



Dark Matter Searches at Colliders

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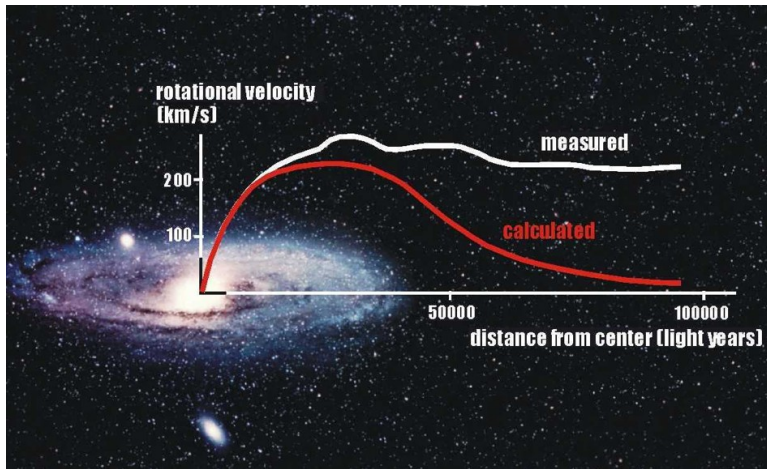
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- Motivation for Dark Matter at colliders
- EFT and simplified models
- ATLAS and CMS Dark Matter searches
- Prospective for Run-II
- Conclusions

All ATLAS and CMS public results:

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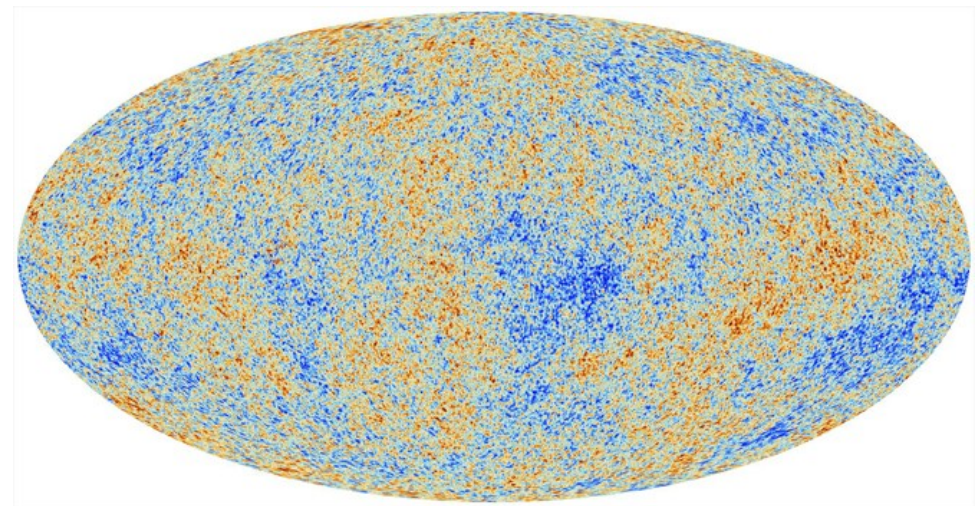
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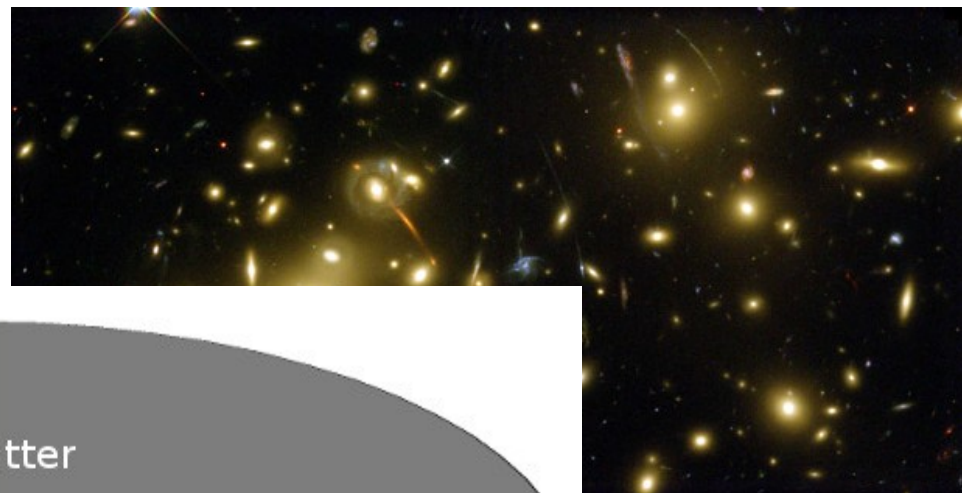
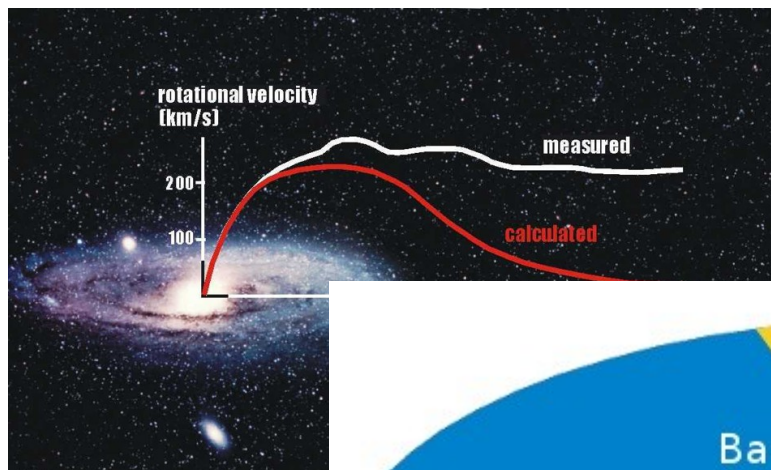
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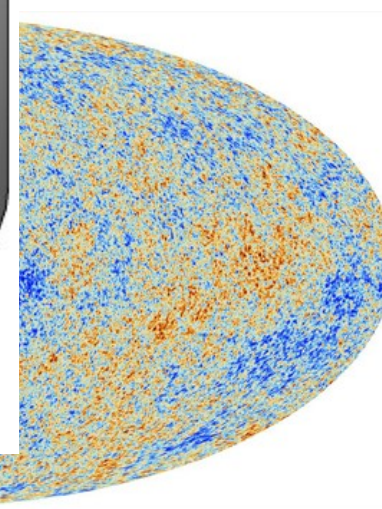
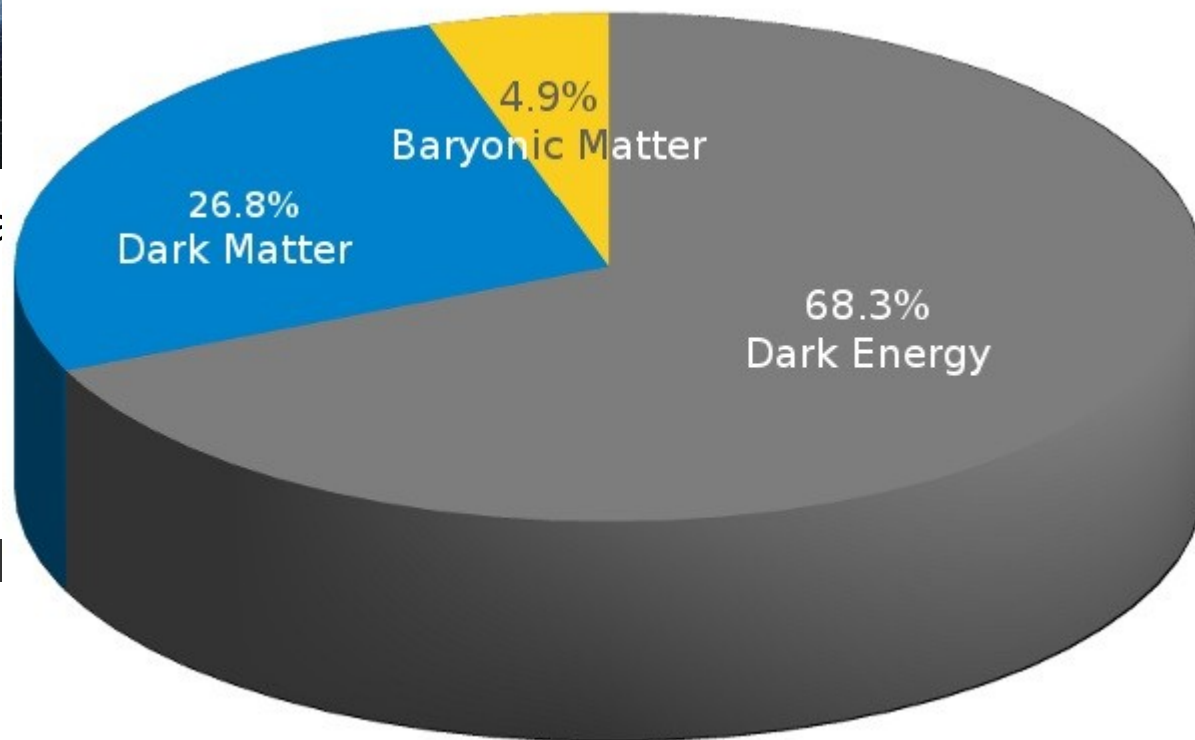


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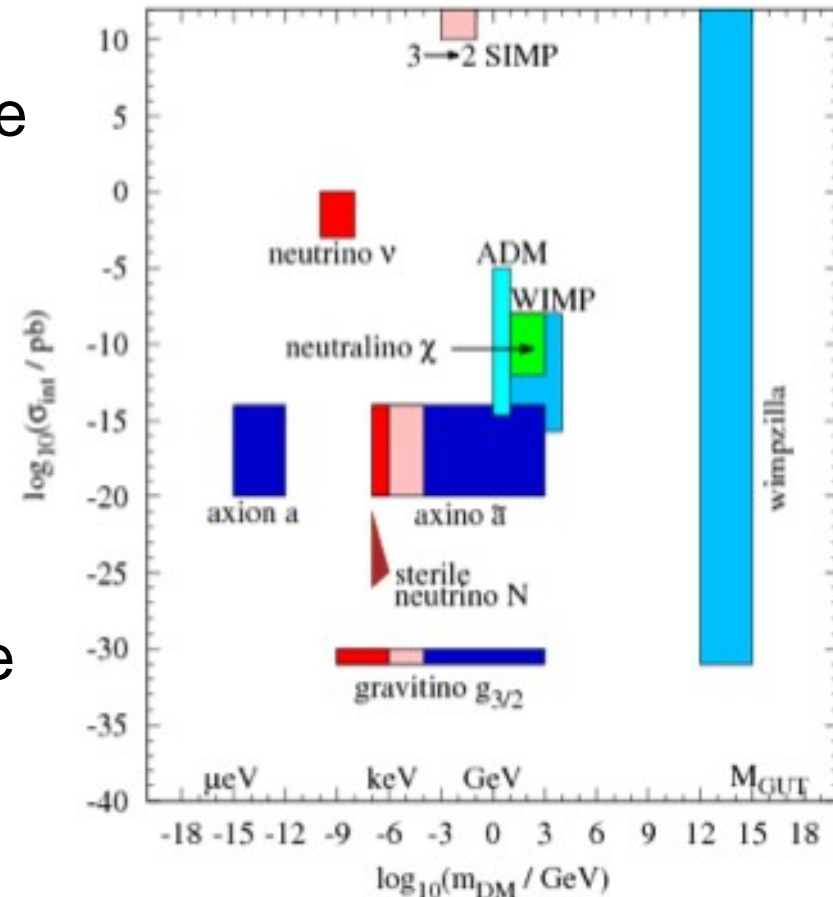


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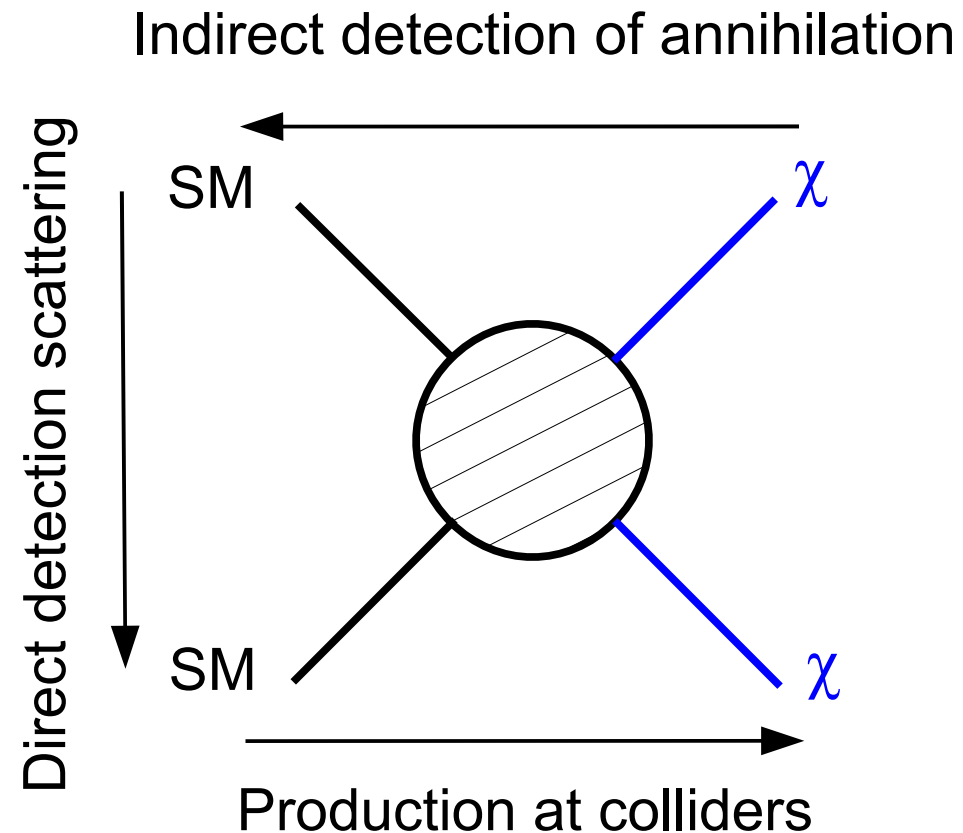
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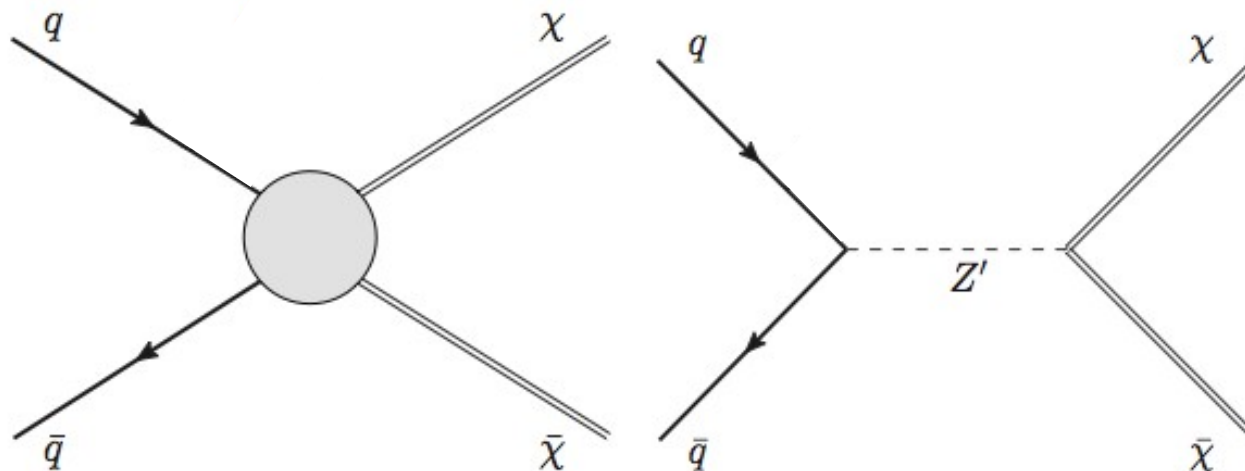
- **WIMP** is even capable of doing a miracle
 - A cold thermal relic with weak scale mass (few GeV to few TeV) and interactions ($\langle\sigma v\rangle \approx 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$)
 - Naturally accounts for the required relic abundance
 - **The WIMP miracle!**
- Other alternatives exist (axions, sterile neutrinos, etc) but they are not part of this talk. Also LHC SUSY searches involving missing transverse energy from LSP are not covered here.

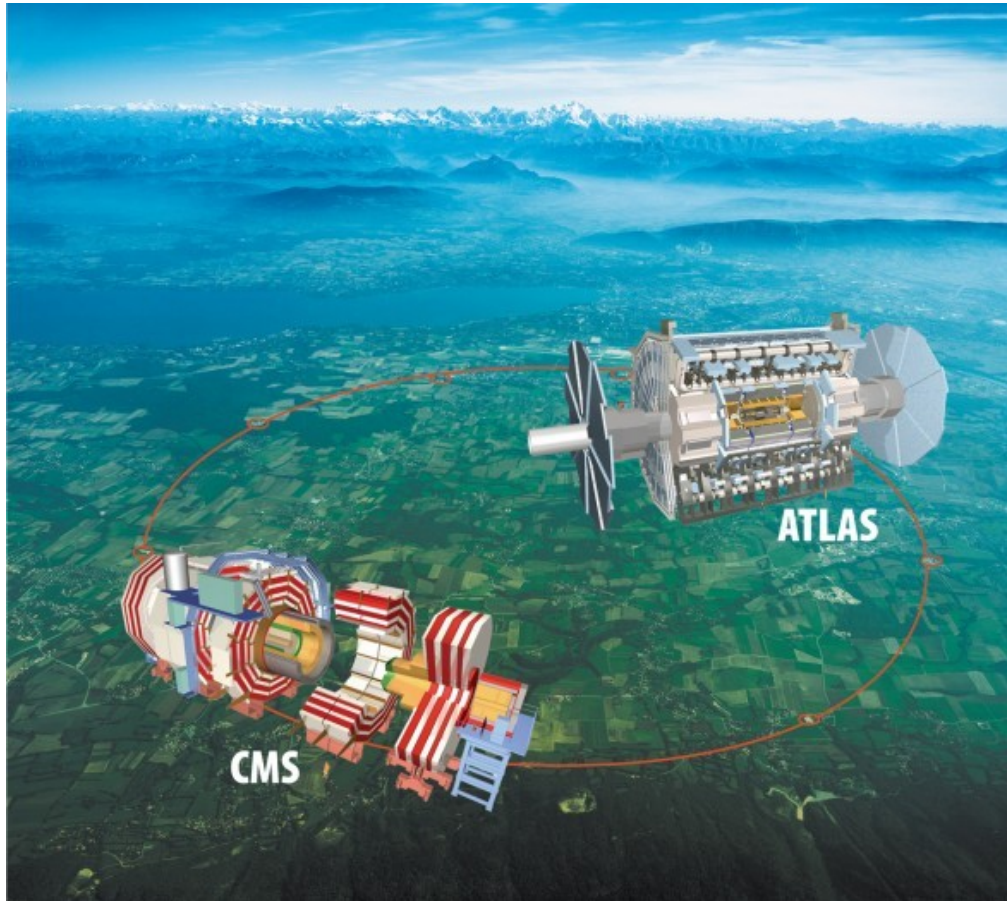


- Some kind of interaction is expected between WIMPs and SM particles
- Current experiments probe **different scales**:
 - Direct detection $O(10 \text{ MeV})$
 - Indirect detection $O(100 \text{ GeV})$
 - Colliders $O(1 \text{ TeV})$
- They are **complementary under some conditions**



- EFT operators are convenient for representing DM - SM interactions with very few parameters: scale of the interaction M_* (or Λ) and DM mass, e.g. $L_{eff} = \frac{1}{M_*^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q$
- These operators could arise from integrating out the heavy-mediator with mass $M_{med} = \sqrt{g_q g_\chi} M_*$
- EFT approach is valid for a momentum transfer $Q_{tr} < M_{med}$
- Simplified models constitute a good alternative but involve additional parameters (mediator mass, couplings, and decay width)

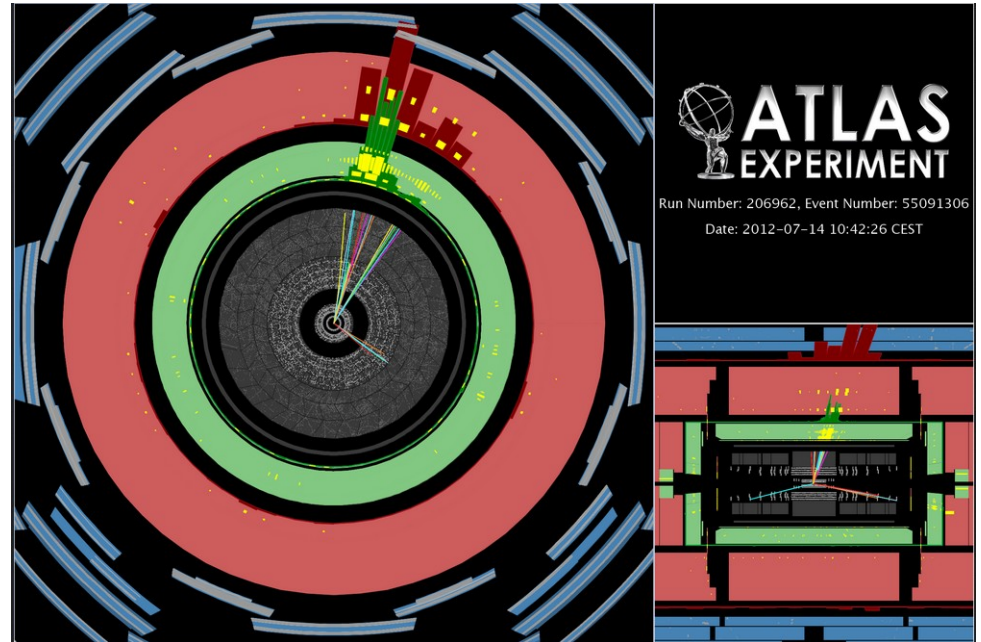
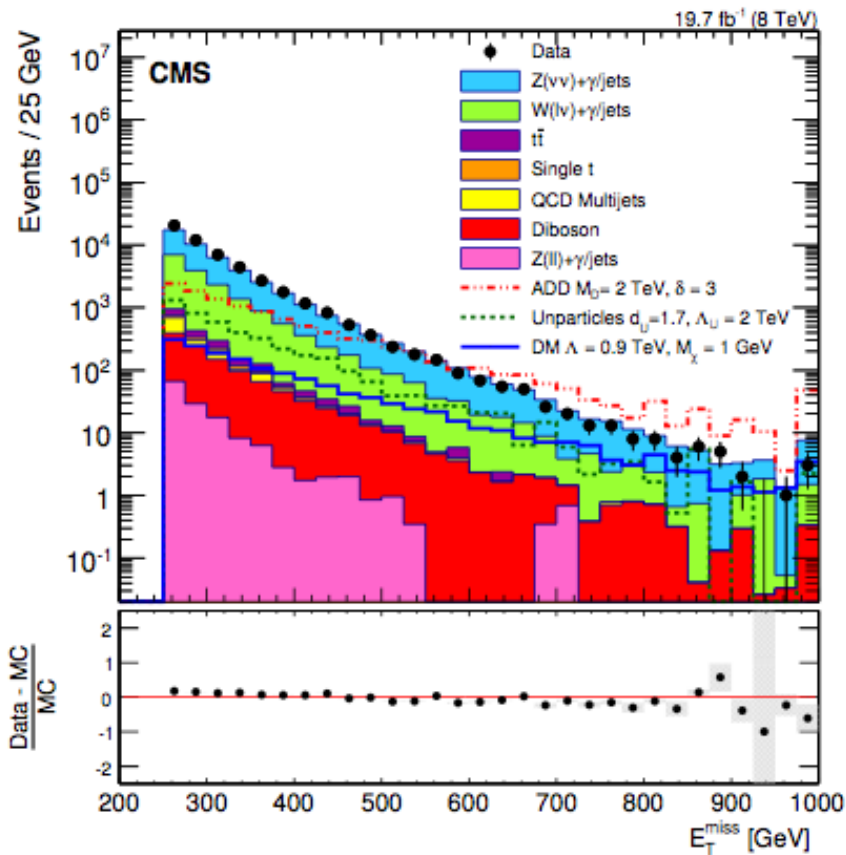




ATLAS and CMS are general-purpose experiments with nearly full solid angle coverage and excellent performance for tracking, calorimetry and muon spectrometer

- Dark Matter searches at ATLAS and CMS could be categorized in three main lines (not fully independent though):
 - Mono-X searches (X=boson)
 - DM with heavy flavour
 - Higgs to invisible searches in Higgs-DM portal models

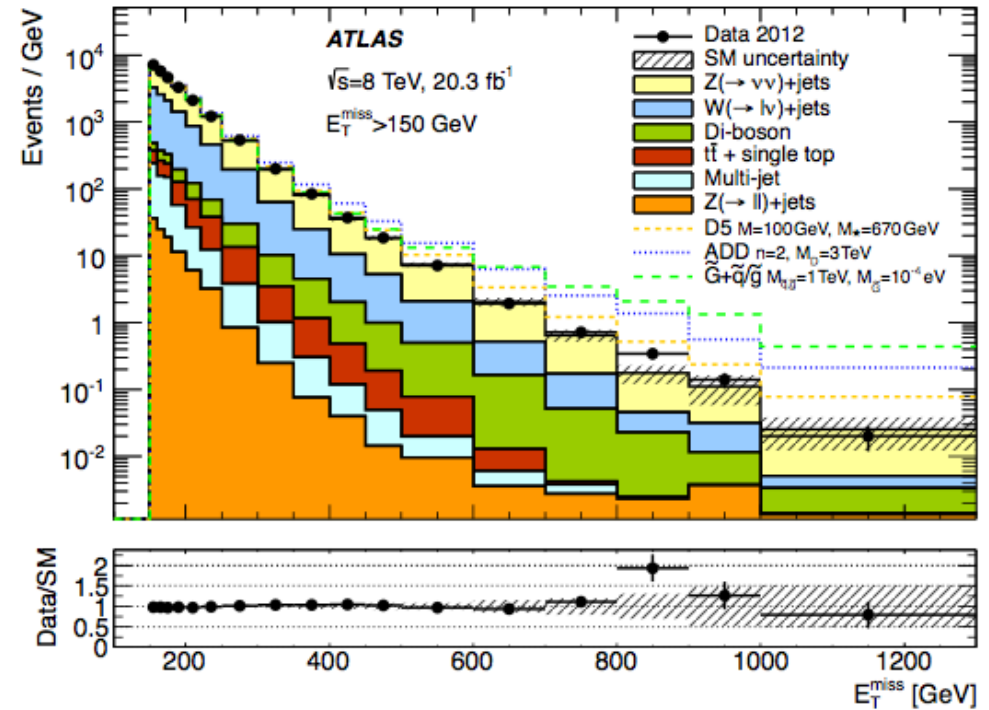
- Results are interpreted using EFT (with or without truncation $Q_{tr} < M_{med}$) and using simplified models



Typical analysis strategy:

- Select events with high p_T jet(s) and large transverse momentum
- Veto electrons/muons/(taus and tracks) to reject leptonic W/Z decays.
- Cut and count experiment at different p_T and MET thresholds.

- Main backgrounds:
Z(vv)+jets, W(lv)+jets with lost lepton
- Estimation of the EW background is based on leptonic W/Z control regions
- Transfer factor method:

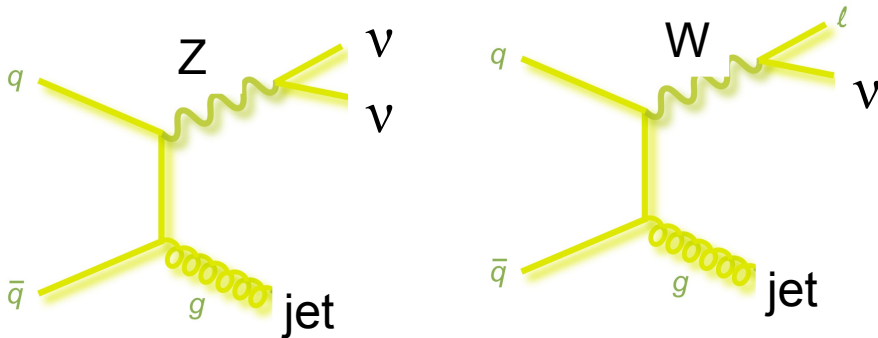


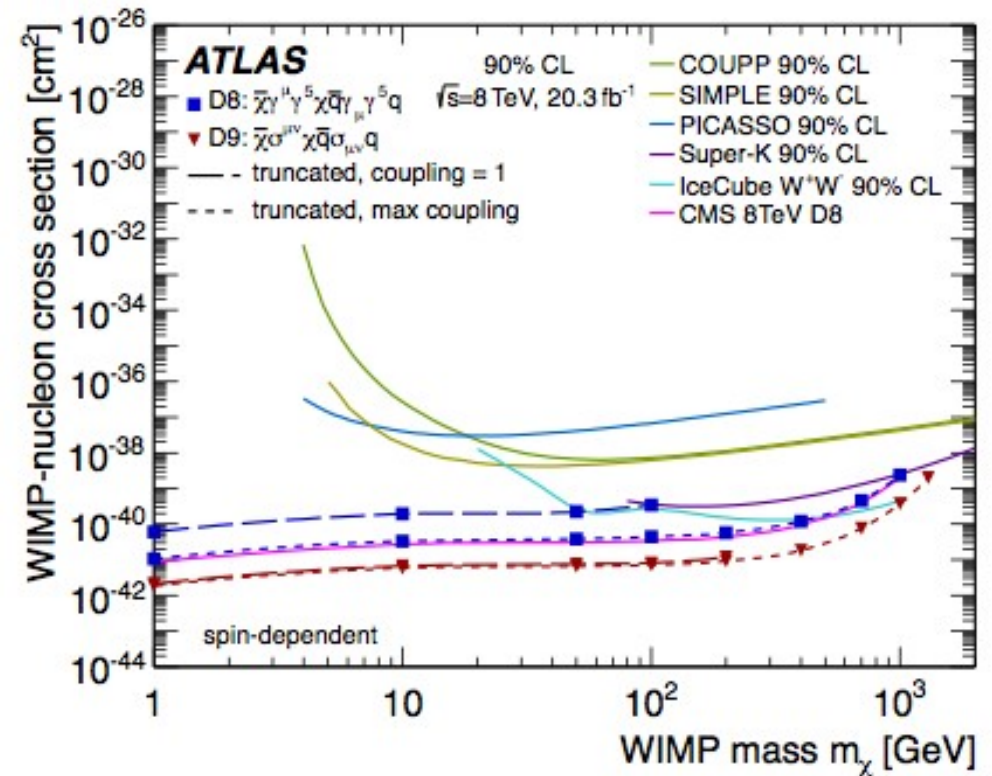
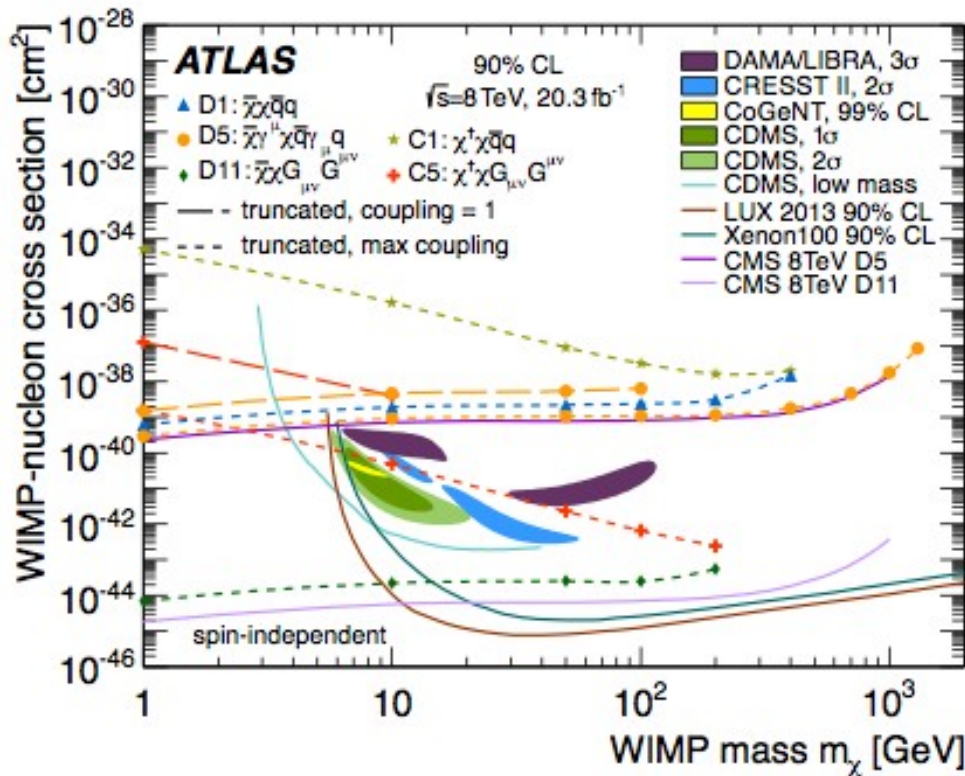
- Theoretical and experimental uncertainties largely cancel out in the TF
- Statistical uncertainties from CR usually take over the systematics (particularly at high MET)

$$N_{SR}^{\text{predicted}} = (N_{CR}^{\text{Data}} - N_{Bkg}) \cdot C \cdot \frac{N_{SR}^{MC}}{N_{jet/E_T^{\text{miss}}}^{MC}}$$

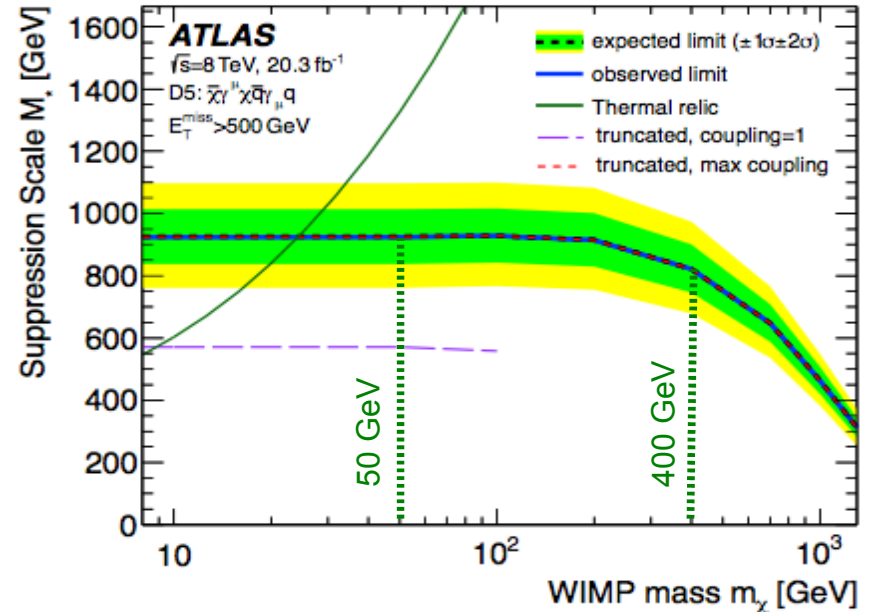
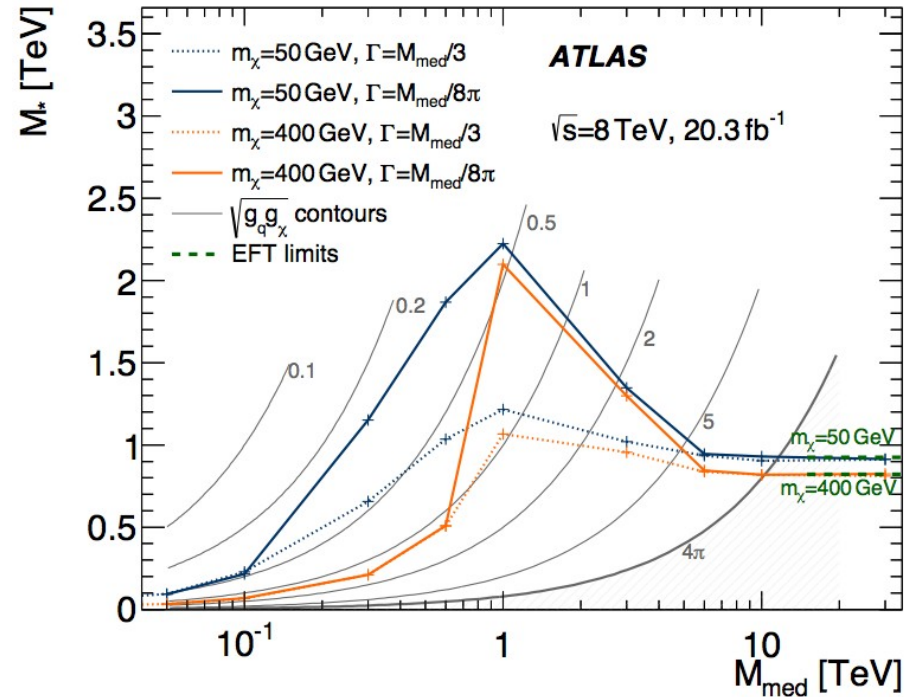
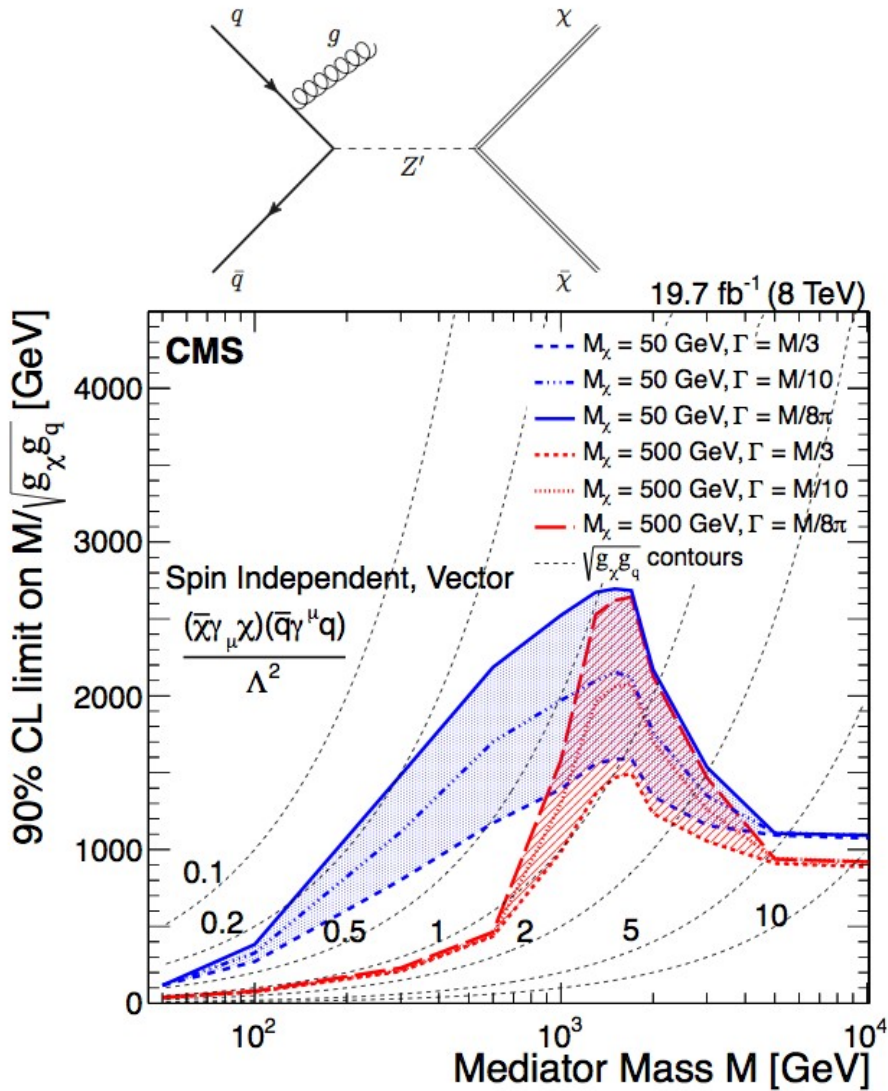
Correction factor

MC TF

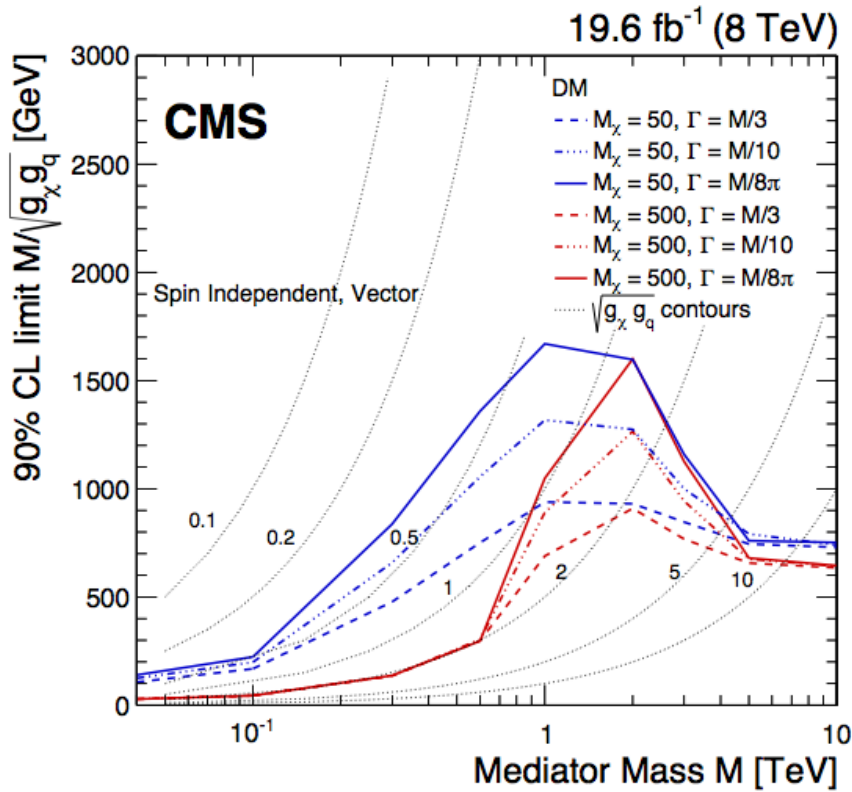
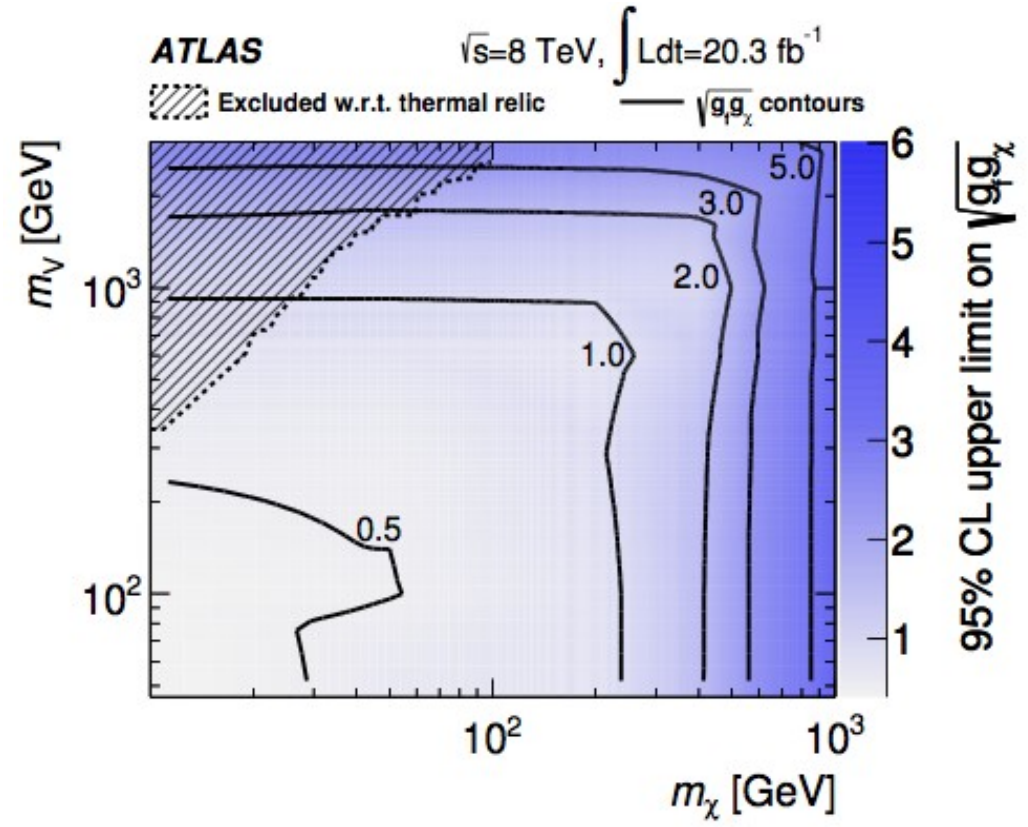
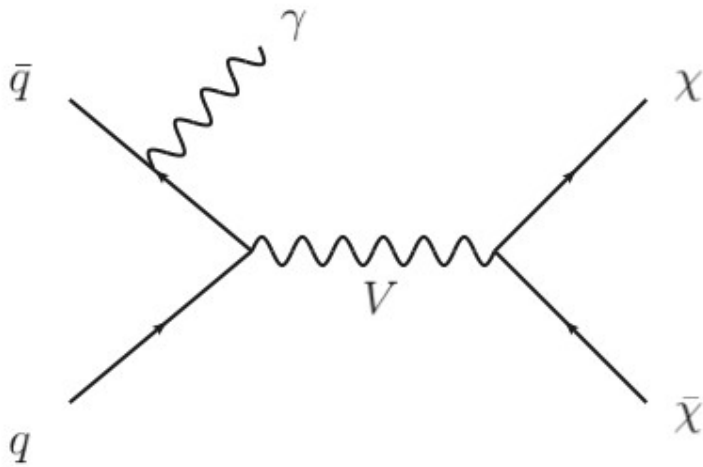




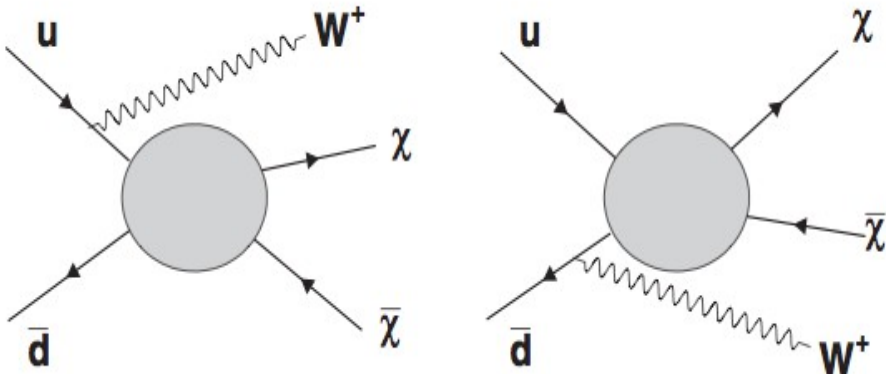
- Results are interpreted in terms of exclusion limits on WIMP-nucleon cross section
- ATLAS limits are done with the truncation $Q_{\text{tr}} < M_{\text{med}}$. Need agreement on common procedure.



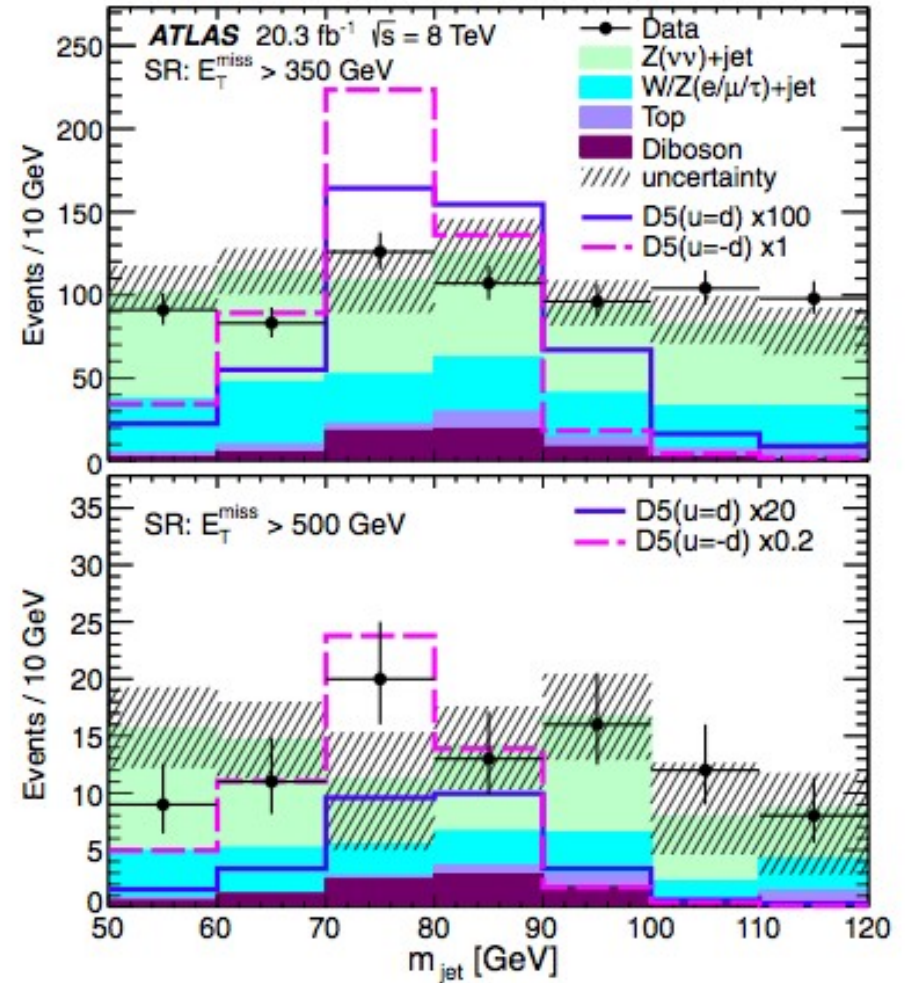
- Limits on M_* sensitive to mediator mass
- For $M_{med} > 5 \text{ TeV}$, EFT limit of $M_* \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ is retrieved

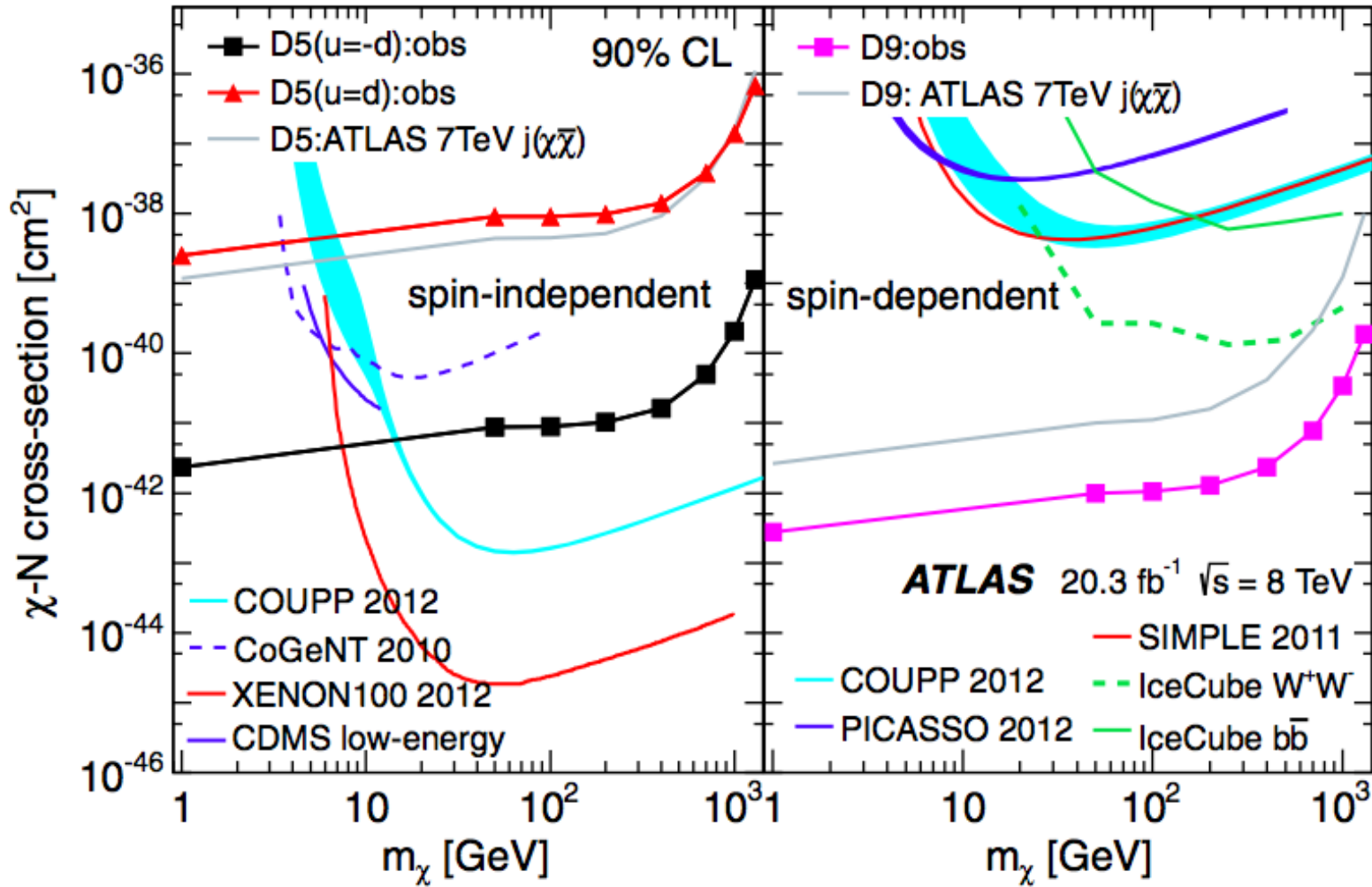


- Signal from photon emission in the initial state and large MET
- Background estimated from CR
- EFT results also available

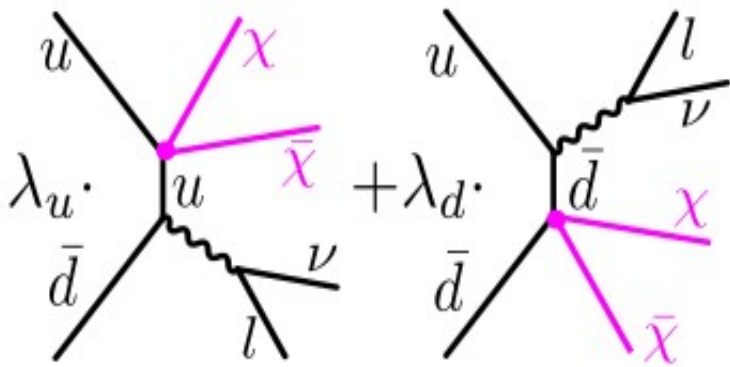


- High boson p_T with high missing transverse energy
- Boosted regime: use single fat jet ($\Delta R=1.2$) for $W/Z \rightarrow jj$ reconstruction
- Constructive and destructive interference in W diagrams play important role

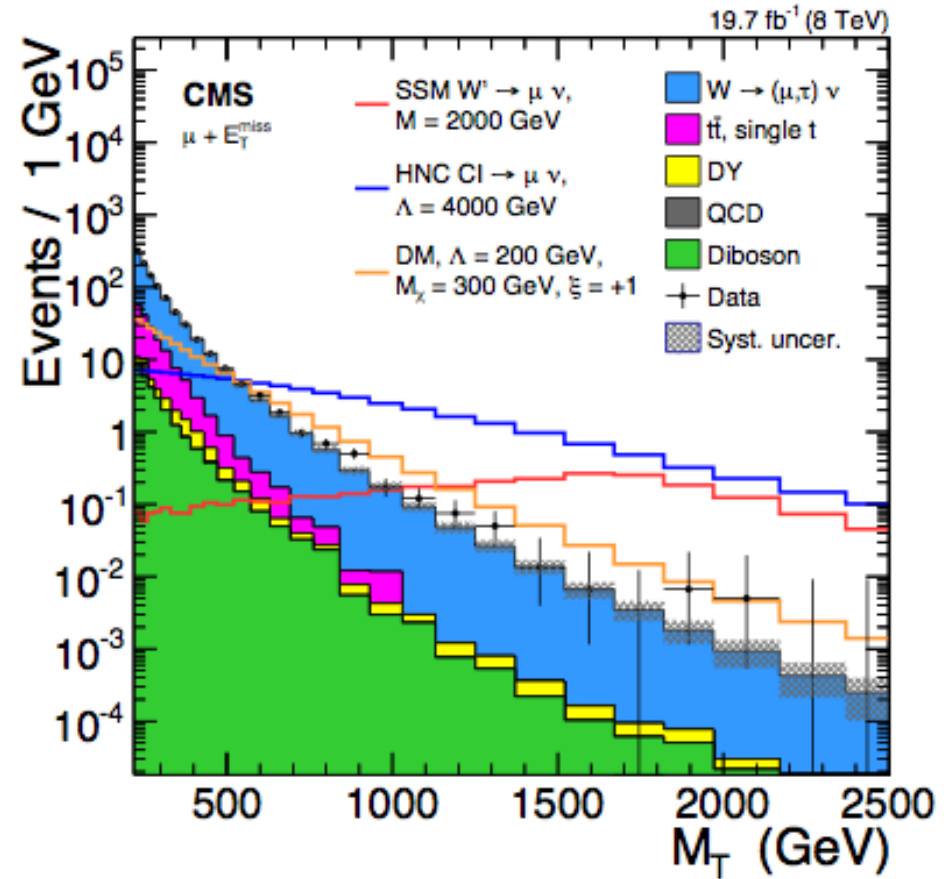


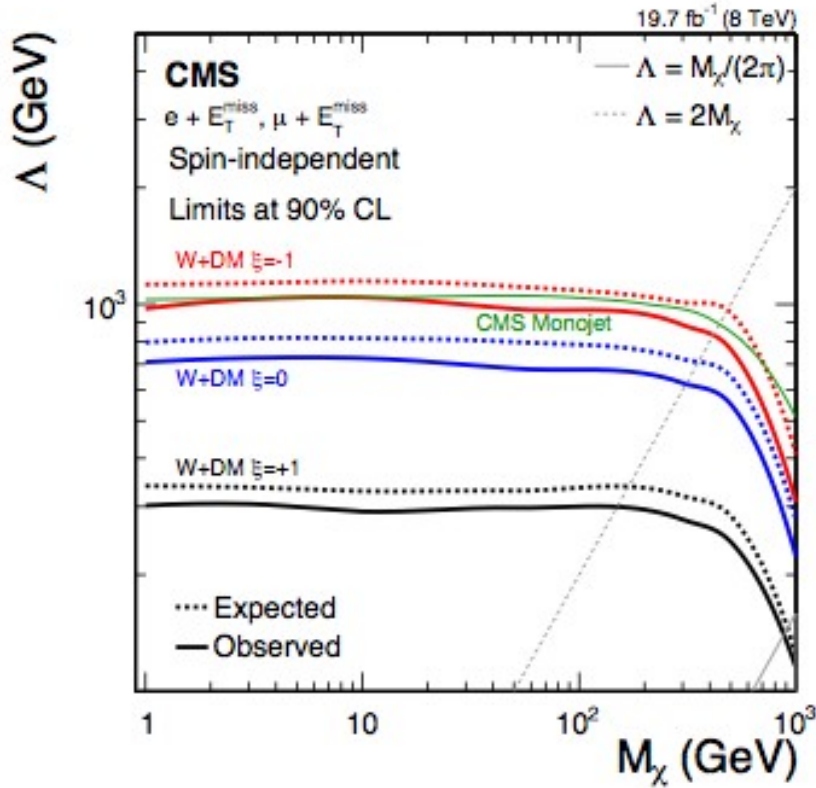


- Strong limits in the case of constructive interference.

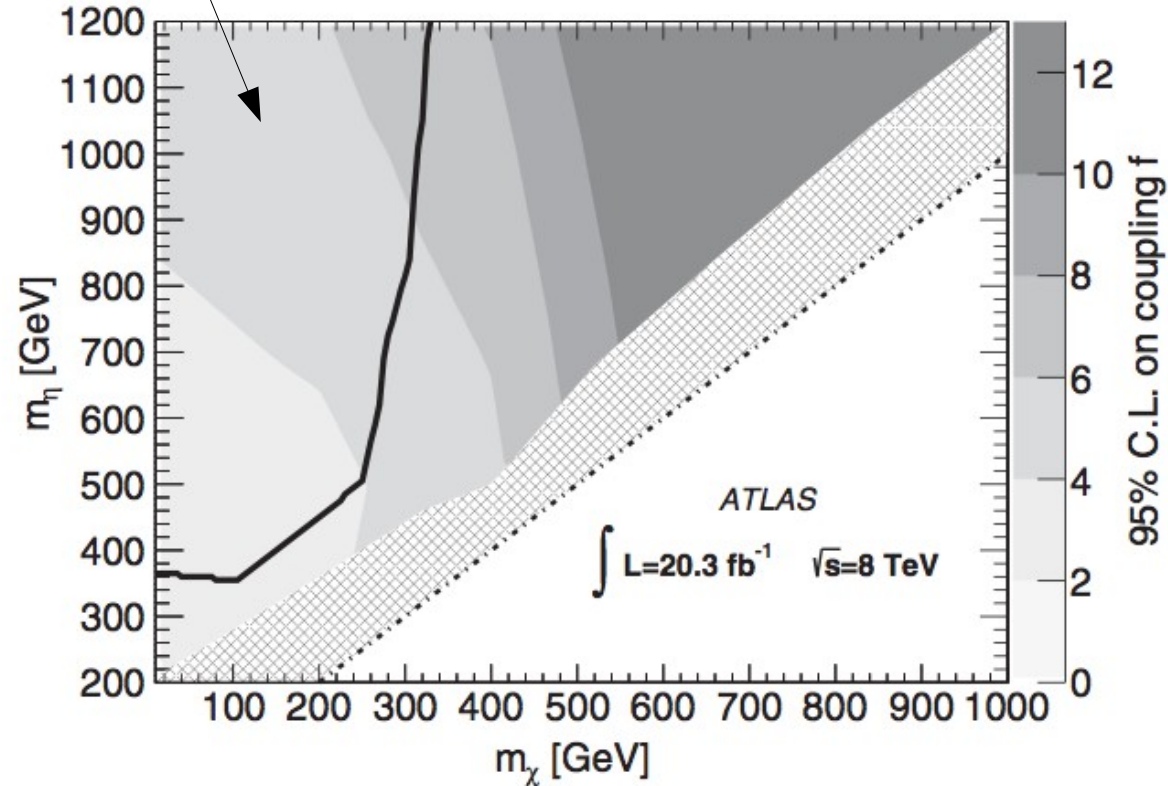
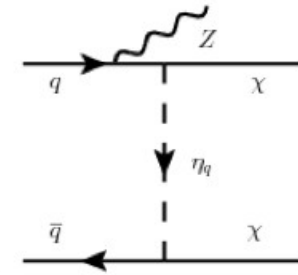


- Dark Matter production with W/Z-boson decaying to leptons
- Bosons recoil against the pair of dark matter \rightarrow look for excess of events at high MET
- Use transverse mass M_T for W and invariant mass M_{ll} for Z as discriminant





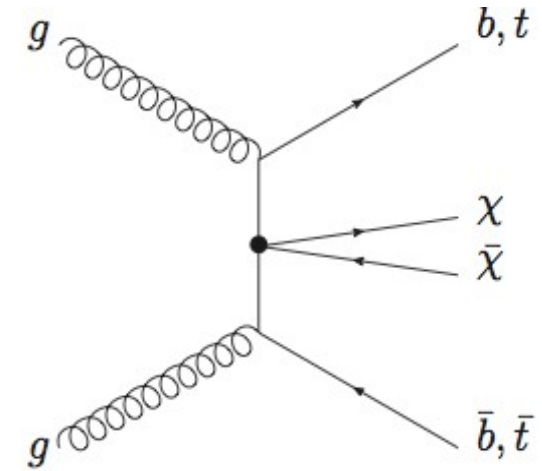
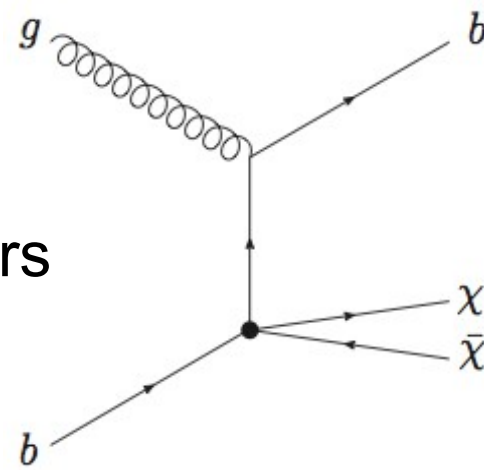
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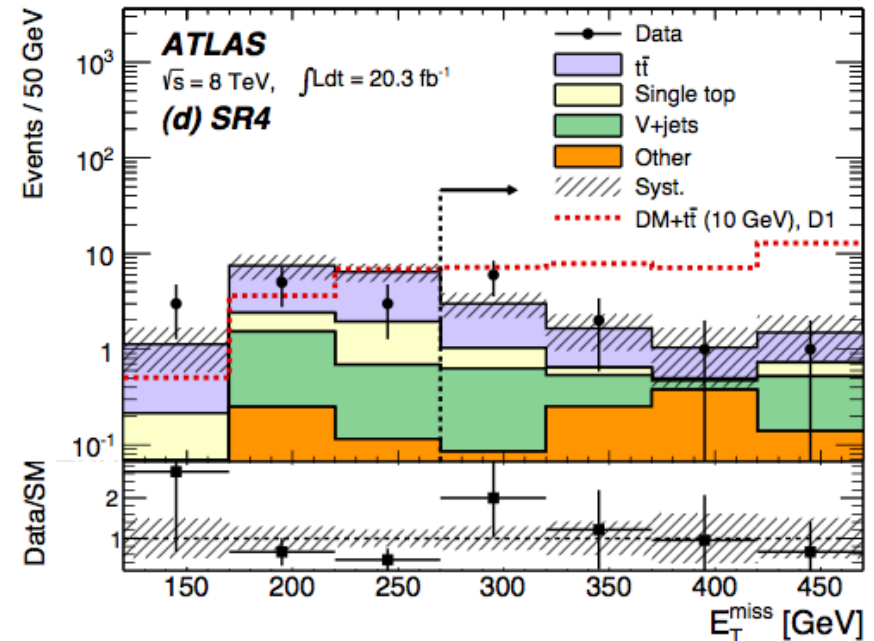
- Limits on the suppression scale as a function of dark matter mass
- Also simplified model limits in the scalar-mediator theory

- Some EFT operators enhanced for heavy flavours

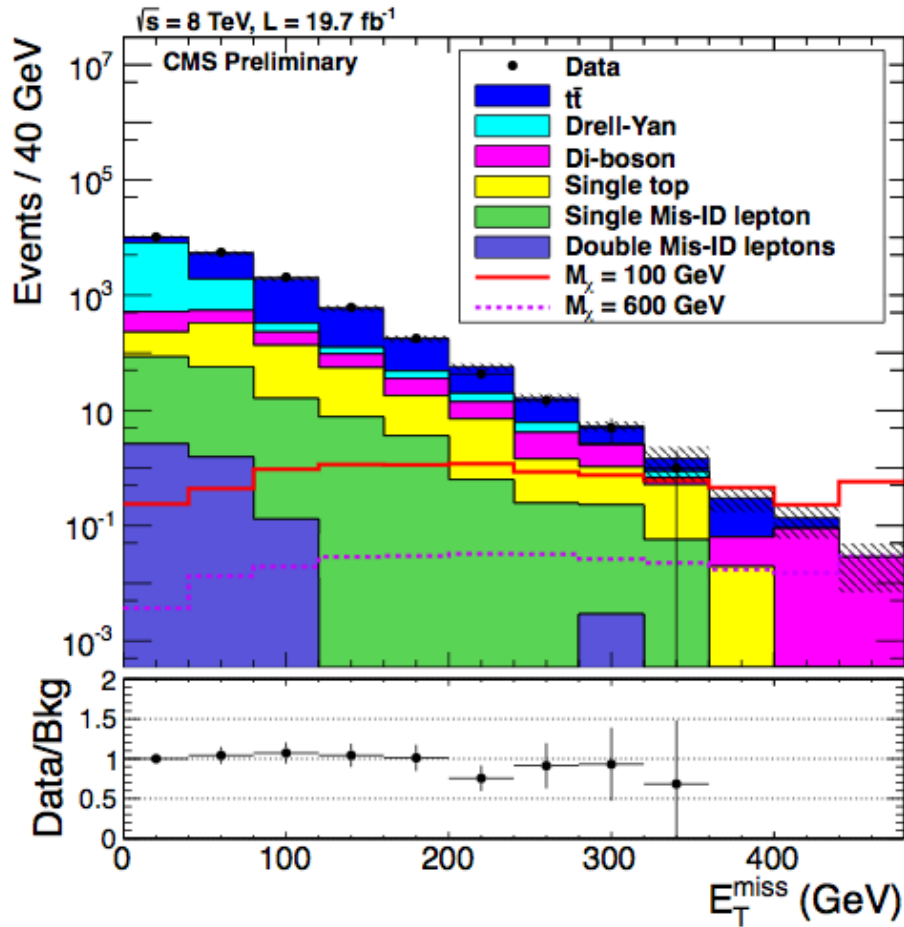
$$\mathcal{O}_{\text{scalar}} = \sum_q \frac{m_q}{M_*^N} \bar{q}q\bar{\chi}\chi,$$



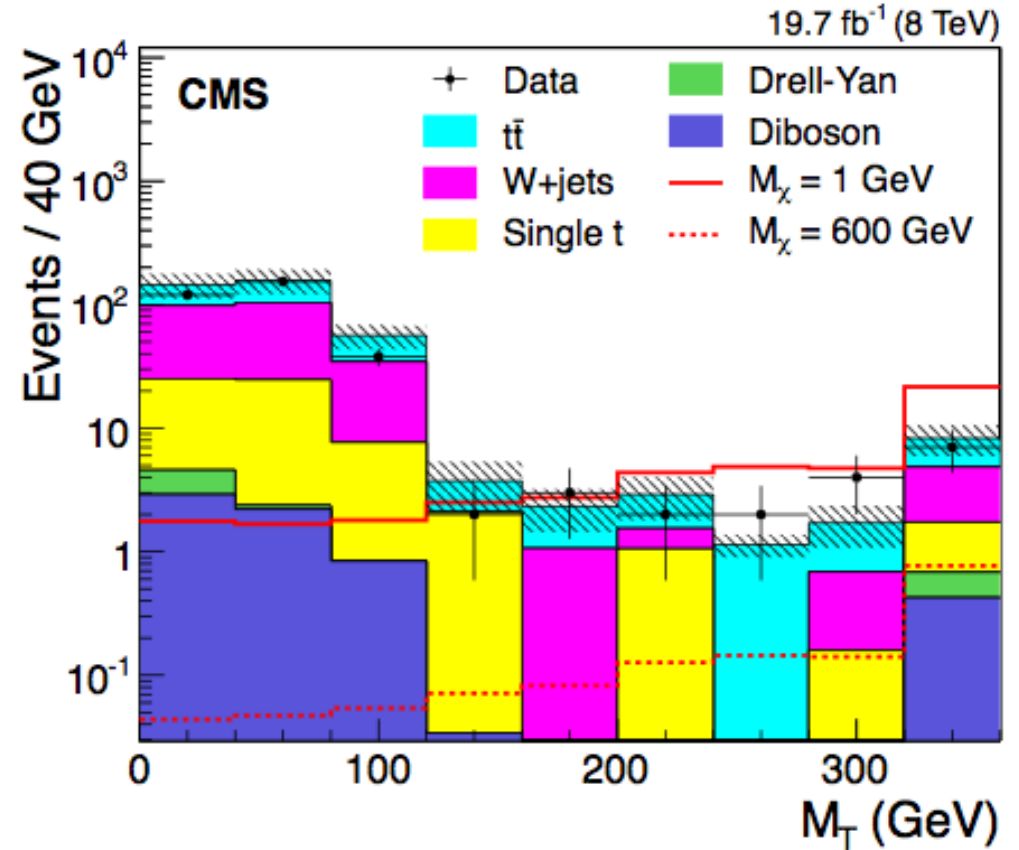
- May arise from integrating out a scalar mediator with couplings proportional to quark mass m_q .
- Look for events with high MET and b-tagged jet(s)
- Signal regions normalized from control regions



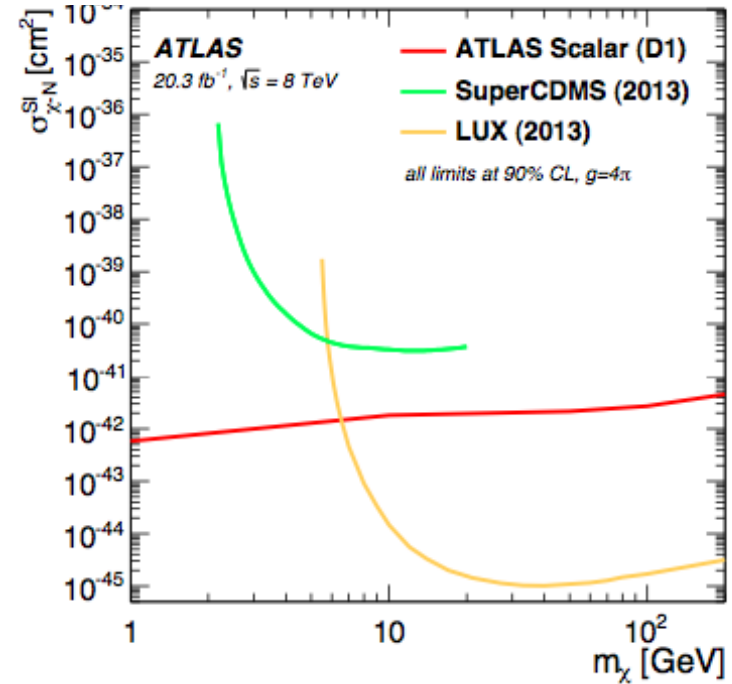
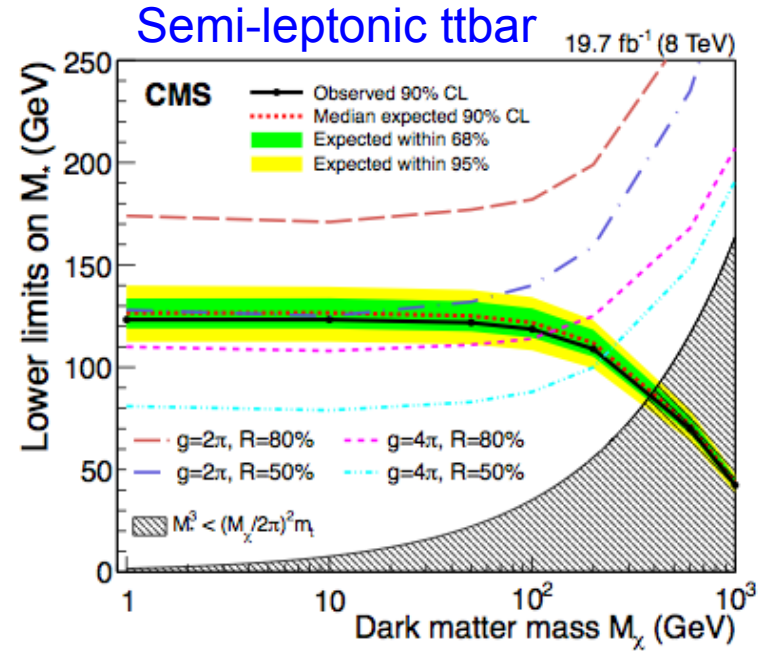
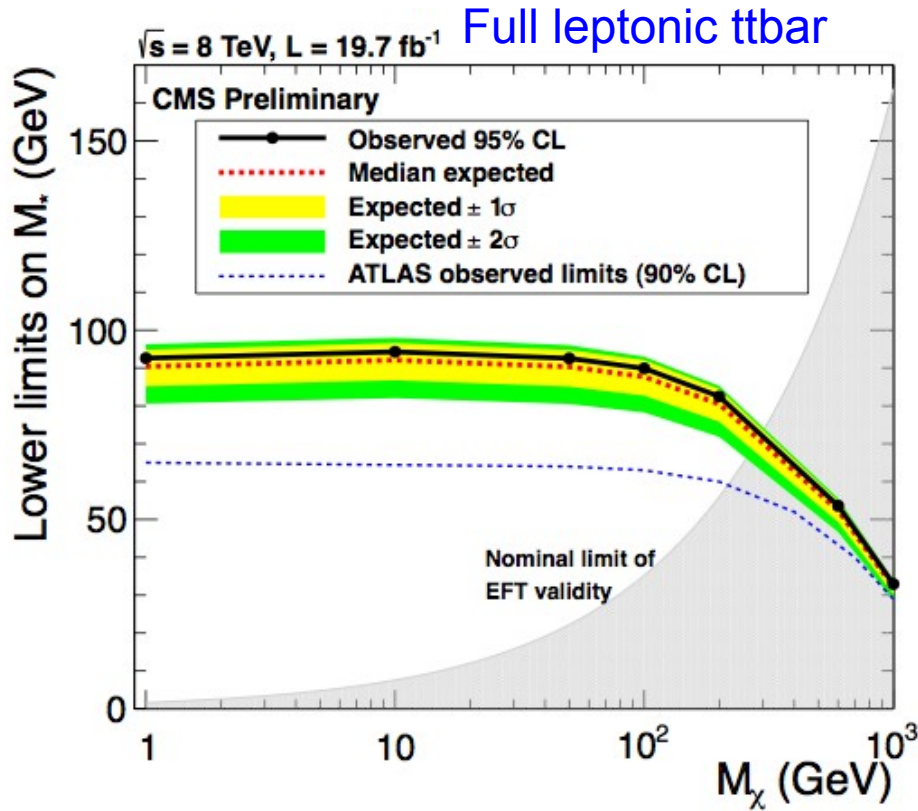
Full leptonic $t\bar{t}$



Semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$

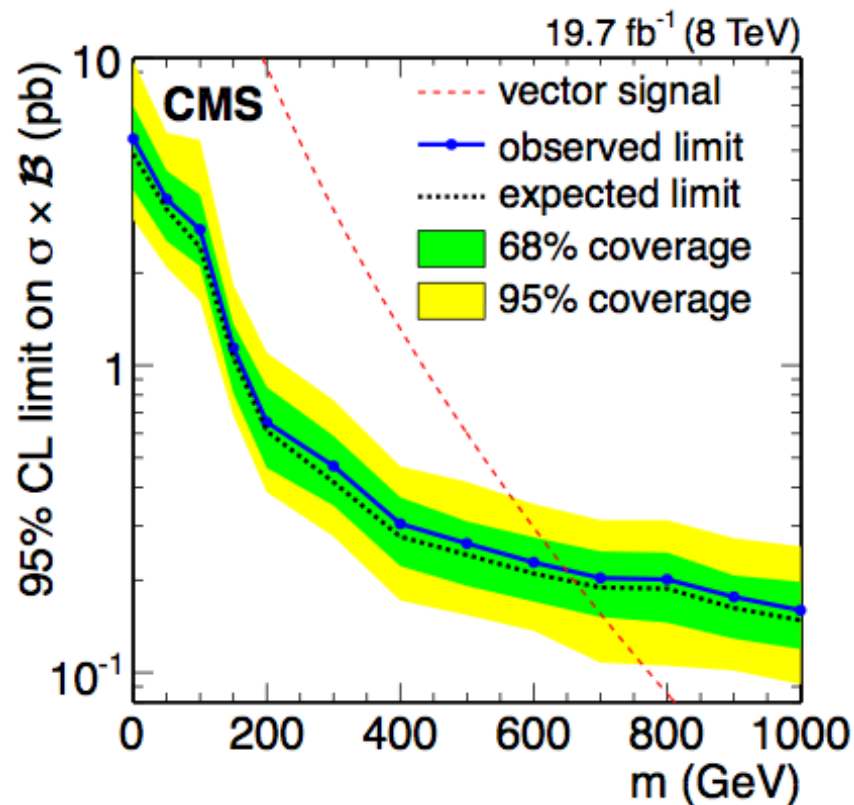
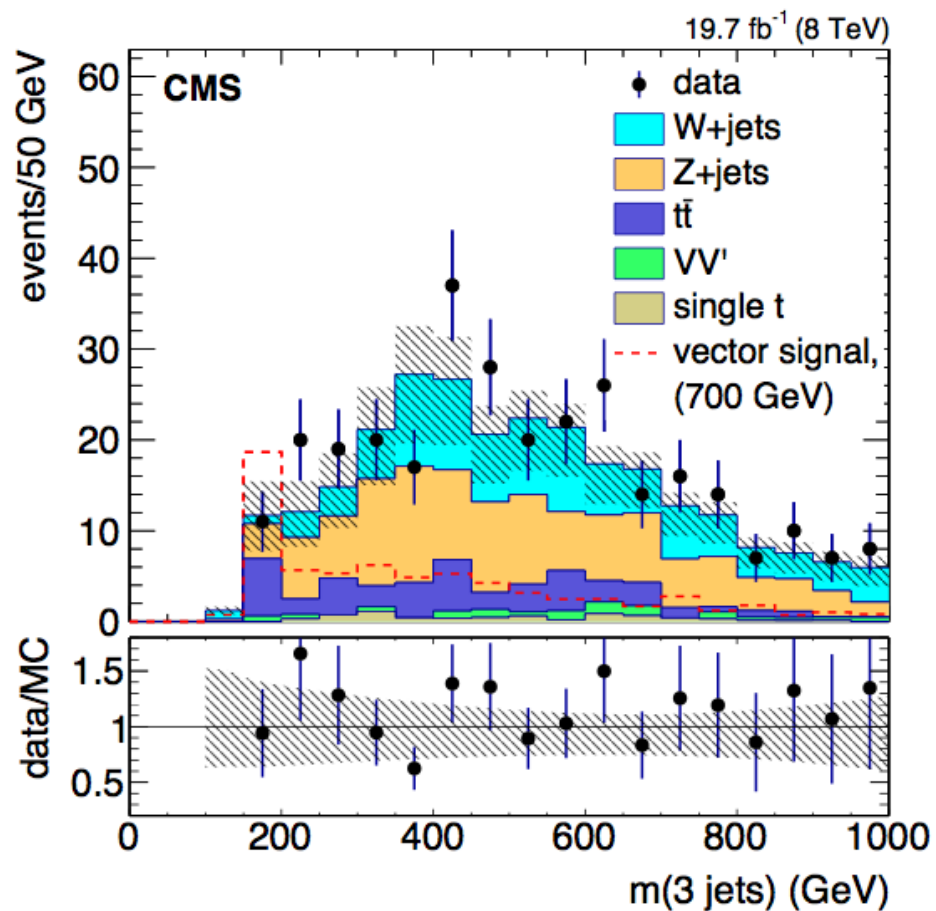
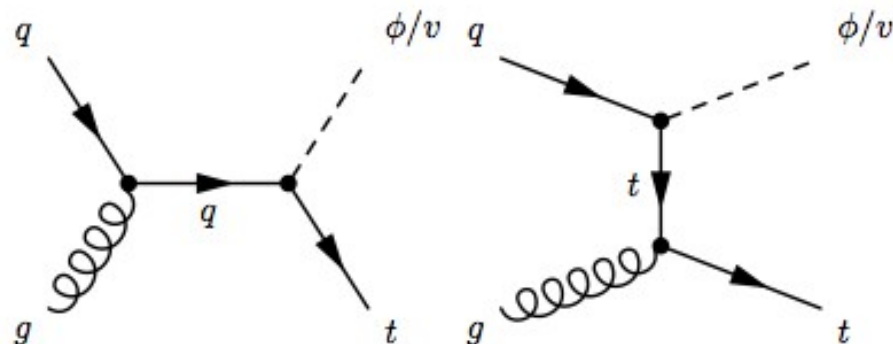


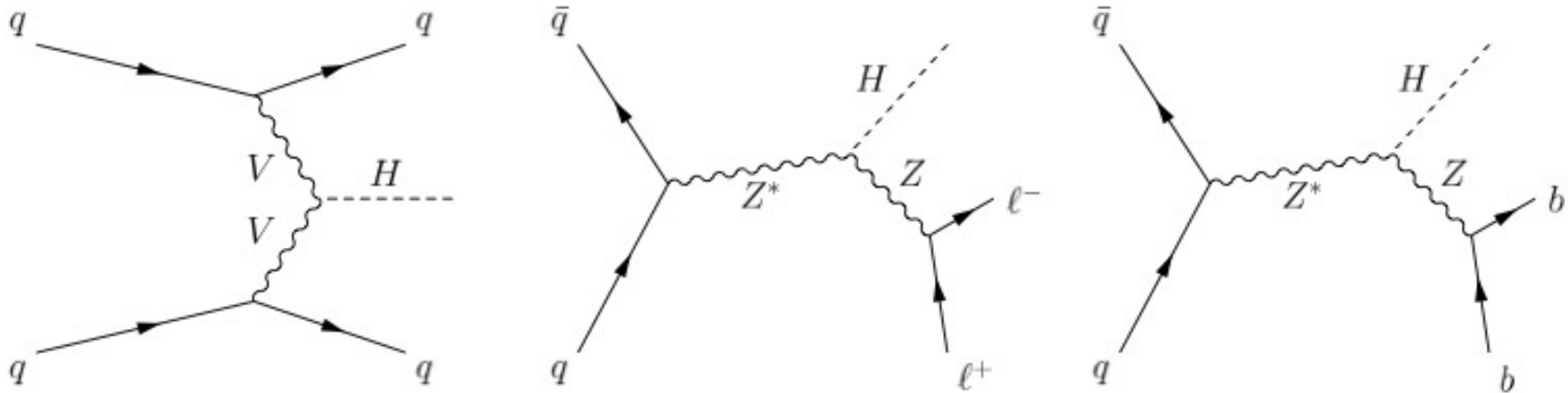
- Different analysis approaches for the different $t\bar{t}$ decay channels (all-hadronic, semi-leptonic and di-leptonic)



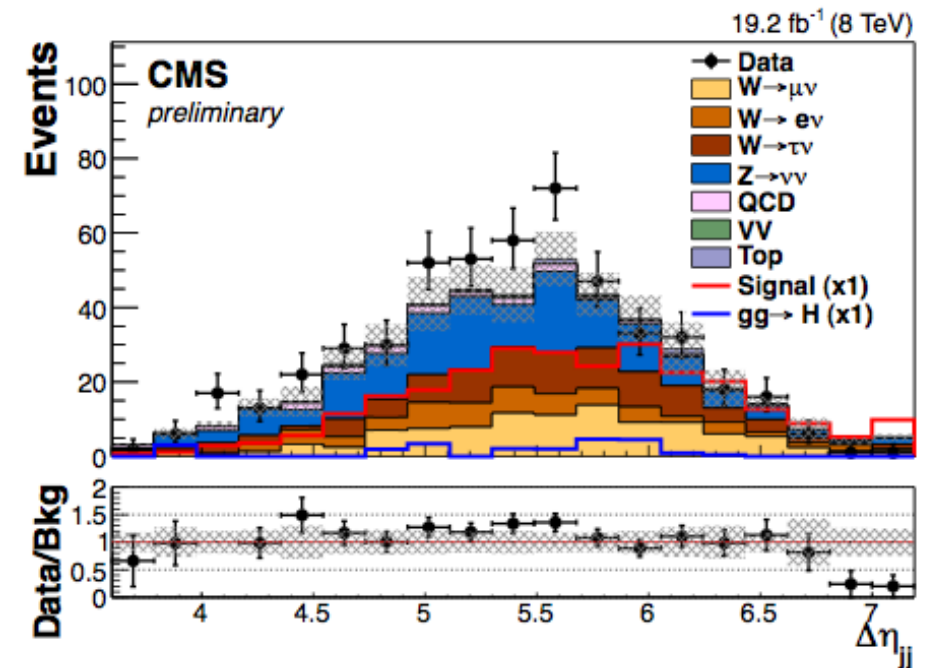
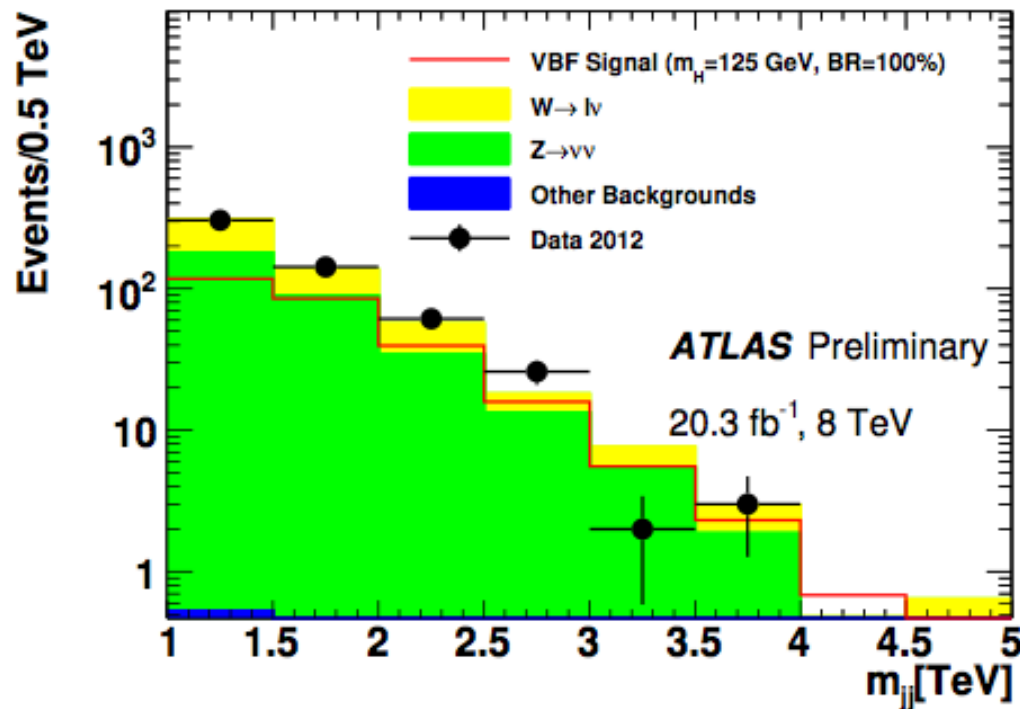
- Better limits from the semi-leptonic ttbar.
- Collider limits are competitive for DM mass below 10 GeV

- Single top+MET predicted by many BSM
- At least 3-jets with one b-tag

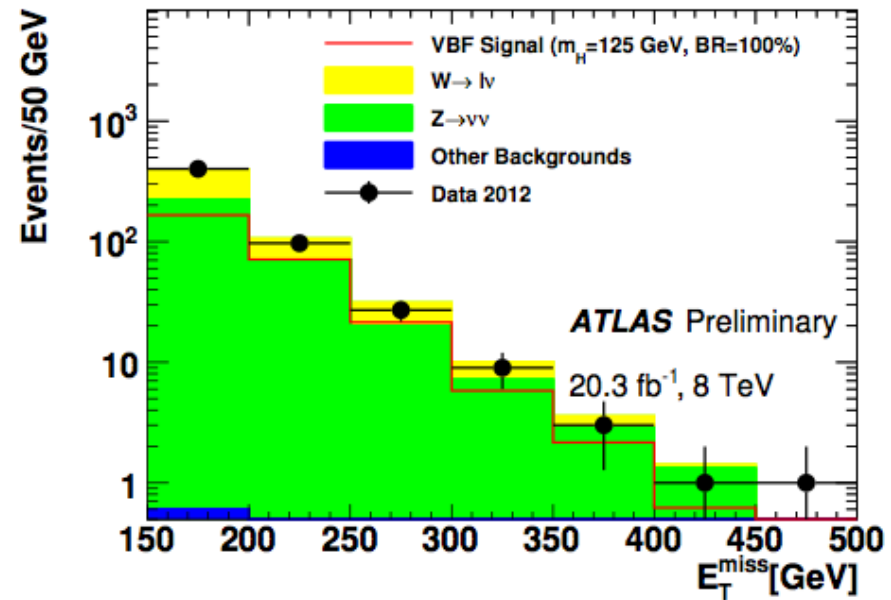
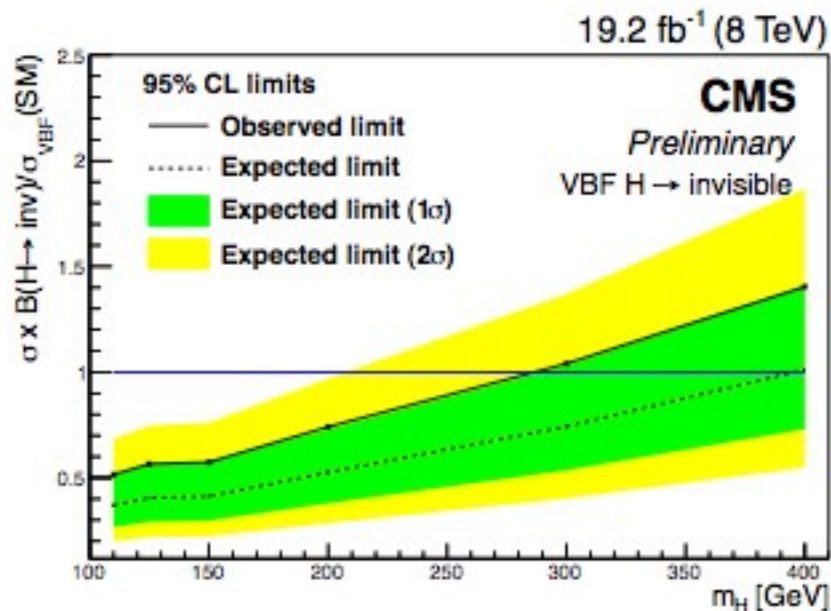




- The discovery of the Higgs at a mass of 125 GeV opens the door for realistic searches for invisible Higgs decays
- The SM $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \nu\nu\nu\nu$ has a BR of 1.2×10^{-3} , below the sensitivity of current analyses
- However DM could have substantially large Yukawa couplings to Higgs leading to $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow \text{invisible})$ much larger than predicted in SM (if DM mass $< m_H/2$)
- Vector boson fusion (VBF) and associated vector boson production (VH) with different topologies have been explored

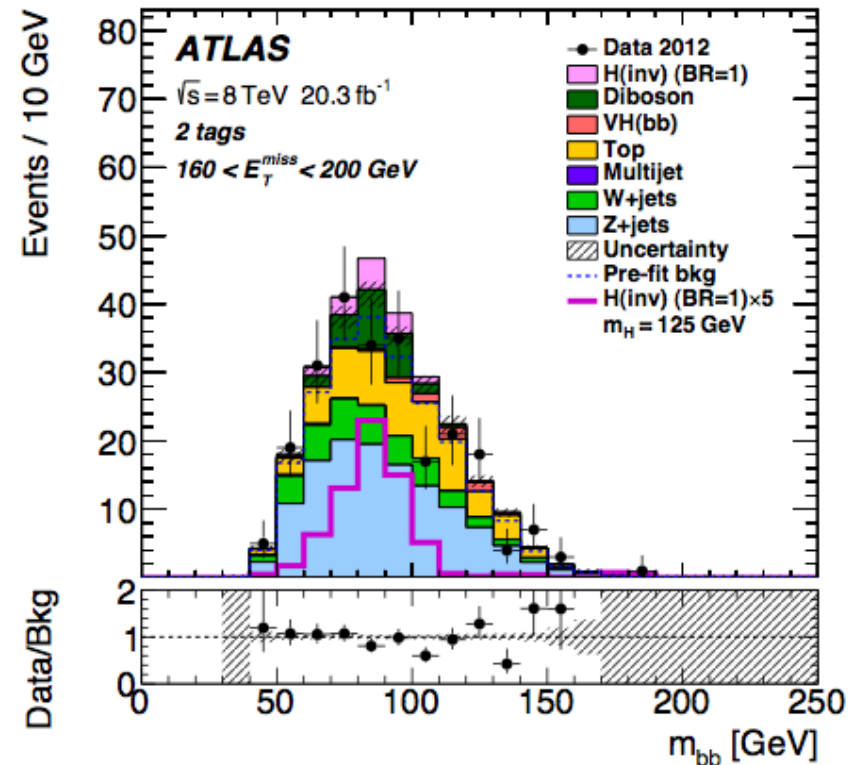
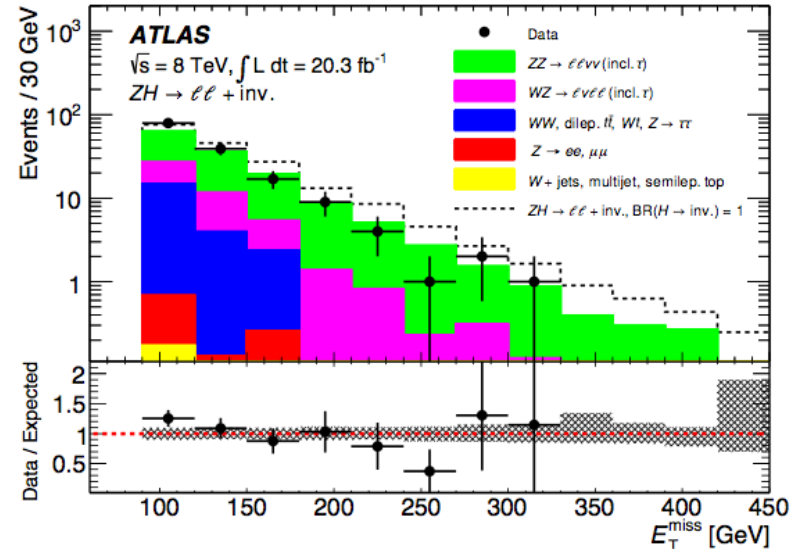
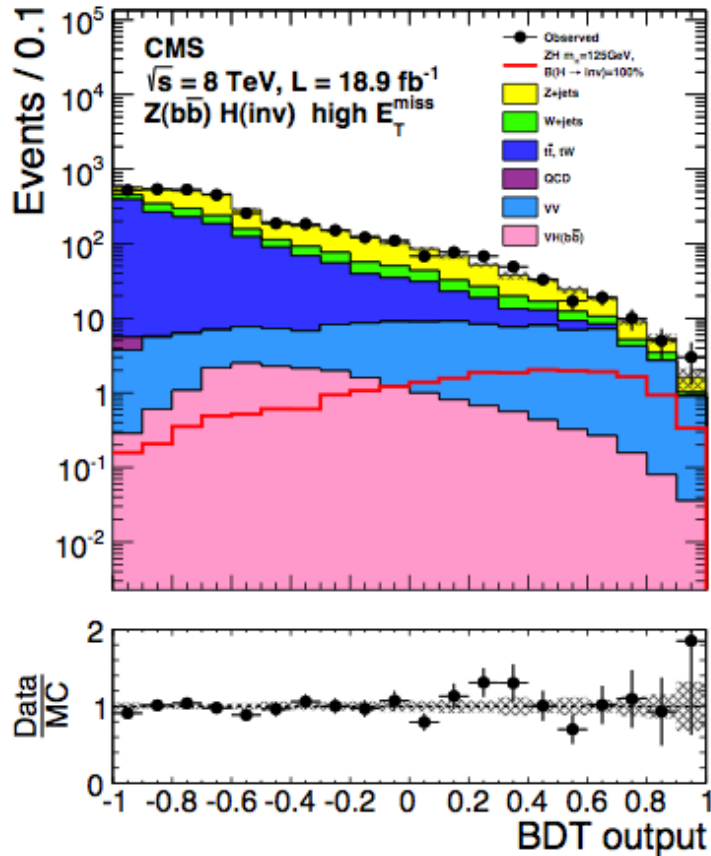


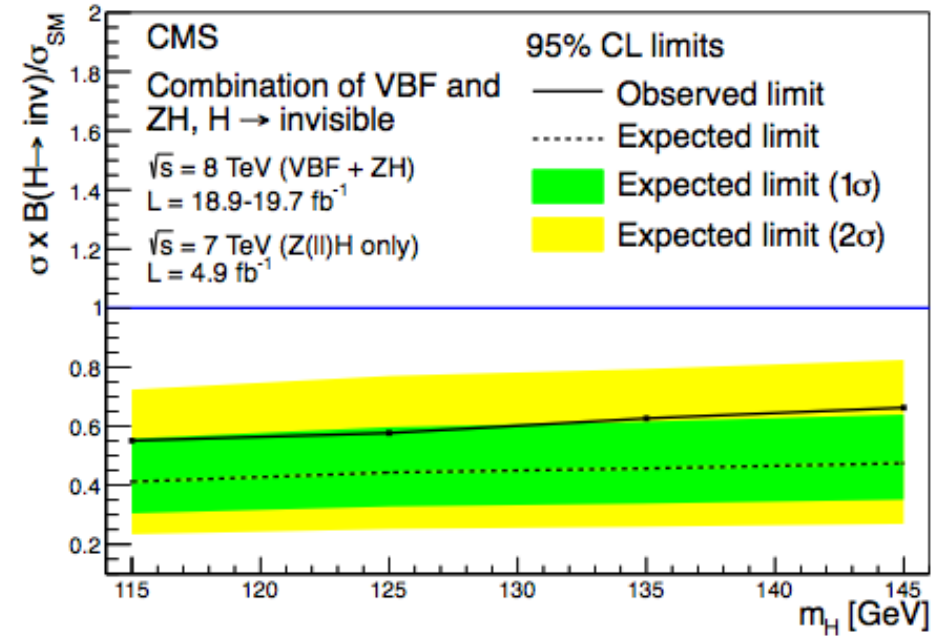
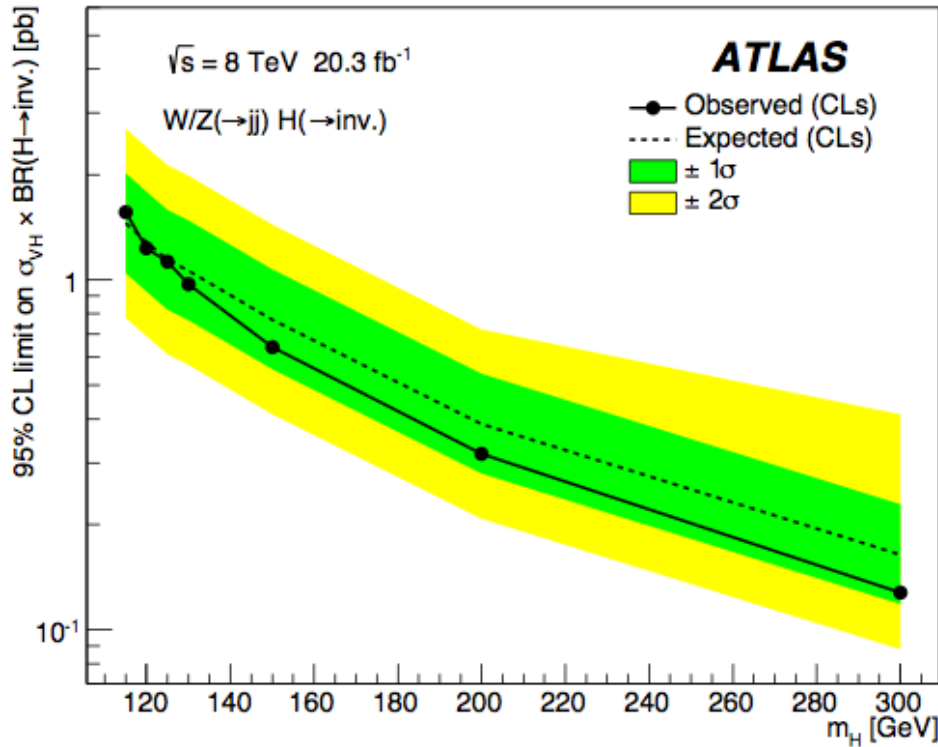
- Look for two forward jets with large invariant mass m_{jj} (above 1 TeV) and large η separation (typically $\Delta\eta_{jj}$ more than 3.5)
- Main background from V+jets and VBF EW production
- It is one of the most sensitive channels to look for invisible Higgs decays



- Similar expected limits on BR(Higgs \rightarrow invisible) between CMS (<35%) and ATLAS (< 29%) for $m_H=125$ GeV
- Observed: **ATLAS <35%, CMS <47%**
- Scan as a function of the Higgs mass assuming SM couplings.

- Hadronic and leptonic boson decays + large MET
- Use b-tagging and/or BDT to enhance H(Z → bb) signal





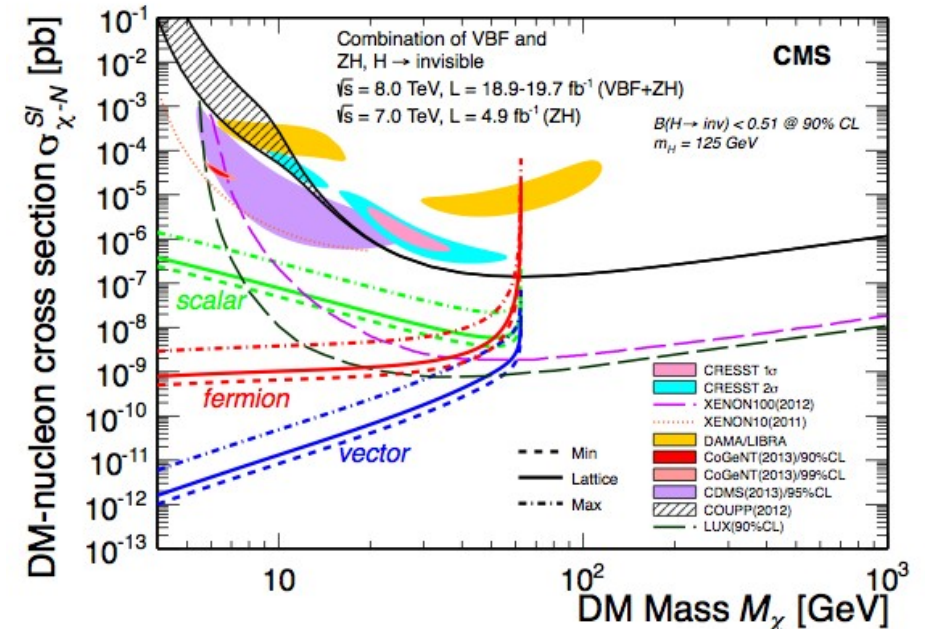
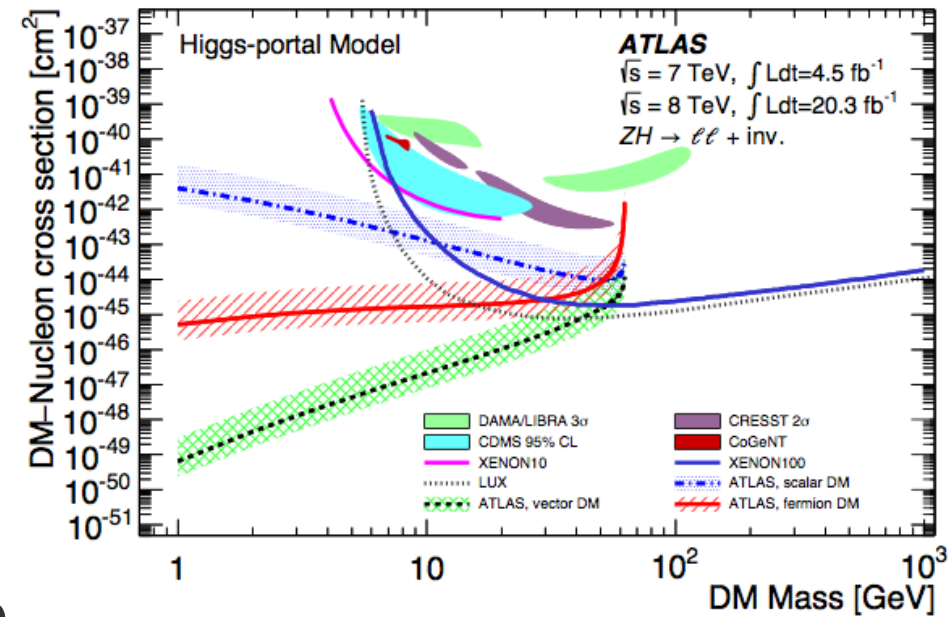
- Limit scan as a function of the Higgs mass assuming SM couplings.
- Limits on BR(Higgs → invisible) less stringent than VBF channel

- If the DM particle has a mass below $m_H/2$ the invisible decay width of the Higgs can be directly translated to DM-nucleon spin independent cross section
- For DM masses below $m_H/2$ the collider limits are very competitive

$$\sigma_{S-N}^{SI} = \frac{4\Gamma_{inv}}{m_H^3 v^2 \beta} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{(M_\chi + m_N)^2}$$

$$\sigma_{V-N}^{SI} = \frac{16\Gamma_{inv} M_\chi^4}{m_H^3 v^2 \beta (m_H^4 - 4M_\chi^2 m_H^2 + 12M_\chi^4)} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{(M_\chi + m_N)^2}$$

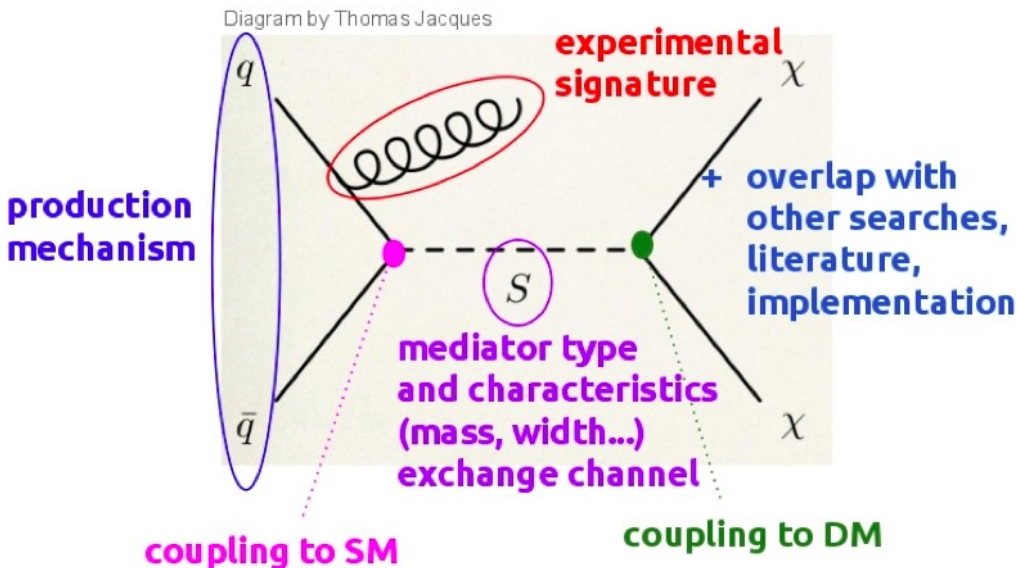
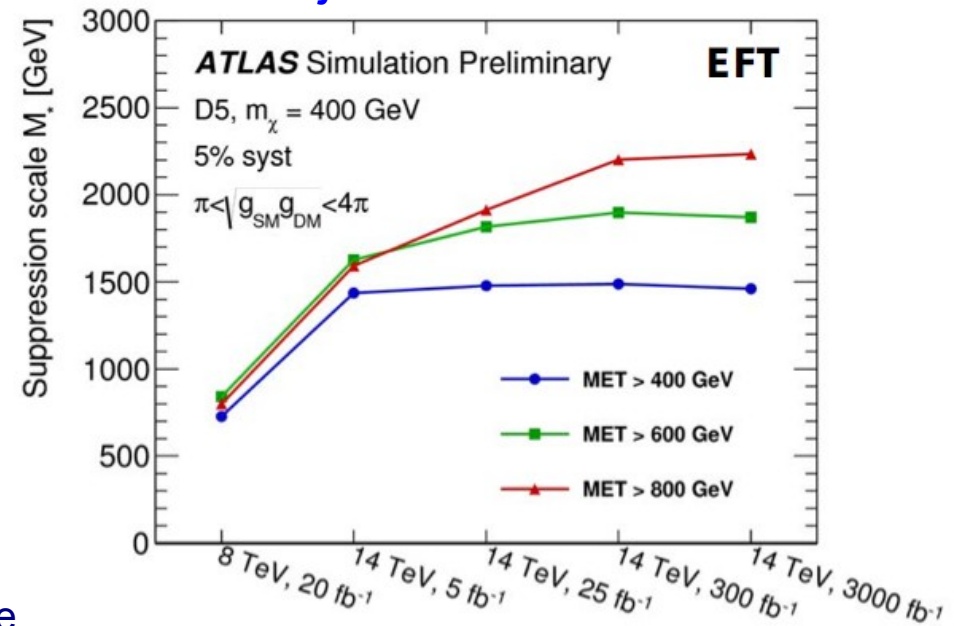
$$\sigma_{F-N}^{SI} = \frac{8\Gamma_{inv} M_\chi^2}{m_H^5 v^2 \beta^3} \frac{m_N^4 f_N^2}{(M_\chi + m_N)^2}$$



- Monojet analyses using similar strategies as in Run-I are expected to surpass previous limits with only 5/fb at 13 TeV
- Harmonization of DM searches ongoing within the ATLAS/CMS Dark Matter Forum

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Monojet selection



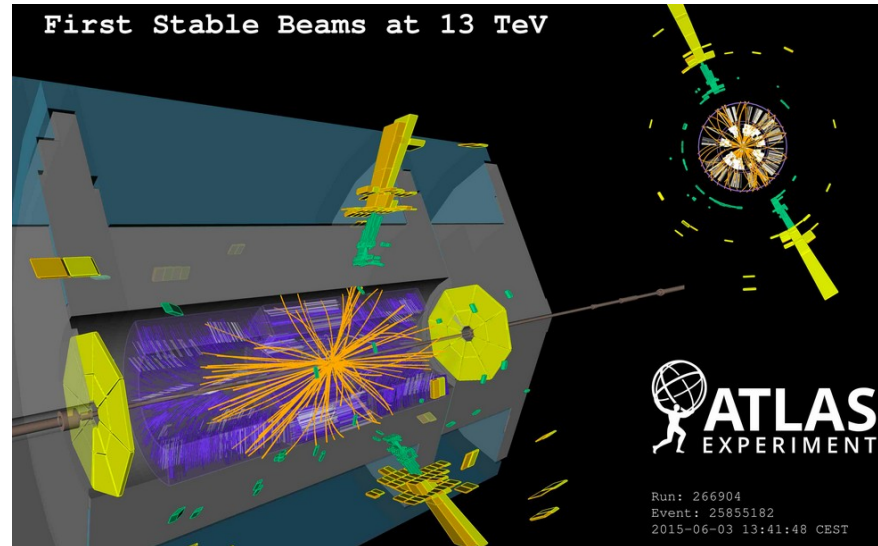
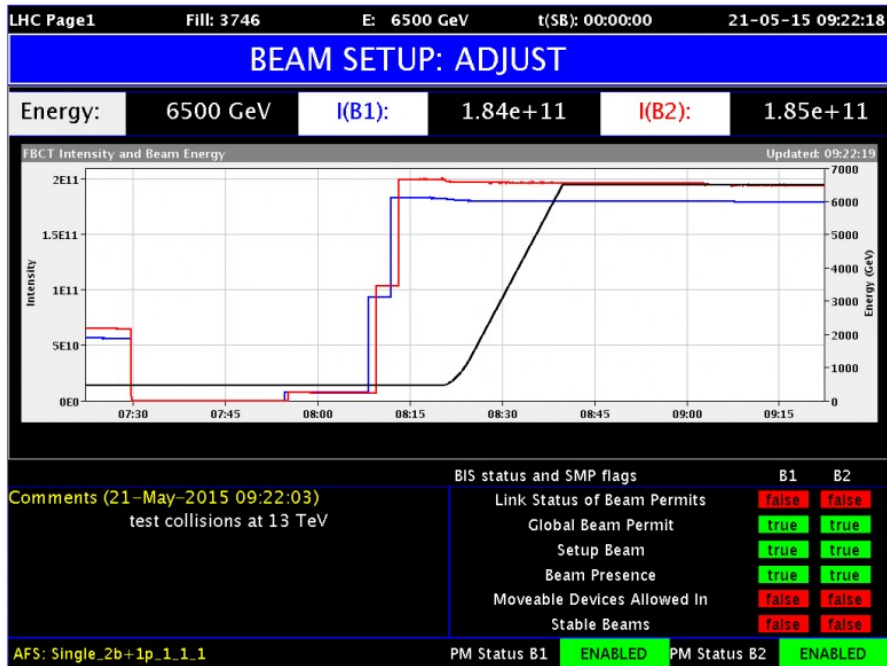
The Forum addresses:

- Set of prioritized simplified models
- Benchmark MC generation for common models (treatment of details, systematics, etc).
- Common procedure for EFT validity treatment

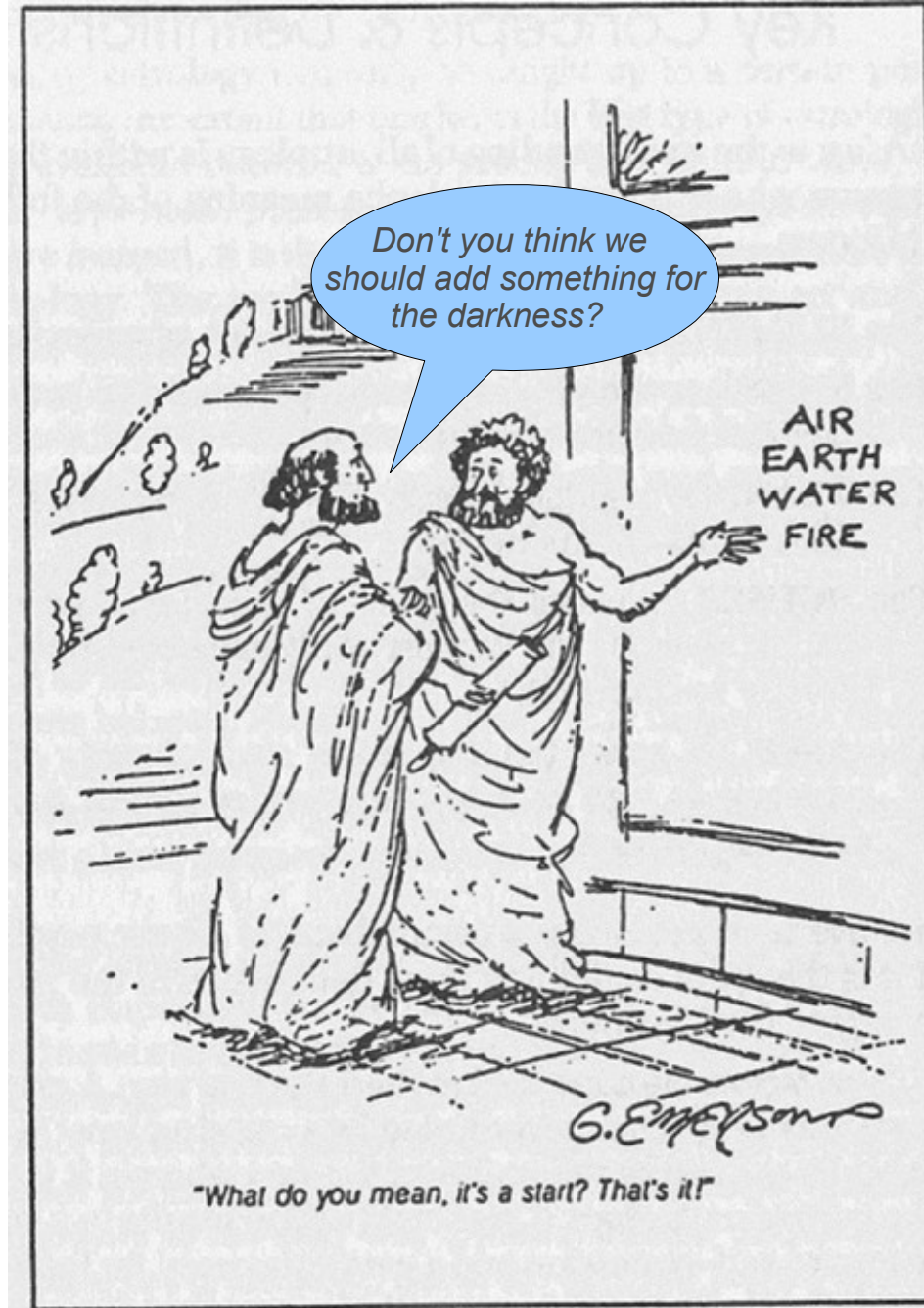
The LHC is up and running at 13 TeV!!



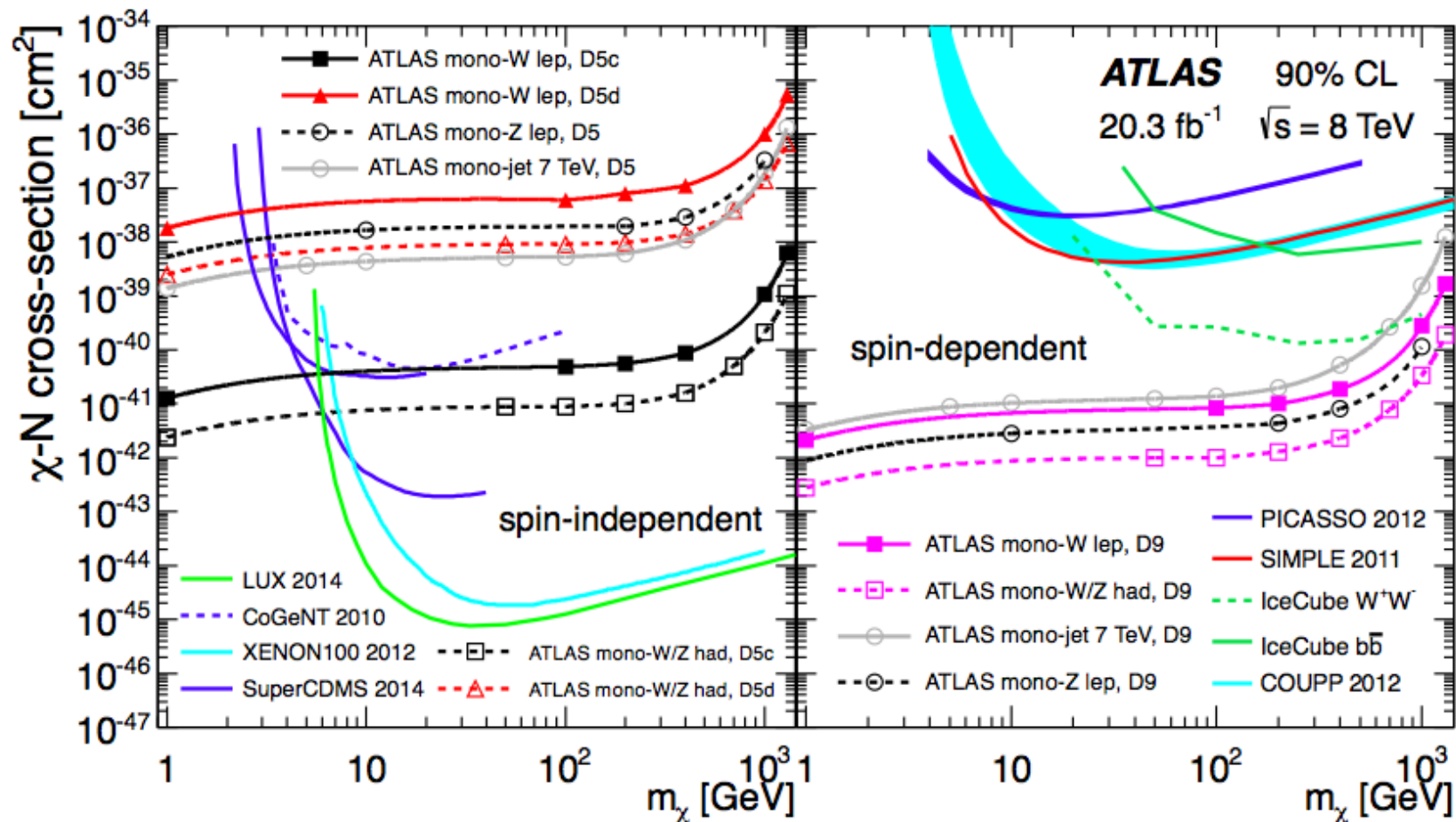
The CMS experiment team celebrated when the first collisions occurred



- Dedicated ATLAS and CMS dark matter searches using multiple final states.
- Interpretation of the results done in the context of EFT and simplified models.
- No signal discovered yet → complementary results to other Dark Matter experiments
- But run-II has just started... stay tuned!!



Additional material



Name	Initial state	Type	Operator
C1	qq	scalar	$\frac{m_q}{M_\star^2} \chi^\dagger \chi \bar{q} q$
C5	gg	scalar	$\frac{1}{4M_\star^2} \chi^\dagger \chi \alpha_s (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2$
D1	qq	scalar	$\frac{m_q}{M_\star^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \bar{q} q$
D5	qq	vector	$\frac{1}{M_\star^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu q$
D8	qq	axial-vector	$\frac{1}{M_\star^2} \bar{\chi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \chi \bar{q} \gamma_\mu \gamma^5 q$
D9	qq	tensor	$\frac{1}{M_\star^2} \bar{\chi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \chi \bar{q} \sigma_{\mu\nu} q$
D11	gg	scalar	$\frac{1}{4M_\star^3} \bar{\chi} \chi \alpha_s (G_{\mu\nu}^a)^2$