strategies for 2012

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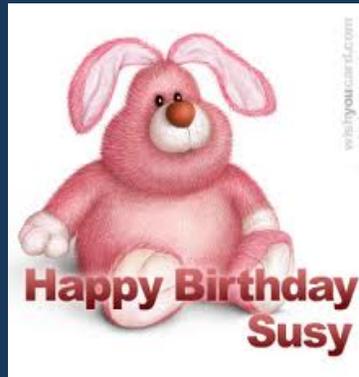


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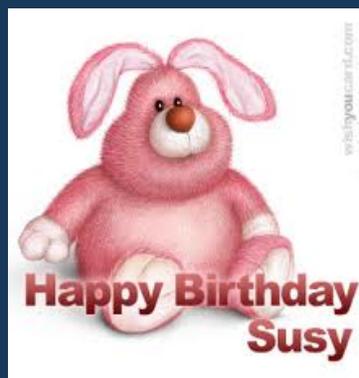
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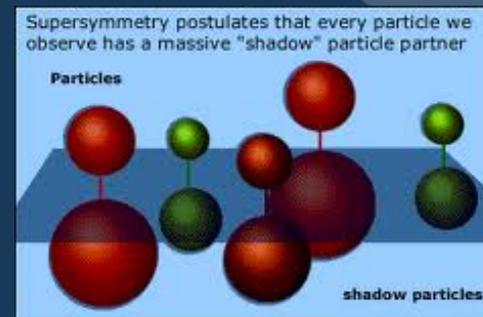
Wrong path !

# What is Supersymmetry ?



“A SUSY Primer”, S. Martin, hep-ph/9709356

Supersymmetry (SUSY)  
is a physics theory



An extension of the *Standard Model of Elementary Particles and their interactions (SM)*

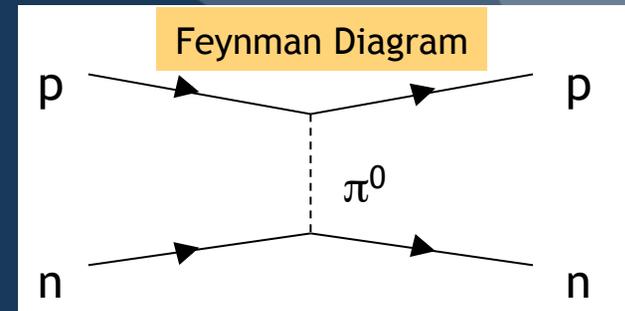
- Predicts twice as many particles as the SM - more complex
- No direct experimental evidence so far - SUSY particles not observed yet

There better be a good reason to enlarge the particle zoo

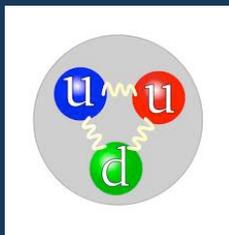
# Nuclear Forces



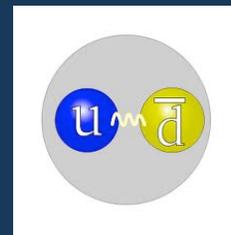
Yukawa theory (1934): nuclear interaction mediated by mesons (*pion*)



Through the 50's and 60's a depressingly large number of hadrons were discovered:  $\pi$ ,  $K$ ,  $\Delta$ ,  $\Xi$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Sigma$ , ...



Baryon  
(i.e. proton)



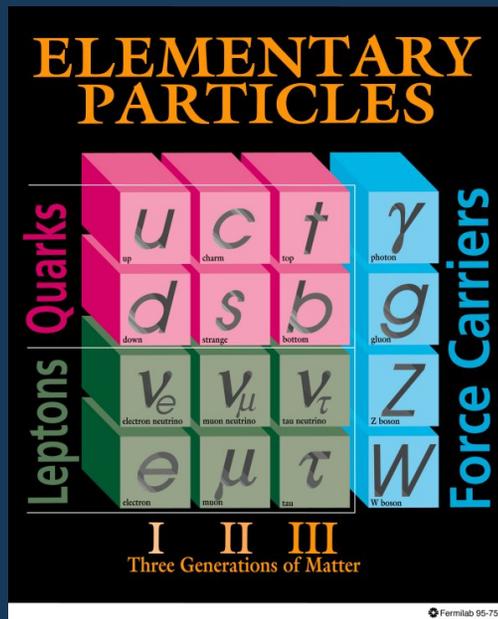
Meson (i.e. pion)

The quark model simplified the picture - all hadrons are composed of *quarks* interacting via exchange of *gluons*



# The Standard Model

Everything in the Universe made of 12 fundamental particles governed by 4 fundamental forces



## Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD)

- Strong “color” force, mediated by *gluons-g*

## Quantum Electrodynamics (QED)

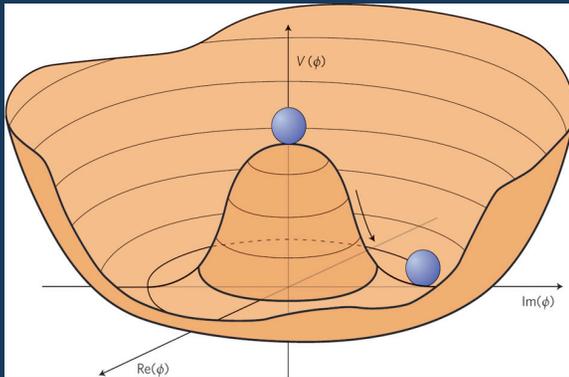
- “EM” and “weak” forces, mediated the *photon- $\gamma$*  and *electroweak bosons-W, Z*

But Gravity is not included ! Quantum Theory and General Relativity not compatible within the Standard Model



# The Higgs Boson

Massive elementary particle predicted by the SM



- System in a symmetric state is perturbed
- Symmetry is spontaneously broken
- System falls to a lower energy state and the underlying symmetry is hidden

## Spontaneous Breaking of Electroweak Symmetry in SM

- Gauge bosons  $W$ ,  $Z$  acquire mass
- New particle, the Higgs Boson
- Explains the particle mass hierarchy but  $M_H$  diverges

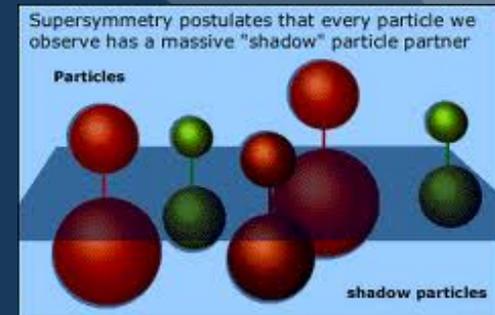
The Higgs Boson has not been observed yet

# What is SUSY ? Revisited



**SUSY Hypothesis: a symmetry relates bosons and fermions**

- Predicts that each boson has a fermion super-partner with the same mass and quantum numbers and viceversa



**Theorists find SUSY very compelling: (three examples)**

1. Provides a solution to the Higgs hierarchy problem
2. Allows unification of gauge couplings
3. Can predict a dark matter particle candidate

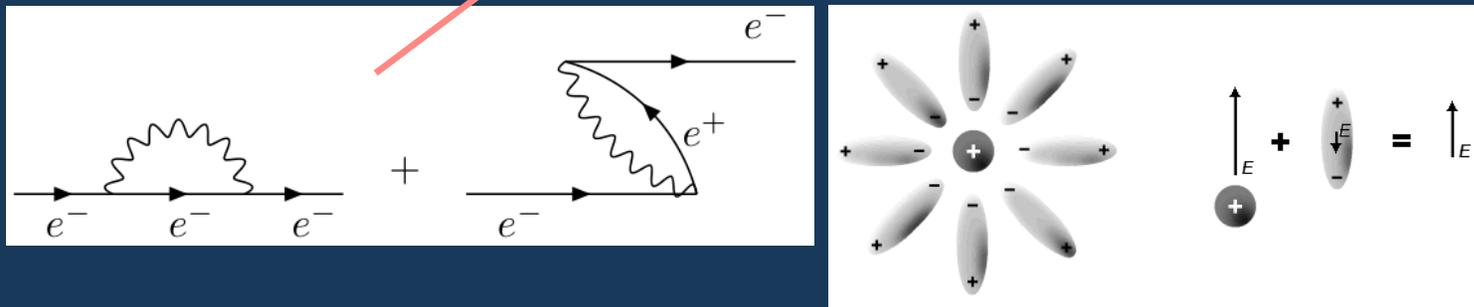
# The Hierarchy Problem: Analogy



## QED correction to the electron mass

- Classical electrostatic contribution of point-like electron to its energy is infinite

$$m_{e,physical} = m_{e,bare} + \Delta m_e, \Delta m_e = \Delta E_{Coulomb} / c^2 = \frac{3e^2}{20\pi\epsilon_0 R}$$



- The electron “partner”, the positron, is responsible for eliminating the large divergence

$$m_{e,physical} = 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$$



# The Hierarchy Problem: Higgs Mass

## Radiative corrections to the Higgs mass

- The contribution from a Dirac fermion loop diverges

$$(\Delta m_h^2)_{SM} = \text{Diagram with fermion loop } \sim -\frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} M_{cutoff}^2$$

The diagram shows a dashed line labeled 'h' entering a circle labeled 'f' from the left, and a dashed line labeled 'h' exiting the circle to the right.

- The contribution from super-partner would cancel the divergence resolving the hierarchy problem

$$(\Delta m_h^2)_{MSSM} = \text{Diagram with super-partner loop } \sim \frac{\lambda^2}{16\pi^2} M_{cutoff}^2$$

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1. SUSY provides a solution to the Higgs hierarchy problem



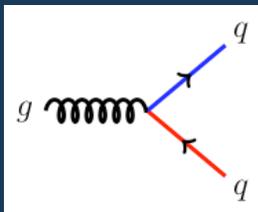


# The Standard Model Couplings

The strength of the fundamental forces given by  
“Coupling Constants”

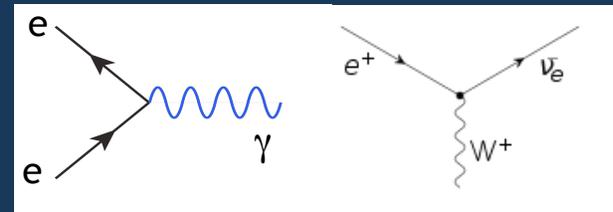
Strong (QCD):

- Strong “color” force, mediated by *gluons*  $g$



EM & Weak (QED)”

- “EM” and “weak” forces, mediated by the photon  $\gamma$  and the bosons  $W, Z$



Strong	$\alpha_s$	1
EM	$\alpha$	1/137
Weak	$\alpha_w$	$10^{-6}$
Gravity	$\alpha_g$	$10^{-39}$

Strength of forces very different

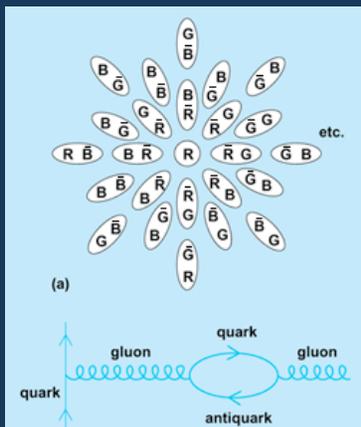
Uncomfortable situation toward a Grand Unification Theory (GUT)

- All forces would have the same strength at GUT energy



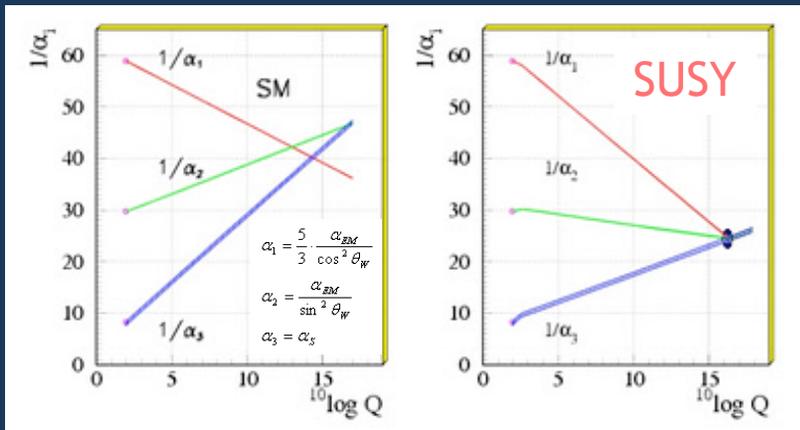
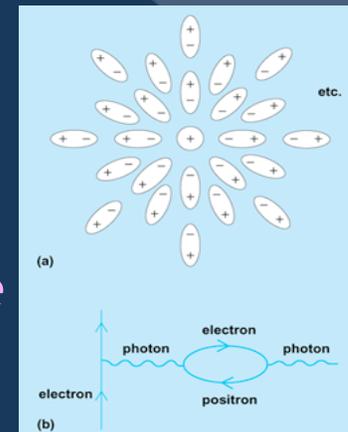
# Running Coupling Constants

The Standard Model predicts that coupling constants are not “constants” but they “run” with energy



Quarks get closer within a hadron, effective color charge smaller,  $\alpha_s$  smaller

Electrons get closer, effective charge larger,  $\alpha$  larger



Standard Model: the couplings “run” but do not cross each other at the same energy

2. SUSY allows unification of gauge couplings



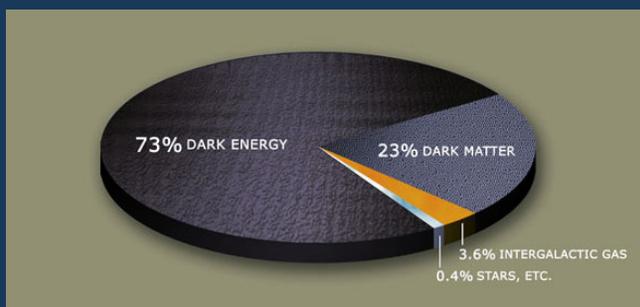


# Dark Matter

Orbital velocities of galaxies in clusters, rotational speeds of galaxies, gravitational lensing → Dark Matter, 23% of total matter

- Dark Matter
- Does not emit or scatter EM radiation
  - Massive, interacts weakly → Weak Interactive Massive Particle (WIMP)

High-scale SUSY breaking scenarios coupled to MSSM with R-parity conservation: Lightest SUSY Particle (LSP) can be the WIMP



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

1 (SM particles)  
-1 (SUSY particles)

3. SUSY can predict a dark matter candidate

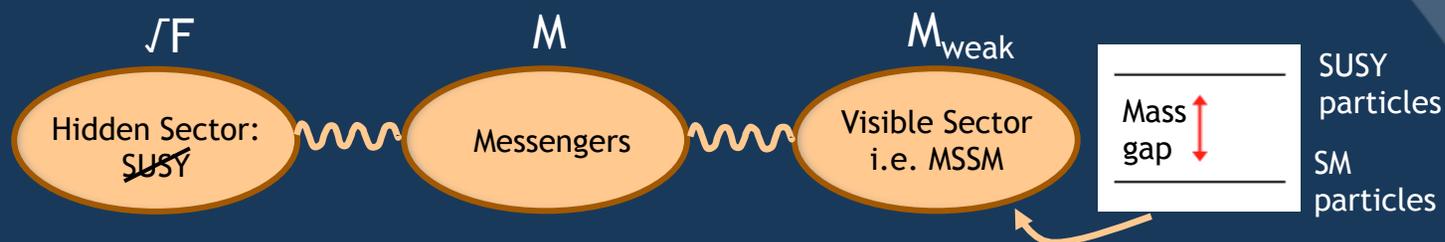




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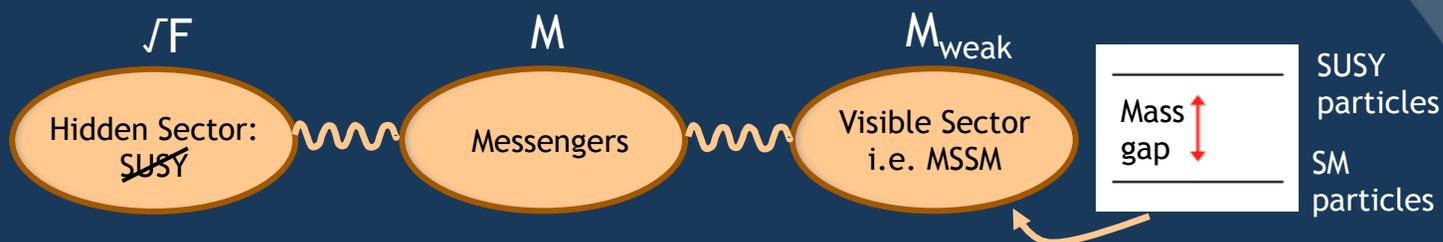
$M$	$\sqrt{F}$	$M_{3/2}$ (Gravitino)	Mediation Type
$M_{\text{pl}}$ ( $\sim 10^{18}$ GeV)	$\sim 10^{10}$ GeV	100 GeV ... 1 TeV	High scale <del>SUSY</del> ; gravity mediation
$M_{\text{pl}}$	$\sim 10^{12}$ GeV	10 TeV ... 100 TeV	Very high scale <del>SUSY</del> ; anomaly mediation
$M \ll M_{\text{pl}}$	$\ll 10^{12}$ GeV	10 eV ... 10 GeV	Low scale <del>SUSY</del> ; gauge mediation



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Lightest SUSY Particle (LSP)	$M_{3/2}$ (Gravitino)	Mediation Type
Lightest Neutralino	100 GeV ... 1 TeV	Gravity mediation (SUGRA)
Neutralino or sneutrino	10 TeV ... 100 TeV	Anomaly mediation (AMSB)
Gravitino	10 eV ... 10 GeV	Gauge mediation (GMSB)



# The SUSY Particle Zoo (MSSM)

Minimal Supersymmetric Standard Model (MSSM) is the simplest supersymmetric extension to the SM

- Superpartners created in pairs
- LSP is stable and neutral
  - Neutralino is best candidate
- LSP is a candidate for Dark Matter (Big Bang survivor)

Names	Spin	$P_R$	Mass Eigenstates	Gauge Eigenstates
Higgs bosons	0	+1	$h^0 \ H^0 \ A^0 \ H^\pm$	$H_u^0 \ H_d^0 \ H_u^\pm \ H_d^\mp$
squarks	0	-1	$\tilde{u}_L \ \tilde{u}_R \ \tilde{d}_L \ \tilde{d}_R$	“ ”
			$\tilde{s}_L \ \tilde{s}_R \ \tilde{c}_L \ \tilde{c}_R$	“ ”
			$\tilde{t}_1 \ \tilde{t}_2 \ \tilde{b}_1 \ \tilde{b}_2$	$\tilde{t}_L \ \tilde{t}_R \ \tilde{b}_L \ \tilde{b}_R$
sleptons	0	-1	$\tilde{e}_L \ \tilde{e}_R \ \tilde{\nu}_e$	“ ”
			$\tilde{\mu}_L \ \tilde{\mu}_R \ \tilde{\nu}_\mu$	“ ”
			$\tilde{\tau}_1 \ \tilde{\tau}_2 \ \tilde{\nu}_\tau$	$\tilde{\tau}_L \ \tilde{\tau}_R \ \tilde{\nu}_\tau$
neutralinos	1/2	-1	$\tilde{N}_1 \ \tilde{N}_2 \ \tilde{N}_3 \ \tilde{N}_4$	$\tilde{B}^0 \ \tilde{W}^0 \ \tilde{H}_u^0 \ \tilde{H}_d^0$
charginos	1/2	-1	$\tilde{C}_1^\pm \ \tilde{C}_2^\pm$	$\tilde{W}^\pm \ \tilde{H}_u^\pm \ \tilde{H}_d^\mp$
gluino	1/2	-1	$\tilde{g}$	“ ”

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Neutralinos, charginos also symbolized as:



# The LHC proton-proton Collider

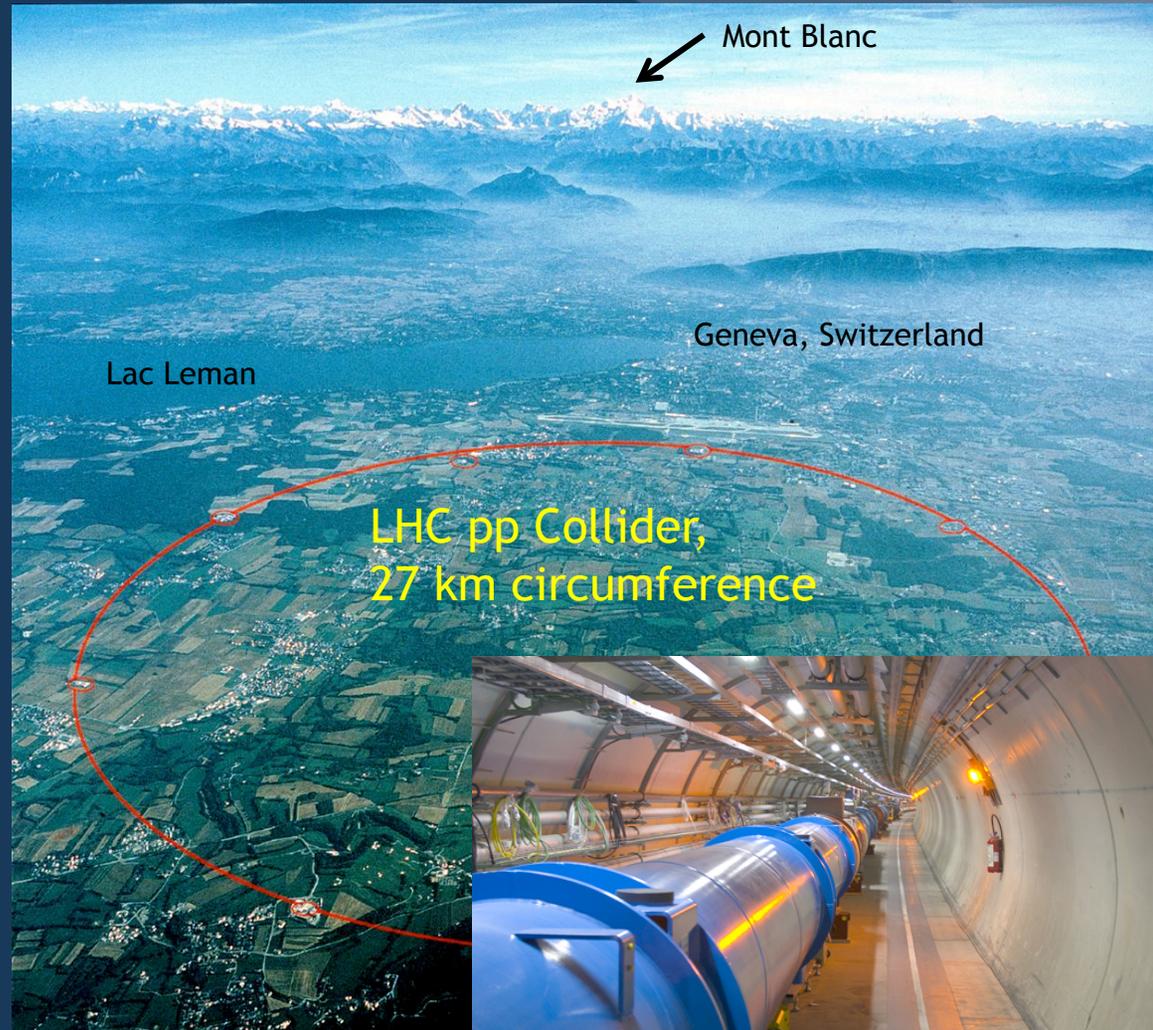


The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at CERN

Proton-proton (pp) Collisions

Center-of-mass energy = 7 TeV

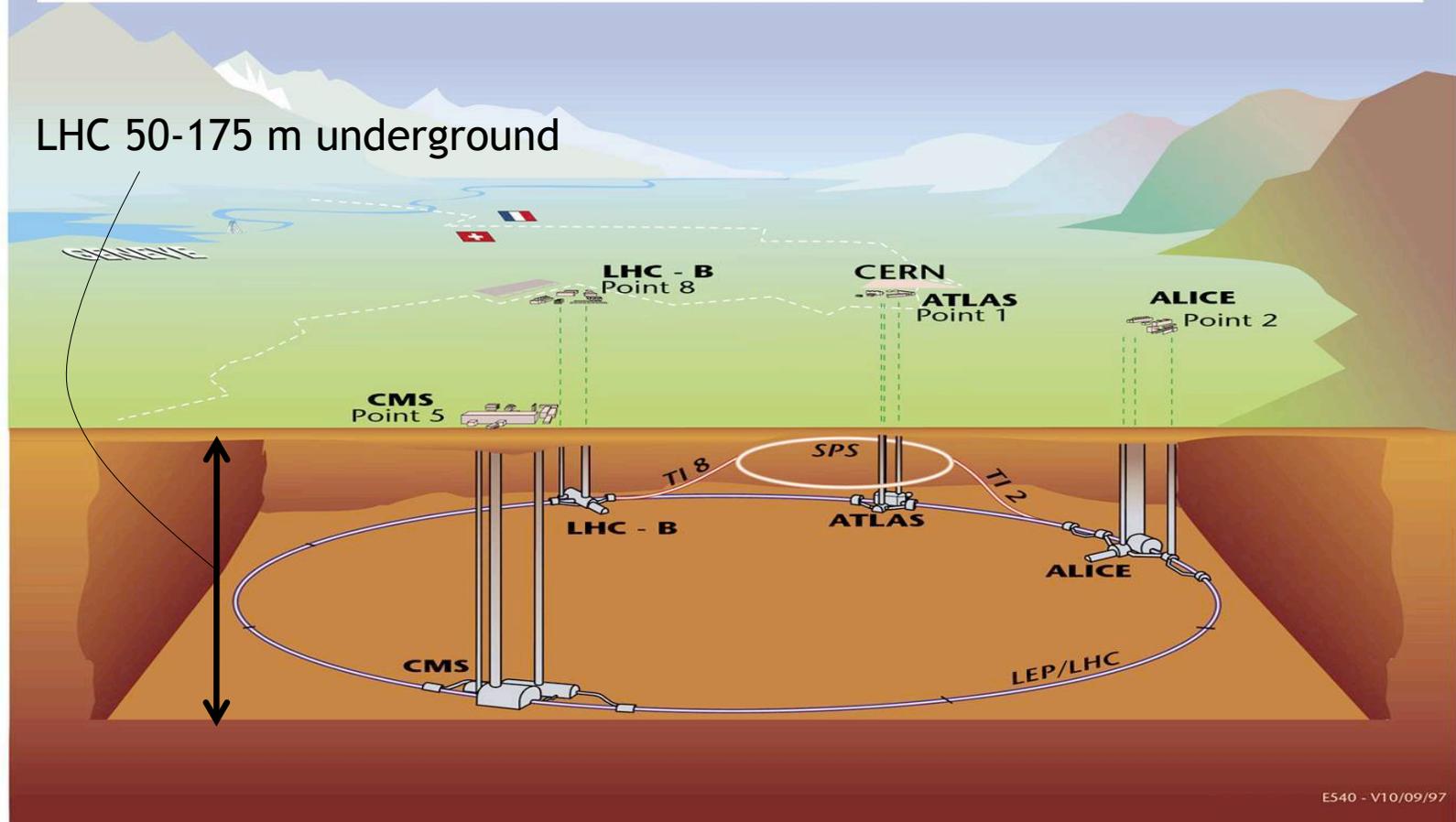
(largest collider in the world - best tool to search for BSM physics)



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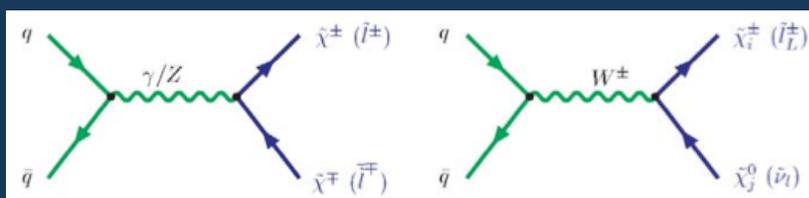
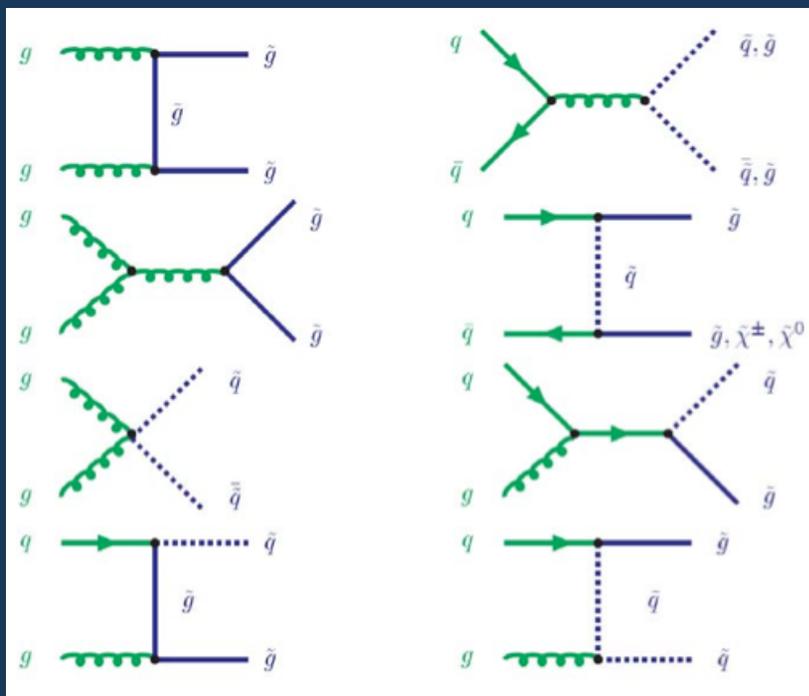


## Overall view of the LHC experiments.





# SUSY Production in Hadron Colliders



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- Strong production

- Gluon fusion, quark anti-quark, quark-gluon scattering

## Dominant at the LHC

(no valence anti-quarks in pp collisions)

- EWK production

- Quark anti-quark annihilation

More events would be available  
Significant amount of data collected



# SUSY Events Signature

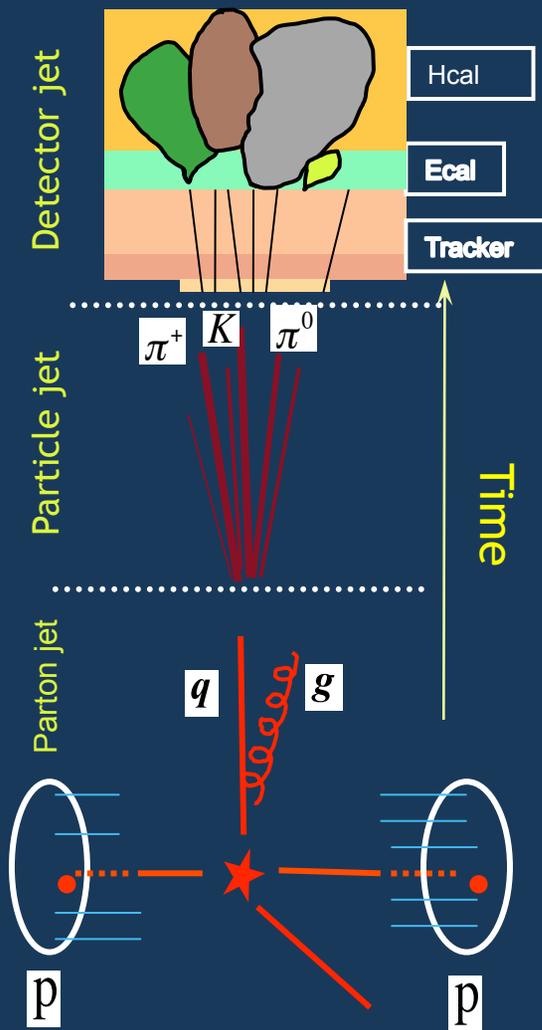
Production	Key Decay Modes	Signatures
$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{q}\tilde{q}, \tilde{g}\tilde{q}$ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content;">                     LSP (e.g. <math>\tilde{\chi}_1^0</math>)                      undetectable  <math>\rightarrow \cancel{E}_T</math> </div>	$\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ $q\bar{q}'\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ $g\tilde{\chi}_1^0$	$\cancel{E}_T + \text{multijets}$ (+leptons)  q & g parton shower and hadronization $\rightarrow$ jets
$\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\tilde{\chi}_i^0$ $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q'\tilde{\chi}_i^\pm$	$m_{\tilde{q}} > m_{\tilde{g}}$  $m_{\tilde{g}} > m_{\tilde{q}}$	
$\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \tilde{\chi}_2^0$	$\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^\pm \nu, \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 ll$ $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 q\bar{q}', \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 ll,$	Trilepton + $\cancel{E}_T$ Dilepton + jet + $\cancel{E}_T$
$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \tilde{\chi}_1^-$	$\tilde{\chi}_1^+ \rightarrow l\tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^\pm \nu$	Dilepton + $\cancel{E}_T$
$\tilde{\chi}_i^0 \tilde{\chi}_i^0$	$\tilde{\chi}_i^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 X, \tilde{\chi}_i^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 X'$	$\cancel{E}_T + \text{Dilepton} + (\text{jets}) + (\text{leptons})$
$\tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1$	$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow c\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^\pm \nu, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 q\bar{q}'$ $\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^\pm \nu, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l^\pm \nu$	2 acollinear jets + $\cancel{E}_T$ single lepton + $\cancel{E}_T + b's$ Dilepton + $\cancel{E}_T + b's$
$\tilde{l}_i, \tilde{l}_i \nu, \tilde{n} u \tilde{\nu}$	$\tilde{l}^\pm \rightarrow l^\pm \tilde{\chi}_i^0, \tilde{l}^\pm \rightarrow \nu_l \tilde{\chi}_i^\pm$ $\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow \nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0$	Dilepton + $\cancel{E}_T$ Single lepton + $\cancel{E}_T + (\text{jets})$ $\cancel{E}_T$

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Common element in all final states: Missing Transverse Energy



# Jets in Hadron Colliders



Jets are the experimental signature of quarks and gluons: spray of collimated colorless particles.

- **Parton jet**: made of quarks and gluons (after hard scattering and before hadronization).
- **Particle jet**: composed of final state colorless particles (after hadronization).
- **Detector jet**: reconstructed from measured energy depositions and tracks.

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# Bibliography

## CMS Physics Results

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

- Plots and Results
- Journal Publications
- Physics Analysis Summaries - public documents

## ATLAS Physics Results

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



# What do we look for?

Events with many jets, missing transverse energy (MET), leptons, electrons, photons

- Good understanding of how these “physics objects” leave their mark in the detector

Design detectors with the capability to identify and measure these “physics objects”

- High identification efficiency and low fake rate
- Linear energy response and excellent energy and position resolution
- High particle isolation efficiency
- Full angular coverage and hermeticity

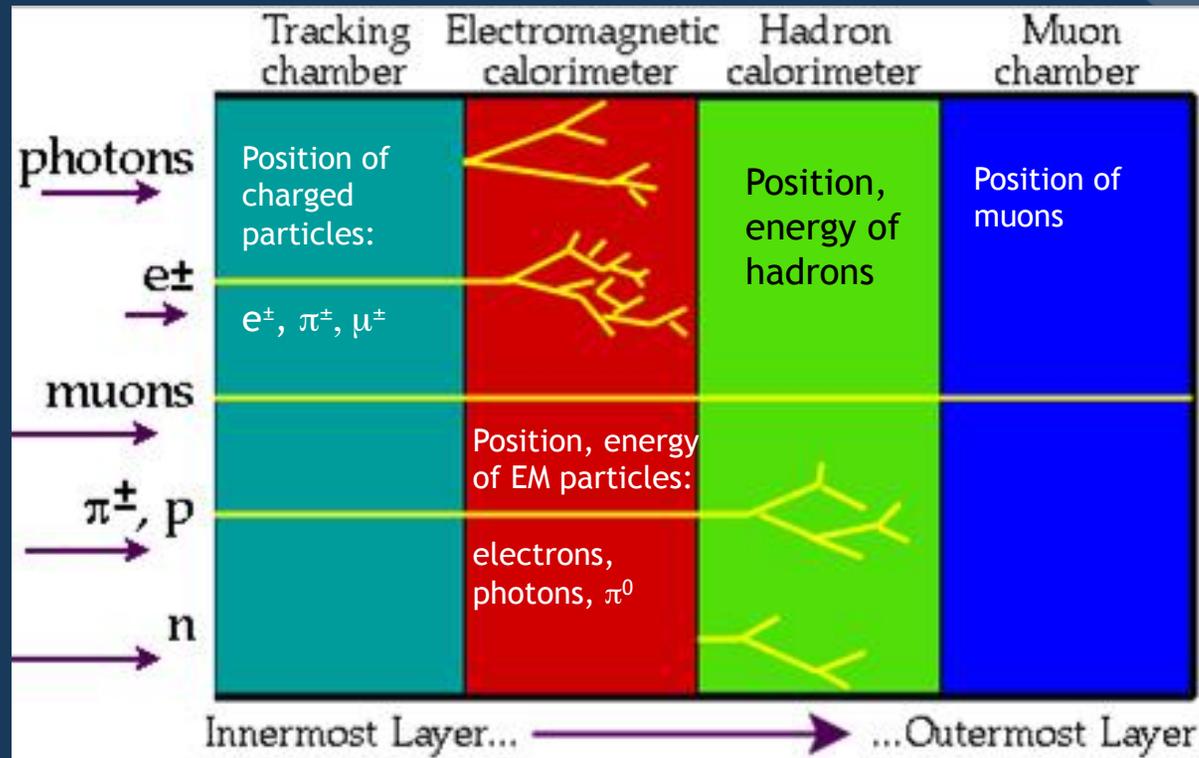
Main challenge is Background

Events with the same detector signature (same physics objects, similar kinematics) as signal events

# Generic HEP Detector



Beam  
Direction

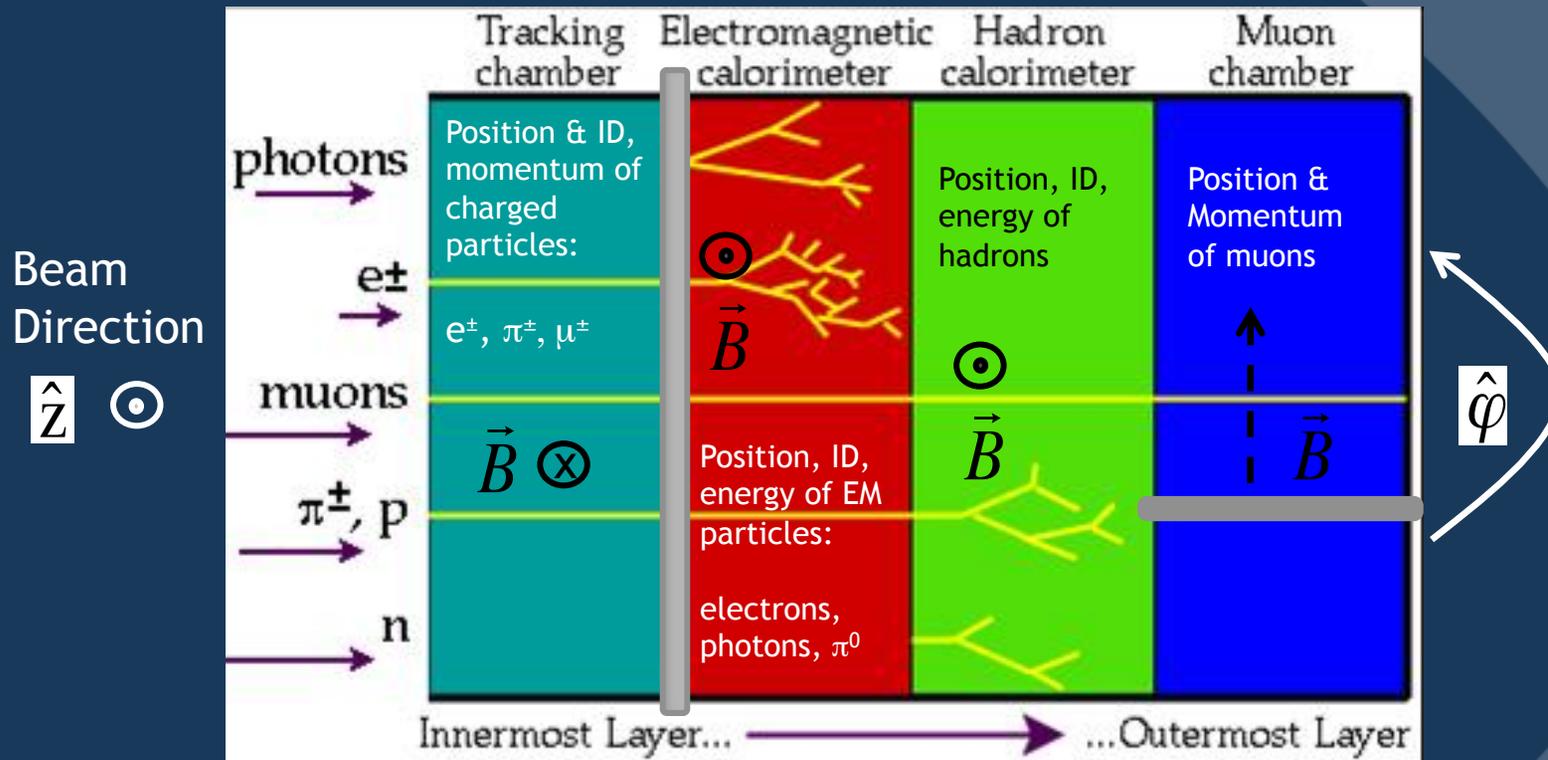


# ATLAS Detector



Low Field Solenoid

Toroid

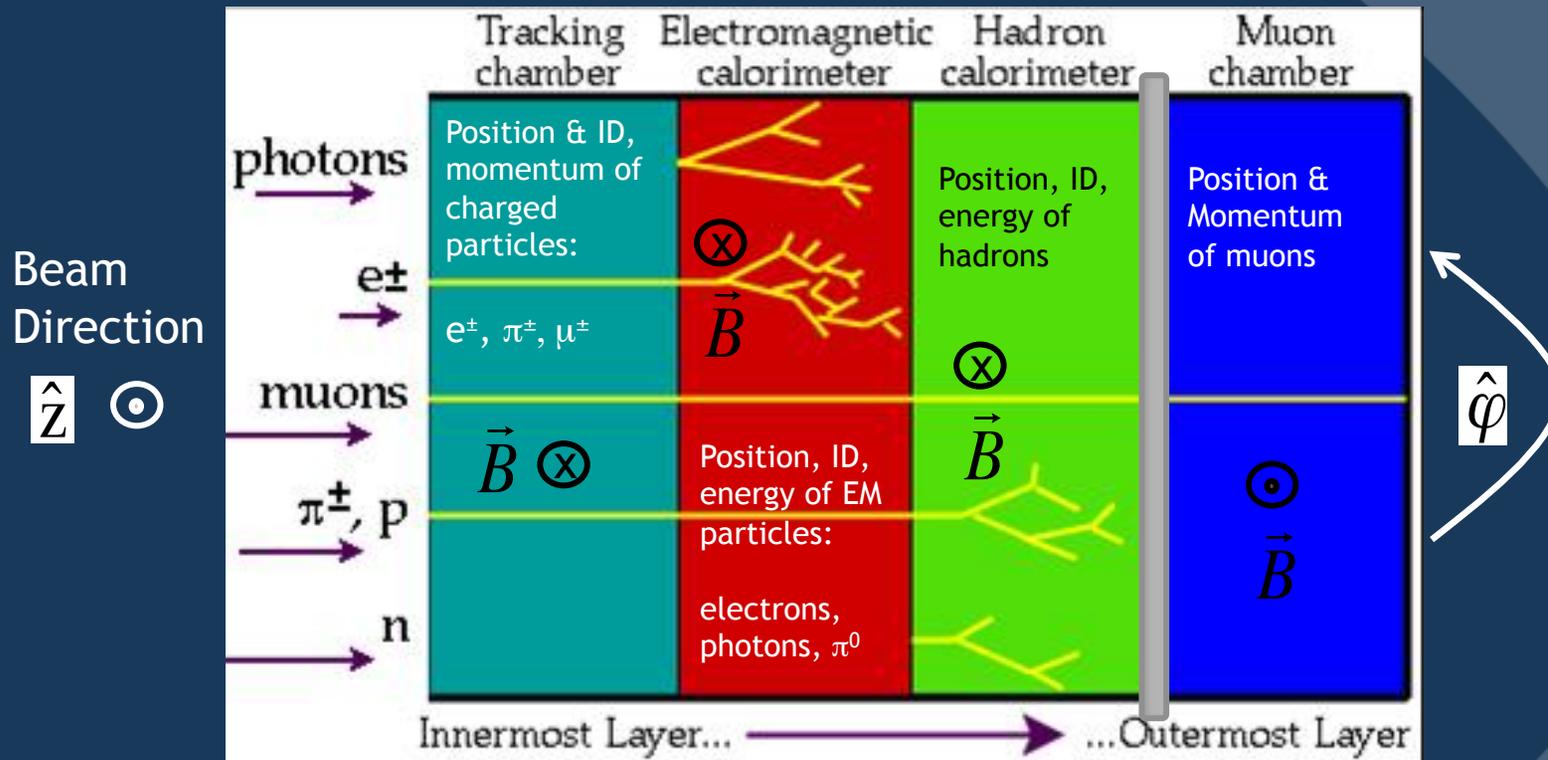


Solenoidal + Toroidal Field  $\rightarrow$  Thick Calorimeter, but two magnets

# CMS Detector

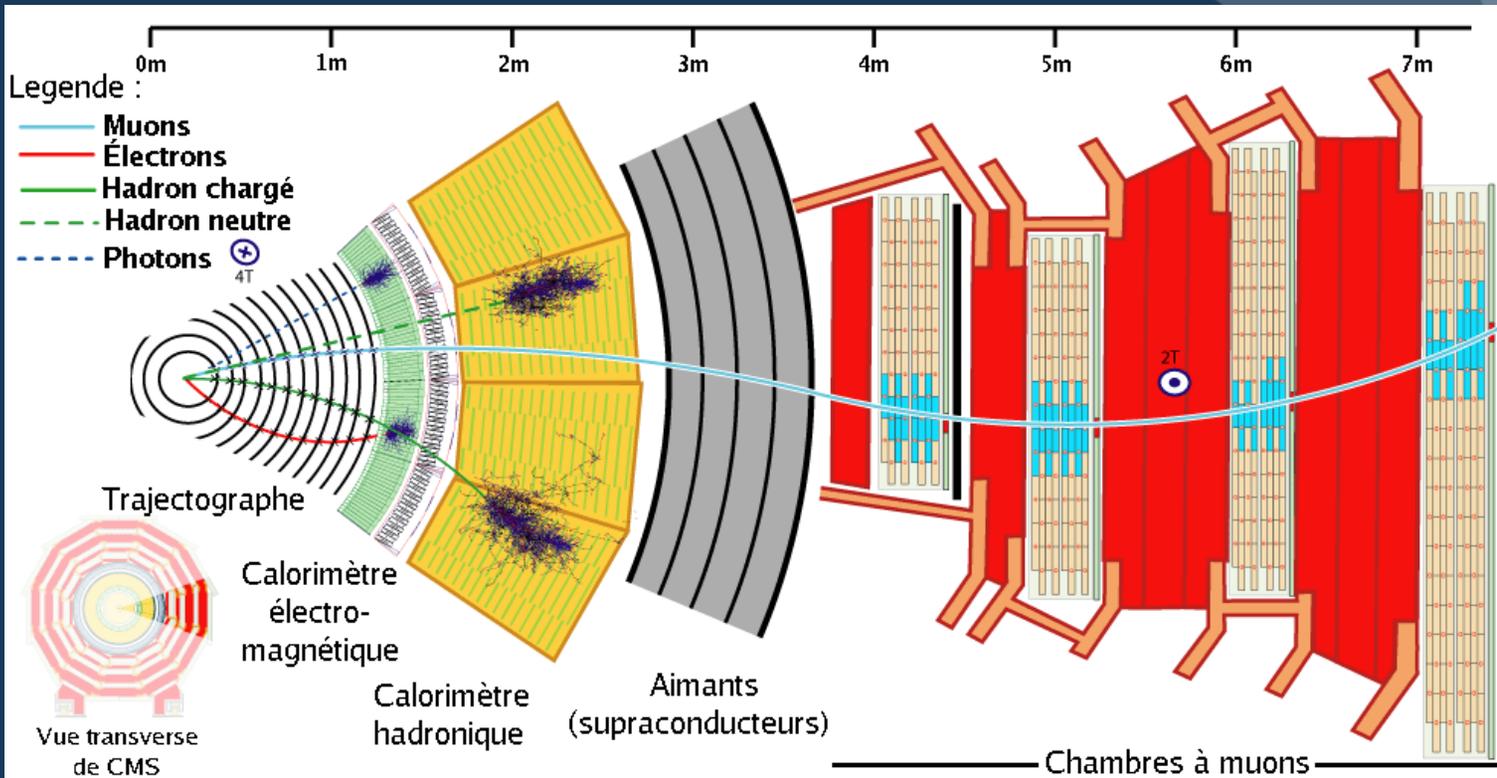


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3170 scientists & engineers  
From 169 institutes in 39 countries

Pixels  
Tracker  
ECAL  
HCAL  
Solenoid  
Steel Yoke  
Muons

**STEEL RETURN YOKE**  
~13000 tonnes

**SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID**  
Niobium-titanium coil carrying ~18000 A

Azimuthal angle:  $\Phi$   
Polar Angle:  $\theta$   
Pseudorapidity:  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$

Total weight : 14000 tonnes  
Overall diameter : 15.0 m  
Overall length : 28.7 m  
Magnetic field : 3.8 T

**SILICON TRACKER**  
Pixels ( $100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}^2$ )  
~1m<sup>2</sup> ~66M channels  
Microstrips (80-180 $\mu\text{m}$ )  
~200m<sup>2</sup> ~9.6M channels

**CRYSTAL ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER (ECAL)**  
~76k scintillating PbWO<sub>4</sub> crystals

**PRESHOWER**  
Silicon strips  
~16m<sup>2</sup> ~137k channels

**HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)**  
Brass + plastic scintillator  
~7k channels

**FORWARD CALORIMETER**  
Steel + quartz fibres  
~2k channels

**MUON CHAMBERS**  
Barrel: 250 Drift Tube & 480 Resistive Plate Chambers  
Endcaps: 473 Cathode Strip & 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

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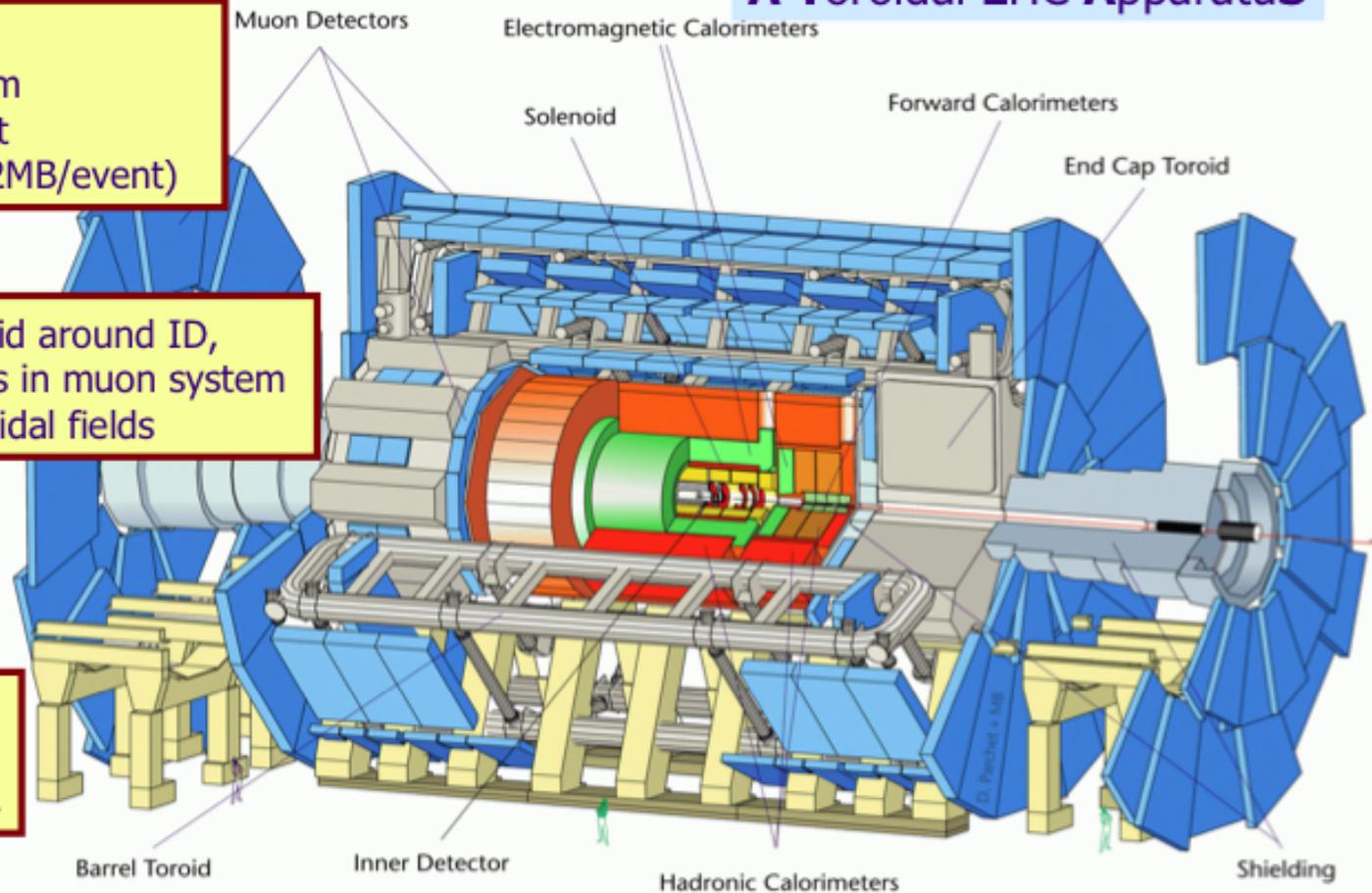


## A Toroidal LHC Apparatus

- Length  $\sim 40$  m
- Diameter  $\sim 25$  m
- Weight  $\sim 7000$  t
- $10^8$  channels (2MB/event)

- Central: solenoid around ID, Toroids in muon system
- End caps: Toroidal fields

- $\sim 40$  Nations
- $\sim 150$  Institutes
- $\sim 2000$  physicists



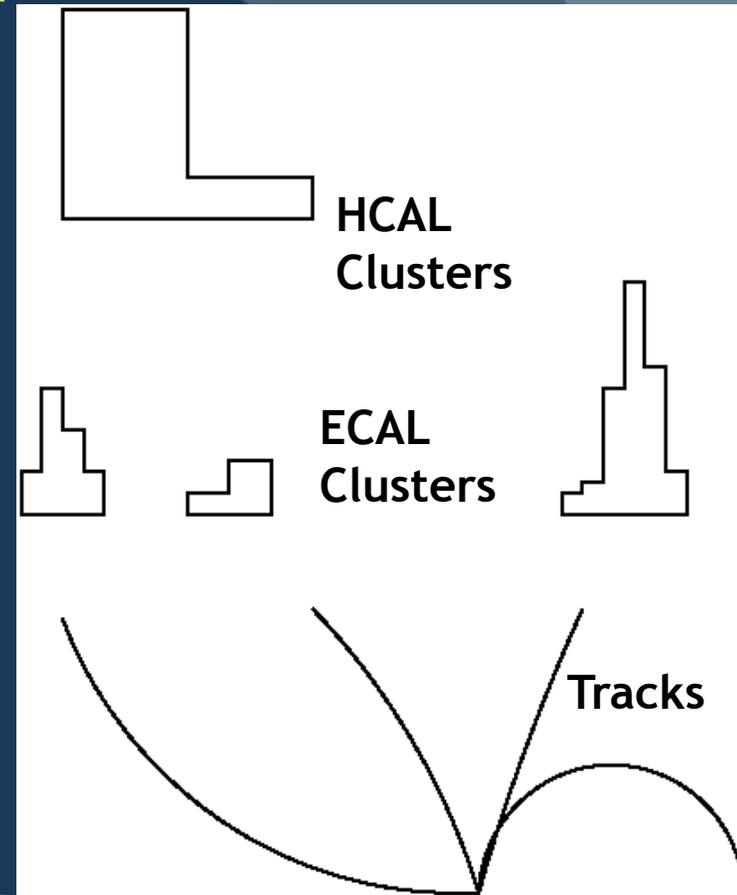
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The PF algorithm is designed to:

- Reconstruct & identify all particles:  $\gamma$ ,  $e$ ,  $\mu$ , charged & neutral hadrons, pileup, and converted photons & nuclear interactions
- Use a combination of all CMS sub-detectors to get the best estimates of energy, direction, particle ID
  1. Associate hits within each detector

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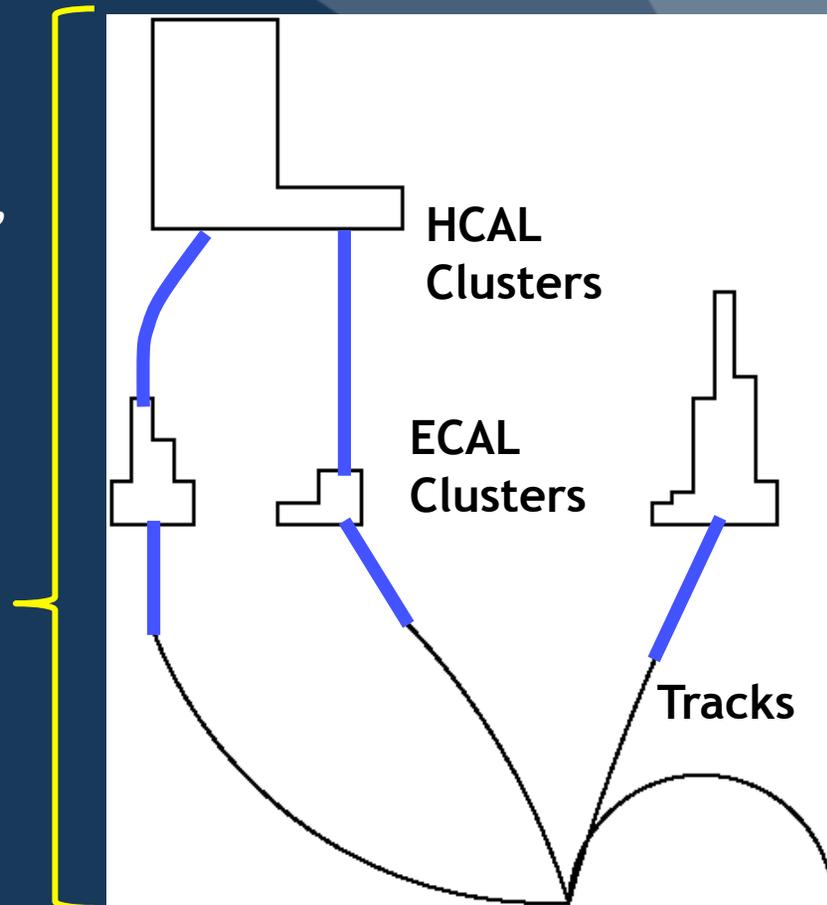
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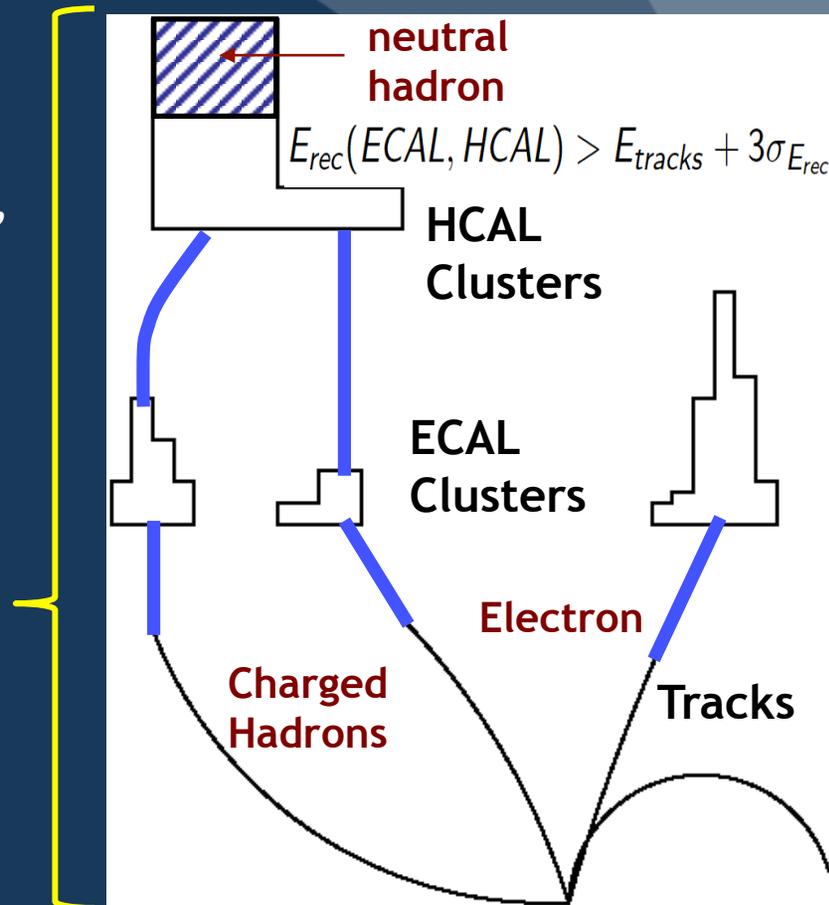
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  3. Particle ID and separation.

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The output is a collection of particles:  
 $\gamma$ ,  $e$ ,  $\mu$ , charged & neutral hadrons

# Jet Reconstruction



Use sequential clustering algorithm (Anti- $K_T$ ,  $R=0.5$ )

- Combine particles into jets following a prescription dependent on their relative space separation and  $p_T$

$$\vec{p}^{Jet} = \sum_{i=1}^n \vec{p}_i, \quad E^{Jet} = \sum_{i=1}^n E_i$$

with  $n = \#$  of PF particles clustered into a jet

Clustering algorithm applied to PF particles - PF Jets, or calorimeter towers - CaloJets

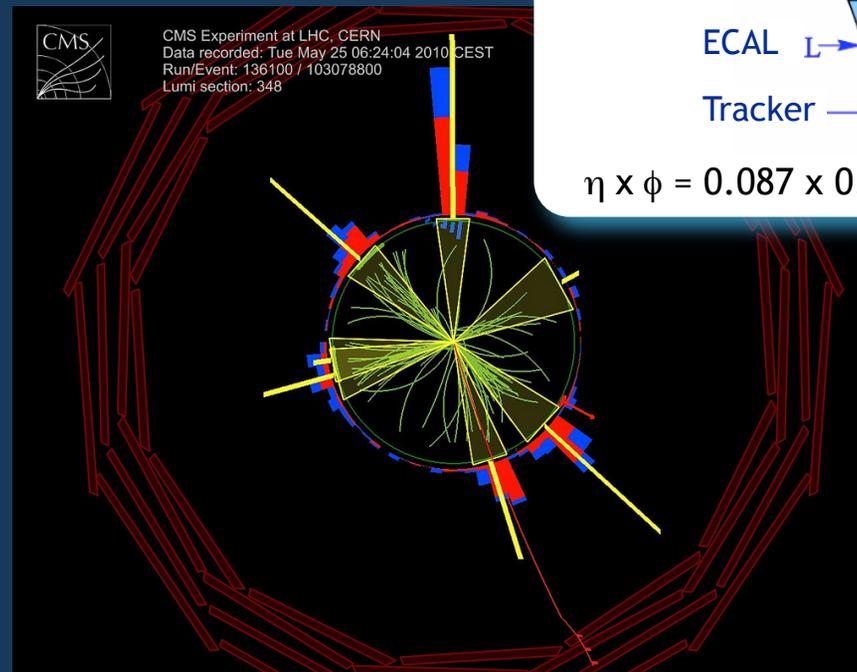
Calorimeter Tower  
ECAL crystals +  
HCAL tower

HCAL Tower

ECAL

Tracker

$\eta \times \phi = 0.087 \times 0.087$

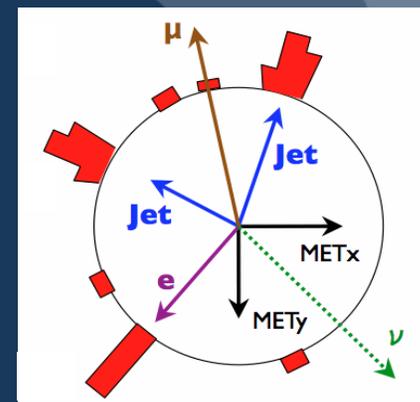


# Missing Transverse Energy (MET)



Indicates non-uniform detector response or the presence of particles that have escaped detection (weak interactions, cracks).

- SM particles decaying into neutrinos: Small MET
  - top, W leptonic decays.
- New physics: Large MET
  - e.g. LSP in cascade decays, undetected.



- **Particle Flow MET (pfMET)** is the transverse momentum vector sum over all PF particles: 
$$\vec{\cancel{E}}_T = - \sum_{\text{particles}} (p_x \hat{i} + p_y \hat{j})$$
- **Calorimeter MET (CaloMET)** is the transverse momentum vector sum over all calorimeter towers:

$$\vec{E}_T = - \sum_n (E_n \sin \theta_n \cos \phi_n \hat{i} + E_n \sin \theta_n \sin \phi_n \hat{j}) = E_x \hat{i} + E_y \hat{j}$$

n CaloTowers

Corrected for jet E scale,  $\mu/\tau p_T$ , unclustered energy

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E.T. phone home



# MET-like Variables

$$HT = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{jets}} p_T^{jet i}$$

**HT** is the scalar sum of the  $p_T$  of the jets in the event. It is the “scale” of the interaction in a fully hadronic event

$$MHT = - \sum_{i=1}^{N_{jets}} \vec{p}_T^{jet i}$$

**MHT** is exactly an object based MET in a fully hadronic event. Less sensitive noise than CaloMET

$$M_{EFF} = MET + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{jets}} p_T^{jet i} + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{leptons}} p_T^{lepton i}$$

**Effective Mass** representing the scale (invariant mass) of the primarily produced SUSY pair

$$m_{T2}(\vec{p}_T^{(1)}, \vec{p}_T^{(2)}, \vec{p}_T) \equiv \min_{\vec{q}_T^{(1)} + \vec{q}_T^{(2)} = E_T^{miss}} \{ \max(m_T(\vec{p}_T^{(1)}, \vec{q}_T^{(1)}), m_T(\vec{p}_T^{(2)}, \vec{q}_T^{(2)})) \}$$

**MT2** represents the scale of the SUSY particle

SUSY searches are based on different **variables** defined to **enhance signal and reduce backgrounds**

We also define more complex variables such as  $\alpha_T$ , **Razor** (Razor material not covered today - to become public at HCP11)

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- Detectors, reconstructed objects

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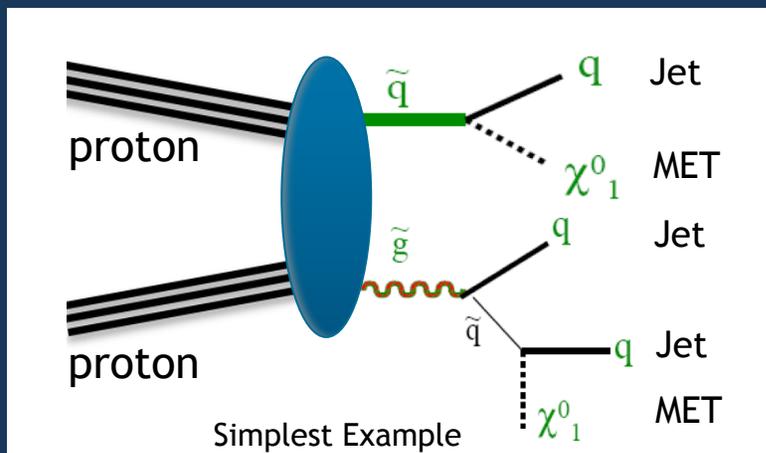
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  - **Observation consistent with SM prediction** means that new physics is not present at the mass scale we are probing - **limit on mass or x-section follows**



# Physics Signals

A generic search for jets and MET in the all hadronic channel is motivated by R-parity conserving SUSY

- Strong production of  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g}\tilde{q}, \tilde{q}\tilde{q}$
- Largest cross section, most sensitive channel - *if backgrounds are well understood*



SUSY particles eventually decay to LSP (stable, neutral)

Experimental signature:  
**Jets + Missing Transverse Momentum**

In the example, LPS is  $\chi^0_1$  (neutralino)

Model independent analysis means:

- Inclusive sample selection
- High efficiency for a broad range of models associated with final state

Concept

# cMSSM Framework Parameters



The Constrained MSSM (cMSSM) framework includes mSUGRA

- Depends on a few independent parameters defined at the  $M_{\text{GUT}}$  scale
  - ✓ sleptons/squarks/Higgs have the same common scalar mass  $m_0$
  - ✓ gauginos unify at the common mass  $m_{1/2}$
  - ✓ Universal trilinear coupling (higgs-sfermion-sfermion)  $A_0$
  - ✓ Ratio of the two higgs doublets VEVs is  $\tan \beta$
  - ✓ Sign of higgs/higgsino mass parameter  $\mu$ ,  $\text{sgn}(\mu)$
- RGEs evolve parameters, compute couplings/masses at EWK scale
- LSP is often the neutralino

Different parameter values correspond to different production cross section for SUSY particles, flavor content, masses and mass hierarchy, length of the decay chain

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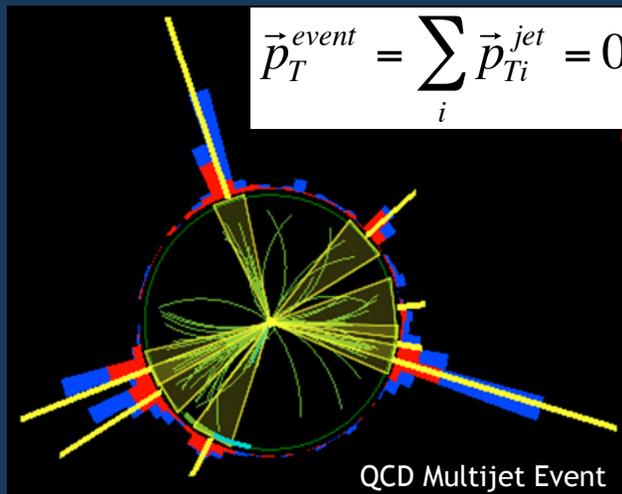


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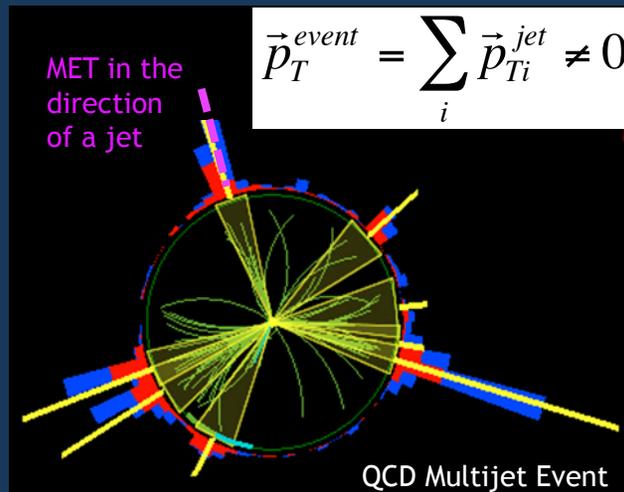


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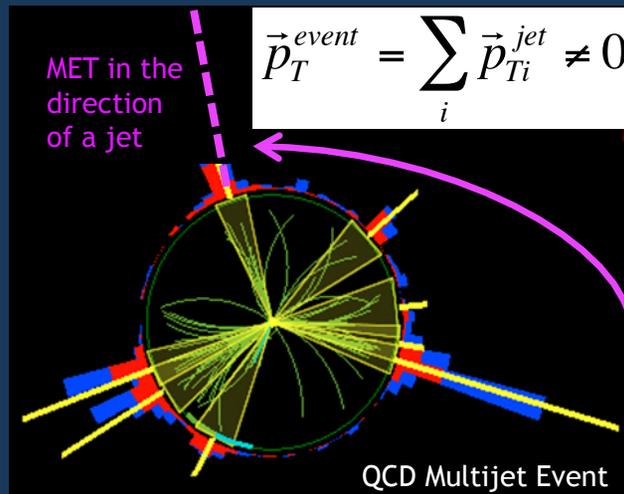


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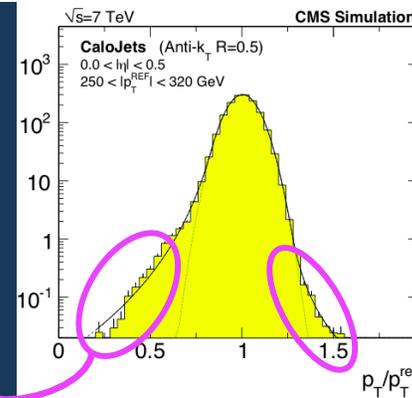
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Extreme mis-measurement

Large fake MET consistent with SUSY signals

(events in the "tails")





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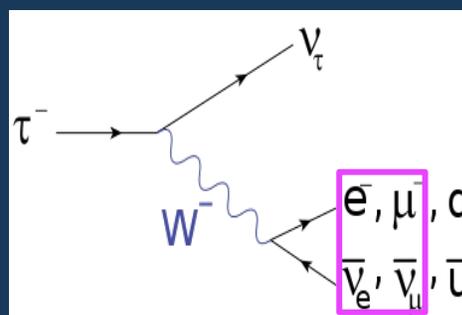
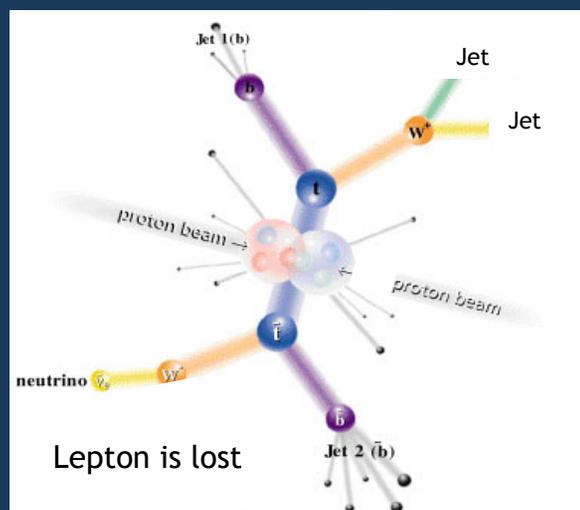
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- W+jets and top production

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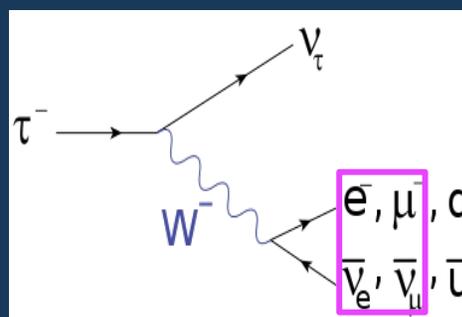
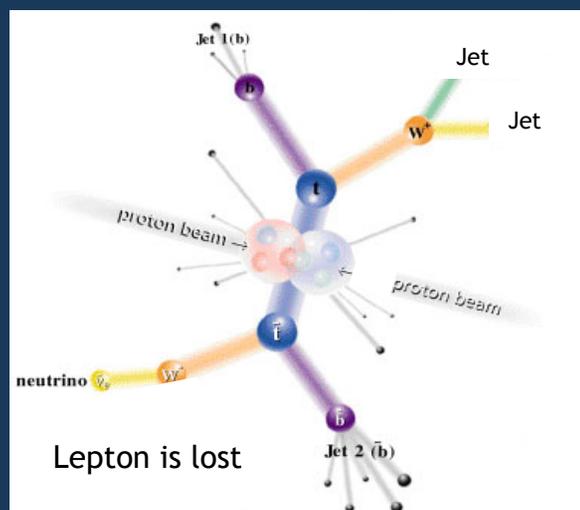
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- Z+jets with Z decaying to neutrinos  $Z(\nu\bar{\nu}) + jets \equiv \text{multijet} + MET$

This background is irreducible: real jets and real MET



# MHT All Hadronic Search

## Baseline Event Selection (PF objects):

- At least 3 jets with  $p_T > 50$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$  ← central production
- $HT > 350$  GeV,  $MHT > 200$  GeV [From jets with  $p_T > 50$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$ ]
- $\Delta\phi(\text{MET}, \text{jet}[1,2,3]) > [0.5, 0.5, 0.3]$  ← suppress QCD background
- Isolated electron and muon veto ← reduce W/top background

## Search regions:

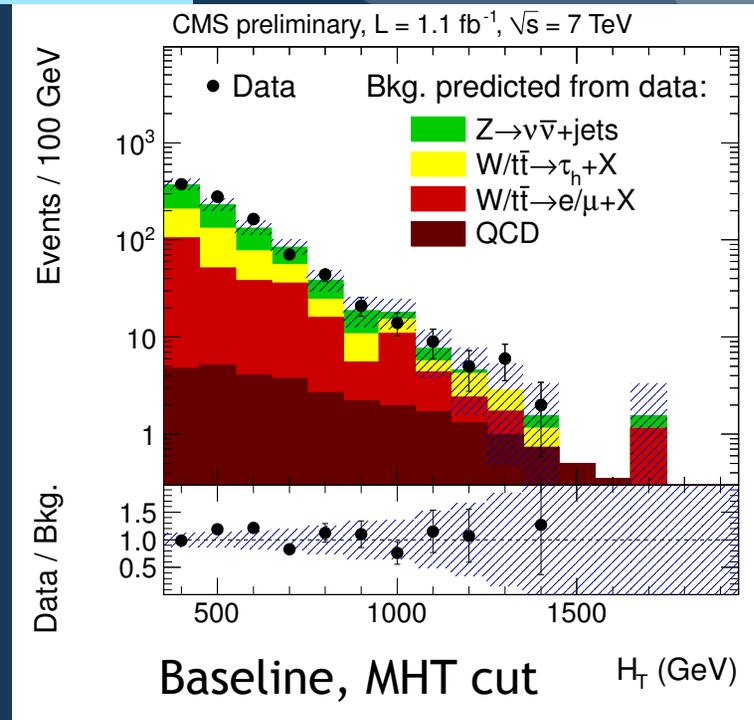
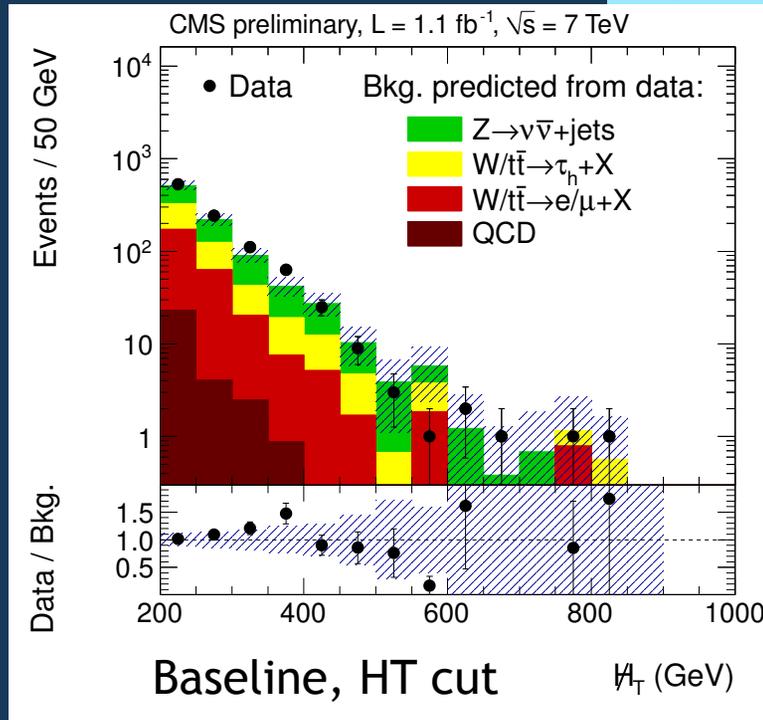
- High-MHT: Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV,  $MHT > 500$  GeV  
(DM candidate - good bkgd rejection)
- High-HT: Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV  
(heavy particle - long cascade, high multiplicity)
- Medium HT & MHT: Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV,  $MHT > 500$  GeV

Based on  $1.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of CMS data (Summer 2011)

# MHT All Hadronic Search



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Physics generators not accurate enough  
(QCD multijets, W/Z+jets)



Background predictions  
extracted from data

Observed data & data driven background prediction



# MHT All Hadronic Search

No excess of events is observed in any of the three search regions for  $1.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

	Baseline ( $H_T > 350 \text{ GeV}$ ) ( $\cancel{H}_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$ )	Medium ( $H_T > 500 \text{ GeV}$ ) ( $\cancel{H}_T > 350 \text{ GeV}$ )	High $H_T$ ( $H_T > 800 \text{ GeV}$ ) ( $\cancel{H}_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$ )	High $\cancel{H}_T$ ( $H_T > 800 \text{ GeV}$ ) ( $\cancel{H}_T > 500 \text{ GeV}$ )
$Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$ from $\gamma$ +jets	$376 \pm 12 \pm 79$	$42.6 \pm 4.4 \pm 8.9$	$24.9 \pm 3.5 \pm 5.2$	$2.4 \pm 1.1 \pm 0.5$
$t\bar{t}/W \rightarrow e, \mu + X$	$244 \pm 20^{+30}_{-31}$	$12.7 \pm 3.3 \pm 1.5$	$22.5 \pm 6.7^{+3.0}_{-3.1}$	$0.8 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.1$
$t\bar{t}/W \rightarrow \tau_h + X$	$263 \pm 8 \pm 7$	$17 \pm 2 \pm 0.7$	$18 \pm 2 \pm 0.5$	$0.73 \pm 0.73 \pm 0.04$
QCD	$31 \pm 35^{+17}_{-6}$	$1.3 \pm 1.3^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$	$13.5 \pm 4.1^{+7.3}_{-4.3}$	$0.09 \pm 0.31^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$
Total background	$928 \pm 103$	$73.9 \pm 11.9$	$79.4 \pm 12.2$	$4.6 \pm 1.5$
Observed in data	986	78	70	3

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At the 95% C.L. the data is consistent with no more than 26, 28 (5) signal events for the medium & high-MHT( $H_T$ ) search regions

- If I repeat the experiment  $N \rightarrow \infty$  times, 95% of the times the background will fluctuate to accommodate zero to no more than 26, 28 (5) signal events

No Excess Means ... Limits



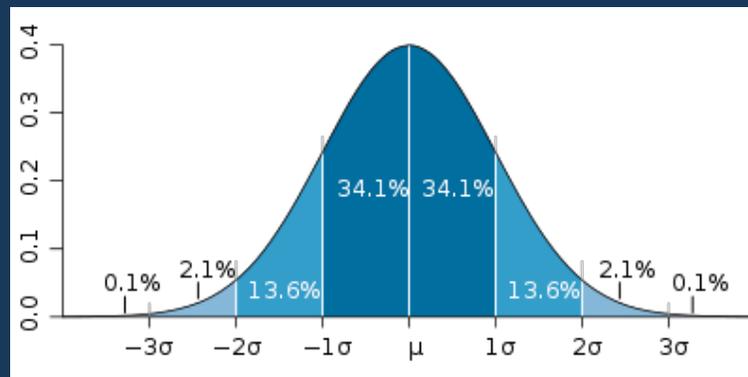
# Confidence Intervals (C.I.)

A confidence interval gives an estimated range of values which is likely to include the unknown true value  $\mu$  of a population parameter  $X$

$$\hat{\mu} = \langle X \rangle = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

The estimator of the true parameter value  $\hat{\mu}$  is calculated as the mean value  $\langle X \rangle$  in a given data sample

I repeat the experiment  $N$  (e.g. 100) times, each experiment generating  $M$  (e.g. 1000) values of  $X$



## Central C.I. for Normal Distribution

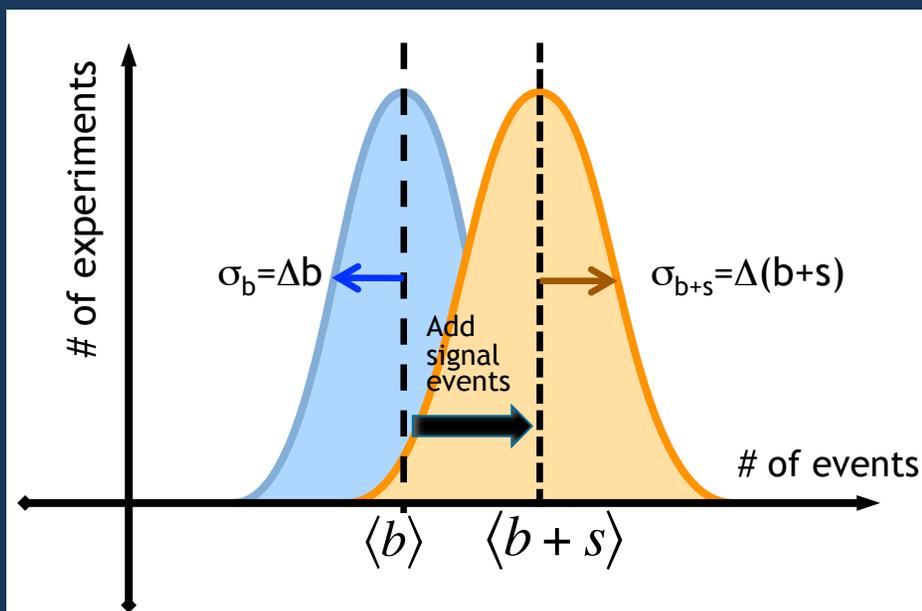
- $1\sigma \rightarrow 68.27\%$
- $2\sigma \rightarrow 95.45\%$
- $3\sigma \rightarrow 99.75\%$
- $5\sigma \rightarrow 99.99994\%$

The “level” of a confidence interval (C.L. 90%, 95%, 99%, ...) refers to the number of times ( $n/N \cdot 100$  experiments) the interval will contain the true value



# Expected Limit

- **Generate** ensemble of  $N$  experiments using the measured  $\langle b \rangle + \Delta b$  distribution ( $\langle b \rangle$  is mean of a Poisson,  $\Delta b$  is Gaussian)
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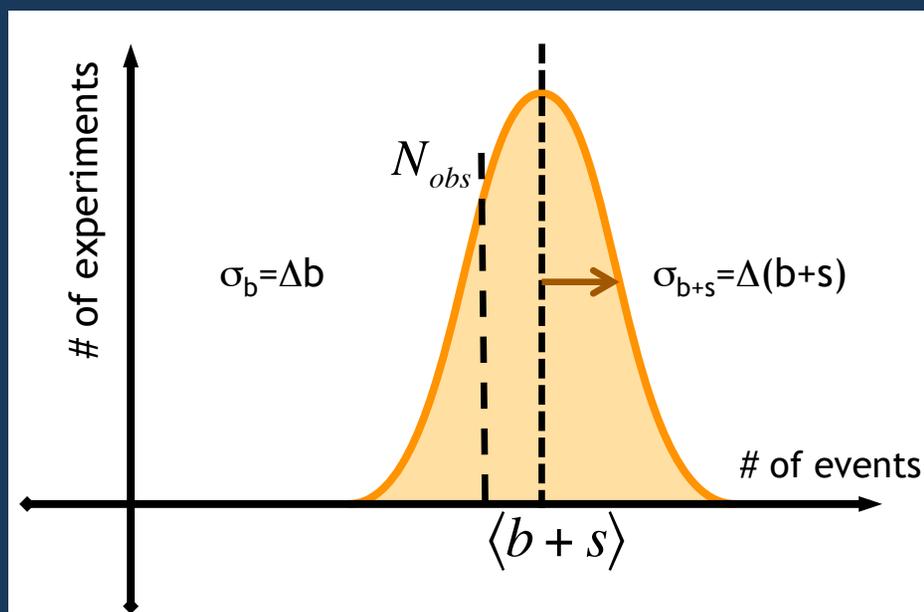
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# Observed Limit

- **Generate** ensemble of  $N$  experiments using the measured  $\langle b \rangle + \Delta b$  distribution (signal contamination subtracted  $\sim 3$  evts.)
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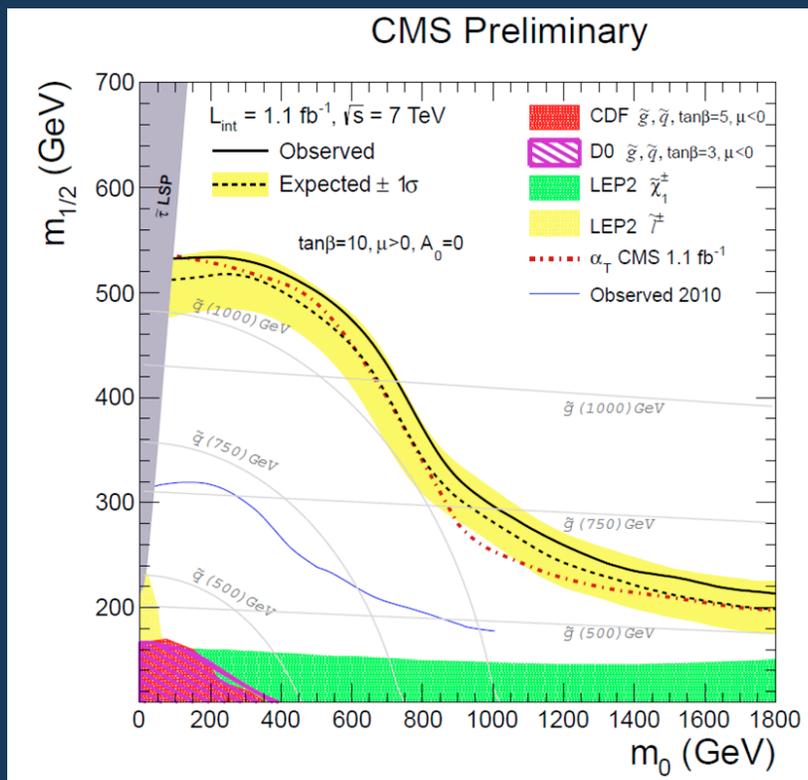
# Comments on Limits

- **Expected Limit** is expressed as a band consistent with  $\langle b \rangle \pm \Delta b$
- If  $N_{\text{obs}}$  is greater than  $\langle b \rangle$ , the observed limit is less than the expected
  - ✓ Small excess not “significant”, most probably occurred by chance
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  - ✓ Deficit means that data fluctuated low
- **Zero background hypothesis is the most conservative for setting a limit**
  - ✓ Lowest limit
- **Zero background hypothesis is the least conservative for a discovery**
  - ✓ Largest probability of wrongly accepting the signal hypothesis

# Interpretation within the cMSSM



The contours are the envelope with respect to the best sensitivity of the three HT & MHT search selections



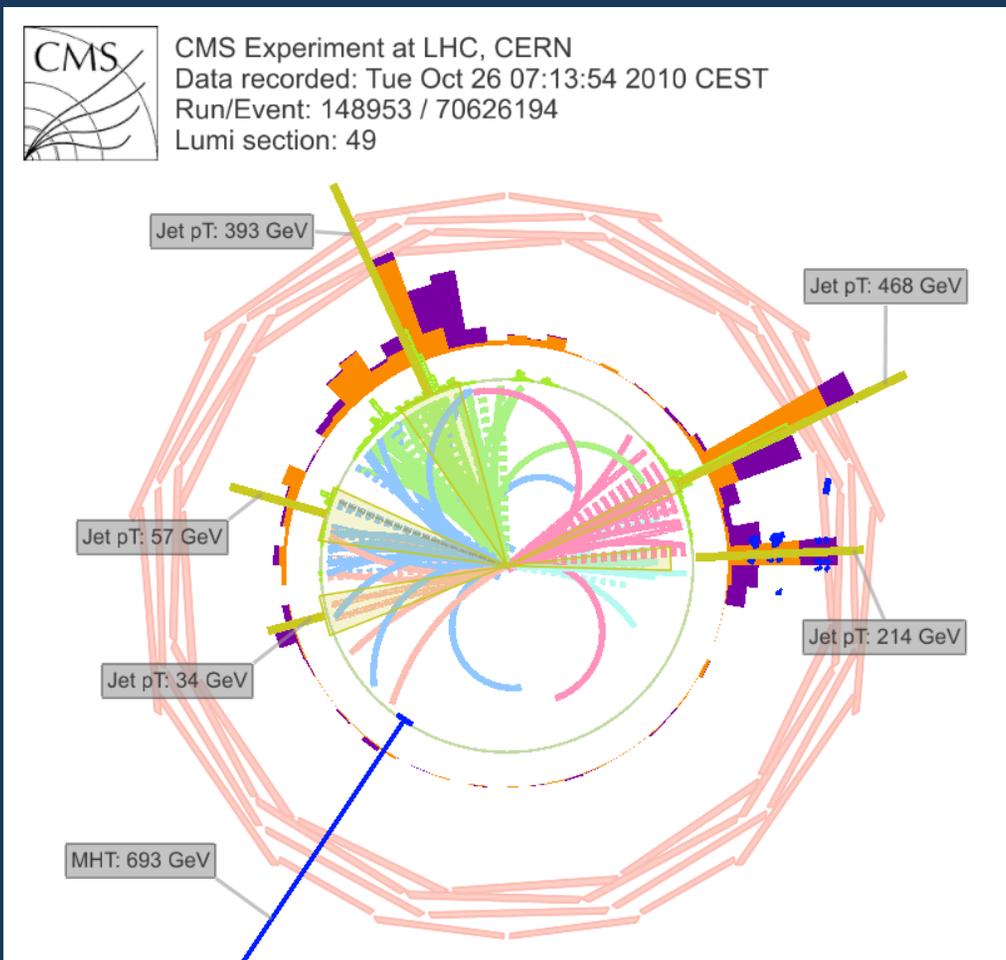
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$\tan\beta=10,$   
 $\mu>0, A_0=0$

- At low  $m_0$ , gauginos at excluded at the 95% C.L. for a common mass at the GUT scale  $m_{1/2} < 530 \text{ GeV}$
- At  $m_0 = 1.5 \text{ TeV}$ , the exclusion reaches  $m_{1/2} < 230 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_{\text{gluino}} < 0.6 \text{ TeV}$  and  $m_{\text{squark}} < 1.1 \text{ TeV}$  are excluded at the 95% C.L.
- Significant extension with respect to the 2010  $35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  (solid blue line)



# A Candidate Event



CMS Experiment at LHC, CERN  
Data recorded: Tue Oct 26 07:13:54 2010 CEST  
Run/Event: 148953 / 70626194  
Lumi section: 49

MHT = 693 GeV  
HT = 1132 GeV  
 $M_{\text{eff}} = \text{MHT} + \text{HT} = 1.83 \text{ TeV}$   
No b-tagged jet  
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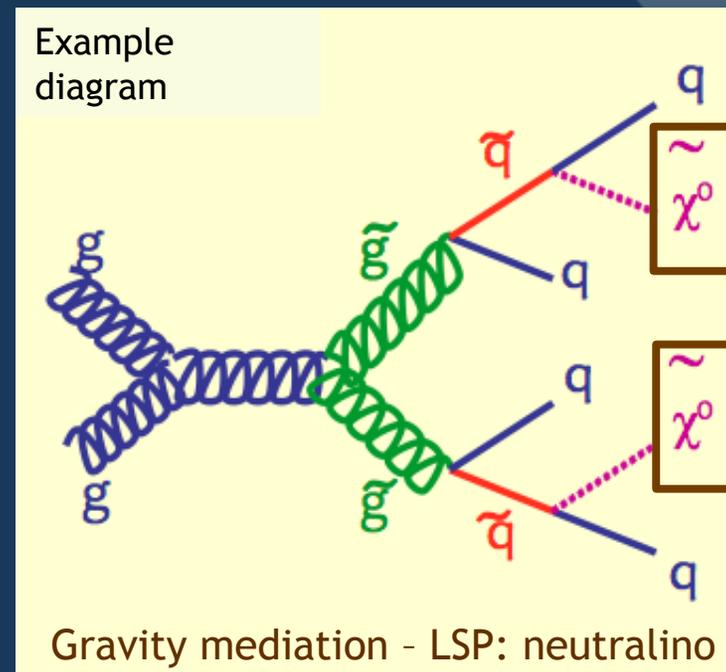
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# CMS Search Strategy: Topologies



0-leptons	1-lepton	OSDL	SSDL	$\geq 3$ leptons	2-photons	$\gamma$ +lepton
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- Most sensitive channel for strongly produced SUSY
- Complementary analyses:
  - Generic search using MHT (previous slides) - **detector understanding**
  - Search using  $\alpha_T$  - **background mitigation (kinematics)**
  - “Razor” variables - **background mitigation with high signal efficiency (kinematics)**

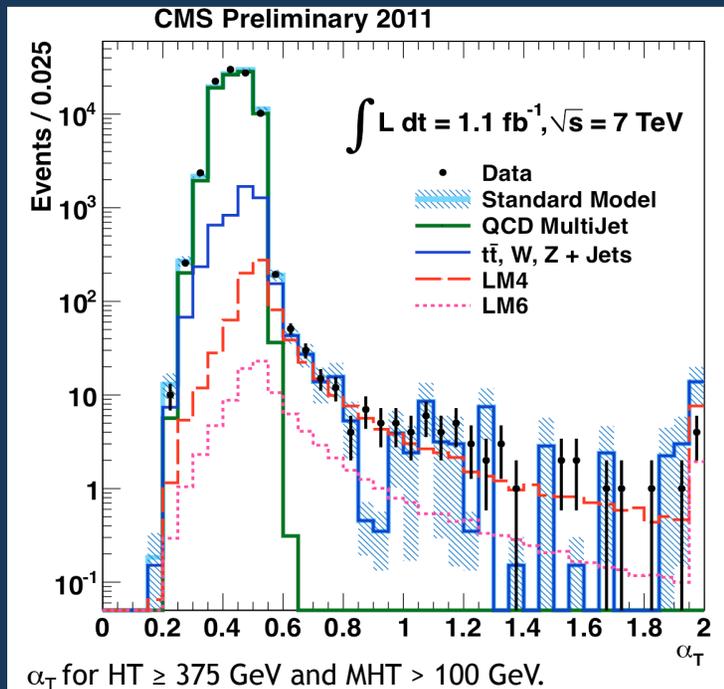


# Jets+MET Search using $\alpha_T$



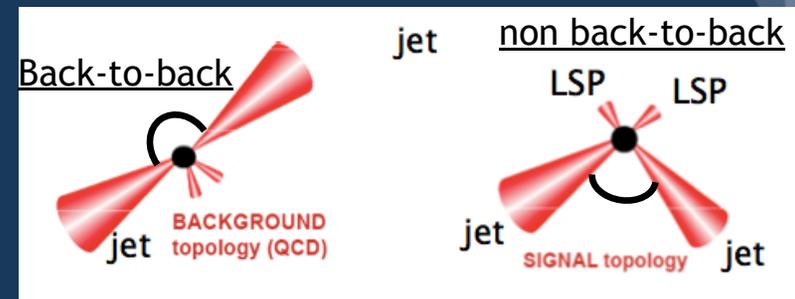
Simple and robust analysis with emphasis on background reduction at the cost of signal efficiency  $\rightarrow$  appropriate for early data

- Cut on kinematic info ( $\alpha_T$  variable): signal region nearly QCD free
- Background dominated by events with real MET: W/Z+jets and top



Accepted by PRL & arXiv:1109.2352  
PRL 101:221803 (2008) & arXiv:1101.1628

$$\alpha_T = \frac{E_{Tj2}}{M_{Tj1j2}} = \frac{\sqrt{E_{Tj2}/E_{Tj1}}}{\sqrt{2(1-\cos\Delta\phi)}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{H_T - \Delta H_T}{\sqrt{H_T^2 - H_{\cancel{T}}^2}}$$



Expectation for QCD:  $\alpha_T = 0.5$   
Jet mis-measurement:  $\alpha_T < 0.5$   
Signal enhanced:  $\alpha_T > 0.5$

# Jets+MET Search: Summary



Multi-variable strategy: redundancy, complementarity for discovery

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SM hadronic		787 <sup>+32</sup> <sub>-22</sub>	310 <sup>+8</sup> <sub>-12</sub>	202 <sup>+9</sup> <sub>-9</sub>	60.4 <sup>+4.2</sup> <sub>-3.0</sub>	20.3 <sup>+1.8</sup> <sub>-1.1</sub>	7.7 <sup>+0.8</sup> <sub>-0.5</sub>	3.2 <sup>+0.4</sup> <sub>-0.2</sub>	2.8 <sup>+0.4</sup> <sub>-0.2</sub>
Data hadronic		782	321	196	62	21	6	3	1

**MT2 Search**  
 1.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>  $Bkgd(M_{T2} \geq 400\text{GeV}) = 12.6 \pm 1.3 \pm 3.5$  events **12** events observed  
 $Bkgd(M_{T2} \geq 150\text{GeV}) = 10.6 \pm 1.9 \pm 4.8$  events **19** **CMS-PAS-SUS-11-005**

Many search regions in  $H_T$ , MHT, MT2,  $\alpha_T$  explore different ranges of  $m_0$ - $m_{1/2}$  phase space within cMSSM

No significant excess observed with respect to SM background predictions in any of the hadronic searches

# Jets+MET Search: Summary



## Interpretation within the CMSSM framework

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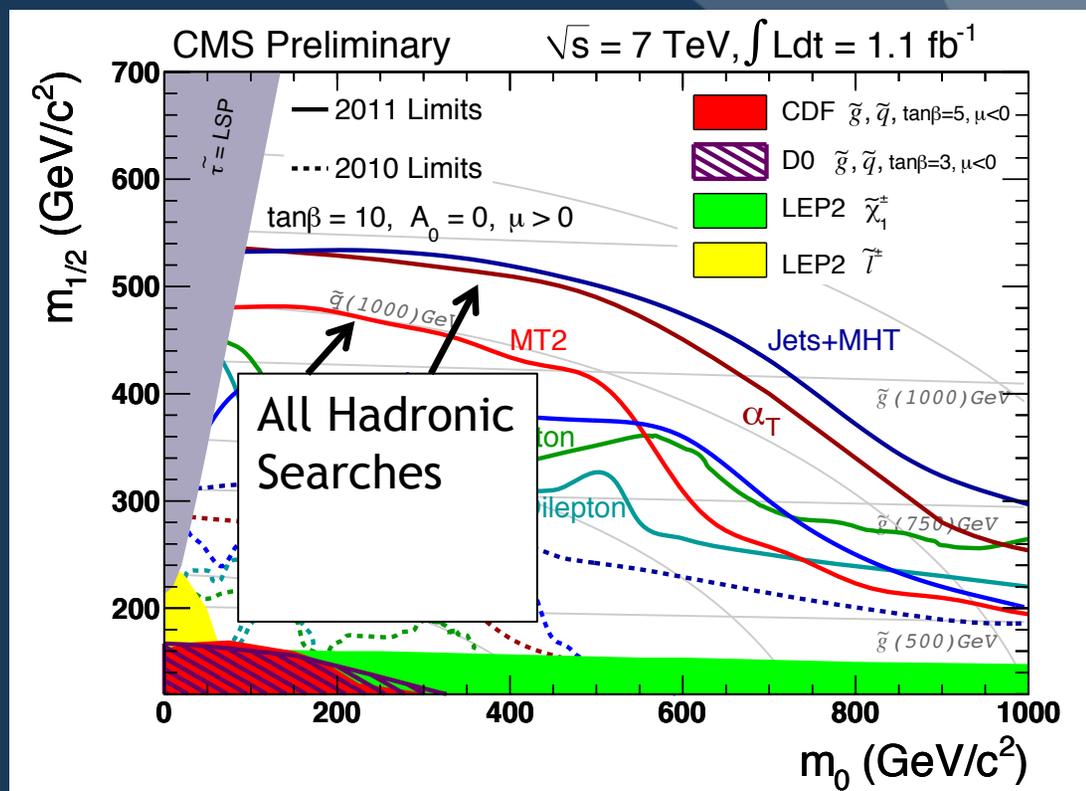
- First LHC SUSY paper
- Target discovery with early data

### MHT:

- Good understanding of detector for ...
- High signal efficiency, accurate bkgnd prediction

### MT2:

- Reflects the mass of the produced particle
- New physics would show at high MT2 through excess

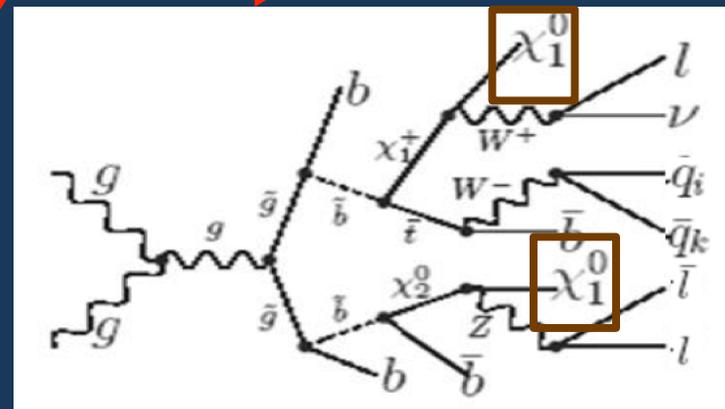
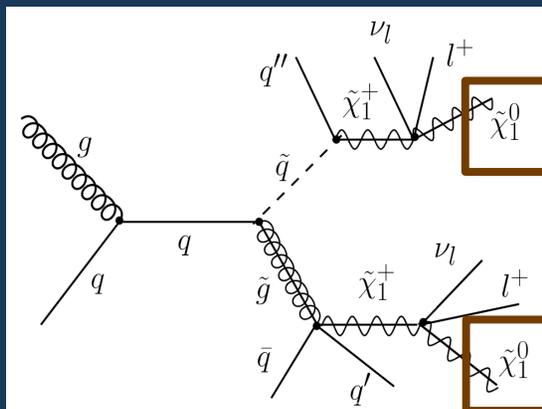


Relative performance of variables depend on signal efficiency, background uncertainty, search region optimization

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Gravity mediation

LSP: is the neutralino

**Leptons requirement: low background but also low signal efficiency**

- Single lepton - QCD small, W+jets/ttbar largest
- Two leptons - OS: QCD tiny, W+jets small, ttbar dominates (OS). SS: bkgnd reduced to dibosons, charge mis-ID, fake leptons
- Multi-leptons - bkgnd is tiny: WZ, ZZ, WW, fake leptons

# Leptonic Searches: Summary



CMS-PAS-SUS-11-015/011/010

Lepton Projection:

High MET  $\rightarrow$  low  $p_T(\ell)$

$$L_P = \frac{\vec{p}_T(\ell) \cdot \vec{p}_T(W)}{|\vec{p}_T(W)|^2}$$

$$S_T^{\text{lep}} = p_T(\ell) + \cancel{E}_T$$

Single Lepton 1.1 fb <sup>-1</sup>	Signal Region ( $L_P < 0.15$ )			
$S_T^{\text{lep}}$ Range (GeV)	QCD	EWK	SM estimate	Data
[150-250]	1.0 $\pm$ 0.3	60.8 $\pm$ 4.1	61.8 $\pm$ 8.7	69
[250-350]	0	22.2 $\pm$ 2.2	22.2 $\pm$ 4.4	21
[350-450]	0	6.9 $\pm$ 1.5	6.9 $\pm$ 1.7	7
> 450	0	4.3 $\pm$ 1.3	4.3 $\pm$ 1.5	3

$e^-e^+$ $\mu^- \mu^+$ $e^\pm \mu^\mp$	OS lepton	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 275 \text{ GeV}, H_T > 300 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200 \text{ GeV}, H_T > 600 \text{ GeV}$
	Search 1 fb <sup>-1</sup>	high $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ signal region	high $H_T$ signal region
observed yield	8	4	
MC prediction	7.3 $\pm$ 2.2	7.1 $\pm$ 2.2	
ABCD' prediction	4.0 $\pm$ 1.0 (stat) $\pm$ 0.8 (syst)	4.5 $\pm$ 1.6 (stat) $\pm$ 0.9 (syst)	
$p_T(\ell\ell)$ prediction	14.3 $\pm$ 6.3 (stat) $\pm$ 5.3 (syst)	10.1 $\pm$ 4.2 (stat) $\pm$ 3.5 (syst)	
$N_{\text{bkg}}$	4.2 $\pm$ 1.3	5.1 $\pm$ 1.7	

SS lepton  
Search 1 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Different Search Regions in HT, MET  
for:  $ee, \mu\mu, e\mu, e\tau, \mu\tau, \tau\tau$

Observation consistent with SM  
predictions for all channels

No excess of events with respect to SM background predictions  
for single lepton, OS, and SS dilepton channels

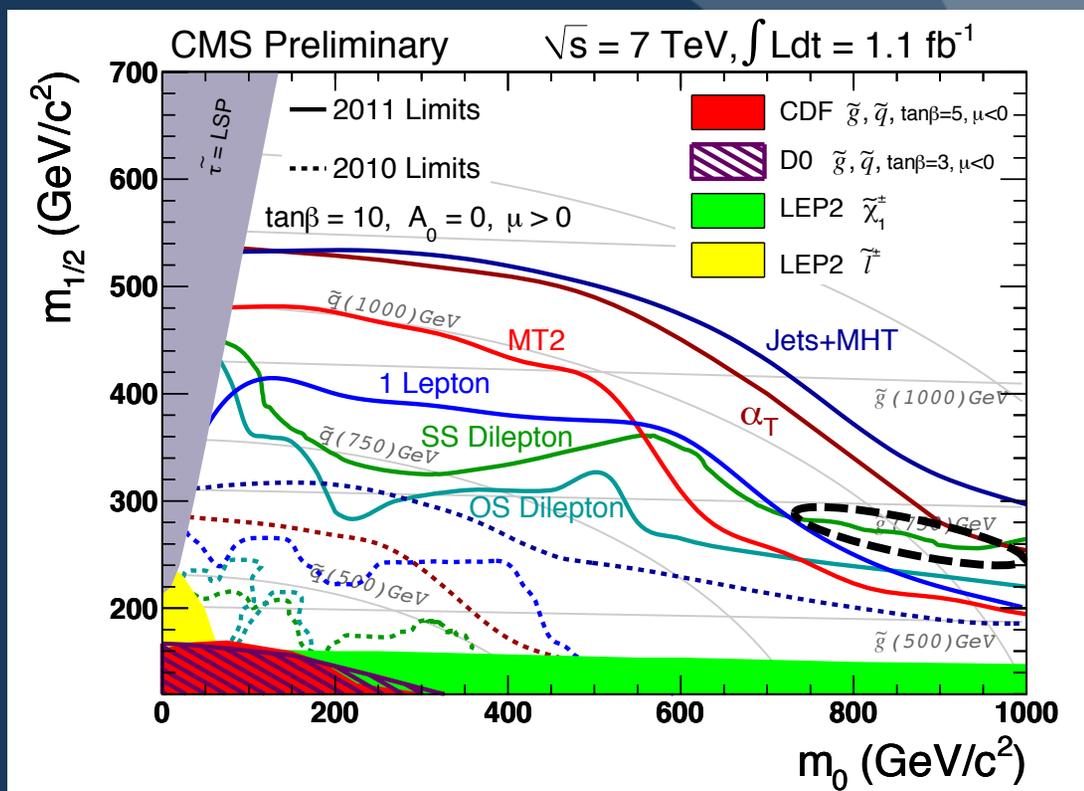
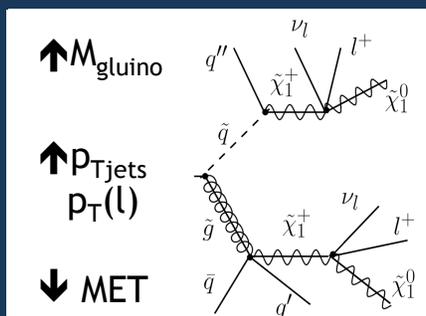
# Leptonic Searches: Summary



## Interpretation within the CMSSM framework

- Leptonic < hadronic limits at low & medium  $m_0$
- Leptonic limits (SS) competitive at high  $m_0$

$H_T > 400$  GeV  
 $MET > 50$  GeV



2011 Leptonic limits based on  $1.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  significantly higher than 2010 limits based on  $35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

# Multilepton Search



At least 3 isolated leptons,  $\geq 1$  electron or  $\mu$

- Multiple signal regions: 3 or  $\geq 4$  leptons, MET/HT, Z or no-Z, N( $\tau$ )  $\rightarrow$  52 exclusive bins

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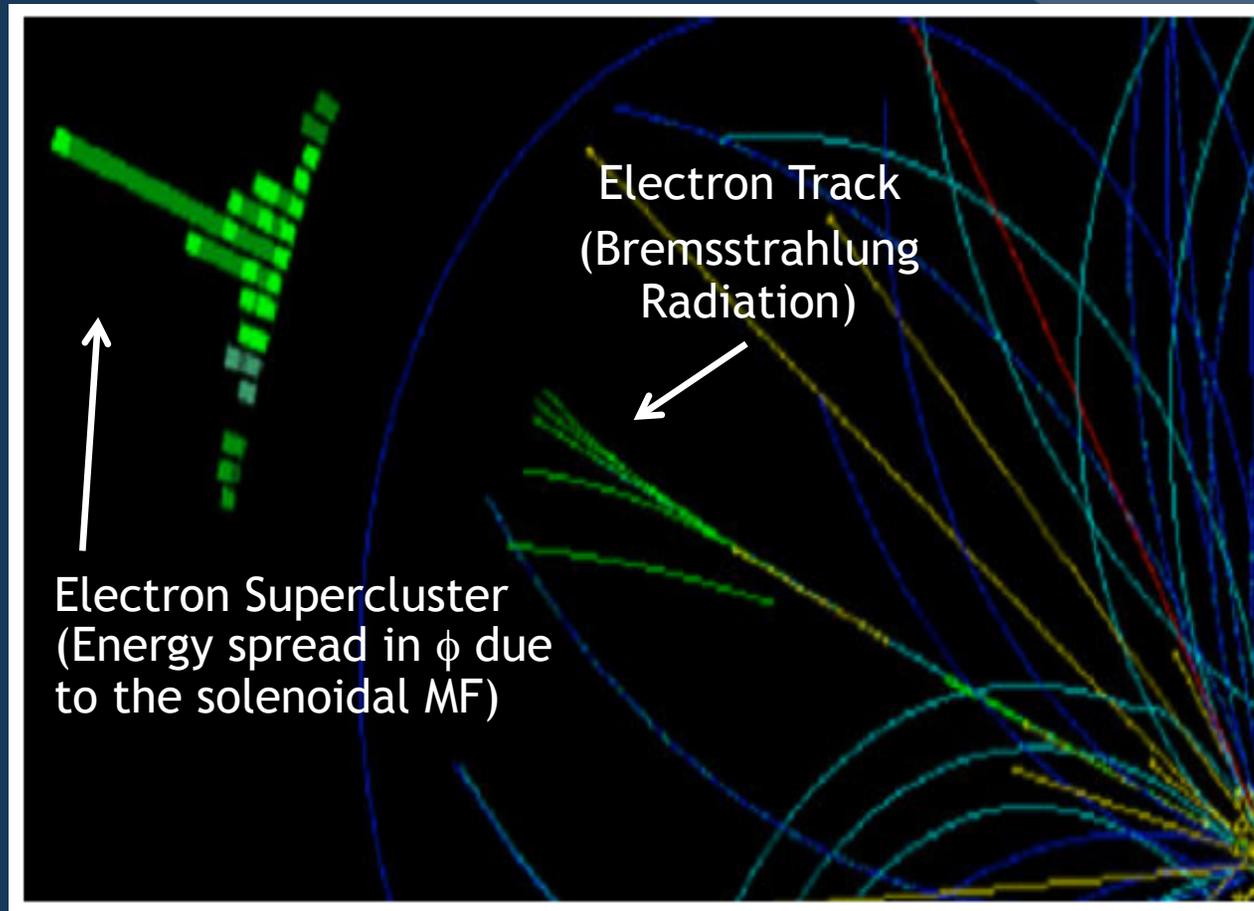
2.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Results largely consistent with SM expectations

Slight excess in some channels no surprising in low statistics analysis

Selection	N( $\tau$ )=0		N( $\tau$ )=1		N( $\tau$ )=2	
	obs	expected SM	obs	expected SM	obs	expected SM
<b><math>\geq</math>FOUR Lepton Results</b>						
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, noZ	0	0.003 $\pm$ 0.002	0	0.01 $\pm$ 0.05	0	0.30 $\pm$ 0.22
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, Z	0	0.06 $\pm$ 0.04	0	0.13 $\pm$ 0.10	0	0.15 $\pm$ 0.23
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, noZ	1	0.014 $\pm$ 0.005	0	0.22 $\pm$ 0.10	0	0.59 $\pm$ 0.25
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, Z	0	0.43 $\pm$ 0.15	2	0.91 $\pm$ 0.28	0	0.34 $\pm$ 0.15
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, noZ	0	0.0013 $\pm$ 0.0008	0	0.01 $\pm$ 0.05	0	0.18 $\pm$ 0.07
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, Z	1	0.28 $\pm$ 0.11	0	0.13 $\pm$ 0.10	0	0.52 $\pm$ 0.19
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, noZ	0	0.08 $\pm$ 0.03	4	0.73 $\pm$ 0.20	6	6.9 $\pm$ 3.8
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, Z	11	9.5 $\pm$ 3.8	14	5.7 $\pm$ 1.4	39	21 $\pm$ 11
<b>THREE Lepton Results</b>						
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, no-OSSF	2	0.87 $\pm$ 0.33	21	14.3 $\pm$ 4.8	12	10.4 $\pm$ 2.2
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, no-OSSF	4	3.7 $\pm$ 1.2	88	68 $\pm$ 17	76	100 $\pm$ 17
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, no-OSSF	1	0.50 $\pm$ 0.33	12	7.7 $\pm$ 2.3	22	24.7 $\pm$ 4.0
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, no-OSSF	7	5.0 $\pm$ 1.7	245	208 $\pm$ 39	976	1157 $\pm$ 323
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, noZ	5	1.9 $\pm$ 0.5	7	10.8 $\pm$ 3.3	-	-
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, Z	8	8.1 $\pm$ 2.7	10	11.2 $\pm$ 2.5	-	-
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, noZ	19	11.6 $\pm$ 3.2	64	52 $\pm$ 13	-	-
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, noZ	5	2.0 $\pm$ 0.7	24	26.6 $\pm$ 3.3	-	-
MET>50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, Z	58	57 $\pm$ 21	47	44.1 $\pm$ 7.0	-	-
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> >200, Z	6	8.2 $\pm$ 2.0	90	119 $\pm$ 14	-	-
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, noZ	86	82 $\pm$ 21	2566	1965 $\pm$ 438	-	-
MET<50, H <sub>T</sub> <200, Z	335	359 $\pm$ 89	9720	7740 $\pm$ 1698	-	-
Totals 4L	13.0	10.4 $\pm$ 3.8	20.0	7.8 $\pm$ 1.5	45	30 $\pm$ 12
Totals 3L	536	539 $\pm$ 94	12894	10267 $\pm$ 1754	1086	1291 $\pm$ 324

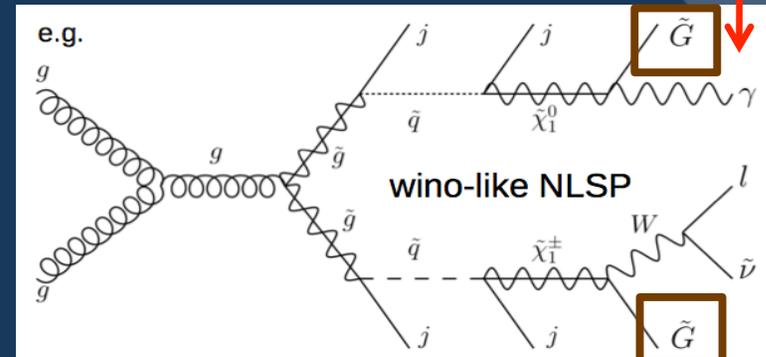
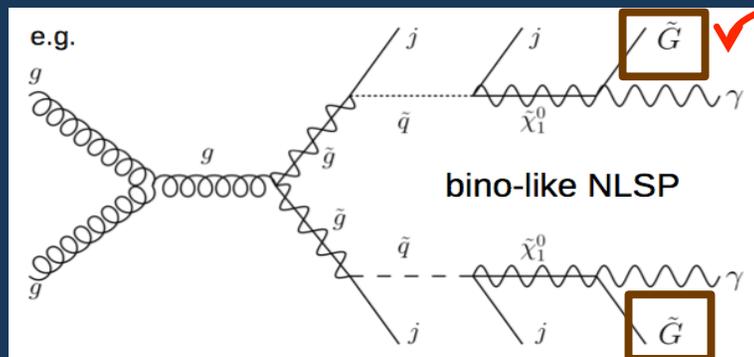
# An Electron



# CMS Search Strategy: Topologies



0-leptons	1-lepton	OSDL	SSDL	$\geq 3$ leptons	2-photons	$\gamma$ +lepton
Jets + MET	Single lepton + Jets + MET	Opposite-sign di-lepton + jets + MET	Same-sign di-lepton + jets + MET	Multi-lepton	Di-photon + jet + MET	Photon + lepton + MET



Gauge Mediation - LSP: is the gravitino photons in final state

Backgrounds: fake MET (QCD), real MET (EWK)

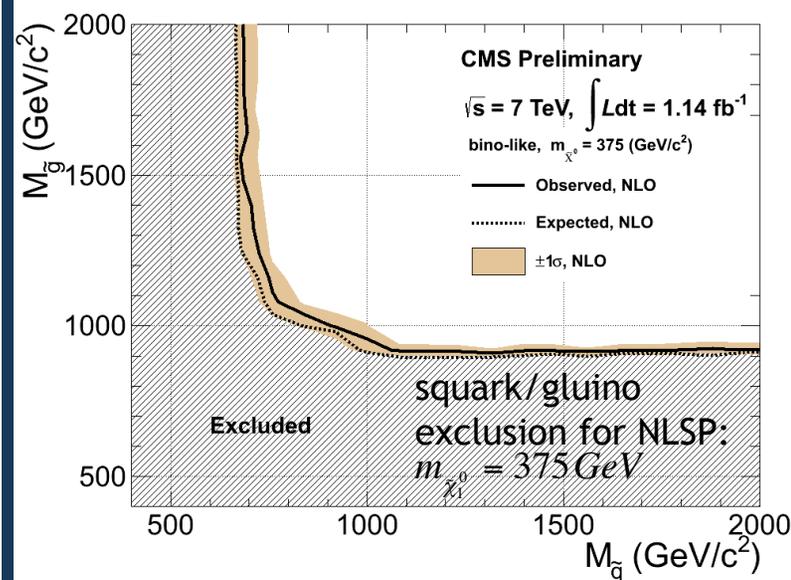
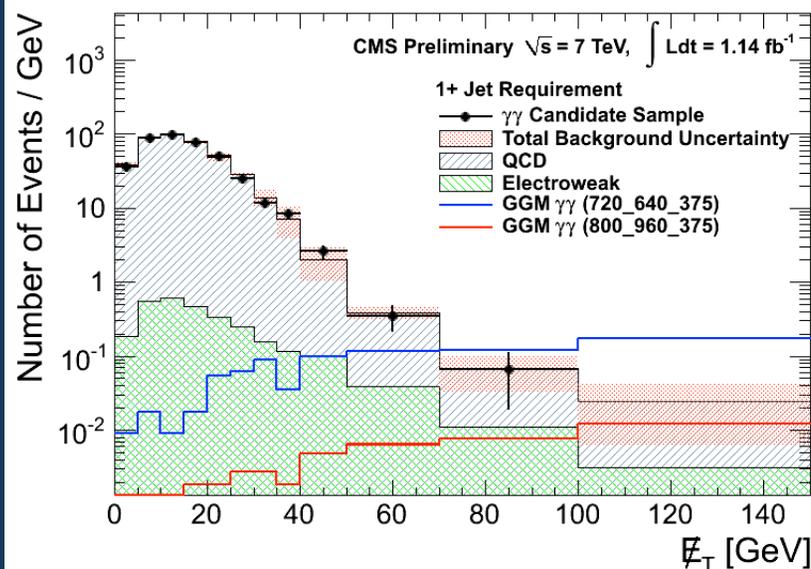
- Diphotons - QCD from prompt  $2\gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ +jets, multijets (MET from mis-measured jets). EWK from  $W\gamma$  and top (e mis-ID as  $\gamma$ )
- Photon+lepton -  $W\gamma$ . Z,  $t\bar{t}$  (e mis-ID as  $\gamma$ ). Multijets, W+jets

# Diphoton Search



At least 2 photons,  $\geq 1$  jet,  $MET > 100$  GeV

CMS-PAS-SUS-11-009



Type	Events	stat. error	scal. error	norm. error
$\gamma\gamma$ candidates	0			
$ff$ QCD background	$2.3 \pm 2.2$	$\pm 2.19$	$\pm 0.13$	$\pm 0.10$
$ee$ QCD background	$1.0 \pm 0.8$	$\pm 0.82$	$\pm 0.02$	$\pm 0.03$
EWK background	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	$\pm 0.06$	$\pm 0.0$	$\pm 0.03$
Total background ( $ff$ )	$2.5 \pm 2.2$			
Total background ( $ee$ )	$1.3 \pm 0.8$			

No evidence for GM SUSY particles

# Outline



Who is SUSY, does she exist ?

- SUSY's characteristics (looks) and why we search for her

Search Tools

- Detectors, reconstructed objects

Search Strategy

- Data selection, background subtraction, statistical analysis

Search Results: SUSY is still missing

- Results and exclusions of searched areas

Is SUSY dead, hiding ?

- **Search strategies for 2012**

# Is MSSM ruled out ?



If a Higgs between 114 and 135 GeV was excluded, then the answer would be yes but NMSSM & other extended models would remain

Assuming a SM-like Higgs is discovered:

- cMSSM (constrained MSSM) depends on only 5 parameters:
  - ✓  $m_0, m_{1/2}, A_0, \tan \beta, \text{sgn}(\mu)$A significant fraction of cMSSM phase space remains unexplored
- pMSSM (phenomenological MSSM) depends on 19 parameters:
  - ✓ 10 sfermion, 3 gaugino masses, 3 tri-linear couplings, 3 Higgs/HiggsinopMSSM has not been explored yet
- General CP-conserving MSSM with R-parity conservation has 124 parameters
  - Offers an even larger fraction of unexplored phase space

**MSSM is alive and kicking, not even cMSSM is dead**



# The Simplified Models

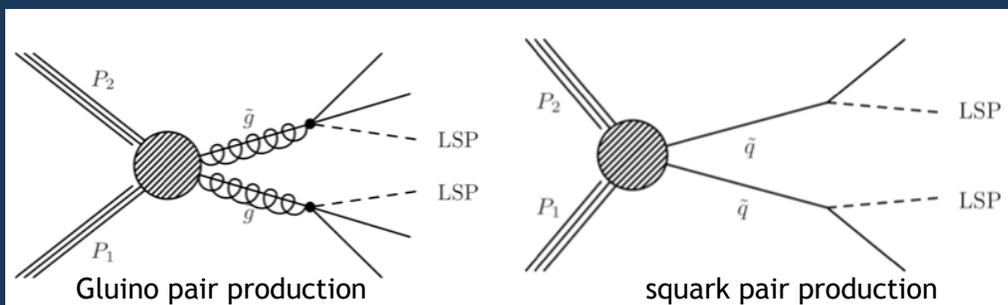
## SUSY depends on a large number of unconstrained parameters

- Cross sections depend little on the details of the SUSY model
- Kinematics determined mostly by pdfs and phase space factors associated with 2/3-body decays

## Simplified Models (SMS)

- Characterize data in terms of small number of basic parameters (~2 x-sections, ~3 masses, ~3 branching ratios)
- Group large sectors of parameter space into a few SMS with similar final state topologies
- Experimental data translated to more detailed frameworks using SMS

Alwall, Schuster, Toro:  
Phys. Rev. D79, 075020  
(2009)  
arXiv:0810.3921[hep-ph]



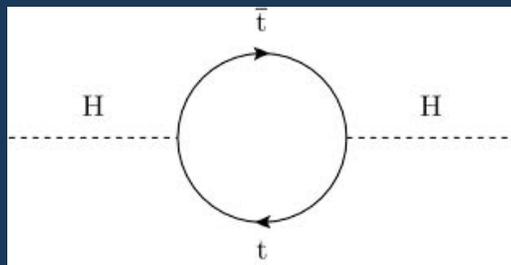
**SMS currently used to set limits in CMS**

# The Hierarchy Problem Revisited



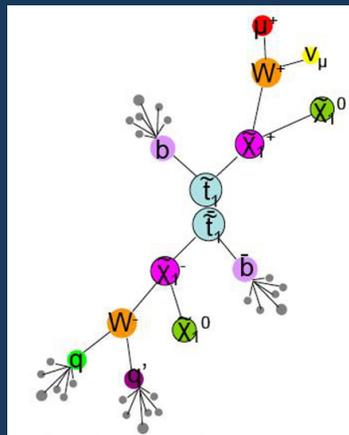
But CMS/ATLAS ruled out cMSSM squarks and gluinos above 1.1 TeV in a large region of  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  space

- $M_{\text{sparticles}} \approx M_{\text{particles}}$  for Higgs mass to be stable (1.1 TeV  $\gg$  1 MeV-200 GeV range !)



Yukawa Coupling for  $H\text{-}q_{\text{top}} \gg H\text{-}q_{\text{others}}$

- Only the top loop really needs to be cancelled by the stop loop
- A light stop is all that is needed  $\sim 0.5\text{-}1$  TeV



$$\tilde{t} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^0 W^\pm^{(*)} \rightarrow b\tilde{\chi}_1^0 l\nu \text{ or } b\tilde{\chi}_1^0 q\bar{q}$$

Signature: 0/1/2 leptons + jets (2 b-jets)+ MET (high particle multiplicity, low MET)

2012: Focus on stop and sbottom searches (searches with b-jets and  $\tau$  in final state recently approved - not shown today)

# The Unexplored cMSSM Region



High  $m_0$  & low  $m_{1/2}$

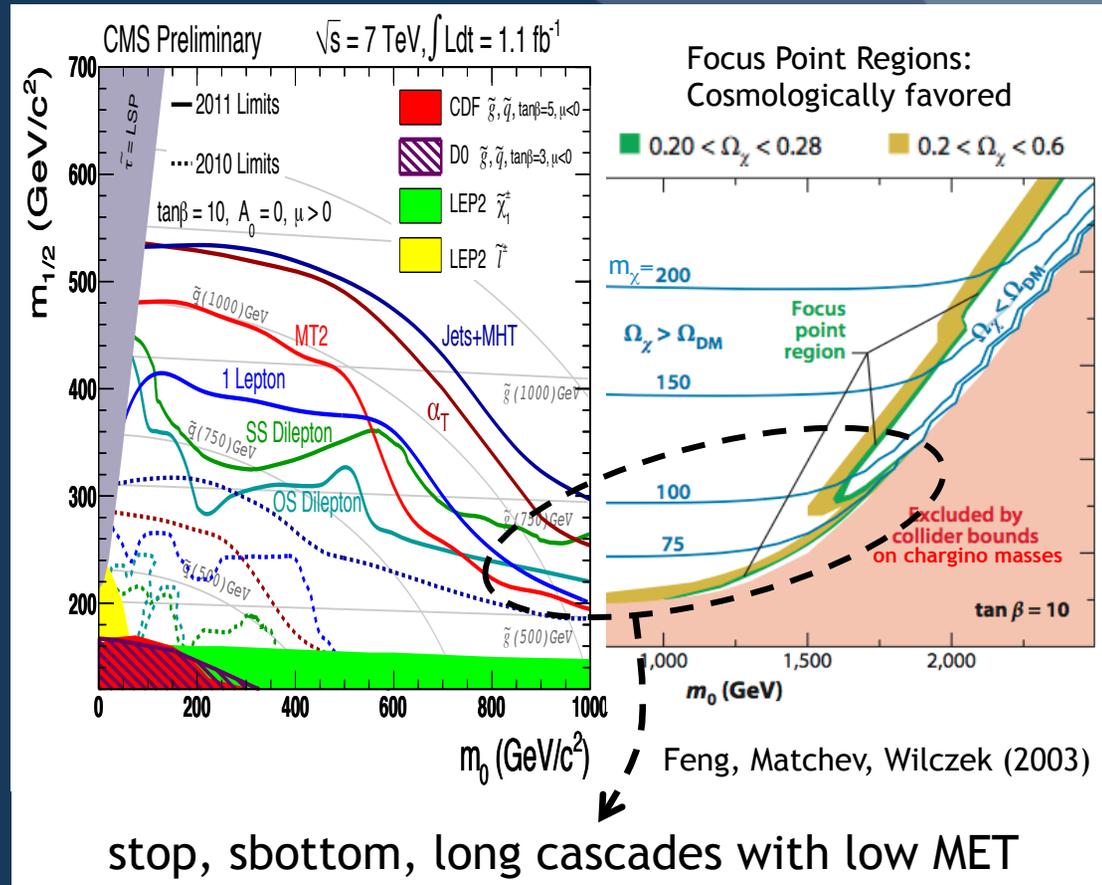


High  $m_{sq}$ , gluino production dominates

(Long cascades, high jet multiplicity,  $\geq 4$ , low MET)



Relatively light neutralino  $m_{\chi} \approx 100$  GeV



2012: Focus also on searches for events with high jet multiplicity and relatively low MET

# A Message from the Cosmos

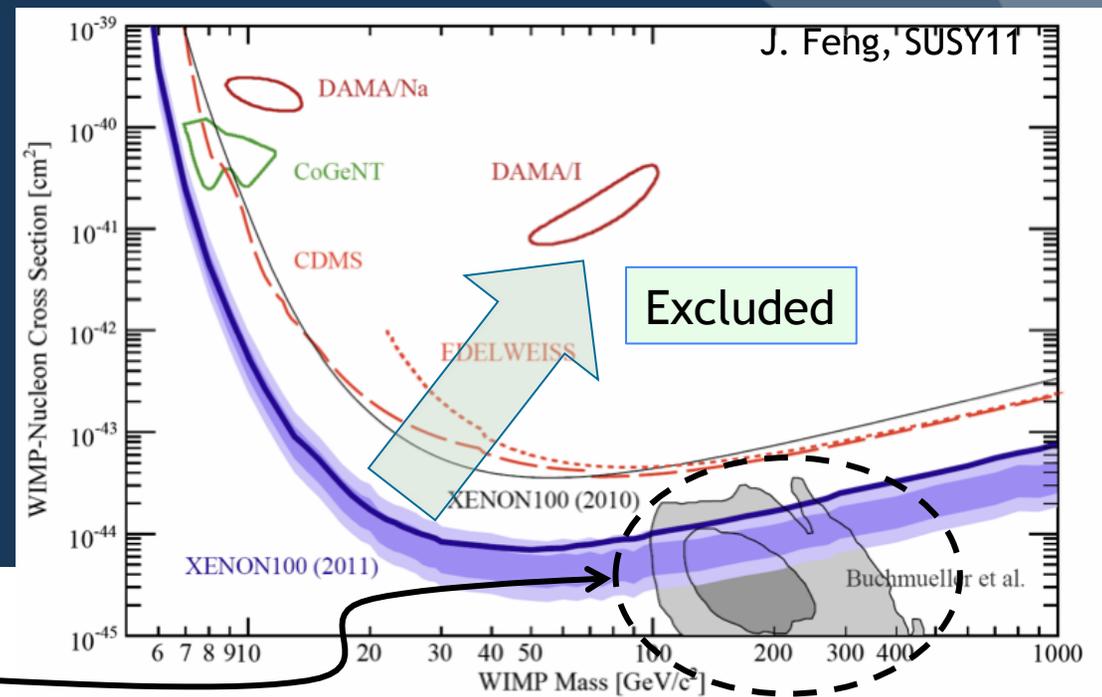


## EDELWEISS, CDMS, XENON100 WIMP mass exclusion limits

Using HEP experimental constraints:

- ATLAS, CMS (hadronic & leptonic searches)
- LHCb, D0, CDF BR ( $B_s \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ )

Favored region for DM candidate



LHC has excluded models with low cross sections, and left those with extremely bright prospects for DM detection

# This is not the end ...



... but the beginning

of one of the most exciting periods in the history  
of particle physics

Join the search, the fun, and hopefully the  
thrill of discovery

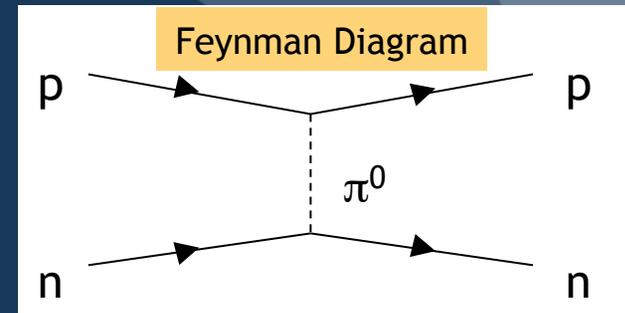


# Backup Slides

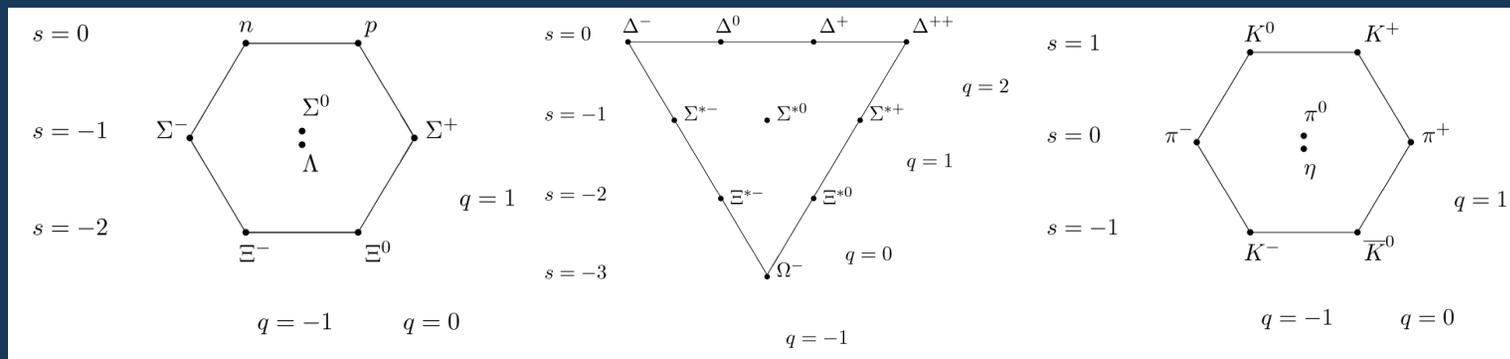
# Nuclear Forces



Yukawa theory (1934): nuclear interaction mediated by mesons (*pion*)



Through the 50's and 60's a depressingly large number of hadrons were discovered

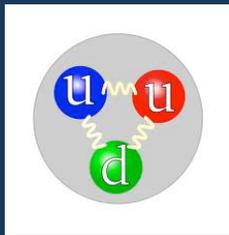


“Eightfold Way” model first attempt at a classification

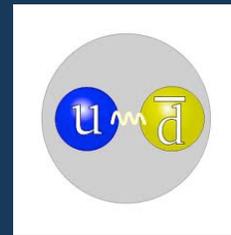


# The Quark Model

Gel-Mann and Zweig (1961): all hadrons composed of quarks



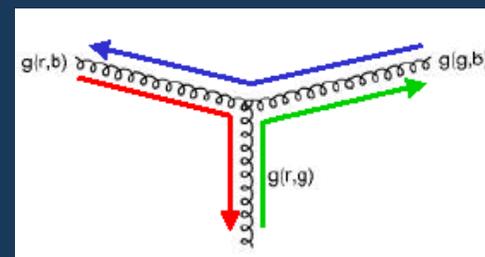
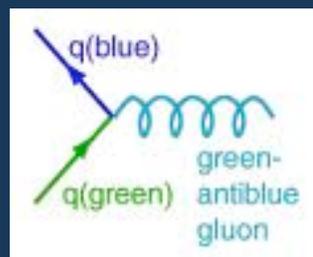
Baryon  
(i.e. proton)



Meson (i.e. pion)

Quantum Chromodynamics (QCD) - theory of strong interactions

- Quarks are fundamental fields, interact via *gluon* exchange
- Quarks carry one of three color charges, and *gluons* carry two
- *Gluons* couple with *gluons* (3-gluon vertex)



# ATLAS/CMS Detector Comparison



	ATLAS	CMS
MAGNET (S)	Air-core toroids + solenoid in inner cavity Calorimeters outside field 4 magnets	Solenoid Calorimeters inside field 1 magnet
TRACKER	Si pixels + strips TRD → particle identification B= 2T $\sigma/p_T \sim 5 \times 10^{-4} p_T (\text{GeV}) \oplus 0.01$	Si pixels + strips No particle identification B= 4T $\sigma/p_T \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-4} p_T (\text{GeV}) \oplus 0.005$
EM CALO	Pb-liquid argon $\sigma/E \sim 10\%/\sqrt{E}$ uniform longitudinal segmentation	PbWO <sub>4</sub> crystals $\sigma/E \sim 3-5\%/\sqrt{E}$ no longitudinal segmentation
HAD CALO	Fe-scint. + Cu-liquid argon (10 λ) $\sigma/E \sim 50\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03$	Brass-scint. (> 5.8 λ + catcher) $\sigma/E \sim 100\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 0.05$
MUON	Air → $\sigma/p_T \sim 7\%$ at 1 TeV standalone	Fe → $\sigma/p_T \sim 5\%$ at 1 TeV combining with tracker

Fabiola Gianotti's

# Detector Performance Definitions



## Concepts

### Object Identification Efficiency:

- Probability to reconstruct a physics object in the detector and identify it as the real particle that originated the signature (e,  $\gamma$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\tau$ , hadron, jet)

### Object Fake Rate:

- Probability to reconstruct a physics object in the detector and identify it incorrectly as a real particle of a different type than the one that originated the signature

### Object Isolation Efficiency:

- Isolation is a requirement for a physics object to be separated in space from others. Isolation Efficiency is the probability for an event with an isolated object to pass a given isolation requirement

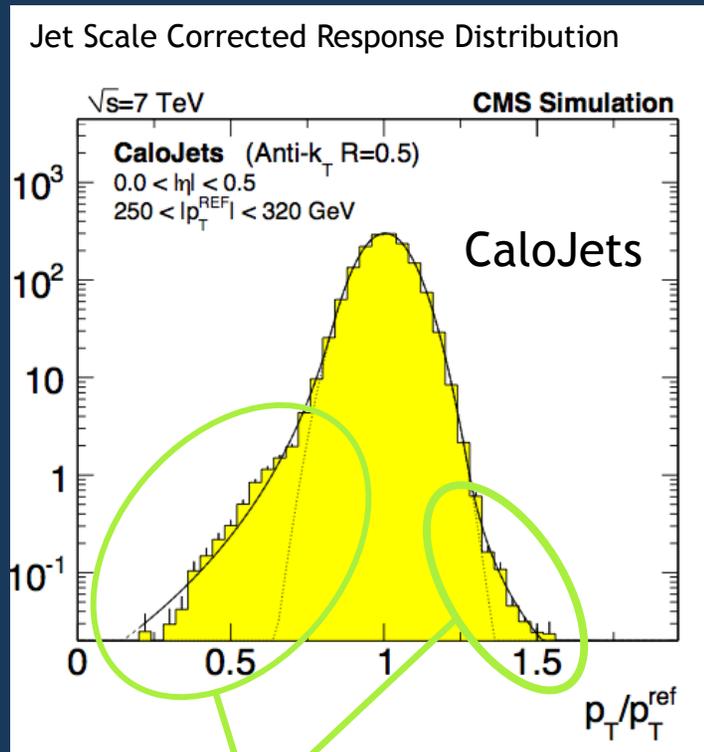
### Object Response/Resolution:

- Energy/momentum response is the fraction of energy/momentum reconstructed by the detector. Resolution is the variance of the response distribution

### Angular Coverage & Hermeticity:

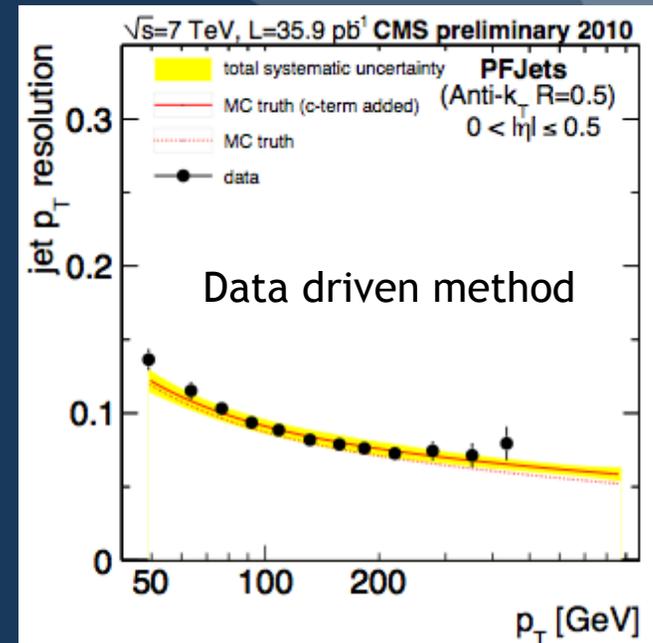
- Angular Coverage refers to the solid angle covered by the detector. A detector is Hermetic if no particle escapes beyond its boundaries

# Jet Performance



Understanding tails critical for SUSY searches: events with fake large MET

Resolution measured from data using  $p_T$  balance in dijet events



Excellent MC modeling of jet relative  $p_T$  resolution:  $\sigma_{p_T}/p_T$



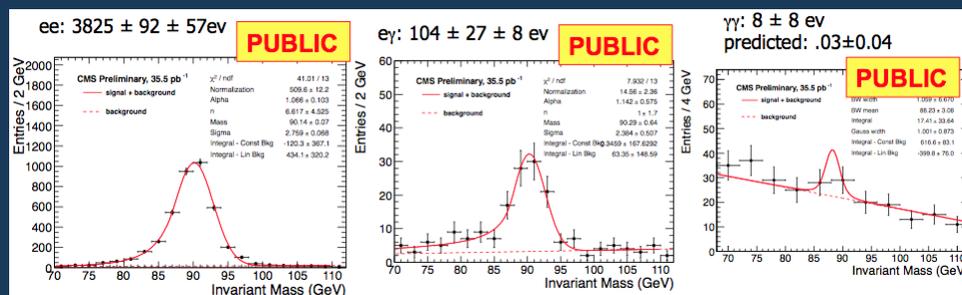
# The Tag & Probe Method

Data driven method to measure efficiencies and fake rates:

Concept

➤ Example:  $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fake rate

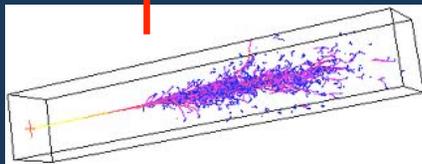
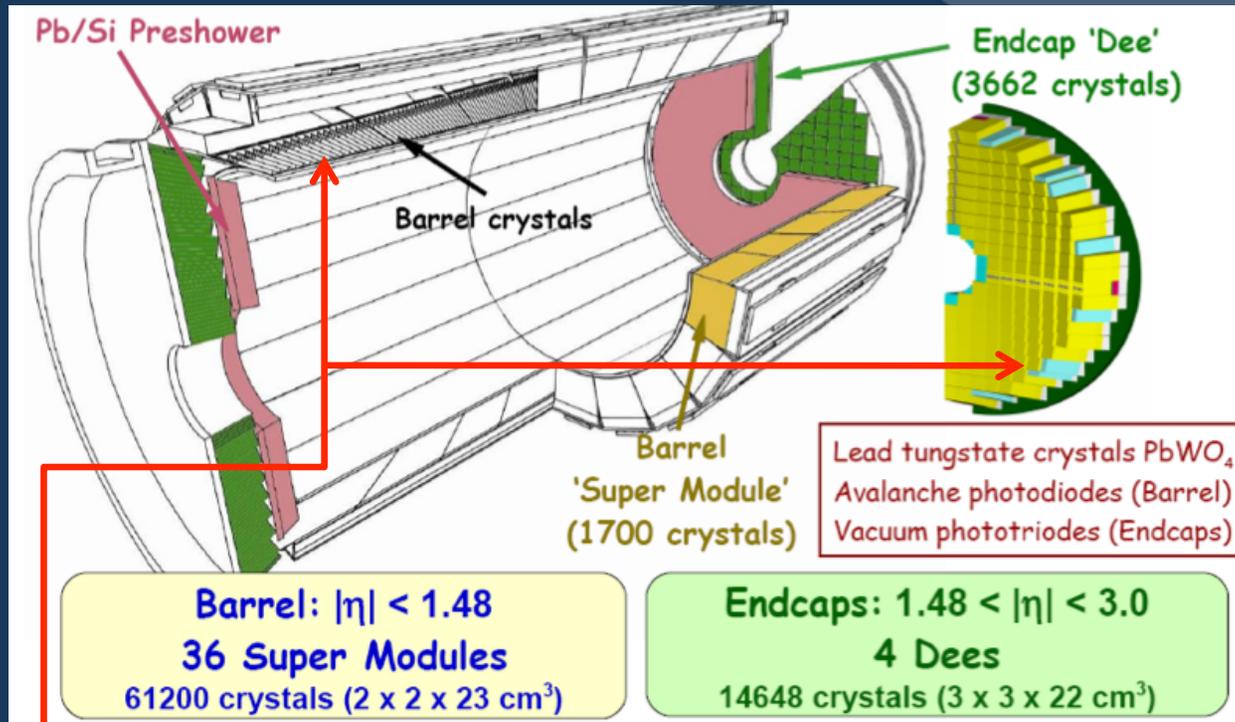
- ✓ Start with  $ee$ ,  $e\gamma$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$  samples ( $e$  is tag object,  $\gamma$  is probe object)
- ✓ After background subtraction, all events in peak are  $Z \rightarrow ee$
- ✓  $f_{e-\gamma} = (N_{e\gamma} + 2N_{\gamma\gamma}) / 2N_{\text{total}}$



➤ Example: tau reco & ID efficiency

- ✓ Select sample of  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  with  $\tau \rightarrow m_{\tau_{\text{had}}}$  using cuts to suppress background but not the  $\tau$  ID cuts
- ✓  $f_{\text{jet}-\tau} = N_{\text{pass}} / (N_{\text{pass}} + N_{\text{fail}})$

# $\gamma/e$ in the CMS Detector

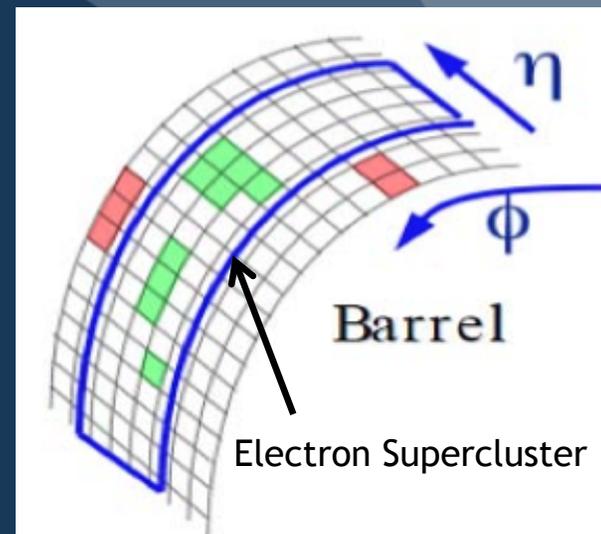
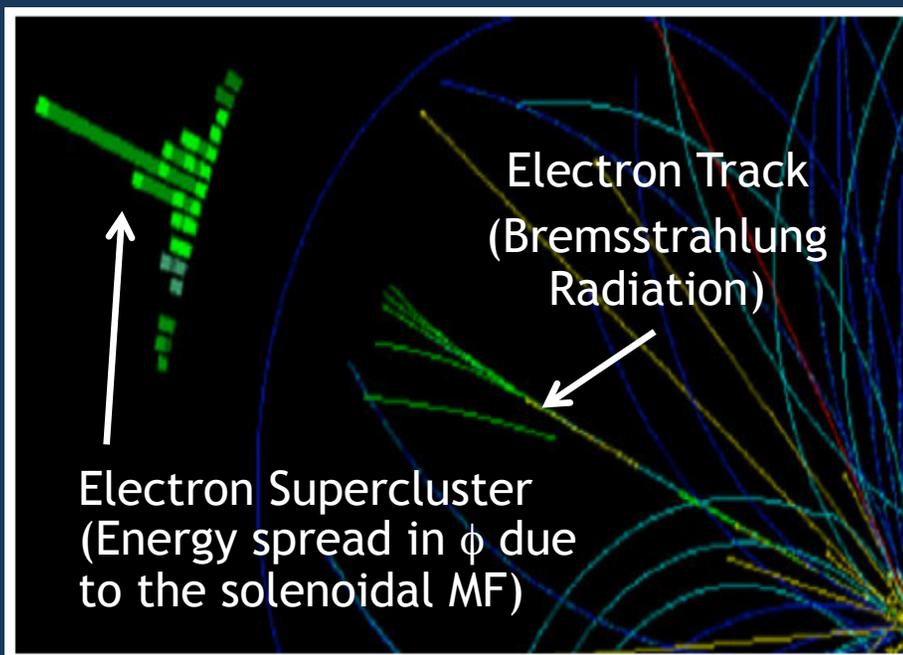


**compact & high granularity:**  
 radiation length = 0.89 cm  
 Moliere Radius = 2.2cm  
 $\Rightarrow$  good jet rejection

26 rad. lengths  
 90% of shower contained  
 in one crystal

$e/\gamma$  resolution:  $< 0.5\%$ ,  
 $E > 120 \text{ GeV}$

# $\gamma/e$ Reconstruction & ID



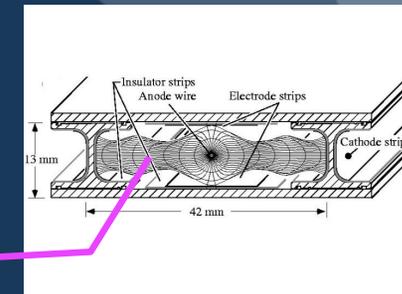
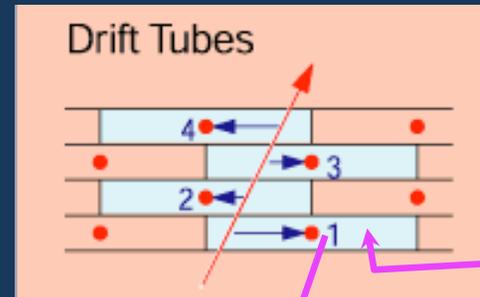
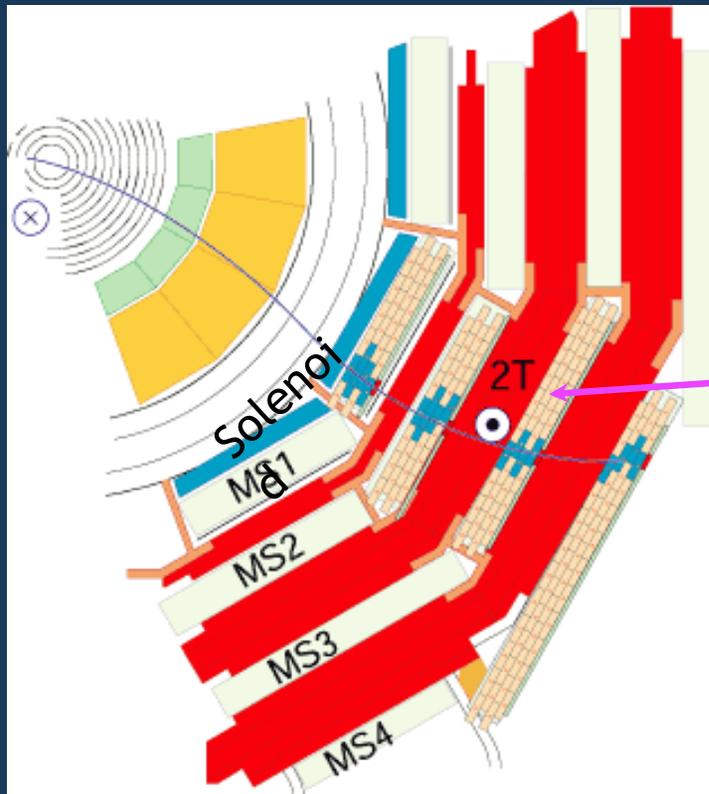
Supercluster defined in a narrow  $\eta$  strip extended in  $\phi$

Calibrated supercluster passing isolation and shower shape criteria:

- **Electron:** if there are hits in pixel tracker consistent with tracks from the interaction point (IP)
- **Photon:** if there is no pixel match

$e/\gamma$  efficiency > 96%      $\gamma$  purity: 30% (90%) for  $p_{T\gamma}=20$  (200) GeV

# Muons in the CMS Detector



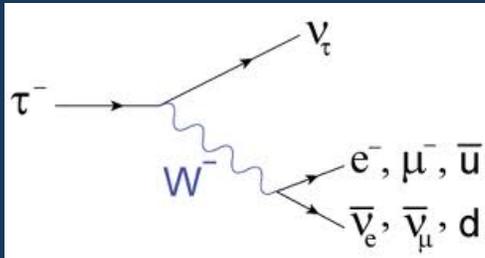
Drift Tubes (DT) outside solenoid and interleaved with iron “return yoke” plates:

- ✓ distance to wire
- ✓ position along the wire

Muons bend in powerful magnetic field:

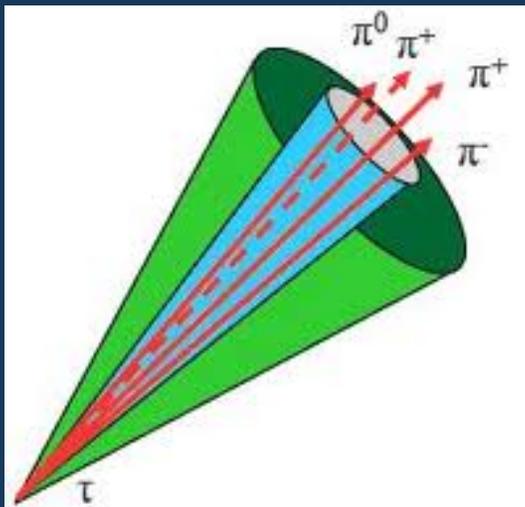
- ✓ Accurate  $p_T$  measurement

# Tau Reconstruction & ID



Large mass (1.77 GeV) as compared to  $\mu$  (106 MeV) and electron (0.5 MeV)

- Hadronic decay,  $t_{\text{had}}$ , 2/3 of times
- Leptonic decay, remaining branching ratio



## Hadronic $t$ decay

- Typically one or three charged mesons ( $p^+, p^-$ ), up to 2 neutral mesons ( $p^0$ ), and a  $n_t$ , with  $p^0$  decaying to two  $g$
- Collimated jet similar to QCD jet of  $q/g$

Reconstruction based on Pflow reco & ID of individual particles

$\tau$  efficiency: 25% (50%) for tight (loose) cuts

$\tau$  fake rate: 0.2% (1%) for tight (loose) cuts



# b-Jet Reconstruction

Hadron Colliders: outgoing b-partons evolve into jets

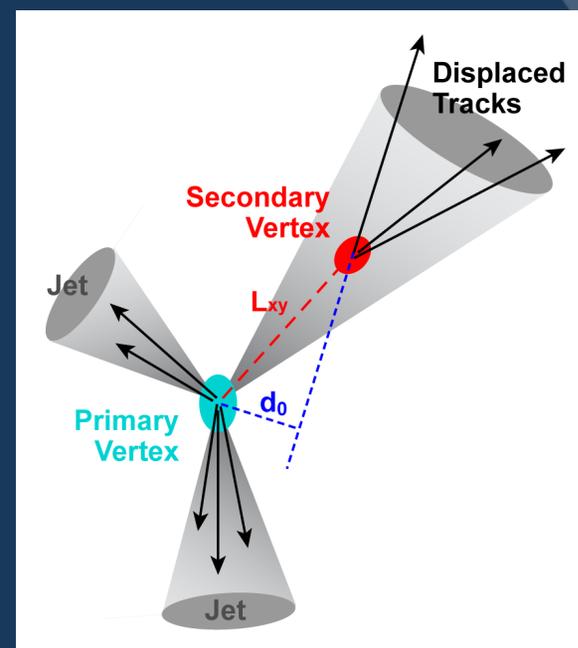
- $M_b = 4.2 \text{ GeV}$
- Lifetime  $\sim 1.5 \text{ psec}$ ,  $1.8 \text{ mm}$
- Weak decay into  $\mu\nu_\mu + \text{c-quarks} \rightarrow \mu$  (20%)

} Displaced decay vertex

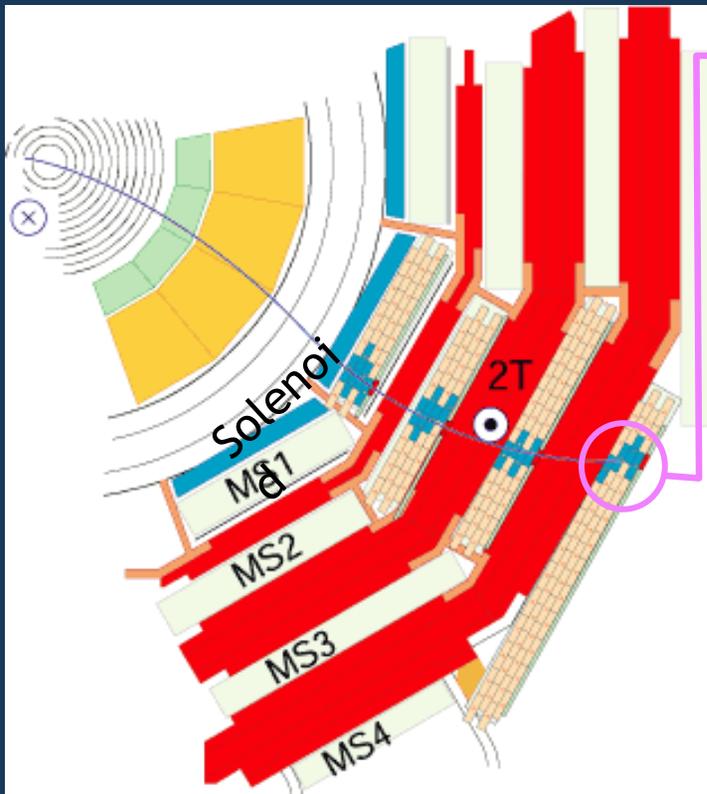
Look for displaced tracks & vertices in jets: b-tagging

b-tagging efficiencies in the (15-55%) range (tight-loose)

Light jet acceptance in the (0.1-10%) range (tight-loose)



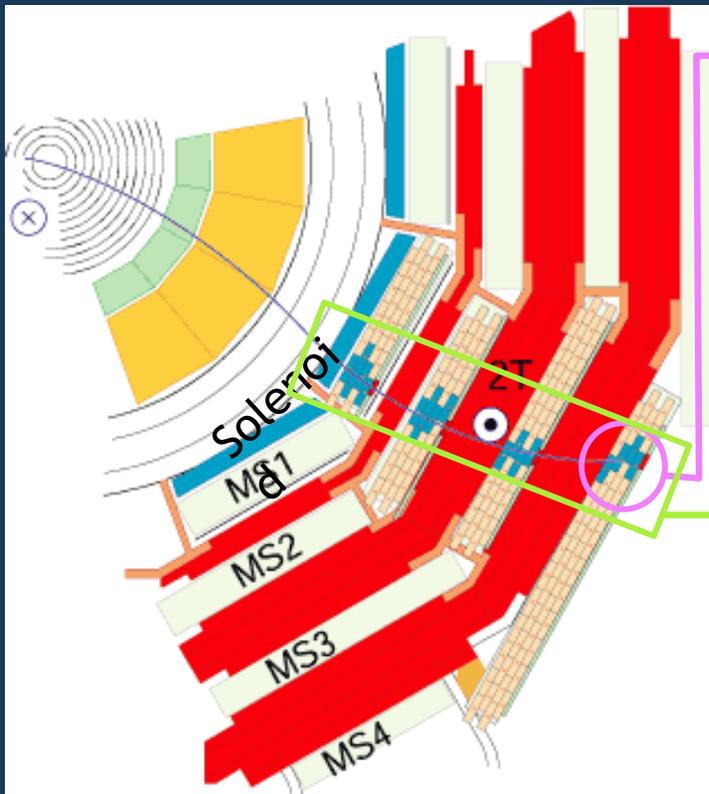
# Muon Reconstruction



- Local Muon

- ✓ Hits from subdetectors
- ✓ Track Segments from hits

# Muon Reconstruction & ID



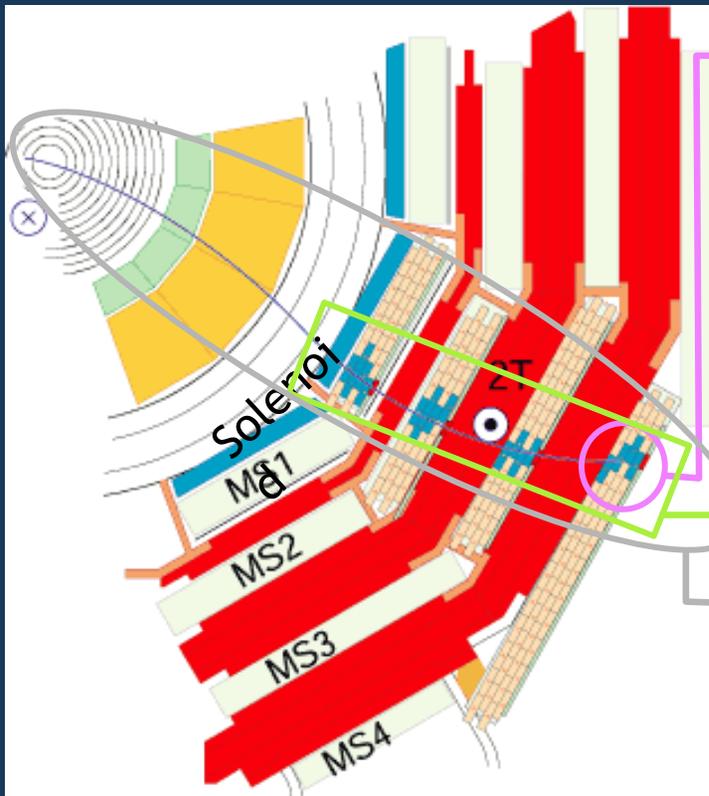
- Local Muon

- ✓ Hits from subdetectors
- ✓ Track Segments from hits

- Standalone Muon

- ✓ Combine track segments into a muon trajectory in muon system

# Muon Reconstruction & ID



- Local Muon

- ✓ Hits from subdetectors
- ✓ Track Segments from hits

- Standalone Muon

- ✓ Combine track segments into a muon trajectory in muon system

- Global Muon

- ✓ Reconstruct Muon Tracker Track
- ✓ Combine Standalone muon and Muon Tracker Track into a Global Muon (global fit)

Muon ID → Global muon, with good PV match, isolation

$$\sigma_{p_T/p_T} < 1\% \text{ at } 10 \text{ GeV}/c, \sim 8\% \text{ at } 500 \text{ GeV}/c$$

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# MET Calculation

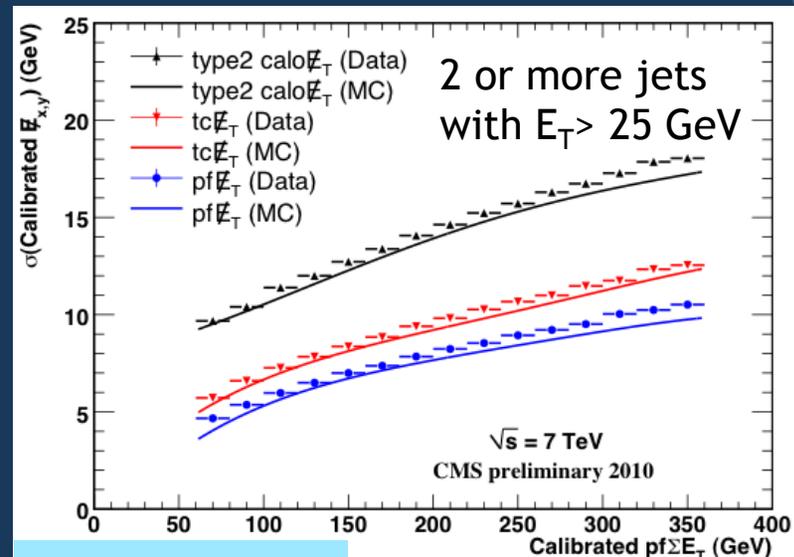
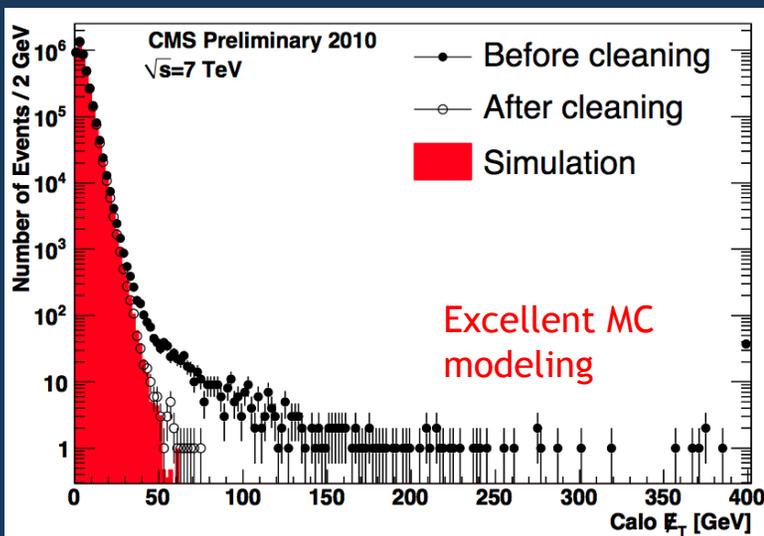
- **Particle Flow MET (pfMET)** is the transverse momentum vector sum over all PF particles:

$$\vec{\cancel{E}}_T = - \sum_{\text{particles}} (p_x \hat{i} + p_y \hat{j})$$

- **Calorimeter MET (CaloMET)** is the transverse momentum vector sum over all calorimeter towers:

$$\vec{E}_T = - \sum_n \text{CaloTowers} (E_n \sin \theta_n \cos \phi_n \hat{i} + E_n \sin \theta_n \sin \phi_n \hat{j}) = E_x \hat{i} + E_y \hat{j}$$

Corrected for jet E scale,  $\mu/\tau p_T$ , unclustered energy



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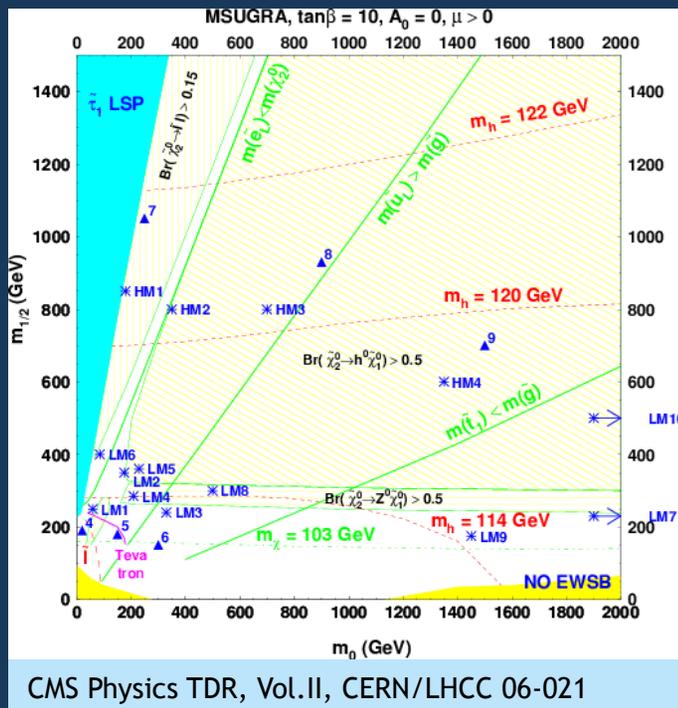
# CMSSM Benchmark Points



Experiments use benchmark points as aid for comparative assessment

Define a grid of points in parameter space for setting exclusion limits

( $m_{1/2}$  &  $m_0$  scanned in 10 GeV steps for  $\tan \beta=3, 10, 50$  using LO generators and NLO k-factors using PROSPINO. Events then passed through detector simulation)



- Low Mass points (LM1 to LM10), above TeV reach, target early LHC searches
- High Mass points (HM1 to HM4) defined for ultimate CMS reach

LM1 (LMB):

$m_0=60$  (400) GeV,  $m_{1/2}=250$  (200) GeV,  $A_0=0$ ,  $\tan \beta=10$  (50),  $\text{sign}(\mu) > 0$

$m_{\text{squark}}=559$  GeV and  $m_{\text{gluino}}=611$  GeV

# MHT All Hadronic Search



## Search regions:

- **High-MHT:** Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV,  $MHT > 500$  GeV  
(DM candidate - good bkgd rejection)
- **High-HT:** Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV  
(heavy particle - long cascade, high multiplicity)
- **Medium HT & MHT:** Baseline +  $HT > 800$  GeV,  $MHT > 500$  GeV

Physics generators not accurate enough  
(QCD multijets, W/Z+jets)



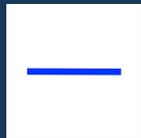
Background predictions  
extracted from data

## Data Driven Methods for background predictions

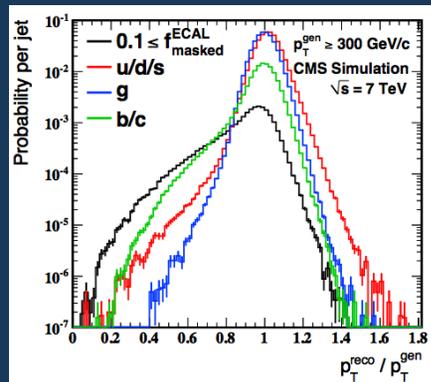
Concept

- Use “control data samples” or “control regions in data”
- **Control sample/region:** signal depleted sample/region from which to infer the bkgd in the signal region by use of event properties, physics laws, etc
- **Signal:** area of phase space where the signal is enhanced = search region (good s/b)

# QCD Background: smearing effect



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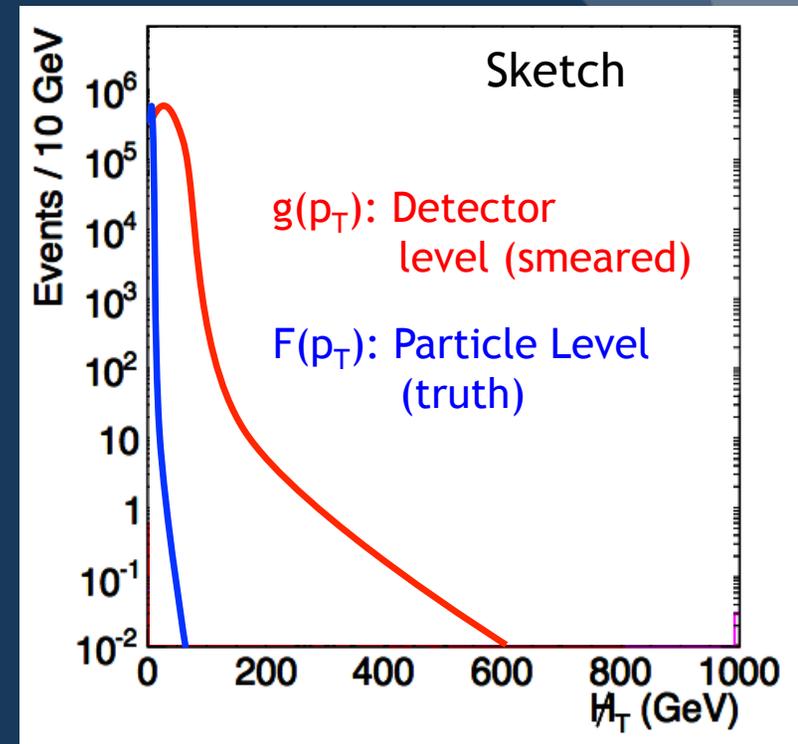
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True distribution  
“smeared” due to the  
finite detector energy  
resolution

$$g^{smeared}(p_T^{meas}) = \int_0^{\infty} F^{true}(p_T^{true}) R(p_T^{meas}, p_T^{true}) dp_T^{true}$$

Jets that fluctuate to  
high/low response  
create spurious MHT tail





# QCD Background: R+S Method

- **Rebalance**

Jet particle level  $p_T$  restored from detector level inclusive multi-jet data sample by maximum likelihood using:

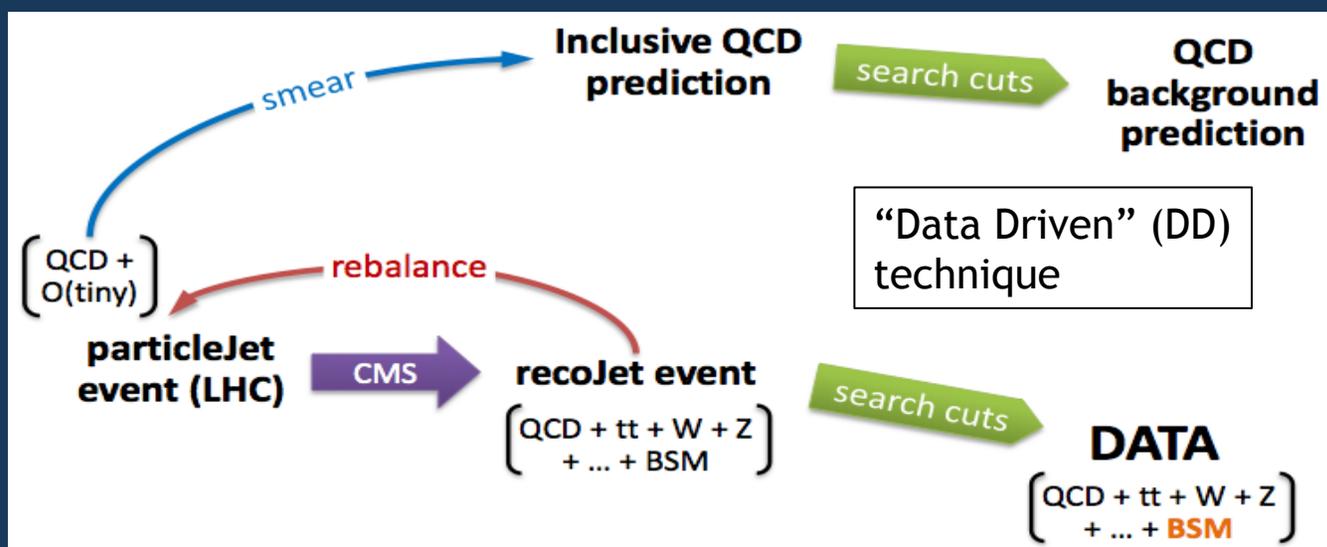
- ✓ Measured jet  $p_T$  response probability density functions

- ✓ Transverse momentum conservation  $\sum_{i=1}^n \vec{p}_{T,i}^{true} + \vec{p}_{T,soft}^{true} = 0$

- ✓ Events with real MET are turned to QCD multi-jet events automatically

- **Smear**

Rebalanced distribution is smeared by the measured jet  $p_T$  resolution functions including the tails



# QCD Background: factorization

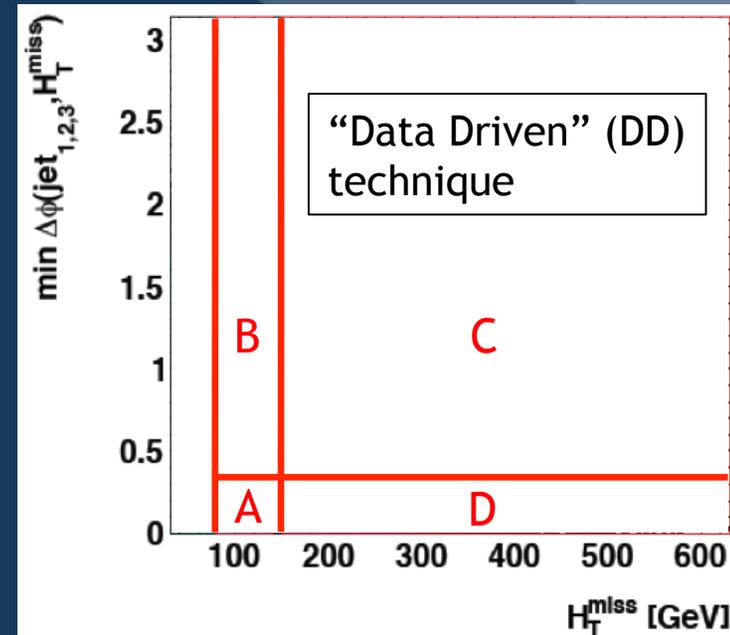


- A, B, D are background dominated regions
- C is the signal region

$\min \Delta\phi(\text{jet}, \text{MHT}) > 0.3, \text{MHT} > 150 \text{ GeV}$

If variables uncorrelated:

$$N_C = N_B / N_A * N_D$$



If variables are correlated and  $r(\text{MHT}) = N_B / N_A$  is understood :

$$N_C = r(\text{MHT}) * N_D$$

with  $r(\text{MHT})$  extrapolated to the signal region

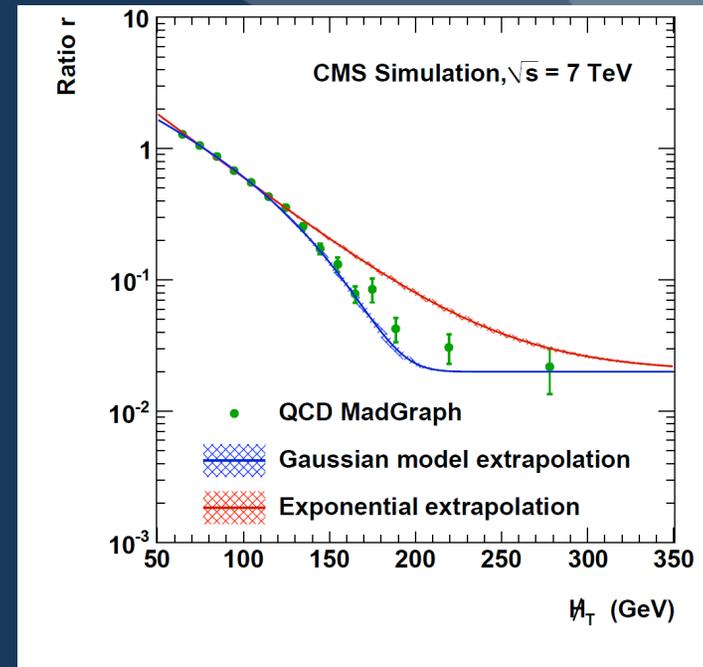
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ABCD or factorization method widely used to predict different backgrounds in many analyses



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# W/top Background: lost lepton

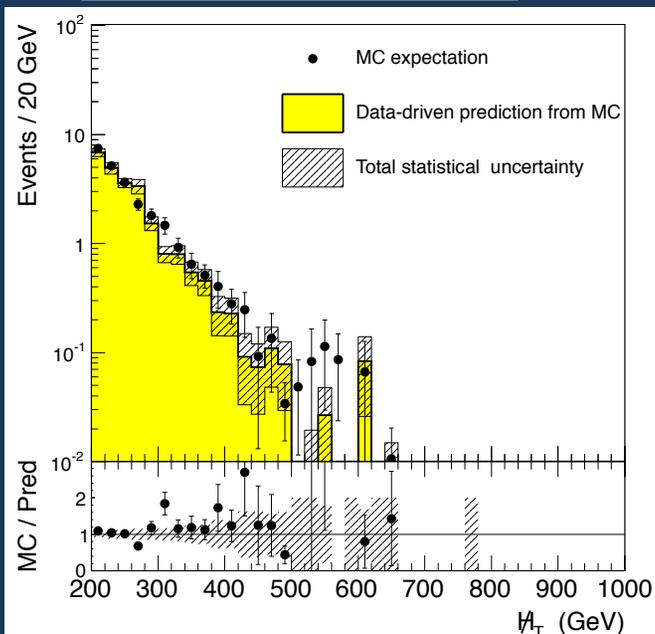
Lepton veto not fully efficient rejecting W/top background. Lepton is “lost” and the event not rejected if:

- ✓ Not reconstructed
- ✓ Not Isolated
- ✓ Out of detector acceptance

Pythia prediction for events with lost leptons passing lepton veto

CMS Simulation,  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV

36 pb <sup>-1</sup>	ttbar		W+jets	
Baseline selection	electron	muon	electron	muon
Not reconstructed	1.5	0.4	0.4	0.1
Not isolated	3.2	3.8	0.6	0.6
Out of acceptance	5.5	4.8	2.1	1.9
<b>total</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.6</b>



Invert lepton veto technique  
on  $\mu$ +jets control sample  
(97% of events are ttbar or W+jets)

and scale the # of events in  
the signal region by:

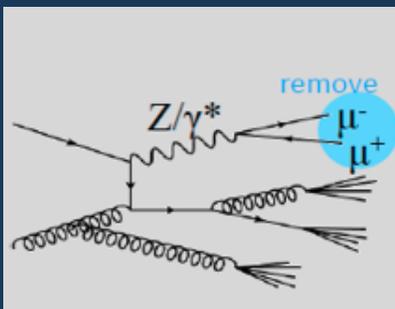
$$\frac{1}{\epsilon_{iso}} \frac{1 - \epsilon_{id}}{\epsilon_{id}}$$



# Z( $\nu\nu$ ) Background

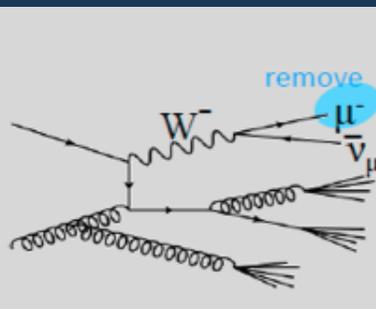
Three independent data driven methods are explored based on Boson substitution with MET

Z( $ll$ )+jets



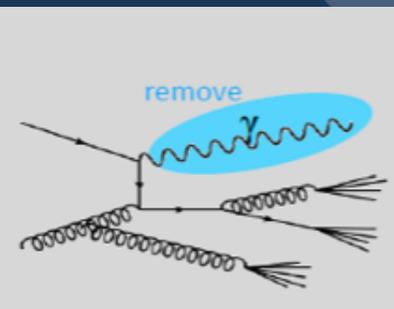
- Same kinematics
- Trivial Br correction  
 $Br(Z \rightarrow \mu\bar{\mu})/Br(Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) = 1/6$
- Lower stats than  $\gamma$ /W+jets

W( $lv$ )+jets



- Similar kinematics
- Large backgrounds
- More stats than Z( $\nu\nu$ ) and 2.5 more than Z( $\mu\mu$ )

$\gamma$ +jets



- Similar kinematics as Z+jets at high  $p_T$  and MHT
- Large and complex theory corrections
- High statistics

$\gamma$ +jets prediction is used for the limit,  
Z/W+jets are cross checks



# Statistical Tests for Limits

## CMS uses the Modified Frequentist Procedure ( $CL_s$ )

- ✓ Avoids excluding or discovering signals, that the analysis is not really sensitive to.
- ✓ Reduce dependency on uncertainty from background

## CMS also uses Bayesian Framework (flat prior for the signal)

- ✓ Frequentist probability is the limit of a frequency
- ✓ Bayesian probability is a subjective degree of believe (The prior is the probability of a theory)

## ATLAS uses Power Constraints Limits (PCL)

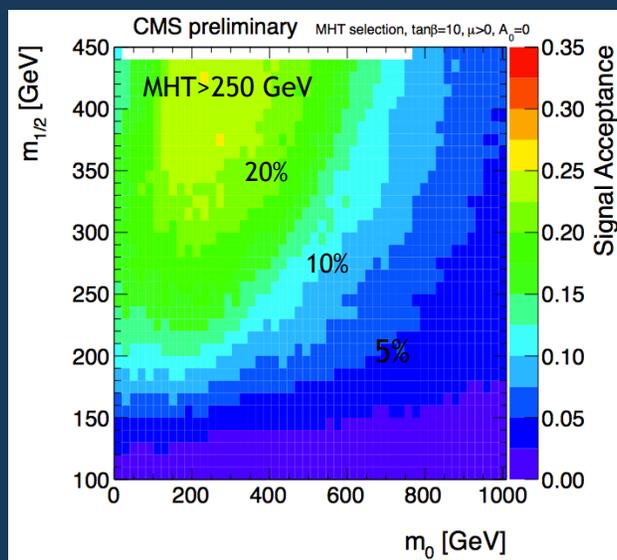
- ✓ Tends to give better (higher) limits for downward fluctuations in data
- ✓ ATLAS also used  $CL_s$  to allow comparison with CMS



# Signal Acceptance/Efficiency

The expected number of signal events for a given model and event selection is estimated from simulated signal samples (generation + detector simulation)

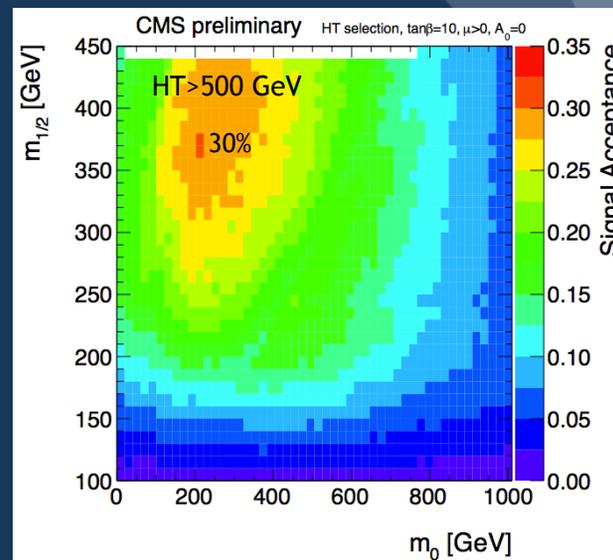
- Experimental and theoretical uncertainties from event selection, reconstruction, calibration
- Theoretical uncertainties related to event generation
- Overall luminosity uncertainty



Signal  $A_{cc} \times E_{ff}$

Acceptance (Acc):  
fraction of events  
passing the  
topology &  
kinematics  
requirement

Efficiency (Eff):  
Fraction of  
“accepted” events  
that were  
triggered,  
reconstructed,  
identified



## Signal Uncertainties:

JEC and JER (8%), lepton veto/trigger efficiency (1%), dead Ecal filter inefficiency (1.5%), luminosity (4%),  $\mu_{R,F}$  in NLO signal calculation (16%), PDFs (3%)