

# Dark Matter (and Dark Mediators) at the LHC

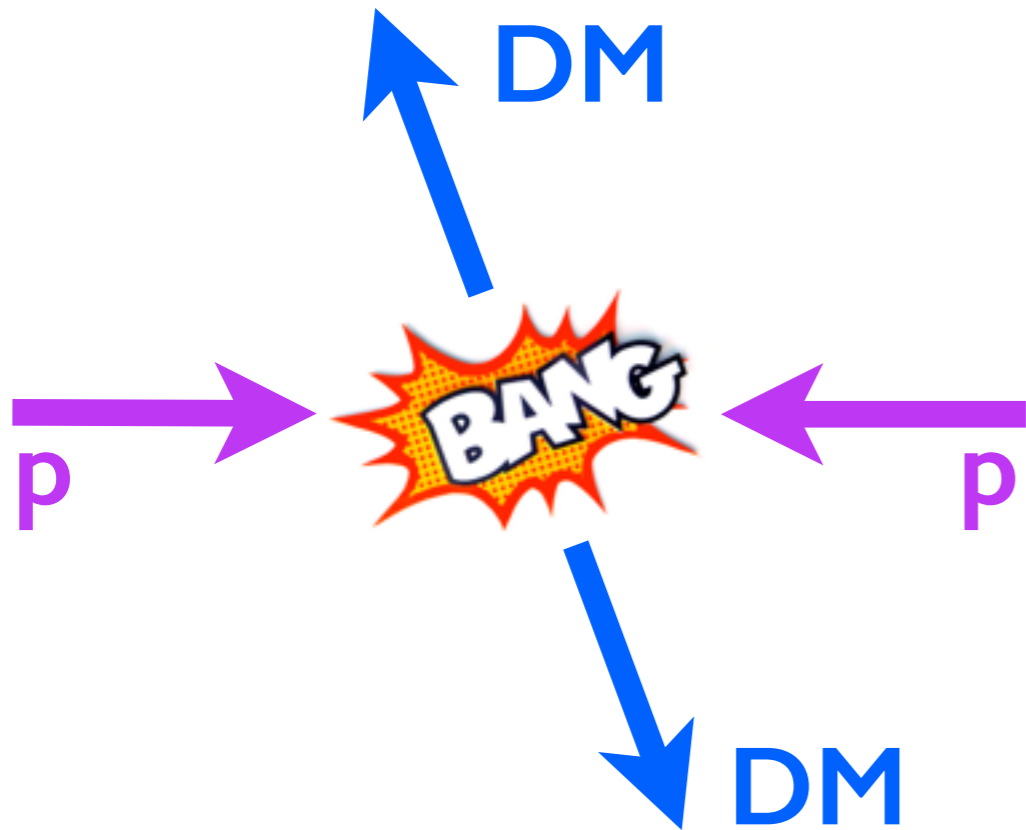
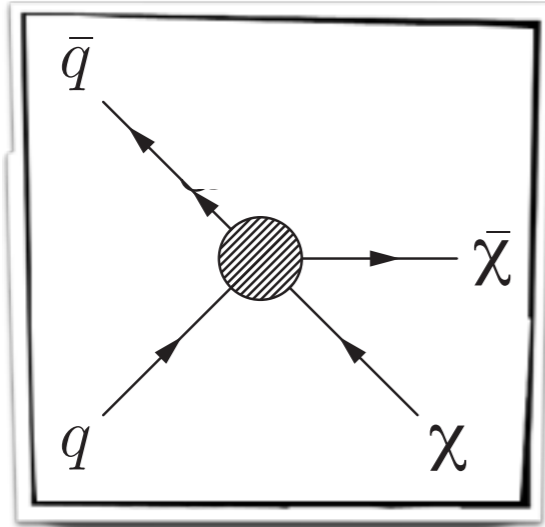


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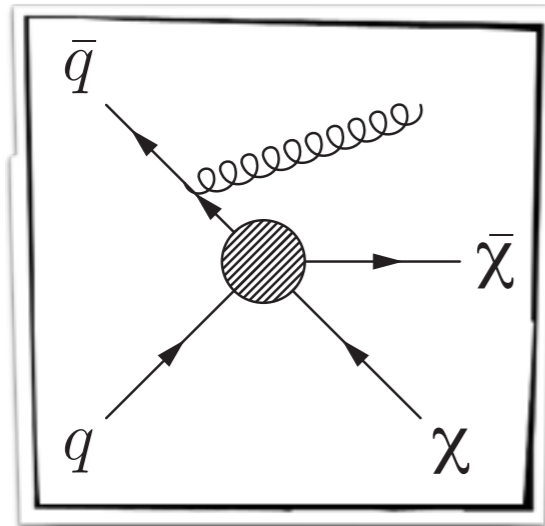
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# DM production at the LHC



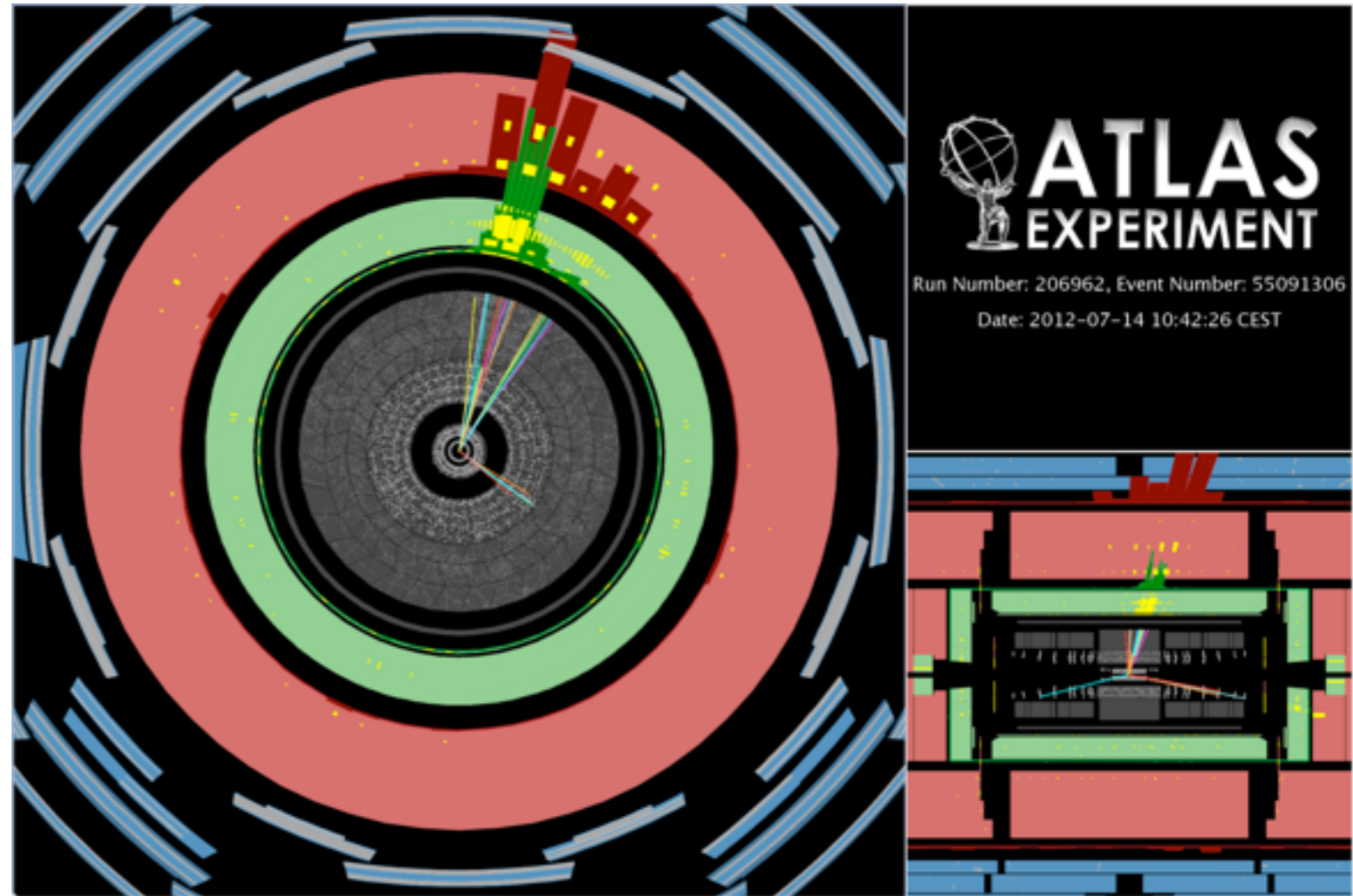
# DM production at the LHC



jet,  $\gamma$ , W, Z, ...



DM DM (missing transverse momentum)



mono-jet event from 7 TeV data  
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# experimental signatures

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## Run-1 results

## Run-2 results

### MET signatures

- mono-jet
- mono- $\gamma$
- mono-W/Z
- heavy flavour + DM
- mono-H
- $H \rightarrow$ invisible

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### Resonant searches

- di-jets

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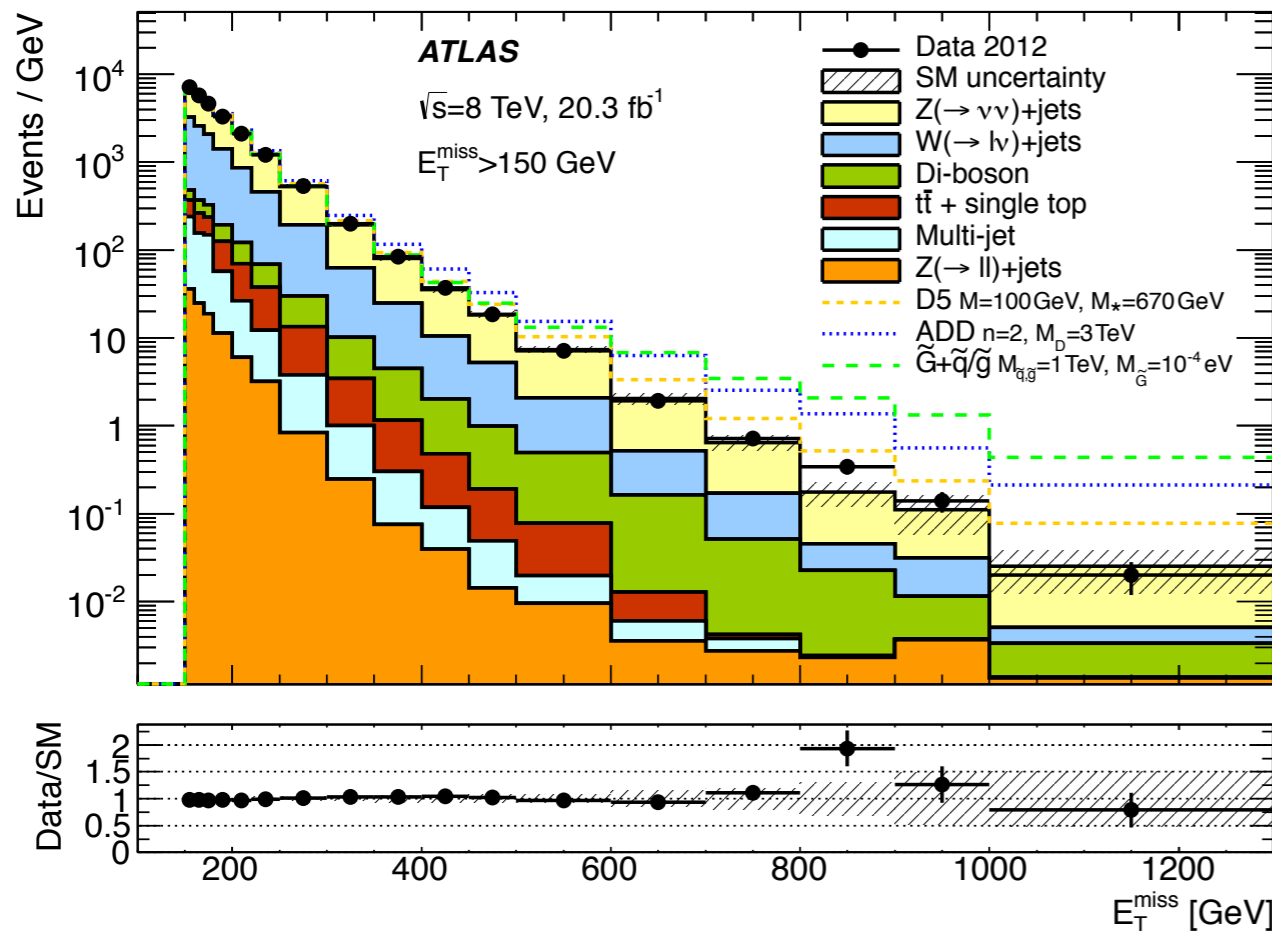
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# mono-jet

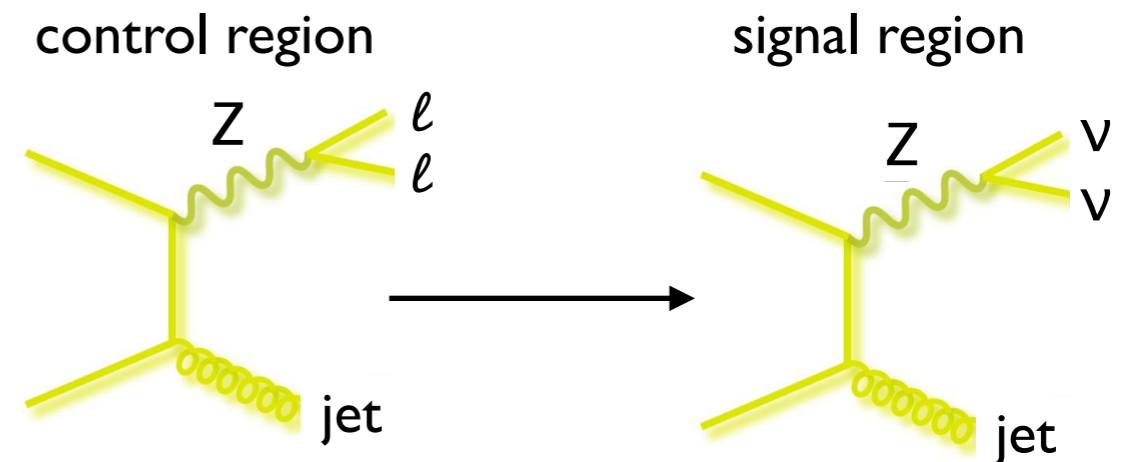
8 TeV 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

## Event selection

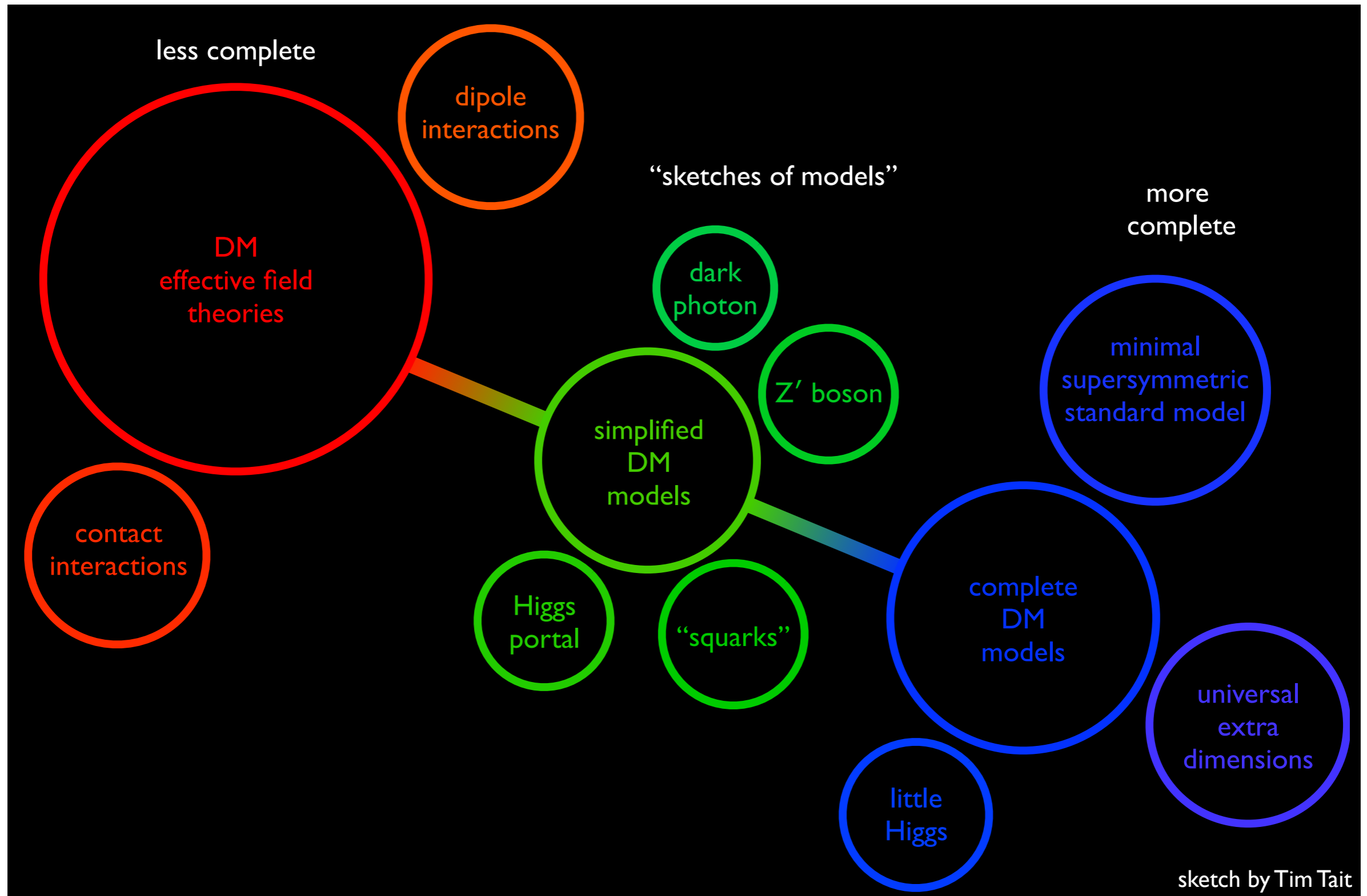
- MET trigger
- jet pT > 120 GeV
- MET > 150 GeV
- lepton veto



Background process	Method	Control sample
Z( $\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$ )+jets	MC and control samples in data	Z/ $\gamma^*$ ( $\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ ), W( $\rightarrow \ell\nu$ ) ( $\ell = e, \mu$ )
W( $\rightarrow e\nu$ )+jets	MC and control samples in data	W( $\rightarrow e\nu$ ) (loose)
W( $\rightarrow \tau\nu$ )+jets	MC and control samples in data	W( $\rightarrow e\nu$ ) (loose)
W( $\rightarrow \mu\nu$ )+jets	MC and control samples in data	W( $\rightarrow \mu\nu$ )
Z/ $\gamma^*$ ( $\rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ )+jets ( $\ell = e, \mu, \tau$ )	MC-only	
$t\bar{t}$ , single top	MC-only	
Diboson	MC-only	
Multijets	Data-driven	
Non-collision	Data-driven	



# DM interpretations



# contact interactions



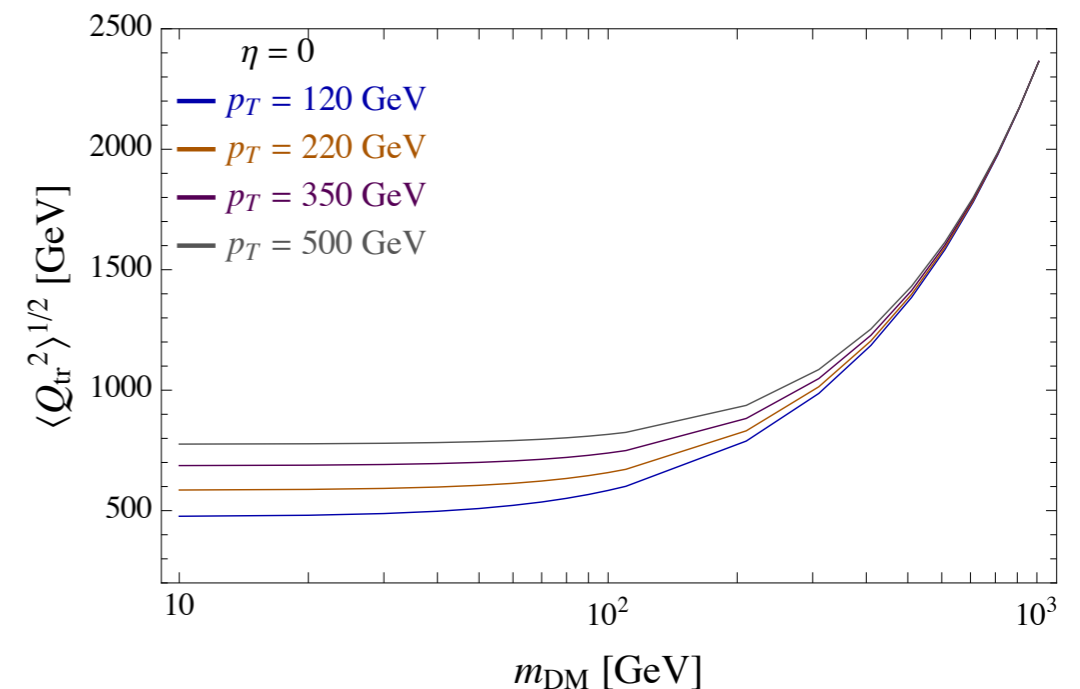
- Contact interactions (dimension-6 operator) form a simple framework for the description of the collider and astro-particle experimental results and were widely used in Run-I by both ATLAS and CMS.

$$\frac{1}{Q_{\text{tr}}^2 - M^2} = -\frac{1}{M^2} \left( 1 + \frac{Q_{\text{tr}}^2}{M^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{Q_{\text{tr}}^4}{M^4}\right) \right)$$

EFT has two parameters ( $m_{\text{DM}}$  and suppression scale  $\Lambda$ )

$$\mathcal{O}_S = \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{\chi}\chi)(\bar{q}q) \quad \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} = \frac{g_\chi g_q}{M^2}$$

- It is safe to use EFT when the mediator can be integrated out.
- However, at the LHC energies, the limits on the suppression scale are comparable to the momentum transfer!



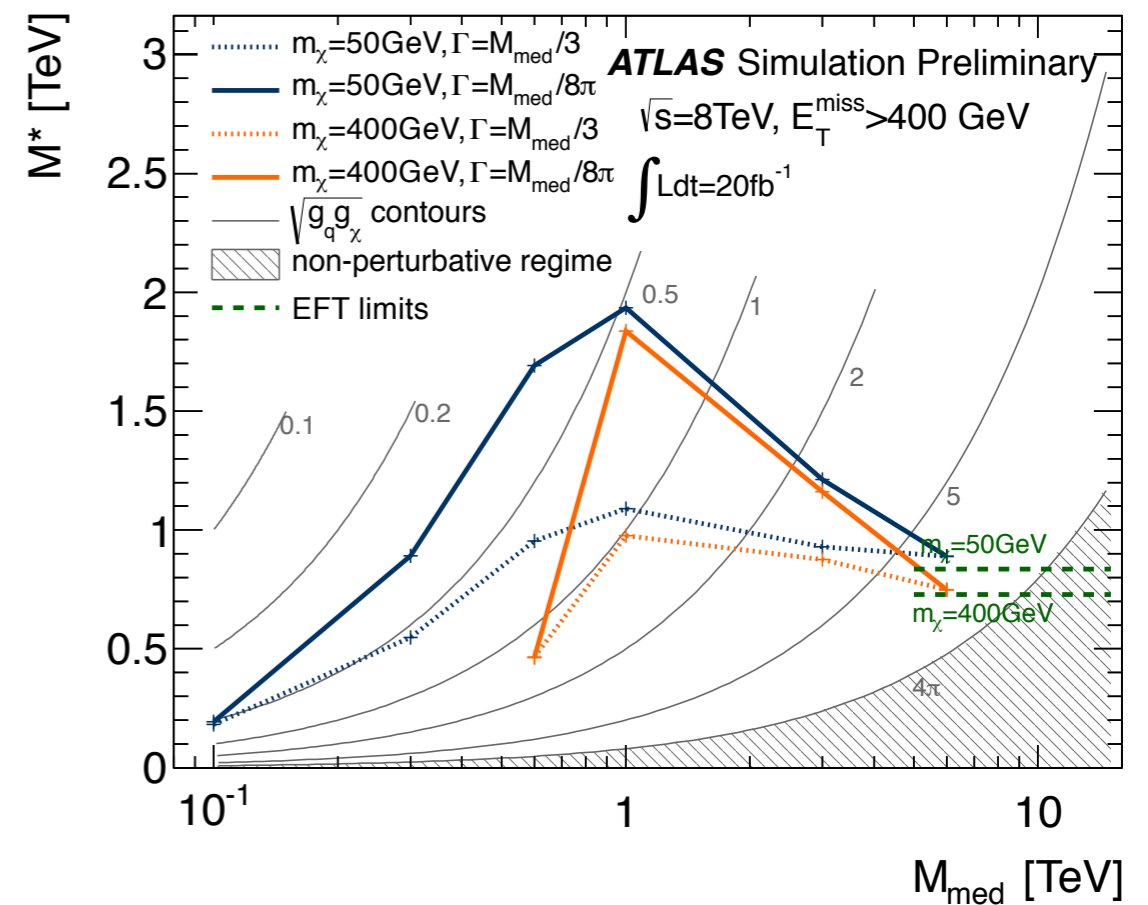
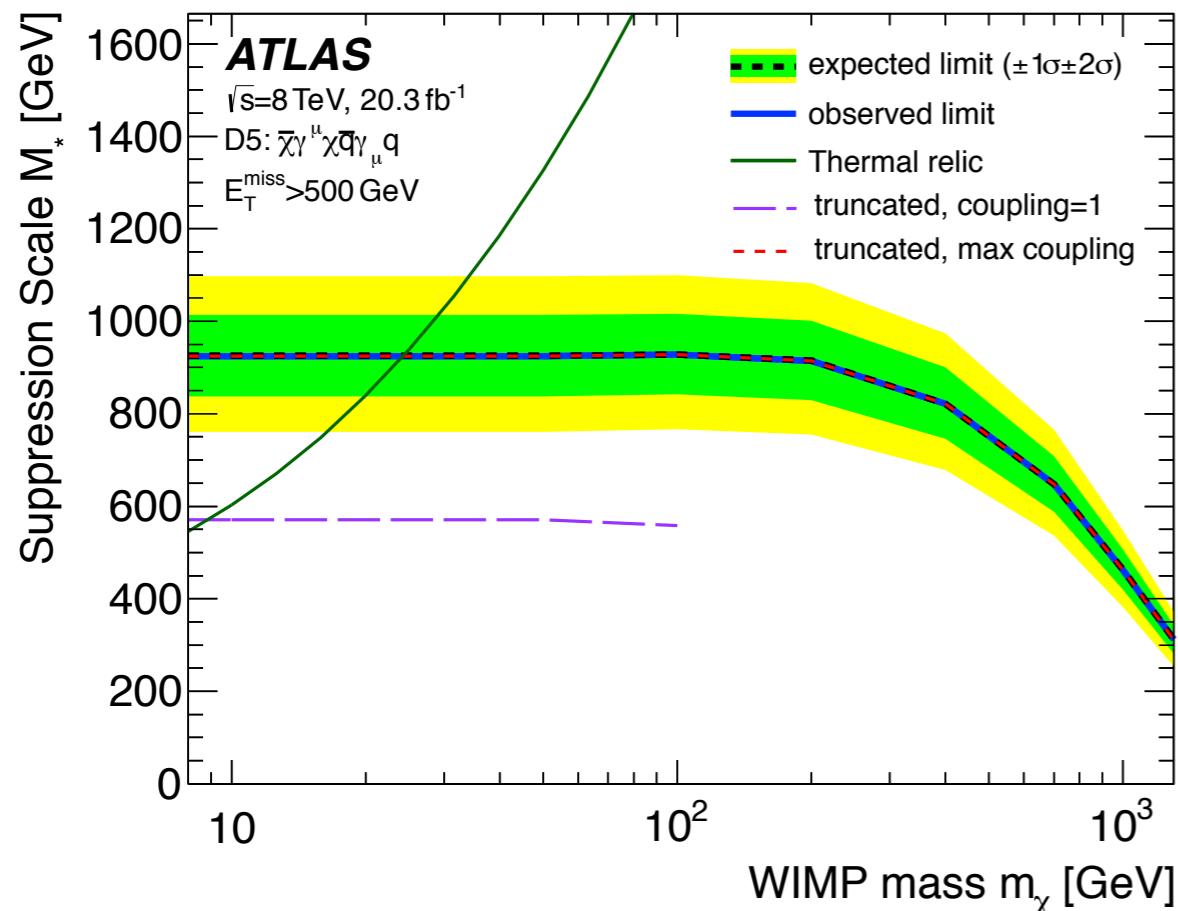
# mono-jet

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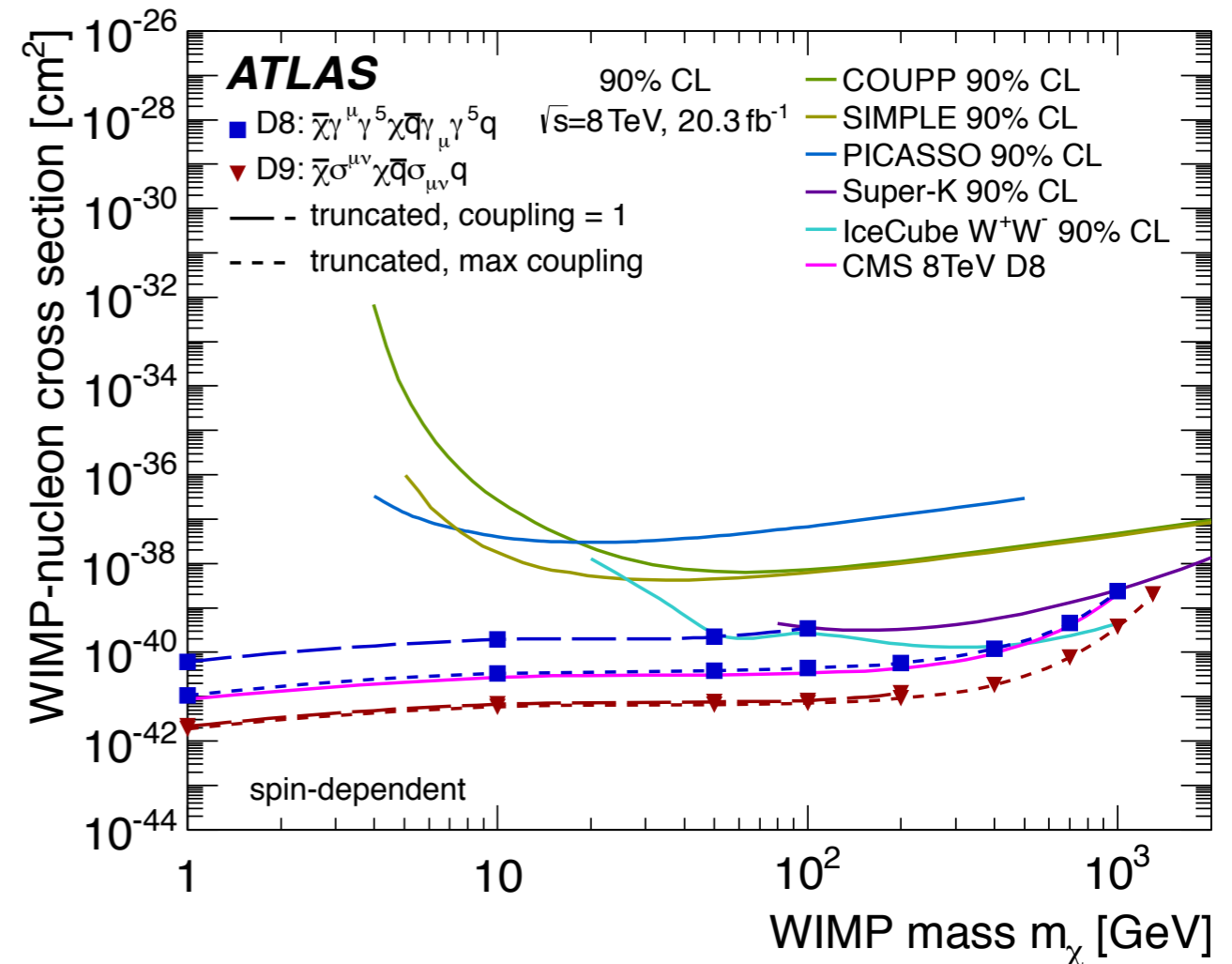
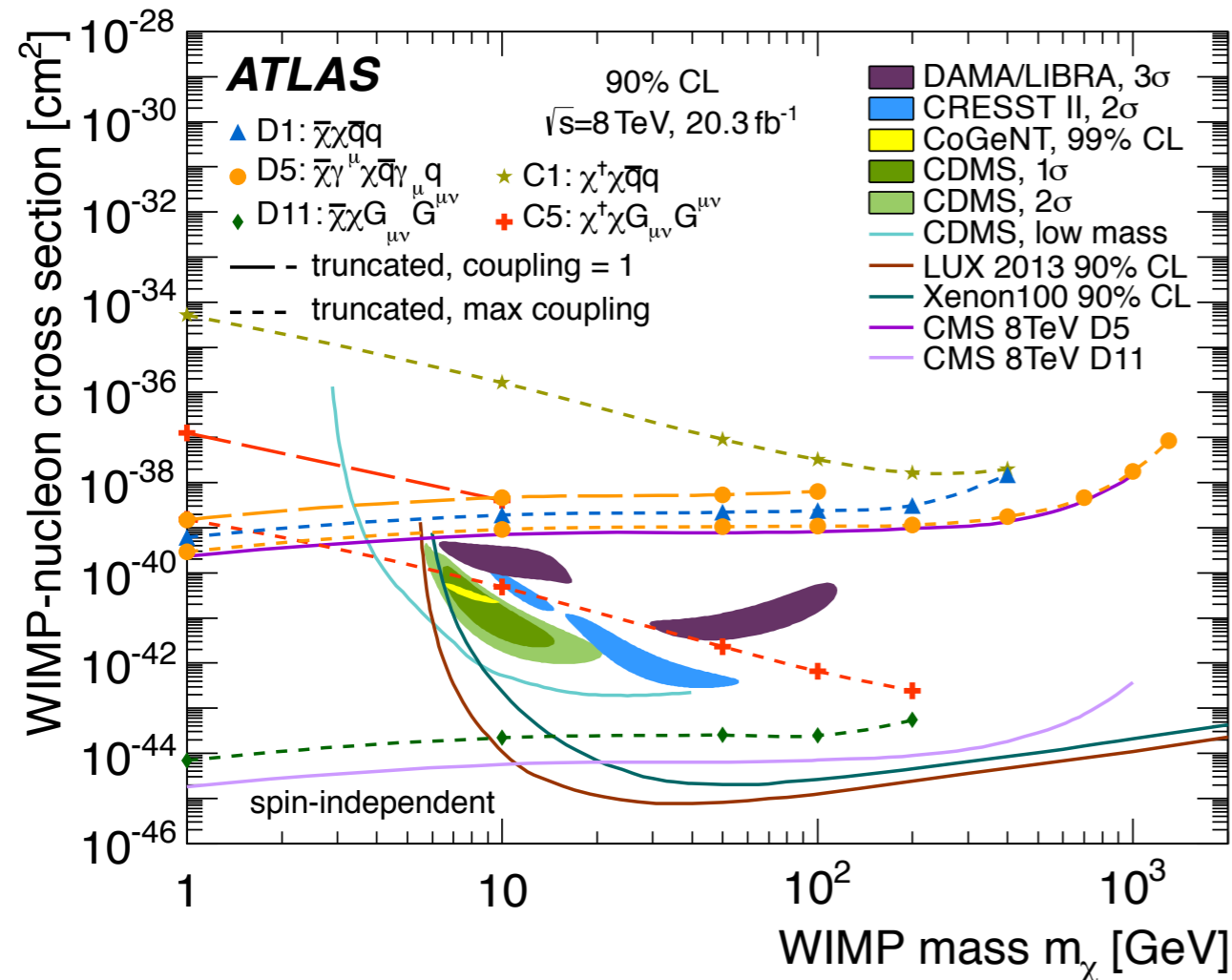
- Limits on the suppression scale of the EFT operators are set assuming full EFT validity.

- Simplified models with Z'-like mediators reveal that
  - EFT limits are conservative in the resonant region.
  - EFT limits are not valid for light mediators.





# DM interpretation



## direct detection

- model assumptions
- kinematic limitation at low mass

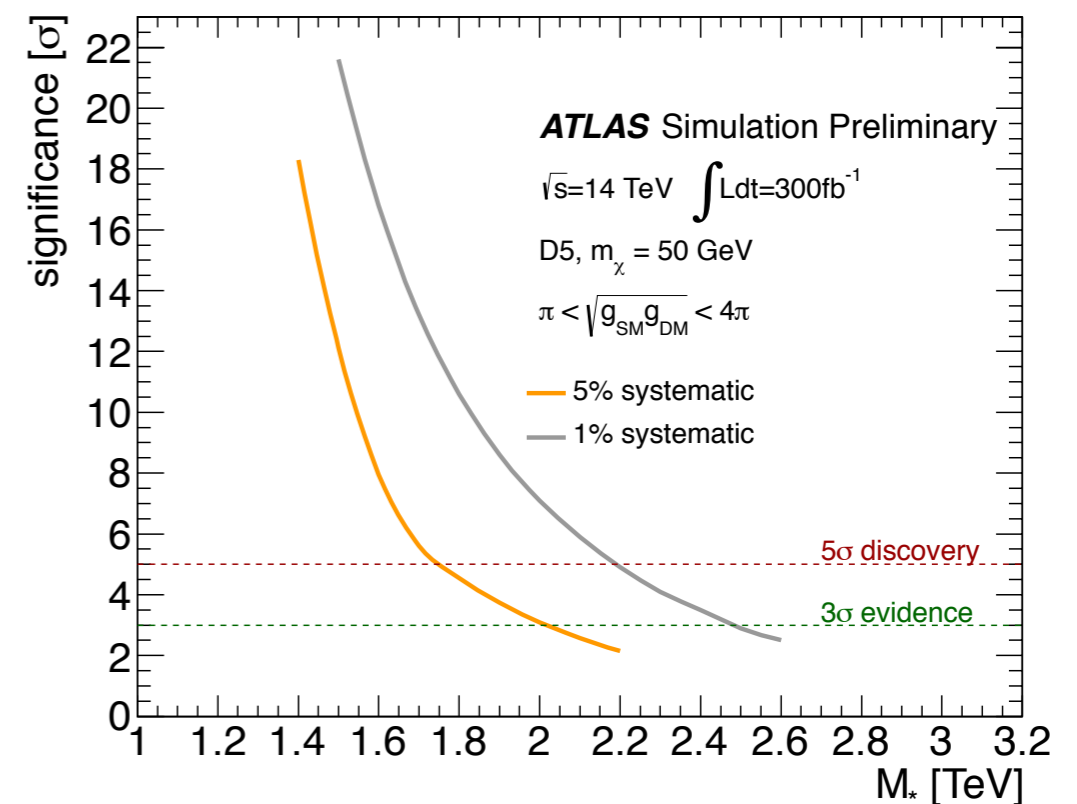
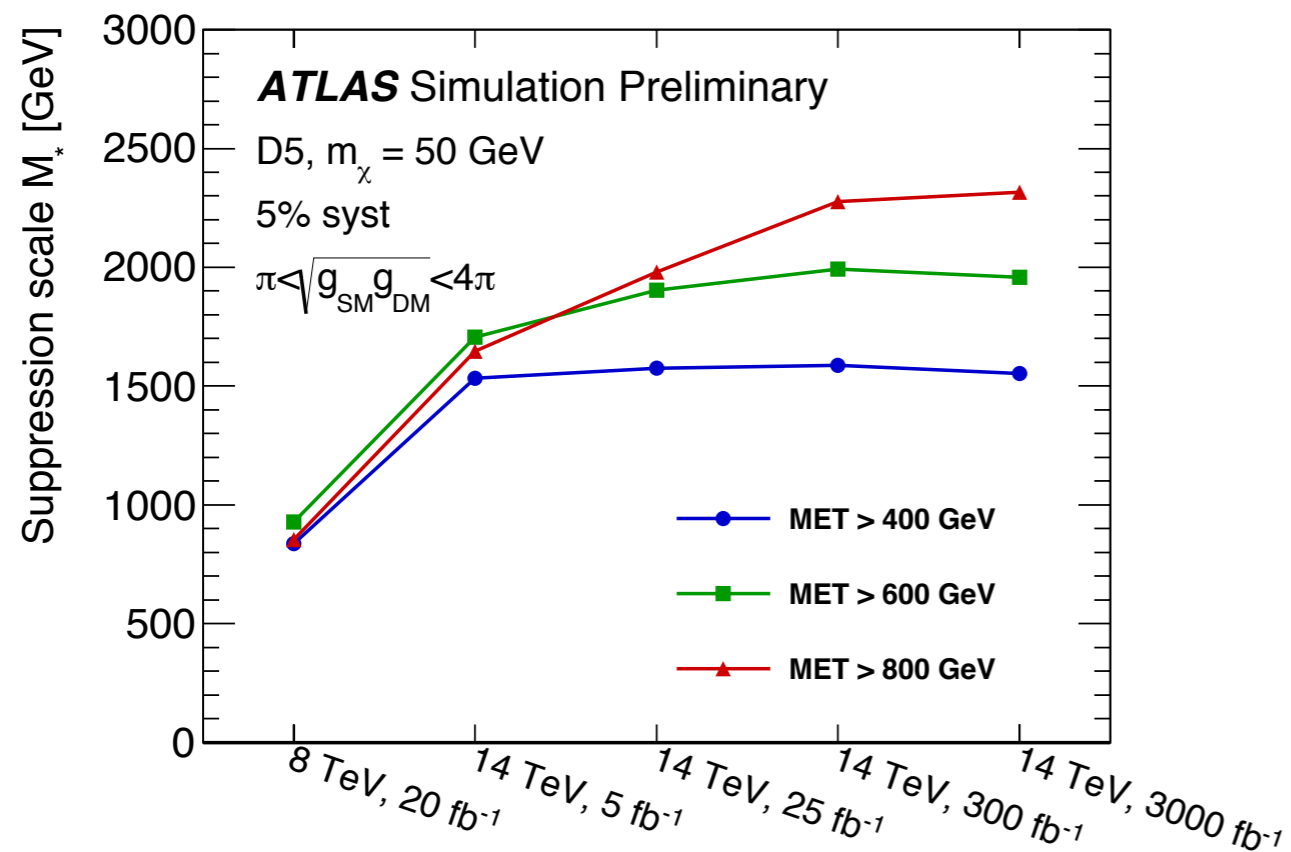
## DM production at the LHC

- no astrophysical assumptions
- EFT validity
- sensitive at low mass

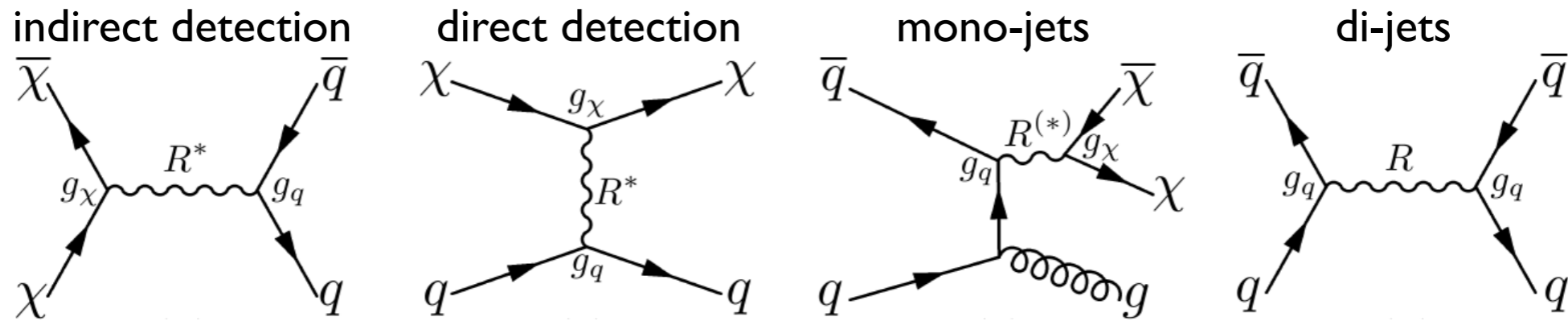
# mono-jet prospects @ 14 TeV

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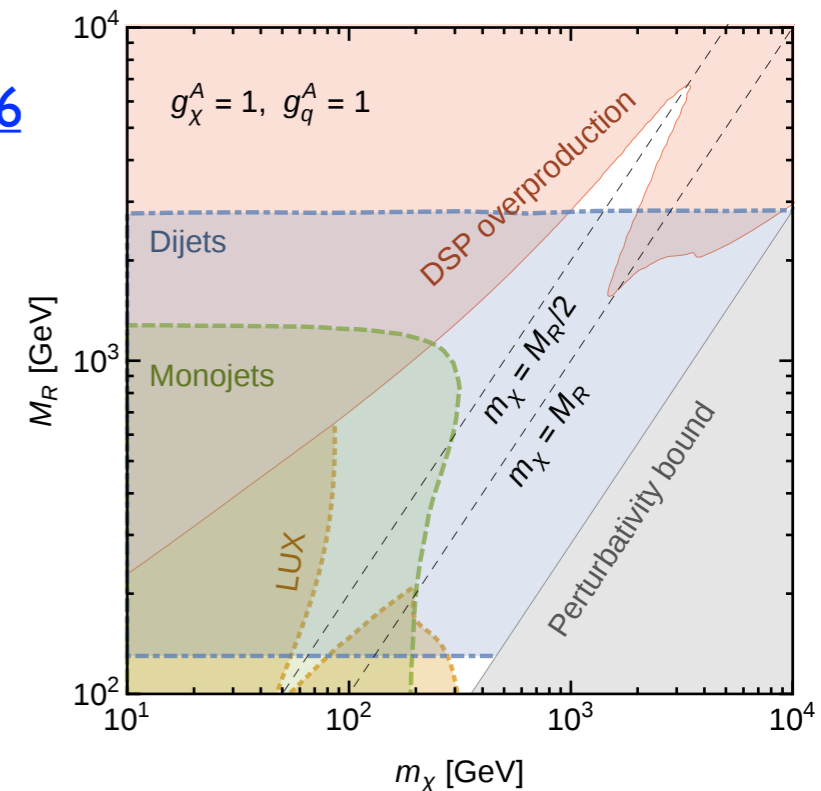
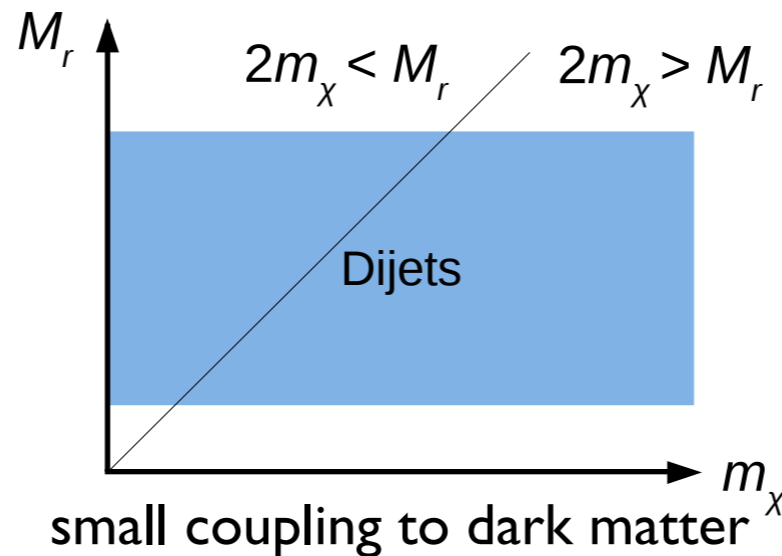
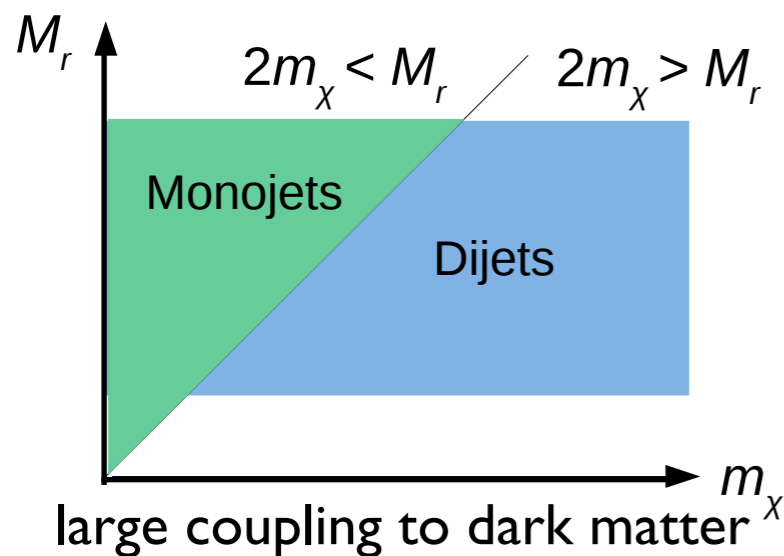
- Already first data from Run-2 may bring improvements in sensitivity to DM.
- Exclusion limits may be improved by factor of 2 with first few fb<sup>-1</sup>.
- 5σ discovery potential for M\* ~ 1.7 TeV with 300 fb<sup>-1</sup>.



# searching for new mediators



- Simplified models (4 free parameters:  $m_\chi$ ,  $M_R$ ,  $g_q$ ,  $g_\chi$ )
- Basic set of simplified models for the early Run-2 ATLAS and CMS searches was recommended by the [DM Forum 1507.00966](#)
- Simplified models allow for a richer phenomenology and more complex interpretations  
 → e.g. complementarity of mono-jets and di-jets [1503.05916](#)

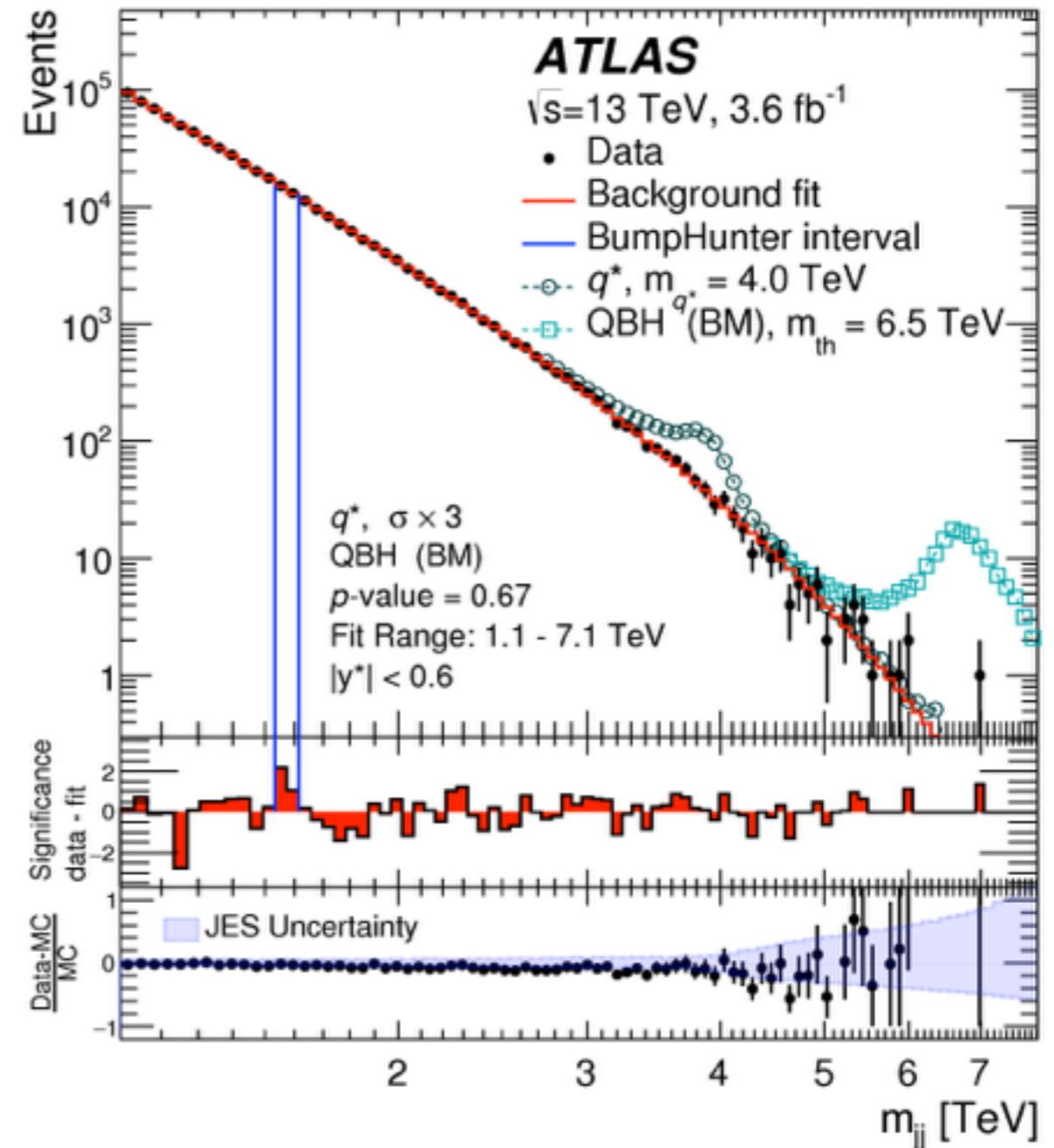
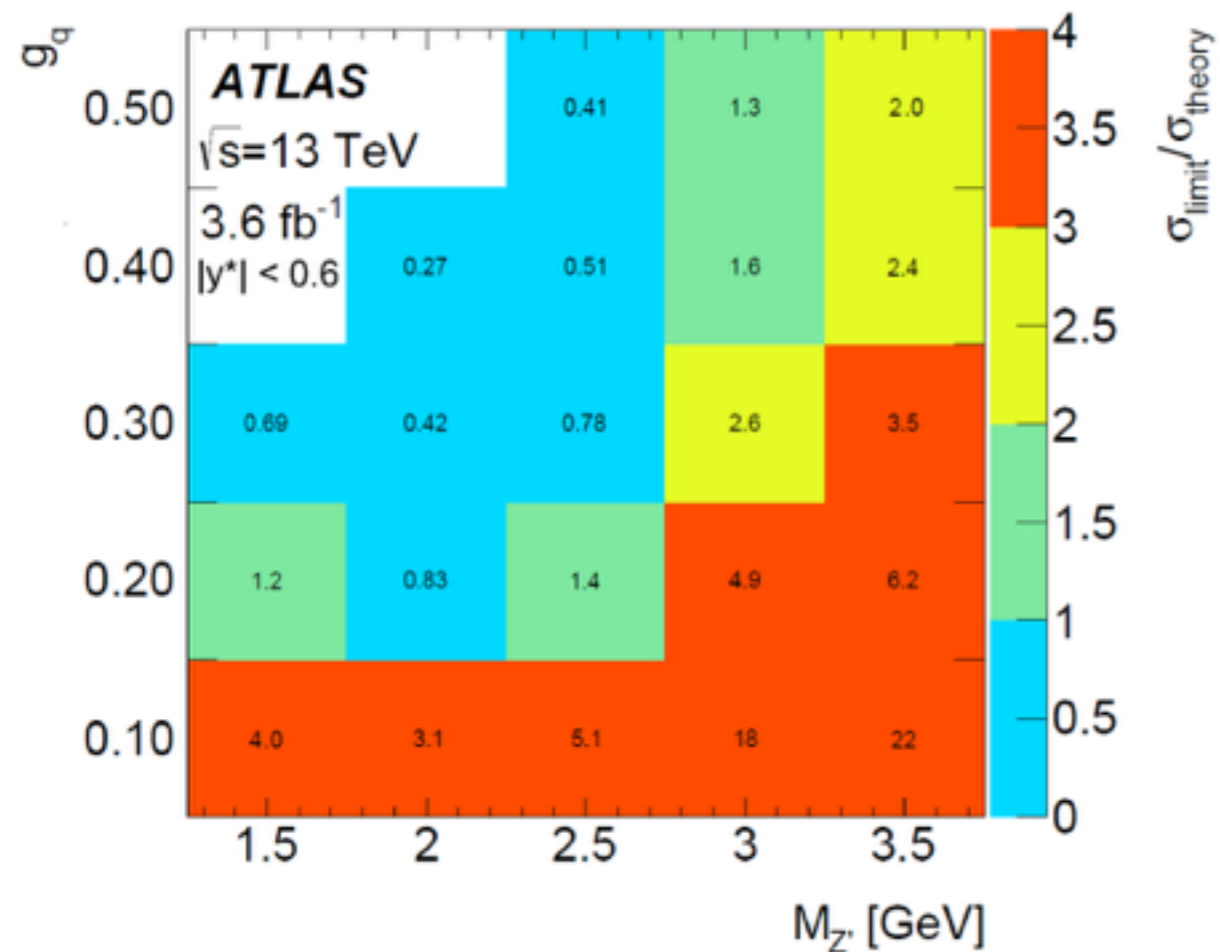


# di-jets @ 13 TeV

13 TeV 3.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

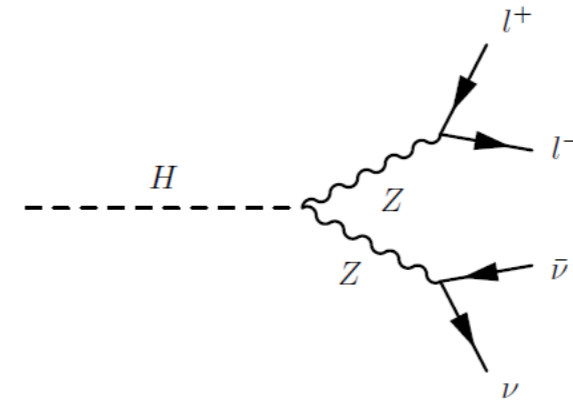
## Event selection

- jet trigger ( $p_T > 360$  GeV)
- 2 jets ( $p_T > 440$  GeV and 50 GeV)
- rapidity  $|y^*| < 0.6$



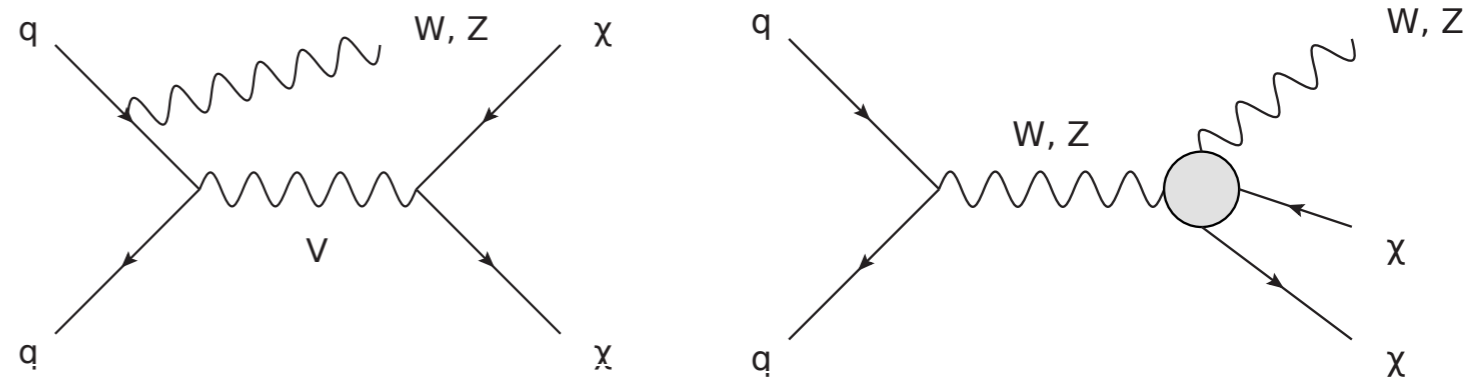
# $ll$ +MET final state

- search for heavy Higgs boson



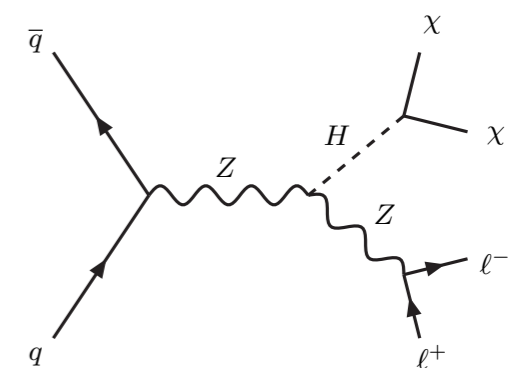
- mono-Z

- simplified models
- dimension-7 EFT operators



- search for invisibly decaying Higgs boson

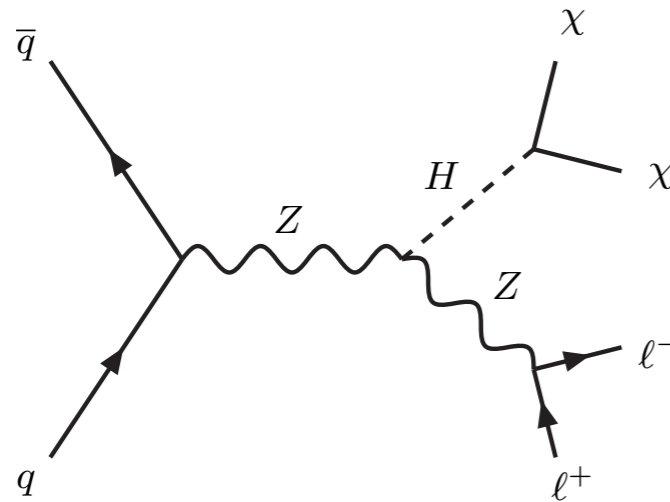
- SM Higgs decay has  $BR(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \text{inv.}) \sim 0.1\%$
- many BSM models predict large  $BR(H \rightarrow \text{inv.})$



# ZH( $\rightarrow$ invisible)

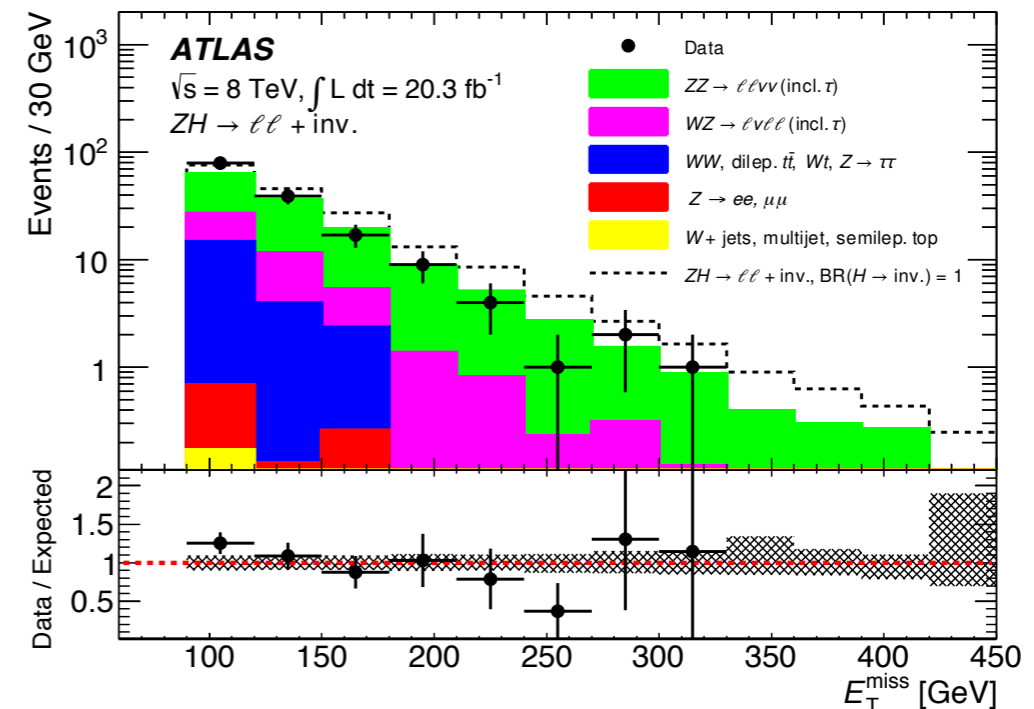
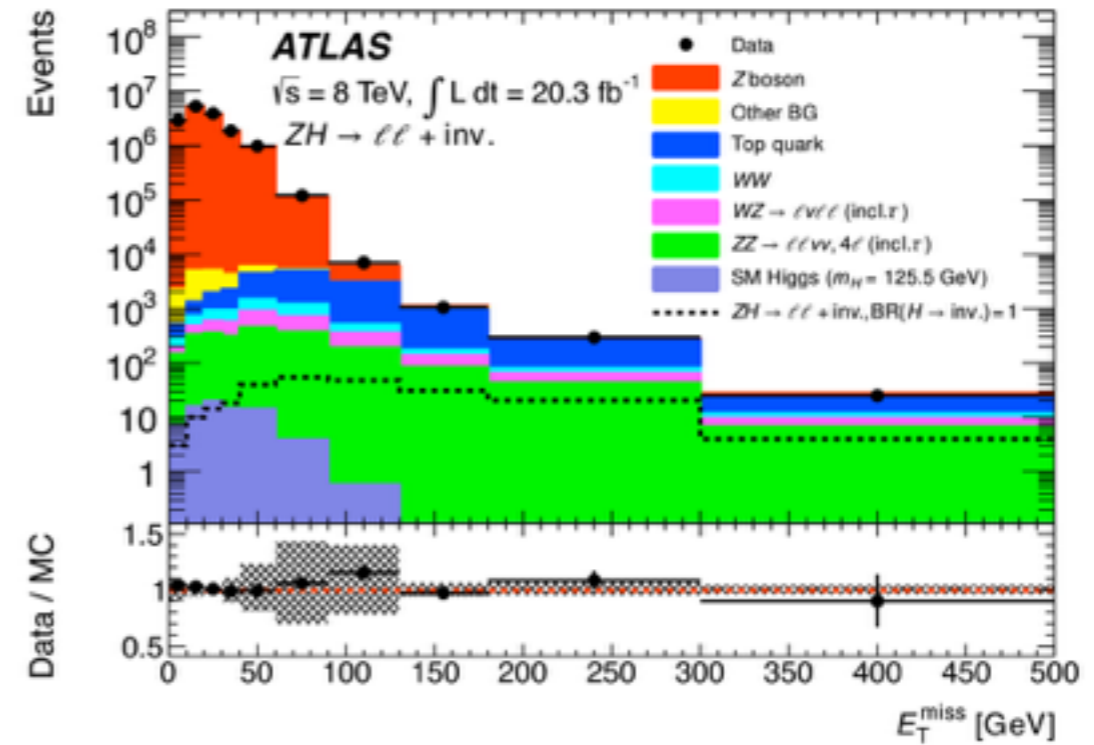
7 TeV 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>  
8 TeV 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

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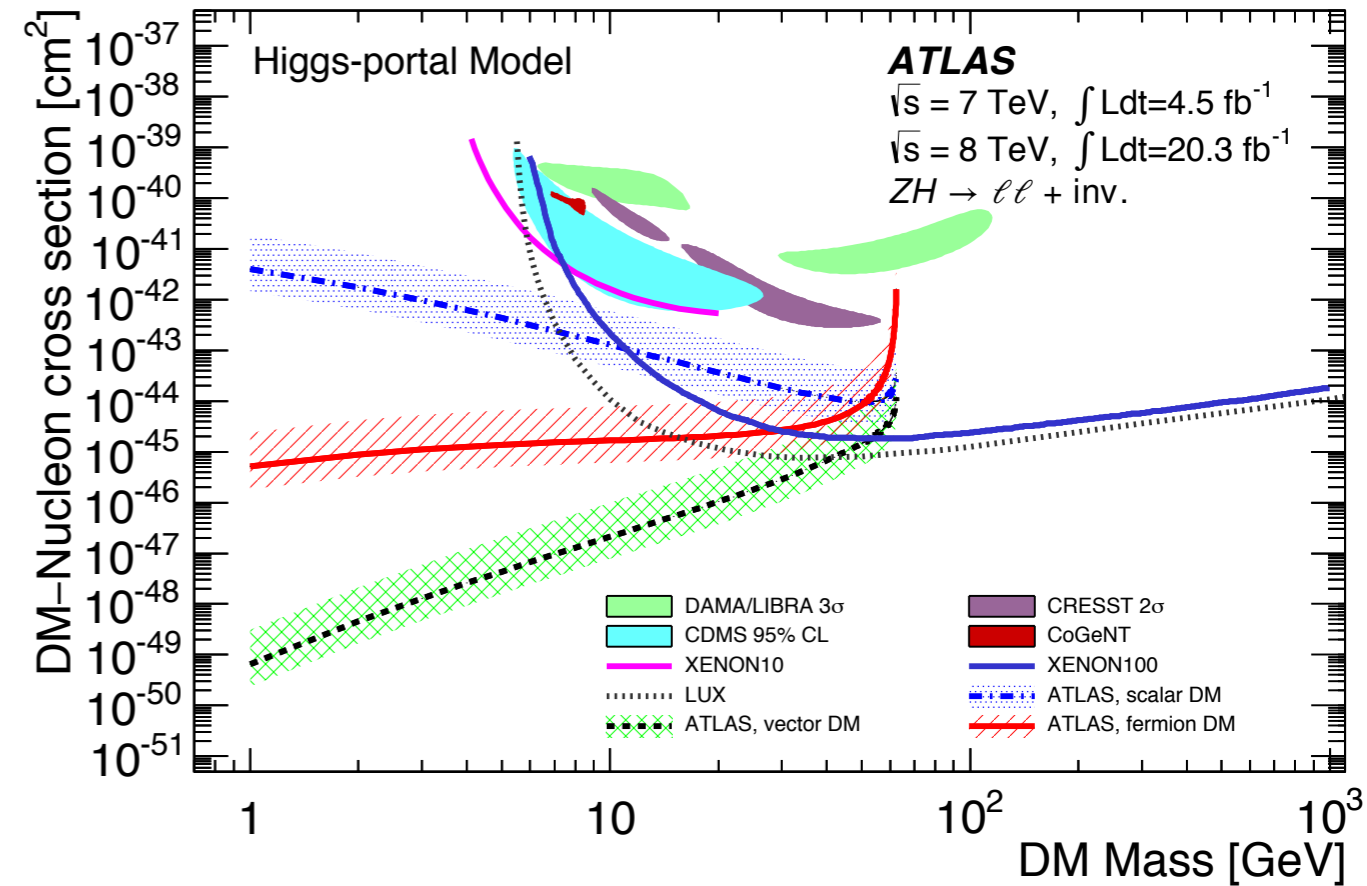
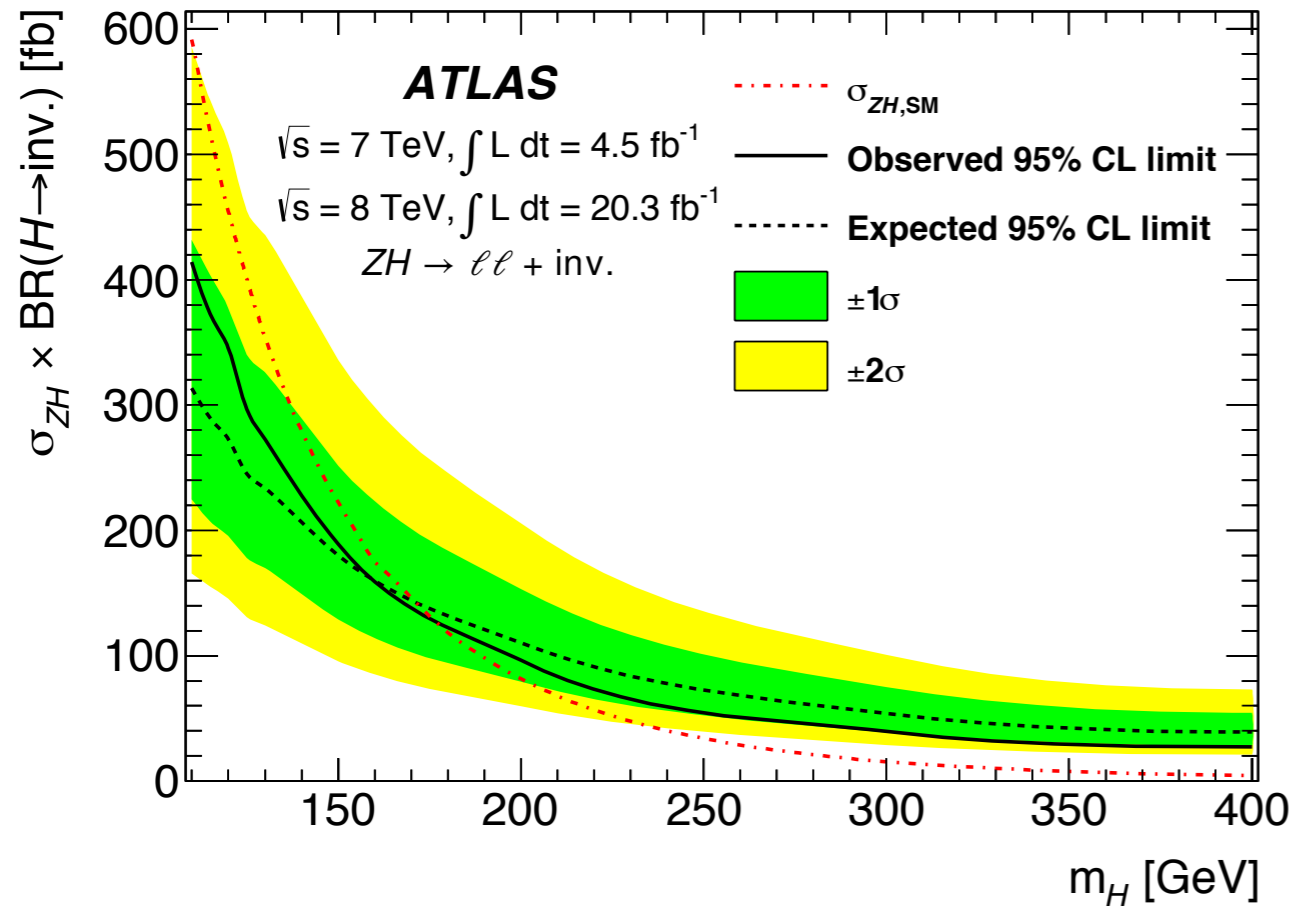
## Event selection

- two opposite sign leptons,  $67 < m_{ll} < 106$  GeV
- 3rd lepton veto ( $p_T > 7$  GeV)
- $|\text{MET} - p_{Tll}| / p_{Tll} < 0.2$
- $\Delta\varphi(\text{MET}, p_{T\text{miss}}) < 0.2$
- $\Delta\varphi_{ll} < 1.7$
- $\Delta\varphi(Z, \text{MET}) > 2.6$
- jet veto ( $p_T > 25$  GeV)
- $\text{MET} > 90$  GeV



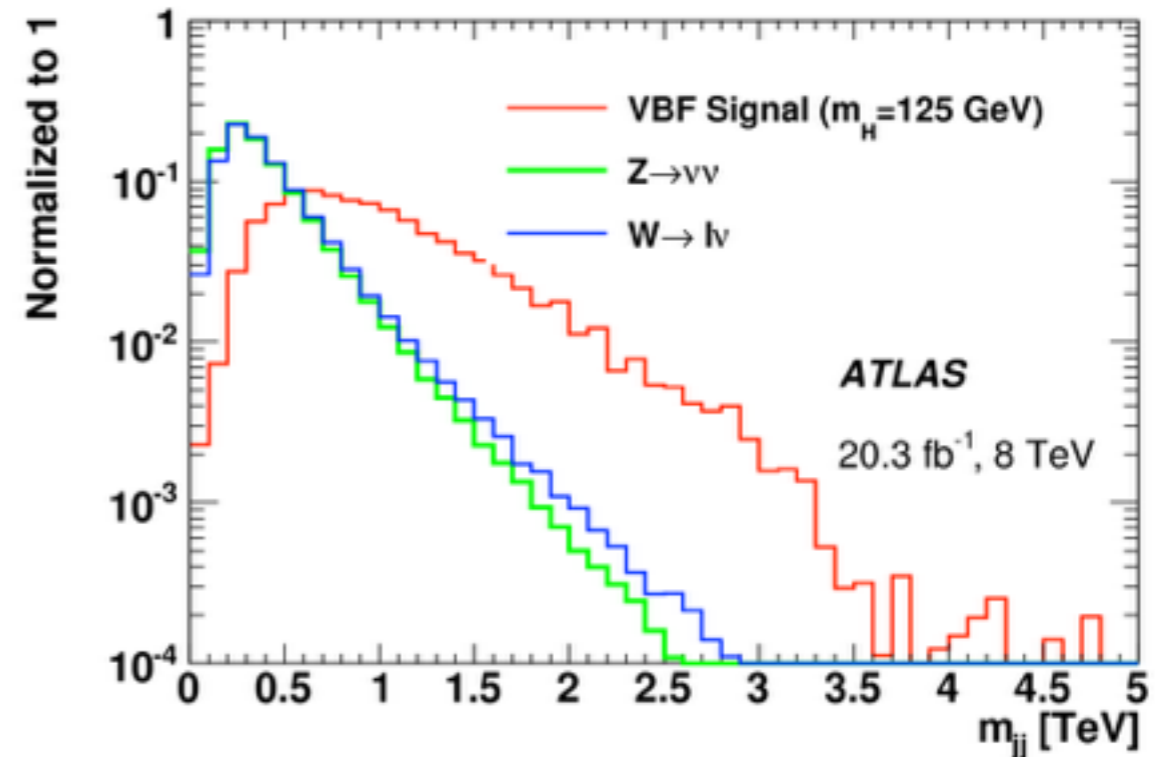
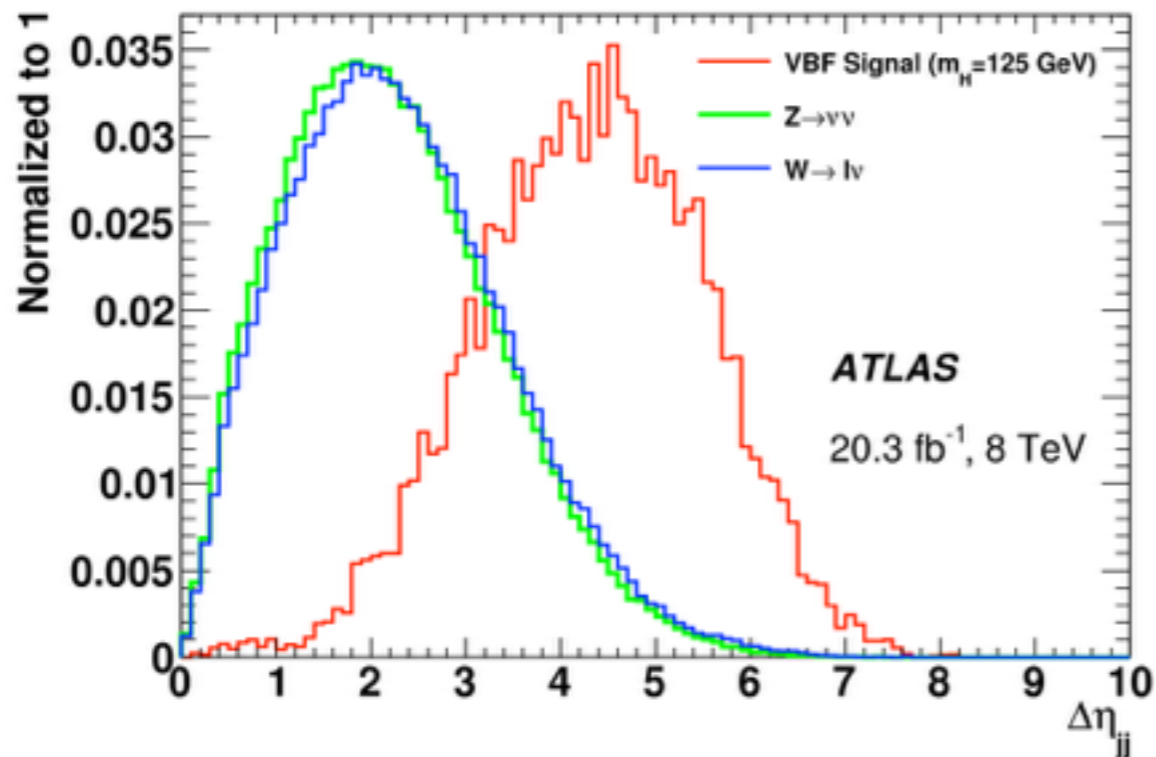
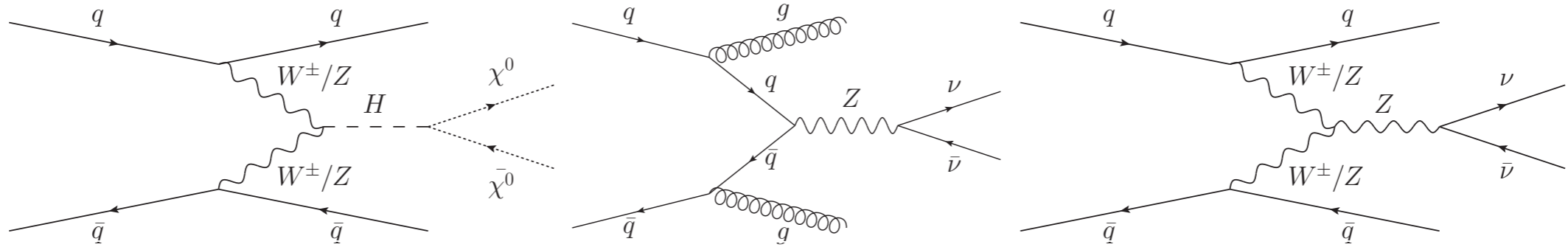
# ZH( $\rightarrow$ invisible)

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- $BR(H \rightarrow \text{inv.}) = 75\%$  observed (63% expected)
- Higgs portal Dark Matter interpretation
  - scalar, vector and fermion DM
  - sensitive to DM with  $m_\chi < m_H/2$

# VBF $H \rightarrow$ invisible



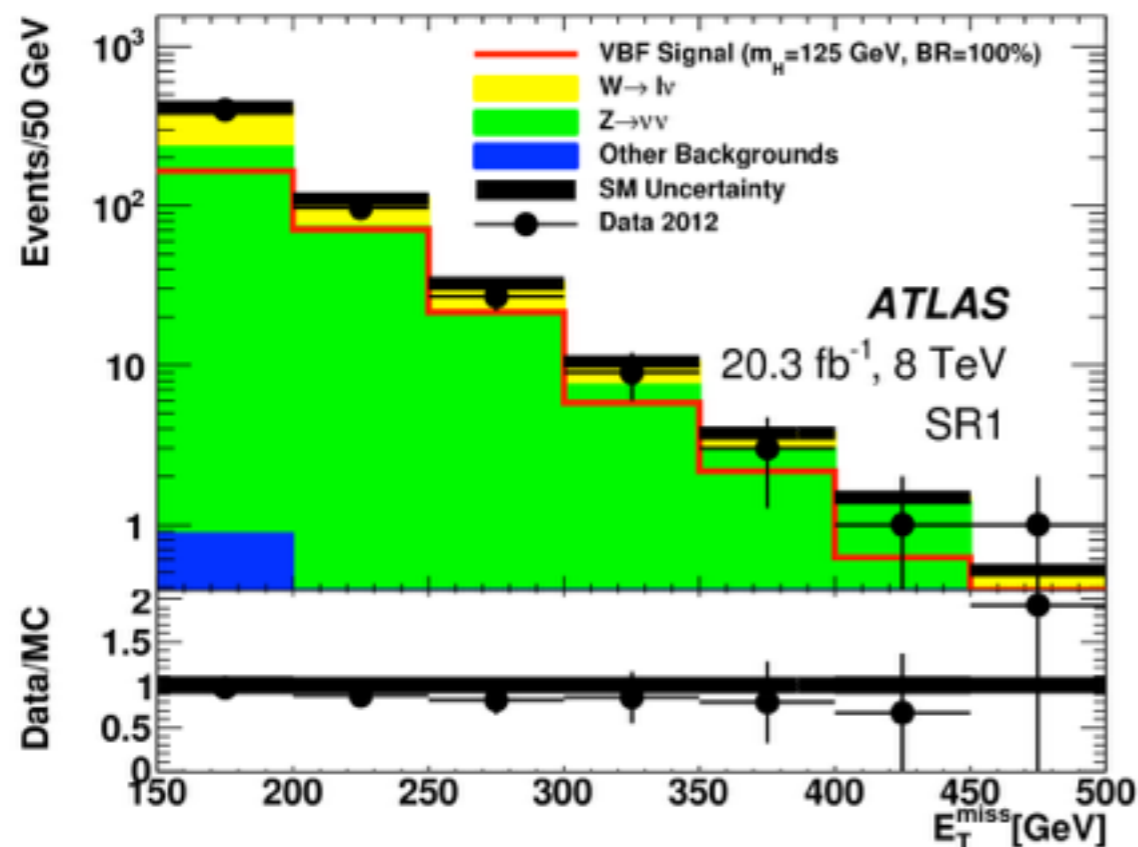
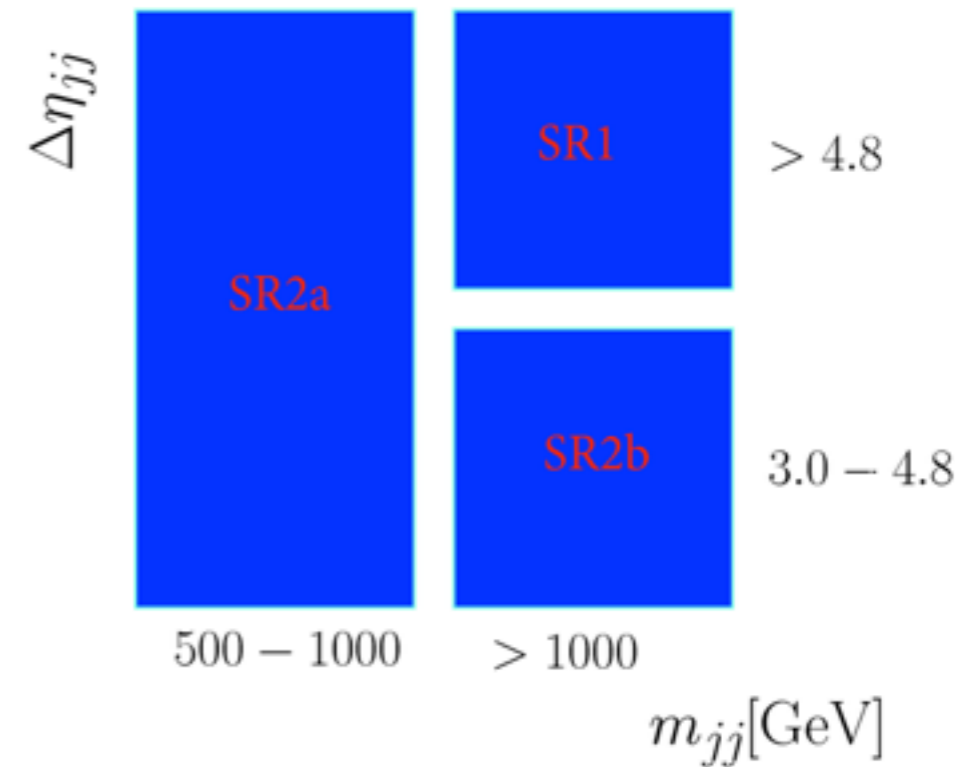
➔ VBF events have distinct topology that allows for efficient signal sensitivity optimisations.



# VBF $H \rightarrow$ invisible

8 TeV 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Requirement	SR1	SR2a	SR2b
Leading Jet $p_T$	>75 GeV	>120 GeV	>120 GeV
Leading Jet Charge Fraction	N/A	>10%	>10%
Second Jet $p_T$	>50 GeV	>35 GeV	>35 GeV
$m_{jj}$	>1 TeV	$0.5 < m_{jj} < 1$ TeV	> 1 TeV
$\eta_{j1} \times \eta_{j2}$		<0	
$ \Delta\eta_{jj} $	>4.8	>3	$3 <  \Delta\eta_{jj}  < 4.8$
$ \Delta\phi_{jj} $	<2.5		N/A
Third Jet Veto $p_T$ Threshold		30 GeV	
$ \Delta\phi_{j,E_T^{\text{miss}}} $	>1.6 for $j_1$ , >1 otherwise		>0.5
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	>150 GeV		>200 GeV



## 95% CL upper limits on BR( $H \rightarrow$ inv.)

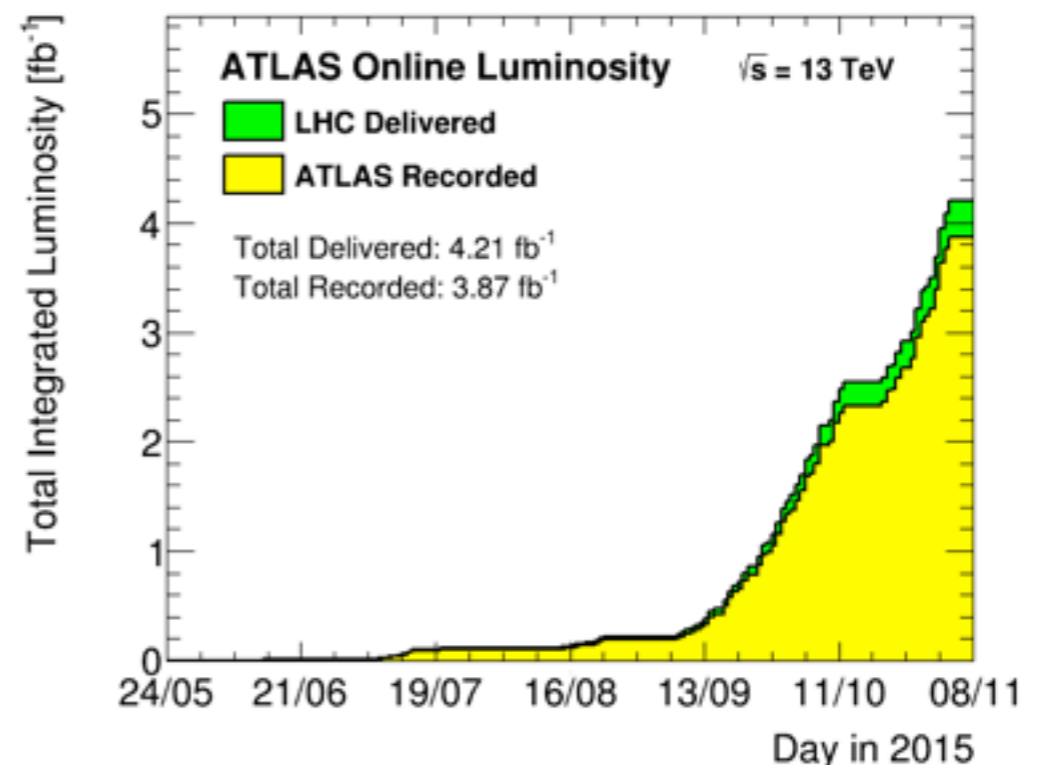
Results	Expected	+1 $\sigma$	-1 $\sigma$	+2 $\sigma$	-2 $\sigma$	Observed
SR1	0.35	0.49	0.25	0.67	0.19	0.30
SR2	0.60	0.85	0.43	1.18	0.32	0.83
Combined Results	0.31	0.44	0.23	0.60	0.17	0.28

→ the most stringent result from LHC Run-I

# summary

- Many searches for Dark Matter using MET signatures were developed in Run-I
- EFT models were widely used in Run-I → validity concerns
- Basic set of simplified models was recommended by the DM Forum
- Close collaboration of the experimental and theory communities continues in the new DM working group within LPCC → focus on the complementarity of experimental results and new models

- Stay tuned for the first Run-2 results!

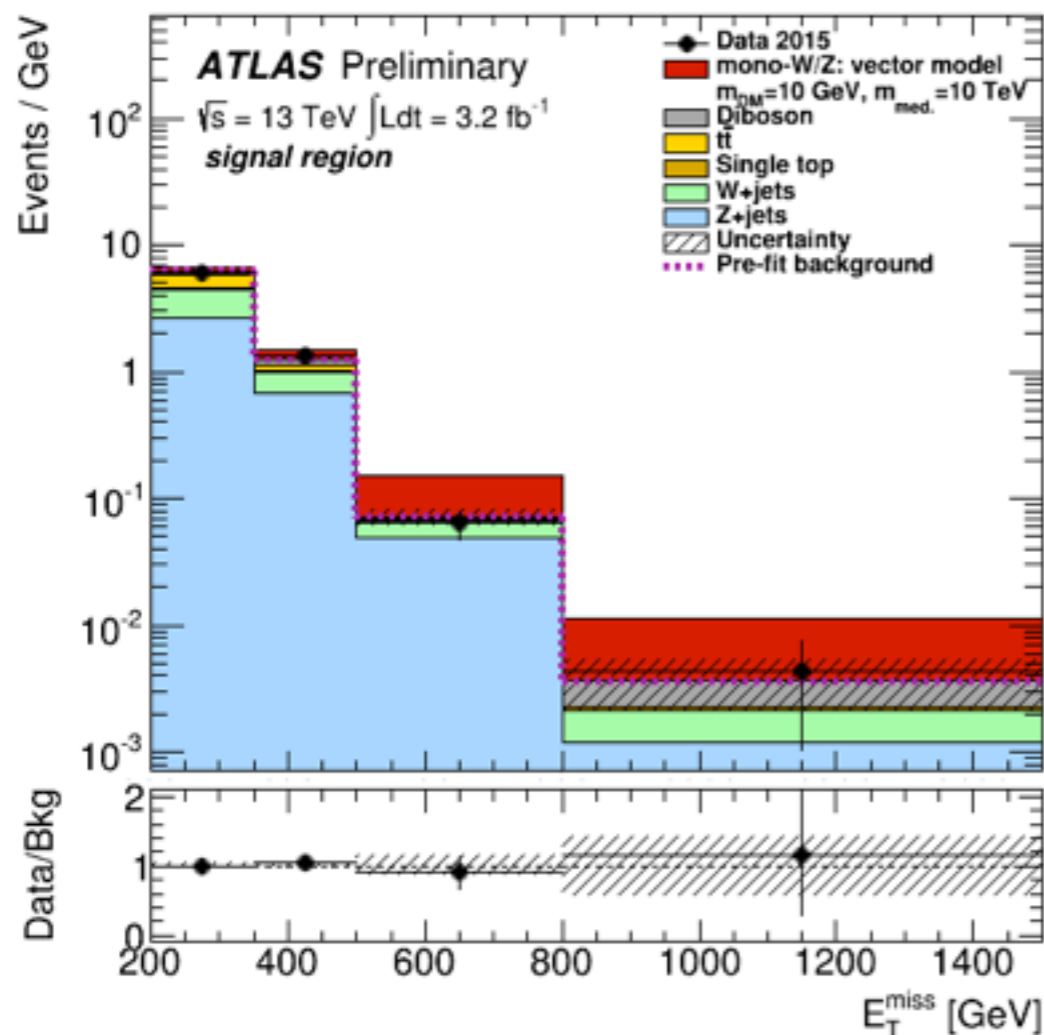


# mono-W/Z(qq)

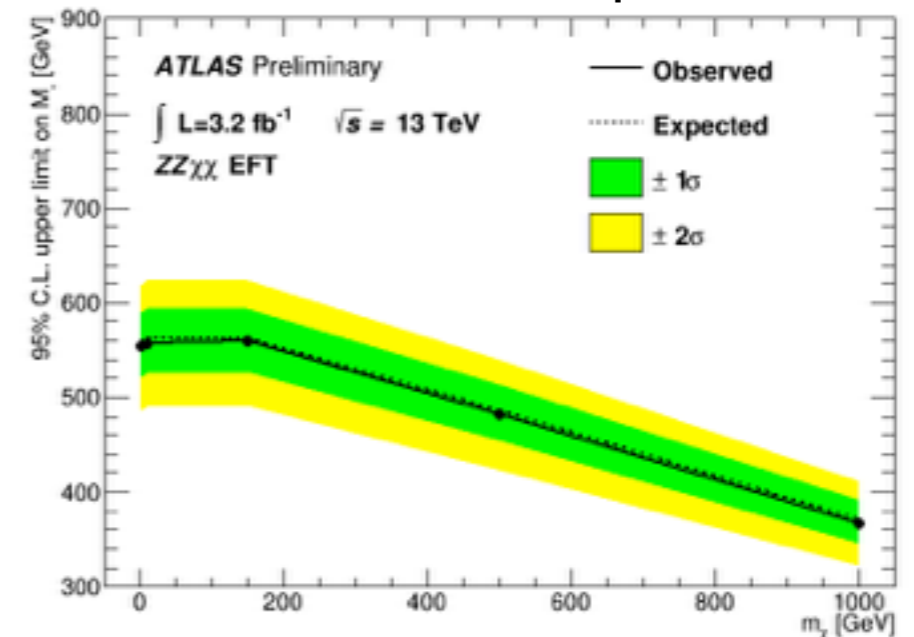
13 TeV 3.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>

## Event selection

- MET trigger
- MET > 250 GeV
- at least one large-R jet



## dimension-7 EFT operator



## simplified models

