

**Table 13.5.** The  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + multi-jet SUSY search analysis path.

Requirement	Remark
Level 1	Level-1 trigger efficiency parametrisation
HLT, $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200$ GeV	trigger/signal signature
primary vertex $\geq 1$	primary cleanup
$F_{em} \geq 0.175$ , $F_{ch} \geq 0.1$	primary cleanup
$N_j \geq 3$ , $ \eta_d^{1j}  < 1.7$	signal signature
$\delta\phi_{\text{min}}(E_T^{\text{miss}} - \text{jet}) \geq 0.3$ rad,	
$R1, R2 > 0.5$ rad,	
$\delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}} - j(2)) > 20^\circ$	QCD rejection
$Iso^{\text{leadtrk}} = 0$	ILV (I) $W/Z/t\bar{t}$ rejection
$f_{em(j(1))}, f_{em(j(2))} < 0.9$	ILV (II), $W/Z/t\bar{t}$ rejection
$E_{T,j(1)} > 180$ GeV, $E_{T,j(2)} > 110$ GeV	signal/background optimisation
$H_T \equiv E_{T(2)} + E_{T(3)} + E_{T(4)} + E_T^{\text{miss}} > 500$ GeV	signal/background optimisation
SUSY LM1 signal efficiency 13%	

**Table 13.6.** Selected SUSY and Standard Model background events for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

Signal	$t\bar{t}$	single $t$	$Z(\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) + \text{jets}$	$(W/Z, WW/ZZ/ZW) + \text{jets}$	QCD
6319	53.9	2.6	48	33	107

**Table 13.7.** Standard Model background components and uncertainties for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

$t\bar{t}$ , single top	$Z(\rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}) + \text{jets}$	$(W/Z, WW/ZZ/ZW) + \text{jets}$	QCD
$56 \pm 11(\text{sys}) \pm 7.5(\text{stat})$	$48 \pm 3.5$ (all)	$33 \pm 2.5$ (all)	$107 \pm 25(\text{sys}) \pm 10(\text{stat})$

significance computed with ScPf, defined in Appendix A.1. After  $\sim 1.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  the  $W/Z + \text{jets}$  backgrounds, including the invisible decays of the  $Z$  boson which constitutes a large irreducible background component, can be reliably normalised using the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow ee + \text{multi-jet}$  data candle. The comparison of the signal, total background estimated and its components for the  $M_{\text{eff}} \equiv E_{T(1)} + E_{T(2)} + E_{T(3)} + E_{T(4)} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  can be found in section 4.2.

To perform the  $5 \sigma$  reach scan (Fig. 13.5) in the mSUGRA parameter space, the HM1 test point is used as optimisation reference and the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $H_T$  requirements are raised to 600 GeV and 1500 GeV correspondingly. The analysis efficiency for HM1 is  $\sim 12\%$  while the total Standard Model background for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is 4.36 events with a total uncertainty of 7%. The background composition is 67%  $Z$  invisible decays, 19% QCD jets and 14%  $W/Z + \text{jets}$ .

### 13.6. Inclusive muons with jets and missing transverse energy

We study the production and decay of new particles in mSUGRA via inclusive final states including muons, high  $p_T$  jets, and large missing transverse energy. Requiring at least one muon provides a relatively clean experimental signature (complementing searches involving only inclusive jets and missing energy), however requires a well-understood trigger shortly after the LHC start-up. In this work [675], the fully simulated and reconstructed LM1 mSUGRA point is taken as the benchmark for selection optimisation and study of systematic effects. Even though the study was performed within the context of mSUGRA, this method is not specific to the mSUGRA framework and should apply equally well in other contexts.

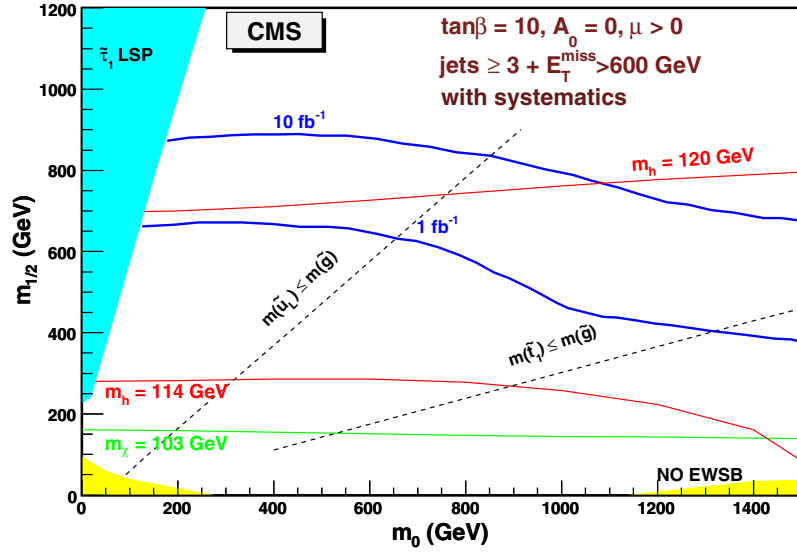


Figure 13.5.  $5\sigma$  reach for 1 and  $10\text{ fb}^{-1}$  using multi-jets and missing transverse energy final state.

The strategy employed in this analysis is to optimise a set of selection cuts based on an objective function which provides a reasonable estimate of the significance to exclude the Standard Model null-hypothesis while explicitly including systematic uncertainties (thus avoiding regions of phase space which are prone to systematics). This work uses a Genetic Algorithm (GARCON [63]) for the optimisation of cuts.

### 13.6.1. Signal selection and backgrounds considered

Because this work is an inclusive study of mSUGRA signatures involving at least one muon accompanied by multiple jets and large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , several Standard Model processes contribute as sources of background and must be taken into account. Accordingly, the main backgrounds studied in this analysis correspond to QCD dijet (2.8 million events with  $0 < \hat{p}_T < 4\text{ TeV}/c$ ), top ( $t\bar{t}$ ) production (3.3 million events), electroweak single-boson production (4.4 million events with  $0 < \hat{p}_T < 4.4\text{ TeV}/c$ ) and electroweak dibosons production (1.2 million events). All backgrounds used in this work are fully simulated and reconstructed. This work uses only leading order cross-sections, consistently for both signal and all backgrounds. Considering NLO  $k$ -factors for the signal and background processes do not change the final results significantly.

The CMS trigger system is described in [76], and the current working trigger menu is described in Appendix E. This work uses an event sample which is triggered by either of two HLT triggers: the inclusive isolated single-muon trigger or the isolated dimuon trigger.

The following quality criteria are applied to muons and jets. The leading muon is required to have a transverse momentum above  $p_T = 30\text{ GeV}/c$  which ensures that the muon candidate is reconstructed with good efficiency, well above the trigger thresholds. Further, the leading muon is required to be isolated with less than  $10\text{ GeV}$  of calorimeter energy within a cone of radius  $R = 0.3$ , reducing the effects due to fake muons, whilst preserving reasonable efficiency for signal acceptance. Finally, the three leading jets must each have an  $E_T$  of at least  $50\text{ GeV}$  which guarantees that jets are reconstructed with good efficiency.

**Table 13.8.** Total number of selected events (for  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$ ) and significance (“Signif.”) with systematic uncertainties (but excluding uncertainties due to finite Monte Carlo simulation statistics and higher order QCD effects). “SM” represents the total of all Standard Model backgrounds considered.

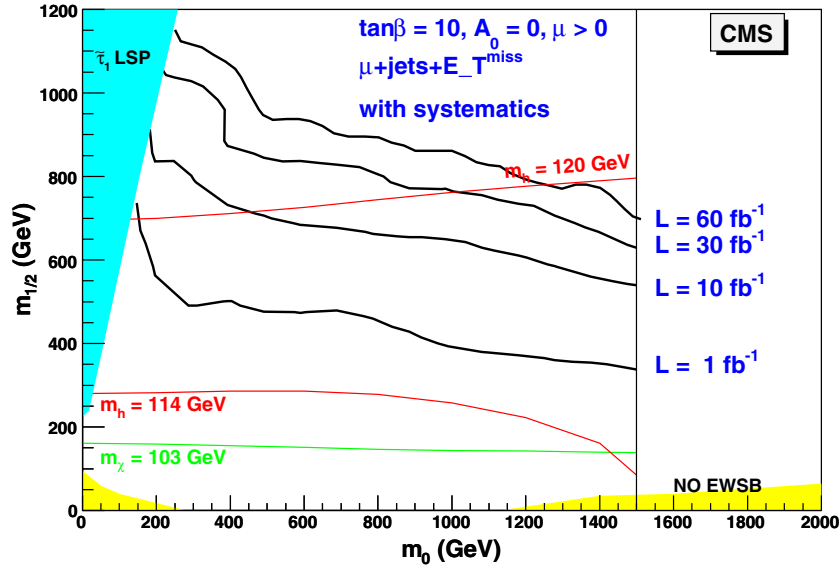
Sample(s)	Events	Signif.	Sample	Events	Signif.	Sample	Events	Signif.
SM	2.54	–	LM4	246	29.2	LM6	277	31.6
LM1	311	34.0	LM5	165	22.9	HM1	13	5.0

The genetic algorithm GARCON [63] used for the optimisation of cuts results in:  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 130\text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j1} > 440\text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j2} > 440\text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta^{j1}| < 1.9$ ,  $|\eta^{j2}| < 1.5$ ,  $|\eta^{j3}| < 3$ ,  $\cos[\Delta\phi(j1, j2)] < 0.2$ ,  $-0.95 < \cos[\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, j1)] < 0.3$ ,  $\cos[\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, j2)] < 0.85$ . Assuming  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$  of collected data, this set of cuts would expect to select a total of 2.54 background events from the Standard Model and 311 signal events from the mSUGRA LM1 benchmark signal point.

### 13.6.2. Results for $10\text{fb}^{-1}$ using full detector simulation and reconstruction

After all selection cuts have been applied, several effects contribute as systematic uncertainties, including: jet energy scale (10%), jet energy resolution (5%), luminosity measurement (5%), and full GEANT simulation versus fast simulation differences (5%), used to determine the analysis reach in mSUGRA parameters in Section 13.6.3). Since this analysis is performed consistently at leading order, the inclusion of higher order effects involving ISR/FSR is not taken into account. A generator-level comparison of the parton shower method for inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  used by PYTHIA [69] with the matrix element calculation for  $t\bar{t} + 1\text{jet}$  from COMPHEP [355] suggests a  $\approx 10\%$  enhancement in the acceptance of  $t\bar{t} + 1\text{jet}$  events (generated via the matrix element method) compared with inclusive  $t\bar{t}$ . When combined with other expected effects – such as underlying event (5%), pile-up (5%), and parton distribution functions (5%) – a total theoretical systematic uncertainty of  $\sim 13\%$  is estimated. The dominant uncertainty (32%) arises from an inability to precisely predict the number of background events, due to finite Monte Carlo simulation statistics. We note that by the time  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$  of data is collected, many of the contributing background processes will be measured from real data, thereby reducing this uncertainty. If one includes the uncertainty due to finite Monte Carlo simulation statistics, the total systematic uncertainty for this work is 37%. Neglecting Monte Carlo simulation statistics, as well as higher order QCD effects, the total systematic uncertainty for this work is 19%.

Table 13.8 shows the main results of this study. For the fully simulated low mass mSUGRA point LM1, and assuming  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$  of data, this work selects an expected 311 signal events (with an efficiency of 0.074%) compared with 2.54 expected background events, comprised of  $t\bar{t}$  (0.73 events),  $W + \text{jets}$  (1.56 events), and  $Z + \text{jets}$  (0.24 events). The separation of signal from background for the different low mass mSUGRA points range in values from 23 to 34 in significance, including systematic uncertainties (but excluding uncertainties related to the limited number of simulated events). Such large values of significance merely indicate that the low mass mSUGRA region will either have been discovered or excluded, long before  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$  of data is collected. We note that shortly after the LHC start-up, the systematic understanding of the CMS detector is expected to be quite different than what is presented in this work, which assumes  $\mathcal{L} = 10\text{fb}^{-1}$ . Nevertheless, if one assumes a similar systematic understanding and extrapolates the results of this work to early running, the expected



**Figure 13.6.** CMS discovery reach contours in the  $m_0$ – $m_{1/2}$  plane using inclusive muons with jets and missing energy for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (lower contour),  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (middle contour), and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (upper contour) including systematics.

luminosity required to discover the LM1 mSUGRA study point would be  $O(0.1) \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Hence, low mass SUSY is a prime candidate for possible discovery during the very early running of the LHC.

### 13.6.3. CMS Reach using inclusive muons with jets and missing energy

Since CMS will have either discovered or excluded the lower mass region well in advance of the time required to collect  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, the selection cuts for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are re-optimised using GARCON to select the HM1 mSUGRA point:  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 210 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j1} > 730 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j2} > 730 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\cos[\Delta\phi(j1, j2)] < 0.95$ ,  $\cos[\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, j1)] < -0.2$ ,  $\cos[\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, j2)] < 0.95$ . To estimate the reach for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , this same cut-set is applied in both cases and results in an estimated Standard Model background yield of  $N_B = 0.25$  for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , and  $N_B = 0.49$  for  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . In both cases the uncertainty on the background levels is  $\approx 71\%$ , primarily due to a limited number of simulated events; if one neglects that uncertainty, the systematic uncertainty is  $\approx 19\%$ .

Fast simulation and reconstruction was also performed in order to scan the plane of universal scalar ( $m_0$ ) and gaugino ( $m_{1/2}$ ) masses for fixed mSUGRA parameters:  $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $\mu > 0$  and  $A_0 = 0$ . Points were generated on a coarse grid with  $\Delta m_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $\Delta m_{1/2} = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , starting from the point  $m_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $m_{1/2} = 100 \text{ GeV}$ . Figure 13.6 shows the discovery reach of this analysis (contours correspond to a significance value of 5), plotted in the mSUGRA  $m_0$ – $m_{1/2}$  plane. Assuming  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, CMS can observe SUSY mass scales of over  $\approx 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ; assuming  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity, several of the high mass CMS SUSY benchmark points become interesting for possible discovery; and, assuming  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity, CMS is able to reach in this channel SUSY mass scales of up to  $\approx 2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .

### 13.7. Inclusive analyses with same sign dimuons

The topology of two same sign isolated muons, high  $p_T$  jets, and large missing transverse energy is interesting as it allows for an efficient suppression of the Standard Model backgrounds, and at the same time allows much of the mSUGRA signal to be retained. Like-sign leptons can result from several signal processes because the gluino, being a Majorana particle, has equal probability of yielding either a positively or a negatively charged lepton in its decay chain. Squark production is another important source of like-sign dileptons, since the squark charge tends to be determined by the valence quarks in the proton-proton collision. The same-sign muon topology provides a clean experimental signature and has the extra advantage of an anticipated efficient and well-understood dimuon trigger soon after LHC start-up. Even though this study [676] is performed within the context of mSUGRA, this method is not specific to the mSUGRA framework.

The genetic algorithm GARCON [63] is used to determine the optimal set of cuts for each mSUGRA benchmark point. An interval for each physics cut-parameter is then defined corresponding to its minimal cut value and the maximum cut value, determined over all different optimal mSUGRA benchmark point cut-sets. The interval for each cut-parameter is then coarsely binned and the significance systematically calculated for each possible cut combination within this reduced sub-space.

#### 13.7.1. Signal selection and backgrounds

Because this work is an inclusive study of mSUGRA signatures involving at least two like-sign muons accompanied by multiple jets and large missing transverse energy, several Standard Model processes contribute as sources of background and must be taken into account. Accordingly, the main backgrounds studied in this analysis correspond to QCD dijet (2.8 million fully simulated events with  $0 < \hat{p}_T < 4 \text{ TeV}/c$ ), top ( $t\bar{t}$ ) production (3.3 million fully simulated events), electro-weak single boson production (4.4 million fully simulated events with  $0 < \hat{p}_T < 4.4 \text{ TeV}/c$ ) and electro-weak dibosons production (1.2 million fully simulated events). This work uses only leading order cross-sections, consistently for both signal and all backgrounds.

The dimuon HLT trigger (98% efficient) is required for this analysis. The following selection criteria are applied to muons and jets. The two leading muons are required to be of the same sign and to each have a transverse momentum above  $10 \text{ GeV}/c$ , ensuring that the muon candidate is reconstructed with good efficiency, above the symmetric thresholds of  $7 \text{ GeV}/c$  in the dimuon trigger. Also this analysis requires at least three jets in the event, all of which are required to have  $E_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$ .

In order to select the particular SUSY diagrams responsible for prompt same-sign dimuons, we apply the following criteria. Each reconstructed muon is required to be separated by at least  $\Delta R \geq 0.01$  from the other muons. The muon track fit is required to have  $\chi_\mu^2 \leq 3$  and the number of hits associated with the muon must be at least 13. Each muon is required to be isolated, both with respect to the tracker and calorimeter. A combined isolation parameter is used to account for correlations between the tracker (IsoByTk) and calorimeter (IsoByCalo) isolation variables,  $\text{Iso} = \text{IsoByTk} + 0.75 \times \text{IsoByCalo}$ , with  $\text{Iso}_{\mu 1} \leq 10 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\text{Iso}_{\mu 2} \leq 6 \text{ GeV}$ .

In addition to *a priori* requiring three jets in the event, the cut-set maximising the significance (with GARCON) to discover the lowest significant fully simulated mSUGRA test point is then chosen as the final optimal cut-set:  $E_T^{j1} > 175 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j2} > 130 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{j3} > 55 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$ .

**Table 13.9.** Total number of selected events (for  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) and significance (“Signif.”) with systematic uncertainties. “SM” represents the total of all Standard Model backgrounds considered.

Sample(s)	Events	Signif.	Sample	Events	Signif.	Sample	Events	Signif.
SM	1.5	–	LM5	61	14.0	LM10	4	2.2
LM1	341	>37.0	LM6	140	22.3	HM1	4	2.2
LM2	94	17.6	LM7	82	16.3	HM2	2	1.1
LM4	90	17.2	LM8	294	35.9			

### 13.7.2. Results for full detector simulated mSUGRA samples

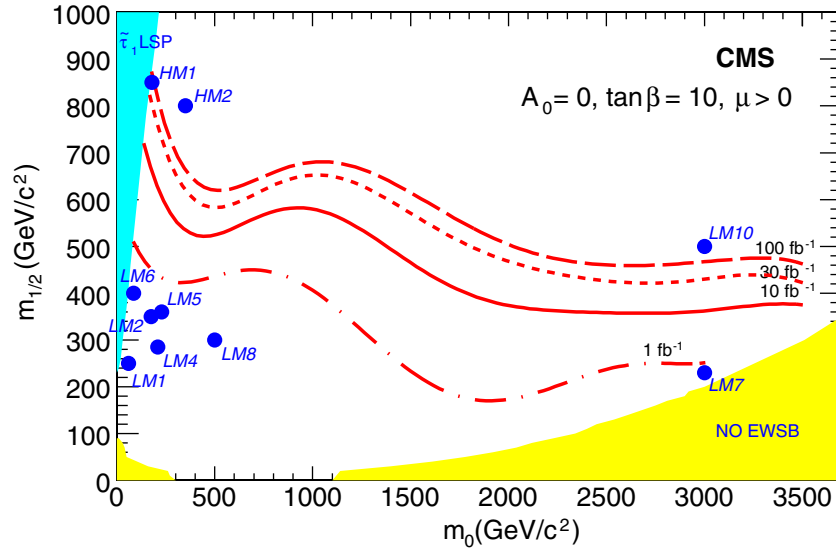
After all selection cuts have been applied the main systematic uncertainty is due to the absolute jet energy scale, which is estimated to be 15% after  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . In addition, jet energy resolution (10%), muon identification efficiency and fake rate (negligible), luminosity (5%), theory (10%; cross sections, showering, ISR/FSR, etc.) and full simulation versus fast simulation (5%, used to determine the analysis reach in mSUGRA parameters in Section 13.7.3) have been evaluated. Since this analysis is performed consistently at leading order, the inclusion of higher order effects involving ISR/FSR is not taken into account. A generator-level comparison of the parton shower method for inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  used by PYTHIA [69] with the matrix element calculation for  $t\bar{t} + 1\text{jet}$  from COMPHEP [355] suggests a  $\approx 10\%$  enhancement in the acceptance of  $t\bar{t} + 1\text{jet}$  events (generated via the matrix element method) compared with inclusive  $t\bar{t}$ . The total systematic uncertainty on the number of background events is 24%.

Table 13.9 shows the main results of this study. For the fully simulated low mass mSUGRA point LM1, assuming  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, this work selects an expected 341 signal events (with an efficiency of 0.081%) compared with 1.5 expected background events (comprised of  $t\bar{t}$ ). For other fully simulated low mass mSUGRA points (excluding LM10) and an integrated luminosity  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, the selection cuts (collectively optimised over all benchmark points) achieve a separation of signal from background with a statistical significance of between  $16\sigma$  and greater than  $37\sigma$ , including systematic uncertainties. Such a large significance merely indicates that the low mass mSUGRA region will either have been discovered or excluded, long before  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data is collected. Hence, low mass SUSY is a prime candidate for possible discovery during the very early running of the LHC. The discovery of high mass SUSY, represented by the fully simulated HM1 and HM2 points, is more difficult and requires more than  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data.

### 13.7.3. CMS inclusive reach

Fast simulation and reconstruction was also performed in order to scan the plane of universal scalar ( $m_0$ ) and gaugino ( $m_{1/2}$ ) masses for fixed mSUGRA parameters:  $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $\mu > 0$  and  $A_0 = 0$ . Points were generated on a coarse grid with  $\Delta m_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $\Delta m_{1/2} = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , starting from the point  $m_0 = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ,  $m_{1/2} = 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

The  $5\sigma$  reach of this analysis, including systematic uncertainties, for different integrated luminosities and assuming no re-optimisation of the selection cuts is shown on Fig. 13.7. By the time CMS collects integrated luminosity  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the high mass point HM1 becomes interesting for possible discovery. For comparison,  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are also shown in the figure. Clearly, the systematics for  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  will be higher than that assumed in this work, nevertheless these results strongly suggest (provided systematics can be brought



**Figure 13.7.** CMS reach contours (systematic uncertainties included) in the  $(m_0, m_{1/2})$  plane for SUSY processes involving two prompt same-sign muons for  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (dot-dashed line),  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (solid line),  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (short dashed line)  $\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (dashed line). The other mSUGRA parameters are fixed to  $\tan \beta = 10$ ,  $\mu > 0$  and  $A_0 = 0$ . Points corresponding to the full detector simulation and reconstruction are also shown (solid circles).

under control) that most of the low mass mSUGRA points are well within reach of CMS during the early running of the LHC.

### 13.8. Inclusive analyses with opposite sign dileptons

Final states with opposite sign dileptons, originating from the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}_R l \rightarrow l^+ l^- \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  in the cascade decays of squarks and gluinos provide a clean signature of SUSY with isolated leptons, high  $p_T$  jets and missing transverse energy [677]. In addition, the dilepton invariant mass distribution for this decay is expected to have a triangular shape with a sharp upper edge, which renders this signature striking and useful for further characterisation of SUSY.

#### 13.8.1. Signal selection and backgrounds

The analysis is performed at the LM1 mSUGRA test-point using GEANT-based detailed simulation of the CMS detector [8] and reconstruction [10]. The fast CMS simulation and reconstruction [11] is used to evaluate the discovery reach in the mSUGRA parameter space.

Signal events were generated by ISAJET 7.69 interfaced to PYTHIA 6.225 at the test point LM1, where the NLO cross section at NLO is about 52 pb, dominated by the production of  $\tilde{q}\tilde{g}$ ,  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$  and  $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$ . The gluino is the heaviest particle and decays to  $\tilde{q}q$ . While right squarks decay almost directly to the LSP, due to the bino-like nature of the  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  at Point LM1, left-handed squarks decay to  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  with a branching ratio  $\sim 30\%$ .

The SM backgrounds studied consist of  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $W$ + jets,  $Z$ + jets,  $WW$ + jets,  $ZZ$ + jets,  $Zbb$  (with leptonic decays of the  $Z$  boson), Drell–Yan leptonic events and QCD dijet production processes.

**Table 13.10.** Cross section at NLO, selection efficiencies and number of events surviving cuts for signal and background processes.

Process	$\sigma$ (pb)	Ev. analysed	$\varepsilon$	$N_{ev}$ in $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
SUSY (LM1)	52	478 k	0.016	853
$t\bar{t}$	830	913 k	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$	155
$WW$ + jets	188	197 k	$1.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	26
$Z$ + jets	$5 \cdot 10^3$	606 k	$4.8 \cdot 10^{-6}$	24
$DY \rightarrow 2\mu$	$3.97 \cdot 10^3$	916 k	$< 1.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$< 4$
$DY \rightarrow 2\tau$	$3.97 \cdot 10^3$	514 k	$1.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	4.5
$Zbb \rightarrow llbb$ ( $l = e, \mu, \tau$ )	57.4	621 k	$8.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$	4.83
$P_{hat}^T > 60 \text{ GeV}/c$				
$t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	3.3	50 k	$9.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$	3.2
$ZZ$ + jets	11	37 k	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-4}$	2.7
$W$ + jets	$1.5 \cdot 10^5$	1765 k	$6.7 \cdot 10^{-9}$	1

The SUSY final state studied contains at least two high- $p_T$  isolated leptons, at least two high- $p_T$  jets and large missing transverse energy. The event selection path includes the following requirements:

- the Level-1 and HLT path that requires a single isolated lepton (muon or electron);
- at least two same-flavour opposite-sign (SFOS) isolated leptons ( $e$  or  $\mu$ ) with  $p_T \geq 10 \text{ GeV}/c$  and  $\Delta R_{ll} \geq 0.2$  and  $0.15$  for  $ee$  and  $\mu\mu$ , respectively where  $\Delta R_{ll}$  is the distance of the two leptons in the  $\eta - \phi$  space;
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$ ;
- at least two jets with  $p_T \geq 100$  and  $\geq 60 \text{ GeV}/c$  within  $|\eta| < 3$ .

The isolation of the leptons is obtained requiring the sum of  $p_T$  of the tracks in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.25$  around the lepton track to be less than  $5 \text{ GeV}/c$ . The  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  is computed from the vectorial sum of the jets and leptons.

These selection criteria result in 853 signal events (which correspond to 913 dilepton pairs) for a luminosity of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The Standard Model background consists of 155  $t\bar{t}$  events, 26 events from  $WW$  + jets and 24 events from  $Z$  + jets (Table 13.10). All other backgrounds have been found to be negligible and amount in total to at most 20 events.

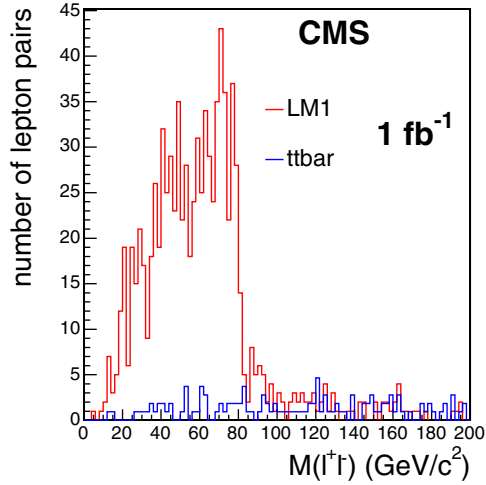
### 13.8.2. Results for point LM1

The dilepton invariant mass distribution for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is displayed in Fig. 13.8 showing a clear dilepton edge structure.

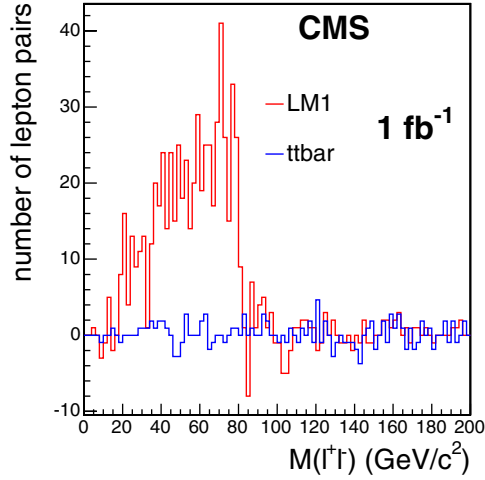
The presence of two SFOS leptons can also be due to other processes. Two leptons can result from independent leptonic decays, for example from two charginos or two  $W$ 's. In that case the final state contains as many SFOS leptons as different-flavour opposite-sign (DFOS) ones and with identical distributions. The background to the SFOS contribution is removed by subtracting the DFOS events, which leads to the dilepton mass distribution of Figure 13.9. The  $t\bar{t}$  and  $WW$  + jets backgrounds are also strongly reduced by the flavour subtraction. The resulting dilepton invariant mass distribution is fitted using a triangular function smeared (for resolution effects) with a Gaussian to extract the end-point related to the kinematics of the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}_R l \rightarrow l^+ l^- \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ . The value obtained from  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity is:

$$M_{ll}^{\text{max}} = 80.42 \pm 0.48 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \quad (13.19)$$





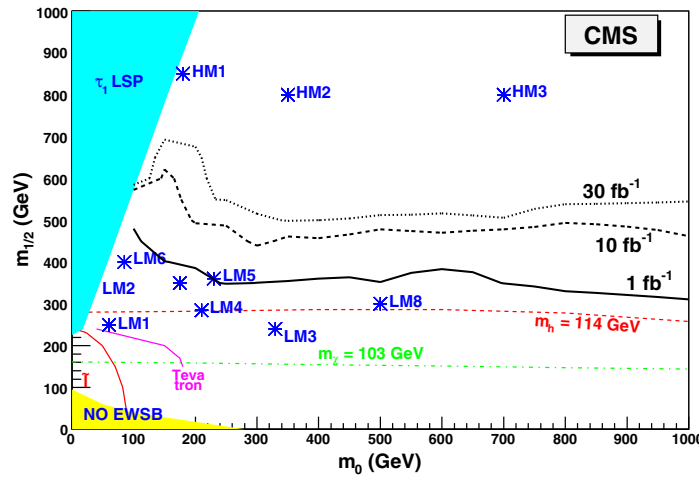
**Figure 13.8.** Invariant mass distribution of  $\mu^+\mu^- + e^+e^-$  and  $\mu^\pm e^\mp$  pairs at LM1 for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity. The contribution from the  $t\bar{t}$  background is also shown.



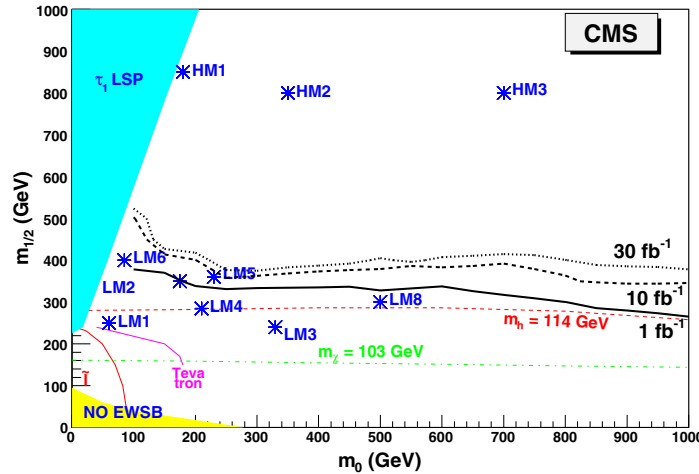
**Figure 13.9.** Invariant mass distribution of  $\mu^+\mu^- + e^+e^-$  and  $\mu^\pm e^\mp$  pairs at point LM1 for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity after subtracting  $e^+\mu^-$  and  $\mu^+e^-$  pairs. The contribution from the  $t\bar{t}$  background is also shown.

to be compared to the expected value of  $81.04 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  for the masses  $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 95$ ,  $m(\tilde{\chi}_2^0) = 180$  and  $m(\tilde{l}_R) = 119 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . The signal-to-background ratio at point LM1 is 4.1, the total signal efficiency is 1.6% and the background composition is 69% of total  $t\bar{t}$ , 11.6% of total WW + jets, 10% Z + jets, 3% DY, 2% Zbb, 1%  $t\bar{t}b$ , 1% ZZ + jets, fractions the others. The total efficiency for the QCD background is too low to be directly calculated, and is then estimated through a factorisation, considering separately the effects due to the single selection cuts. Although the number of surviving QCD events is expected to be negligible, a residual QCD background is still possible, which will be measured using the real data. A statistical significance of 5 sigma, calculated using  $S_{cP}$  defined in Appendix A.1, is achieved with  $14 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity. At this luminosity 12.8 signal events are expected with 3.1 Standard Model background events. Therefore this signature is a strong probe for early discovery of low mass supersymmetry.

Systematic uncertainties have been evaluated under the assumption that control data are used for the Standard Model processes. Hence no uncertainties on the theory cross sections, showering, ISR/FSR, are taken into account. The main systematic uncertainty considered is due to the absolute jet energy scale. A  $\simeq 7\%$  uncertainty on the jet energy scale for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data is used while this is expected to be  $\simeq 2\%$  after  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . After applying the selection cuts this leads to a  $\simeq 20\%$  systematic uncertainty on the  $t\bar{t}$  background and to a  $\simeq 8\%$  systematic uncertainty on the SUSY signal. The electron energy scale uncertainty, expected to be 0.25%, leads to a systematic uncertainty of less than 1% on the background, and less than 0.1% on the signal. The total considered systematic uncertainty on the Standard Model background is 20% at low luminosity, 5% at high luminosity. The effect on the signal of the Tracker and Muon System misalignment in the first months of LHC run has also been evaluated. The number of selected dimuon (dielectron) pairs is lowered by about 30% (10%) while the total signal selection efficiency is decreased by about 20%. The measurement of the distribution end-point is affected by about  $1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . The effect of the electron energy scale uncertainty on the dilepton measurement gives a systematic uncertainty of about  $0.15 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .



**Figure 13.10.**  $5\sigma$  discovery reach for the dilepton final state, assuming  $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $A = 0$ ,  $\mu > 0$  and 1, 10,  $30\text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity (statistical uncertainties only).



**Figure 13.11.**  $5\sigma$  discovery reach for  $\tan\beta = 10$  taking into account background systematic uncertainties.

Taking into account the systematic uncertainties on the Standard Model backgrounds expected after the first  $1\text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, the  $5\sigma$  discovery can be achieved with  $17\text{ pb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity.

### 13.8.3. CMS inclusive reach

Using the discussed selection path a scan was performed over the mSUGRA parameters in the  $(m_0, m_{1/2})$  plane for  $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $A = 0$ ,  $\mu > 0$  to determine the  $5\sigma$  discovery reach. The observability of the signal over the Standard Model background uses the dilepton estimates before flavour subtraction. The results of the survey are shown for integrated luminosities of 1, 10 and  $30\text{ fb}^{-1}$  in Figs. 13.10 and 13.11. It is notable that most of the low mass test-points can be discovered with about  $1\text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

### 13.9. Inclusive analyses with ditaus

In this section,  $\tilde{\tau}$  production through the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decays in  $\tilde{q}$  or  $\tilde{g}$  cascades is investigated. The  $\tilde{\tau}$  is produced through  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tau^\pm \tilde{\tau}^\mp$ , which further decays to  $\tau \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  leaving a final state with two taus of opposite sign. The branching fraction of  $\tilde{\tau}$  production through  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  varying with mSUGRA parameters, the analysis is first carried out at large  $\tan\beta$ , at the LM2 test point, which parameters are given in Section 13.3.2, where the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  is predicted to decay 95% of the time into  $\tau^\pm \tilde{\tau}^\mp$ . Results are then generalised to any choice of mSUGRA parameters.

This section studies the opportunity of discovering such a model in the first years of data taking of LHC, with integrated luminosities as low as  $0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and up to  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The possibility of measuring the SUSY mass spectra associated to this cascade decay (in particular  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  and  $\tilde{\tau}$  masses) is investigated in Section 13.13.

#### 13.9.1. Event selection and background studies

For this analysis, 93.5k events (corresponding to an integrated luminosity of  $12.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) were generated at the LM2 test point using ISASUGRA. Those events were further passed through the full simulation of the CMS detector [8] then digitised and reconstructed [10]. The same procedure was applied to the Monte Carlo samples used as SM background in this analysis. However, in some cases, where large statistics were required, the fast simulation program [11] was used. All Monte Carlo samples used in this analysis are produced with leading order Parton Distribution Functions.

Physics processes responsible for W and Z production and  $t\bar{t}$  which final states may contain several taus and jets are considered as potential background sources. In addition, because of its huge cross section ( $1.3 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ mb}$ ) QCD jet production is also considered. The latter can also represent an important source of fake taus as well as fake missing transverse energy ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ) due to imprecision in jet energy measurement.

*13.9.1.1. Event selection using all reconstructed taus.* In this analysis [678], only events passing the JETMET level1 and HLT triggers are accepted. The event selection is then carried out using only the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , the reconstructed taus and jets. In order to increase the sensitivity of the selection both tau's decaying hadronically and leptonically are considered in this section.

The mSUGRA events are selected with the following requirement:

- $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  larger than 150 GeV.  
This cut removes a large fraction of Standard Model physics background.
- At least two tau candidates are required.
- At least two jets with  $E_T > 150 \text{ GeV}$ .  
This requirement is very aggressive on the LM2 events, however it allows to remove most of the Standard Model background.
- $\Delta R$  between any pair of tau's should be smaller than two.

This cut makes use of the fact that in  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decays, taus belonging to a same cascade decay will be produced relatively close to each other while in Standard Model physics processes taus as well as Supersymmetric physics processes such as chargino production (producing one tau in each cascade) tend to be produced in opposite direction. This cut also reduces the amount of wrong pairing.

Both theoretical and experimental systematic uncertainties are considered in this analysis. The theoretical systematic uncertainty is estimated for the signal according to standard CMS guidelines and involves changing the PDF [351] and varying generator parameters governing

both hard process and fragmentation. Each variation leads to the generation of a new LM2 sample which is then simulated and reconstructed using FAMOS and analysed in the same way as the main signal samples. Variations in the number of selected events are then taken as systematic uncertainty. The relative theoretical systematic uncertainty on the signal was found to be 12%. The experimental systematic uncertainties are coming from the Jet energy scale, the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and the tau-jet energy scale. These uncertainties are estimated following standard CMS procedure, see appendix B, by varying the jet and tau energies by an amount corresponding to their respective energy scales and redoing the analysis. The uncertainty on  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  is estimated in a similar way by varying the energy of the jets used to estimate  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  within their energy scale. The experimental systematic uncertainty affect the selection of signal events by 11% for low integrated luminosities (smaller than  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) but for large integrated luminosities the systematic effect is less than 3.2%. The experimental systematic uncertainty on the background is 30% for integrated luminosities smaller than  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and 11% for larger integrated luminosities.

At  $12.67 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $N_s = 2735 \pm 273(\text{sys}) \pm 52(\text{stat})$  events from the signal and  $N_{bkg} = 938 \pm 103(\text{sys}) \pm 114(\text{stat})$  events from the background survive the selection. 50% of the remaining background is coming from QCD, 39% from  $t\bar{t}$  and 11% from W+jets.

To this selection corresponds a ratio signal over background  $S/B = 2.9$ . The global efficiency of the selection of the signal is around 3% (of which 88% are SUSY events with at least two taus), while only 0.001% of the background remains after selection. Using  $S_{cL}$  significance, defined in Appendix A.1, it is possible to estimate that a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be achieved with only  $0.07 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Using  $S_{cP}$  significance [679], which takes into account systematic uncertainties on the background, a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be expected with a luminosity of  $0.125 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

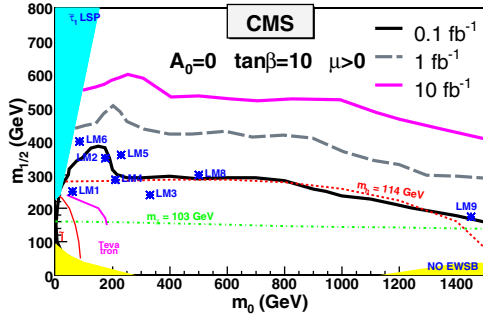
*13.9.1.2. Event selection using only reconstructed taus decaying hadronically.* If only taus decaying hadronically are used in the selection described in 13.9.1.1, both signal and backgrounds are affected differently.

At  $12.67 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $N_s = 1447 \pm 144(\text{sys}) \pm 38(\text{stat})$  events from the signal and  $N_{bkg} = 543 \pm 60(\text{sys}) \pm 112(\text{stat})$  events from the background survive the selection. 70% of the remaining background is coming from QCD, 20% from  $t\bar{t}$  and 10% from W+jets. To this selection corresponds a ratio signal over background  $S/B = 2.6$ . The global efficiency of the selection of the signal is around 1.5% (of which 88% are SUSY events with at least two taus), while only 0.0006% of the background remains after selection. This time, using  $S_{cL}$  a  $5\sigma$  discovery is achieved with only  $0.14 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Using  $S_{cP}$  significance [679], which takes into account systematic uncertainties on the background, a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be expected with a luminosity of  $0.26 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

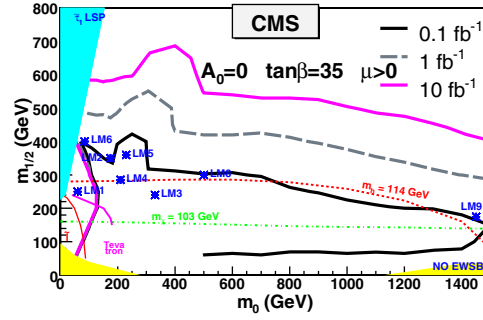
### 13.9.2. Discovery potential of mSUGRA with ditau final states

A scan of the mSUGRA ( $m_0, m_{1/2}$ ) parameters plane is performed in order to delimit the mSUGRA parameter region where SUSY could be discovered with this analysis. Because the analysis focuses on ditau final states and since the respective branching ratio to ditaus and to other leptons from SUSY may vary by large amounts in the mSUGRA parameter space, allowing large contamination from leptons into ditaus final states the scan is performed using only hadronic tau decays as described in section 13.9.1.2.

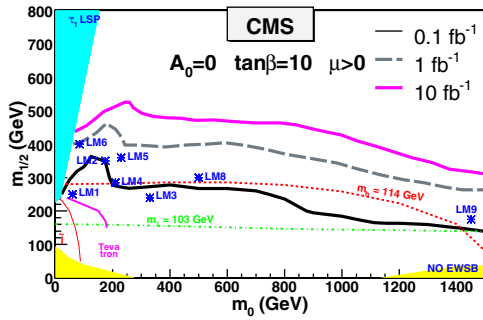
This scan is achieved by generating many mSUGRA samples varying  $m_0$  and  $m_{1/2}$  values so that the entire region of the plane ( $m_0, m_{1/2}$ ) below  $m_0 < 1500 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{1/2} < 800 \text{ GeV}$  is covered. The samples were generated with ISASUGRA 7.69 then simulated and reconstructed



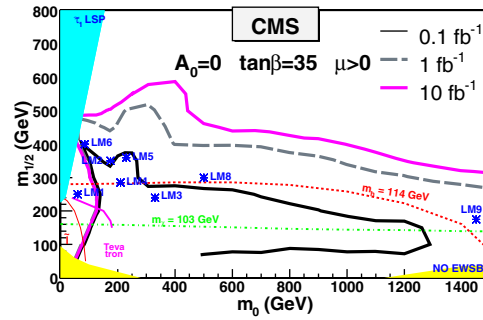
**Figure 13.12.** Inclusive ditau analysis discovery potential for mSUGRA between 0.1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $\tan \beta = 10$  including only statistical uncertainties.



**Figure 13.13.** Inclusive ditau analysis discovery potential for mSUGRA between 0.1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $\tan \beta = 35$  including only statistical uncertainties.



**Figure 13.14.** Inclusive ditau analysis discovery potential for mSUGRA between 0.1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $\tan \beta = 10$  where both statistical and systematic uncertainties are taken into account.



**Figure 13.15.** Inclusive ditau analysis discovery potential for mSUGRA between 0.1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $\tan \beta = 35$  where both statistical and systematic uncertainties are taken into account.

with FAMOS and analysed in the same way as the LM2 sample. The resulting number of events surviving the selection were used to estimate the significance at each point of the mSUGRA parameter plane. Two types of significance are estimated here,  $S_{cL}$  which accounts only for statistical uncertainties and  $S_{cp}$  which accounts for both statistical and systematics effects on the background. The resulting  $5\sigma$  contours over the mSUGRA ( $m_0, m_{1/2}$ ) parameter plane obtained with  $S_{cL}$  for several integrated luminosities between 0.1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are shown in Figs. 13.12 and 13.13 for  $\tan \beta = 10$  and  $\tan \beta = 35$ , respectively. Results obtained with  $S_{cp}$  are shown in Figs. 13.14 and 13.15. The region where a  $5\sigma$  discovery is possible is somewhat shrunk, especially for the very early measurement at  $0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  as a precise knowledge of the jet energy scale and of the measurement of the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  will still be limited. However, a large region is accessible with larger integrated luminosities.

### 13.10. Inclusive analyses with Higgs

This section describes the potential of the CMS experiment to discover a light supersymmetric Higgs boson ( $h^0$ ) produced at the end of a cascade of supersymmetric particles starting with the strong production of squarks ( $\tilde{q}$ ) and gluinos ( $\tilde{g}$ ). Because of the cascade production mechanism, the events can be efficiently triggered using inclusive SUSY triggers such as jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , and the dominant  $h^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay mode of the Higgs boson can be exploited.

This analysis focuses on a full CMS detector simulation [8] and event reconstruction [10] at the mSUGRA point LM5, defined in Section 13.3.2. The total SUSY cross section at this parameter point is about 7.75 pb at NLO.

All SUSY channels leading to a light Higgs boson in the final state have been taken into account. The signal events are characterised by at least two b-tagged jets, an important missing transverse energy ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ) and multiple hard jets. This signature allows to suppress the majority of the  $b\bar{b}$  background due to SM processes (mainly top pair production  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $W^\pm$ +jets,  $Z^0$ +jets).

### 13.10.1. Signal selection and backgrounds

This analysis has been developed based on the CMS reconstruction. The two main algorithms used for the signal reconstruction are the jet reconstruction algorithm (the Iterative cone algorithm with a cone size of 0.5 radians and the GammaJet calibration) and the b-tagging algorithm (Combined b-tagging algorithm, see the PTDR Volume 1, Section 12.2).

A first rejection of the Standard Model backgrounds happens at the online trigger stage. The Level-1 and the High Level Trigger (HLT) efficiencies for the signal and background have been evaluated. The trigger path used for this analysis consists of the Level-1 and HLT Jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  stream. This particular trigger is already an important tool in rejecting Standard Model backgrounds, for example it rejects 96% of the  $t\bar{t}$  background while keeping 79% of the signal events.

In order to further remove the SM background events and reduce the SUSY background, a number of offline selection cuts are applied: a minimal number of four jets with a transverse energy above 30 GeV is required, of which at least two are b-tagged with high quality (i.e. a b-tag discriminator greater than 1.5).

The mean b-tagging efficiency is found to be 50% with a mistagging rate of about 1.6%, for  $u$ ,  $d$ ,  $s$  quarks and gluons, and 12% for  $c$  quarks. The mean  $b$  jet energy originating from the Higgs decay is approximately 70 GeV, corresponding to a b-tagging efficiency of about 50% at this energy. This means that approximately 25% of the signal events will pass the double b-tag criterion.

Other variables have been identified in order to improve the signal over background ratio, in particular for the most problematic  $t\bar{t}$  background: the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , the first, second and third highest jet  $P_i$ . The selection requires a  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 200$  GeV, the highest jet  $p_i$  in the event  $> 200$  GeV/c, the second highest jet  $p_i$  in event  $> 150$  GeV/c, the third highest jet  $p_i$  in event  $> 50$  GeV/c.

Next, in order to select the b-jet pair coming from the Higgs decay, two methods are used. First, the Hemisphere separation technique (see section 13.4) is applied to identify two groups of jets in the detector, each group associated with an initial squark and/or gluino cascade. After that, the b-jet pairing is done only in each of these groups separately, reducing the number of possible combinations by a large factor. In addition, as the Higgs is relatively heavy, its decay products have an important boost leading to a small angle  $\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta\eta^2 + \Delta\phi^2}$  between the two b jets. Therefore, in case of multiple possible combinations inside one hemisphere, the pair with the smallest  $\Delta R$  value within  $\Delta R < 1.5$  is chosen. This procedure gives an efficiency of around 40% and strongly suppresses the combinatorial background.

The full selection chain leads to a signal efficiency of about 8% for all SUSY channels yielding a Higgs. The global rejection factor for  $t\bar{t}$  events, including the rejection made by the Jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger, is close to  $4.6 \cdot 10^4$ . No  $Z$  + jets,  $W$  + jets nor QCD events from the full simulation samples pass the previously described series of cuts, hence the only remaining background is from  $t\bar{t}$ . The resulting SUSY signal over SM background ratio is  $> 70$ . 61%

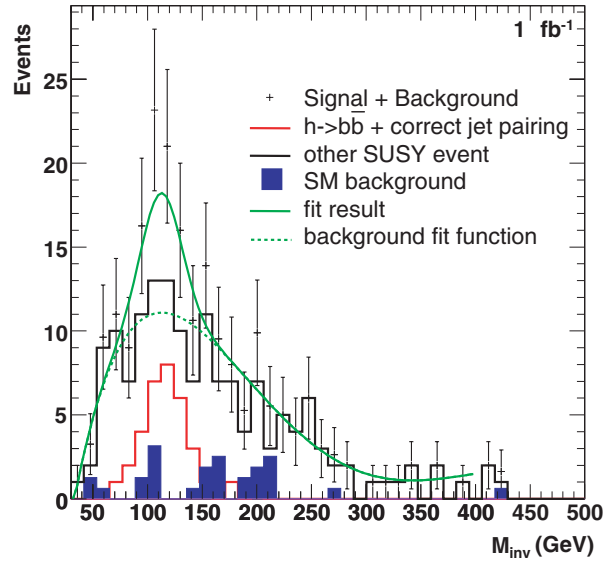


Figure 13.16. Invariant mass distribution of  $b\bar{b}$  jets for the search of Higgs final states with  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

of the SUSY signal comes from events with a true  $h^0$ , but only part of those have the correct b-jet pairing with both jets from the  $h^0$ .

### 13.10.2. Results at LM5 and systematics

The resulting invariant mass distribution, after the selection cuts described above, is shown in Fig. 13.16. The plot corresponds to the expected statistics equivalent to  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity. A peak around  $116 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  is visible. The main background is due to the remaining SUSY background events and some  $t\bar{t}$  events.

A fit was performed representing the background by a fifth order polynomial and approximating the Higgs signal by a Gaussian. The r.m.s of the Gaussian has been fixed to  $18 \text{ GeV}$ , which is the Higgs mass resolution estimated using the Monte Carlo truth. In real data, this number will be determined from studying b-rich samples such as  $t\bar{t}$ . The results of the fit for the equivalent of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data are the following: the Higgs mass is found to be  $(112.9 \pm 6.6) \text{ GeV}/c^2$  (for a generated mass of  $116 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ) and the fraction of signal in the distribution is evaluated to be  $0.28 \pm 0.08$ . The significance  $S_{CL}$ , directly extracted from the fraction of signal in the histogram, is found to be 4.5. A significance of 5 should be achieved with approximately  $1.5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity.

For  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the jet energy scale and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  uncertainties have been estimated assuming a linear evolution from  $\pm 15\%$  to  $\pm 5\%$  for low energy jets (below  $50 \text{ GeV}$ ) and then fixed at  $\pm 5\%$  for higher energy jets. As the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  is computed from the jets, a correction on the jet energy is automatically propagated to its estimation. The effects are about 15% on the SUSY event selection and 17% on the  $t\bar{t}$  event rejection respectively. The impact on the Higgs mass measurement have been estimated to be  $\pm 7.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ; on the signal fraction, the effect is  $\pm 0.04$ .

Another systematic uncertainty is introduced by the misalignment of the tracker. Both the short and long term misalignment scenarios have been investigated. The short term misalignment corresponds to a displacement of the tracker (strips/pixels) =  $(100 \mu\text{m}/10 \mu\text{m})$ , while the long term misalignment takes the following shift of the tracker (strips/pixels) =  $(20 \mu\text{m}/10 \mu\text{m})$  into account. The misalignment of the tracker reduces the

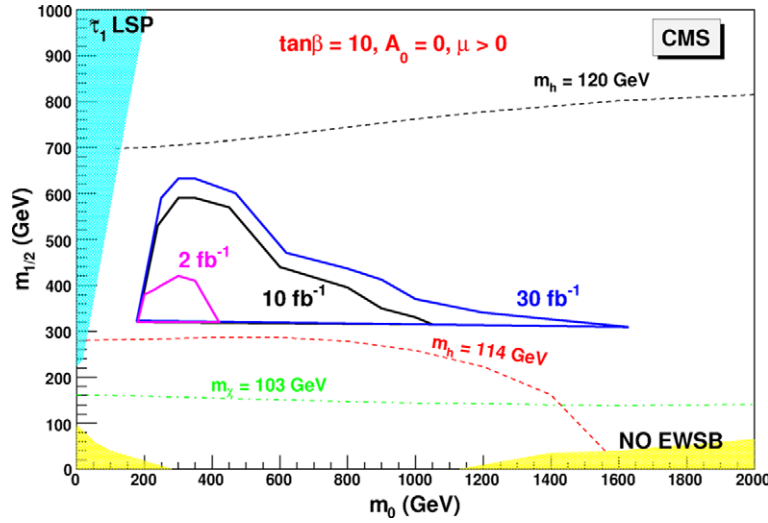


Figure 13.17. Higgs discovery reach in SUSY cascades for 2, 10 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

track reconstruction resolution, which results in a reduced b-tagging efficiency and which in its turn causes a reduced signal event selection efficiency. The long term misalignment scenario results in a drop of the signal selection efficiency of ( $\sim 10\%$ ) compared to the case of an aligned detector; for the short term misalignment case, the reduction is ( $\sim 17\%$ ). No effect on the position/width of the Higgs mass peak was observed.

Finally, the systematics due to the choice of the background fit function has been estimated to be small (by changing the background function to a third, fourth, sixth or a seventh order polynomial):  $\pm 0.3 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  on the Higgs mass and  $\pm 0.01$  on the signal fraction.

The final result including all the previously discussed systematics for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity is then  $112.9 \pm 6.6$  (stat)  $\pm 7.5$  (syst)  $\text{GeV}/c^2$  for the Higgs mass and  $0.28 \pm 0.08$  (stat)  $\pm 0.04$  (syst) for the signal fraction.

### 13.10.3. CMS reach for inclusive Higgs production

After establishing the visibility of the signal for the LM5 point, a scan was performed in the  $(m_0, m_{1/2})$  plane in order to determine the region where a  $5\sigma$  discovery could be made with 2, 10 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

First, an effective cross section ( $\sigma \times BR(h0)$ ) was used (calculated with PROSPINO and ISASUGRA) to obtain an estimate of the reach. Using this first estimate, 40 points were chosen for which the full spectrum was calculated and a fast simulation was performed with FAMOS [11]. The same selection criteria as for LM5 point were applied, and the number of Higgs signal and background events was determined. Given that the background is dominated by SUSY events, the signal and background are similarly affected by the systematic uncertainties and the effect on the significance is small. The same significance definition ( $S_{CL}$ ) was used in order to determine the 5-sigma contours. Comparing the ORCA/FAMOS results at LM5, the significances obtained with both programs were found to agree well.

The result of the scan is displayed in the reach plot in Fig. 13.17. Although for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  the sensitivity remains below  $5\sigma$ , everywhere a sizeable region of the  $(m_0, m_{1/2})$  plane, up to 1100 (1600) GeV in  $m_0$  and 600 (650) GeV in  $m_{1/2}$ , can be covered with 10 ( $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ). With  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity, a small region of the plane can already be probed. The plot assumes  $\tan \beta = 10$ ,  $A_0 = 0$ , and a positive sign of  $\mu$ .



**Table 13.11.** Number of events for signal ( $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 + \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ,  $Z^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$ ) and background before and after selection criteria for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The numbers below  $Zj$  specify the range of partonic  $p_T$  in GeV/c.

	LM4 with $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	LM4 no $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$	ZZj	ZWj	WWj	$t\bar{t}$	Zj 85–250
$\sigma$ NLO (pb) $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	0.664	17.4	15.5	51.5	270	830	116.7
total events	6640	173.8 K	155 K	515 K	2.7 M	8.3 M	1.17 M
L1+HLT	6032	81.7 K	12.6 K	24.4 K	174 K	973 K	462 K
OS leptons	4489	7147	9124	14.7 K	26.3 K	268 K	331 K
$M_{ll}$	3773	804	6999	11.5 K	2406	23.1 K	249 K
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	1420	306	32	24	70	149	44
$\Delta\phi_{ll}$	1289	264	31	22	47	61	35

### 13.11. Inclusive SUSY search with $Z^0$

#### 13.11.1. Topology of the signal

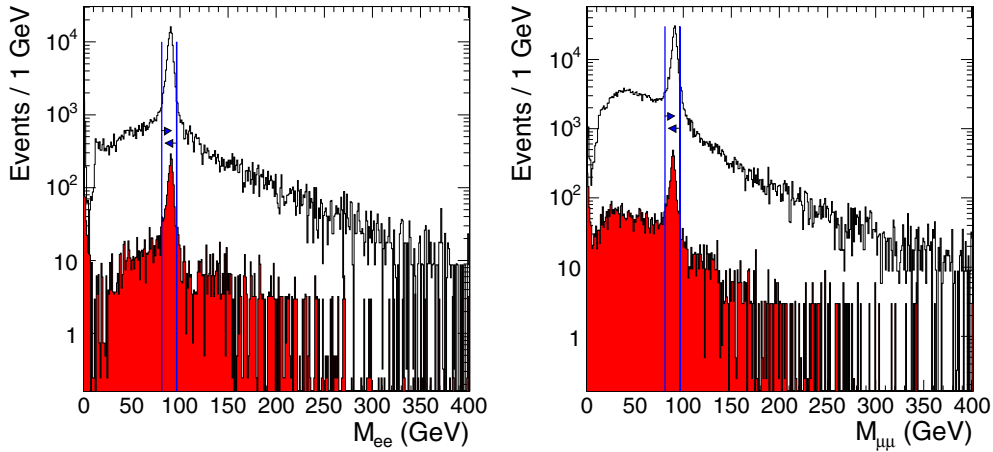
SUSY processes leading to final states with  $Z^0$  can be detected in CMS using the  $Z^0$  decays into same flavour opposite sign (SFOS) lepton pairs. The detection of SUSY in the mSUGRA framework through the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 + \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  is the scope of this study. The mSUGRA test-point LM4 with the parameters described in Section 13.3 is chosen. The  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  is produced mainly through the cascade decays of gluinos ( $M_{\tilde{g}} = 695 \text{ GeV}$ ) and squarks (mainly the  $\tilde{b}_1$  with  $M_{\tilde{b}_1} = 601 \text{ GeV}$ ). The decays of the second neutralino to  $Z^0$  have a large branching ratio ( $\sim 100\%$ ). The signal events are characterised by large missing  $E_T$  (due to the undetectable LSP) and the SFOS lepton pair from  $Z^0$ . The analysis details can be found in [680].

The main Standard Model backgrounds originate from the production of one or more  $Z^0$  bosons in association with jets as well as  $t\bar{t}$ . In addition SUSY events contain dileptons that do not originate from the above neutralino decay chain and large missing transverse energy. These events are considered as signal for SUSY detection but as background for the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  detection. The following backgrounds were considered in this study: dibosons ( $ZZ + j$ ,  $ZW + j$ ,  $WW + j$ ), inclusive top ( $t\bar{t}$ ) and  $Z + j$  jets. The signal events were generated interfacing ISAJET 7.69 with PYTHIA. Unless otherwise stated all events are fully simulated and analysed using the CMS full detector simulation [8] and reconstruction [10] packages. The next to leading order (NLO) cross sections of the relevant processes are shown in Table 13.11.

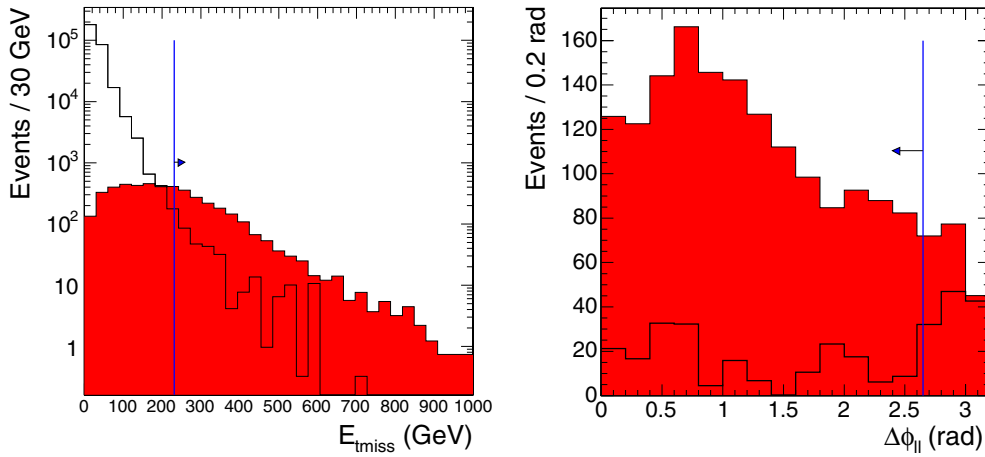
#### 13.11.2. Event selection

The following requirements are imposed in order to efficiently select the signal and reject the background events. All criteria were chosen so that the final SUSY search significance estimator  $S_{c1}$  [102, 681] for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity is maximised. Very similar requirements maximise also significance estimator  $S_{L2}$  [102] used in the case of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity. The effect of the selection requirements on the signal and on each background sample separately can be seen in Table 13.11 for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity.

- Events are required to pass the HLT dielectron or dimuon triggers.
- An  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pair with lepton  $p_T > 17 \text{ GeV}$  for electrons and  $p_T > 7 \text{ GeV}$  for muons (as per L1 trigger requirements). Each lepton is required to be within  $|\eta| < 2.4$ .
- The SFOS lepton pair invariant mass is required to be consistent with the  $Z^0$  mass, i.e.  $81 \text{ GeV} < M_{ll} < 96.5 \text{ GeV}$ . The reconstructed masses for the  $e^+e^-$  and the  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs and



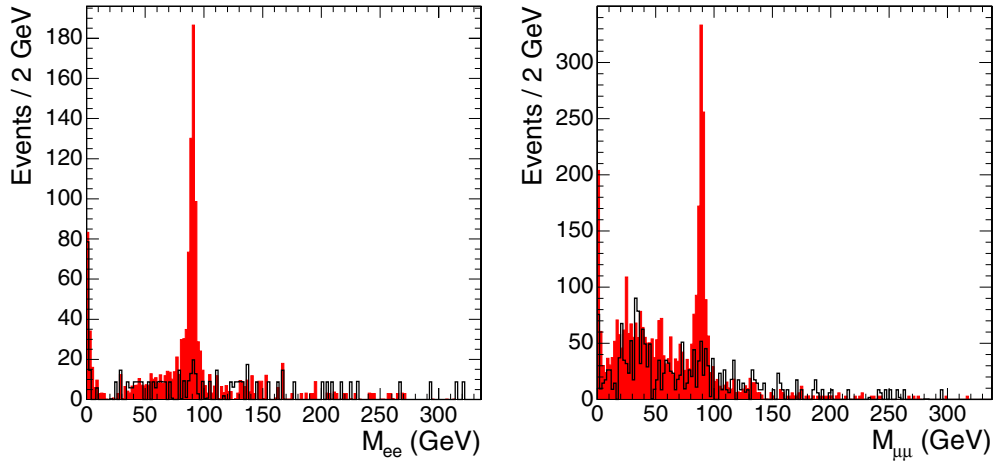
**Figure 13.18.** Reconstructed masses for (left)  $e^+e^-$  and (right)  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs for the background and for the signal (shaded) events. SUSY events not involving  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  are considered signal. The vertical lines denote the imposed mass requirement.



**Figure 13.19.**  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  (left) and  $\Delta\phi$  between the two leptons (right) for background (black line) and signal (shaded) events. SUSY events not involving  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  are considered signal. The vertical lines denote the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $\Delta\phi$  requirements.

the mass requirements are shown in Figs. 13.18 (left) and (right) respectively. This cut reduces backgrounds not involving a  $Z^0$  ( $t\bar{t}$ ,  $WW+j$ ) and the sample of SUSY events not involving  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ .

- The missing transverse energy  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  is required to be greater 230 GeV. This requirement reduces all backgrounds as seen in Fig. 13.19 (left). It allows, however, for enough signal and background events in order to maintain good statistics both for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity.
- The angle  $\Delta\phi$  between the two leptons of the lepton pair that reconstructs the mass of  $Z^0$  is required to be less than 2.65 rad. The  $\Delta\phi$  distribution is shown in Fig. 13.19 (right) for signal and background. This requirement targets the remainder of the  $t\bar{t}$  and the  $WW+j$  backgrounds that survived the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  requirement.



**Figure 13.20.** Reconstructed masses for (left)  $e^+e^-$  and (right)  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs for the background and for the signal (shaded) events after the cut on  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ . SUSY events not involving  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  are considered signal.

### 13.11.3. Results and systematic uncertainties

The reconstructed masses for the  $e^+e^-$  and the  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs without the  $Z^0$  mass cut but after the cut on  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  are shown in Fig. 13.20 (left) and (right) respectively. A clear  $Z^0$  peak from the signal is observed.

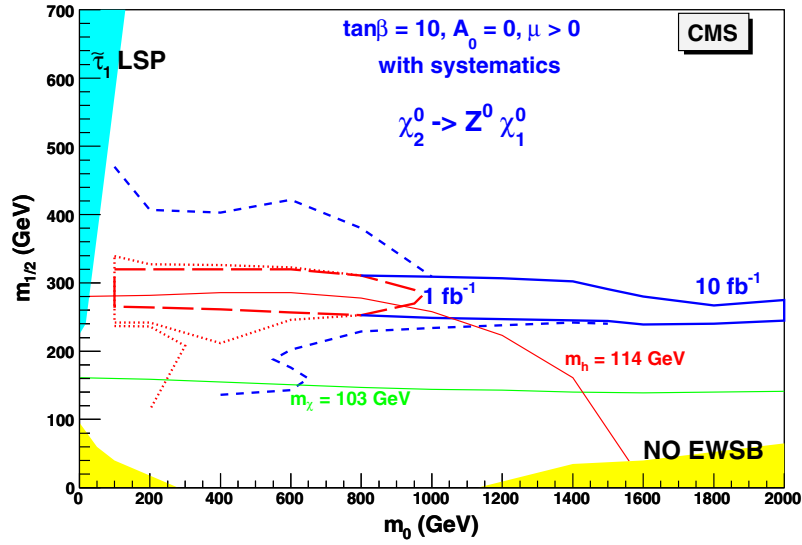
After the application of the above criteria and for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity we have 1553 SUSY events and 196.5 Standard Model background events in the  $Z^0$  window. This gives a signal over background ratio of 8 and inside the signal events 83% originate from a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decay. The total efficiency for  $Z^0$  events from a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decay is 19.4%. The background is composed of 31%  $t\bar{t}$ , 24%  $WW$ , 18%  $Zj$ , 16%  $ZZ$  and 11%  $ZW$ .

The significance based on statistical uncertainties only has been evaluated by means of  $S_{cL}$ , defined in Appendix A.1. A significance of  $5\sigma$  would be reached after  $0.06 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  if systematic effects were negligible.

When LHC will start running many uncertainties will be controlled from data. In this analysis relevant uncertainties are the lepton  $P_T$  resolution and the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  uncertainty. The lepton  $P_T$  resolution ( $\sim 3\%$ ) introduces an uncertainty of 2.7% in the number of background events. The dominant systematic, however, is the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  energy scale uncertainty which is estimated to  $\sim 5\%$  and which introduces a 20% uncertainty in the number of background events, nearly independent of the background channel. The significance was recomputed after including the systematic uncertainties using  $S_{c12s}$  (see Appendix A.1), which increases the required integrated luminosity for a  $5\sigma$  discovery to  $\sim 0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

### 13.11.4. CMS reach for inclusive $Z^0$ search

A scan was performed over the mSUGRA  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  parameter space in order to determine the range over which the above analysis can reveal new physics. The test points were taken at high density in the area where the  $Z^0$  has high production cross section (especially due to the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 + \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ). This is an almost horizontal band in the  $m_0 - m_{1/2}$  plane between  $m_{1/2} \sim 240 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $m_{1/2} \sim 340 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . Points were also taken at higher and lower  $m_{1/2}$  values, because there is an excess of lepton pairs created due to SUSY processes. These may have invariant mass close to the  $Z^0$  mass and pass analysis cuts assisting in the detection



**Figure 13.21.** The  $5\sigma$  significance contours of final states with  $Z^0$  for  $1\text{ fb}^{-1}$  (dashed line) and  $10\text{ fb}^{-1}$  (full line) integrated luminosities, taking into account systematic uncertainties, in the region where the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  decay takes place. Also indicated as dotted and short dashed lines are the extensions at higher and lower  $m_{1/2}$  where the  $Z^0$  is off-shell.

of SUSY. For each point 2000 events were produced with an OS lepton pair close to the  $Z^0$  mass. The events were generated interfacing ISAJET 7.69 with PYTHIA 6.227 and they were simulated, reconstructed and analysed using the FAMOS fast simulation package [11]. Systematic uncertainties were taken into account. The  $5\sigma$  significance contour is shown for integrated luminosities of  $1\text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $10\text{ fb}^{-1}$  in Fig. 13.21.

### 13.12. Inclusive analyses with top

The supersymmetric partner of the top quark in most of the supersymmetric scenarios is the lightest squark. Finding evidence of its existence can be a clear signature for supersymmetry. In the main part of the allowed  $m_0$ – $m_{1/2}$  plane, the stop can decay to a top plus a neutralino. This neutralino can be either the LSP ( $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ) or a heavier neutralino which decays in turn to a LSP which appears as missing transverse energy ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ). Hence in the final state there is at least a top quark plus large  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ .

The search for top was tuned on test point LM1, where the stop decays according to

$$\tilde{t}_1 \rightarrow t \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow t \tilde{l}_R \rightarrow t l \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \quad (13.20)$$

giving rise to a final state which also contains two leptons. Although this analysis consists primarily in a search for an excess of top quarks from any SUSY origin with respect to its SM production, it was also optimised for the selection of events where the top results from the production of  $\tilde{t}$ .

#### 13.12.1. Top quark and lepton reconstruction and identification

Electrons and muons are requested to have  $p_T \geq 5\text{ GeV}/c$  and  $\eta \leq 2.5$ .

Electrons are separated from jets by requiring that the ratio of energy deposited in the HCAL to the ECAL  $\leq 0.1$ , the absolute difference in  $\eta$  between the electromagnetic cluster

in the ECAL and the associated track  $\Delta\eta \leq 0.006$  and the energy weighted spread of the electron shower in  $\eta$  be  $\sigma_{\eta\eta} \leq 0.015$ .

Leptons were required to be isolated, namely that the ratio of  $p_T$  of the lepton to the  $p_T$  sum of other particles inside a cone of size  $\Delta R = 0.1$  around the lepton track be greater than 2. Jets were reconstructed from ECAL and HCAL towers using an Iterative cone algorithm with cone size  $\Delta R = 0.5$  and were selected if their uncalibrated transverse energy  $E_T \geq 30$  GeV in the acceptance of  $\eta \leq 2.5$ . Their energy was calibrated using corrections from photon-jet balancing studies presented in Vol. 1 Section 11.6.3.

In this analysis only hadronic decays of the top quark were considered. A kinematic fit with constraints is utilised to find the best combination of jets to make the top quark. Since the purpose of this analysis is not to measure the top quark mass, its known value was used to constrain the invariant mass of the system of three jets. Among these three jets, one and only one must be tagged as a b-jet and the other two were constrained to be consistent with a hadronically decaying  $W$ . The fit then consisted in minimising the  $\chi^2$  as a function of the three jet energies and imposing the top and  $W$  mass constraints. The solution was obtained by an iterative method based on Lagrange multipliers. As several combinations may lead to a convergent fit for a given event, only the combination with the best  $\chi^2$  was kept, with the additional requirement that its  $\chi^2$  probability was greater than 0.1.

### 13.12.2. Signal selection and backgrounds

All events were fully simulated [8], digitised with low luminosity pileup and reconstructed [10].

The signal events consisted of an inclusive SUSY sample at the test point LM1 (see Section 13.3.2), where the total cross section at NLO is about 52 pb. Top quarks are found in the decay of  $\tilde{t}$ , but other important sources exist, e.g.  $\tilde{b} \rightarrow t\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ . At an integrated luminosity of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the total SUSY production amounts to 52000 events, out of which 8375 contain a top quark.

The main backgrounds, generated with PYTHIA 6.225 [69], consist of  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $WW + jets$ ,  $WZ + jets$  and QCD. In addition, single top generated with TOPREX 4.11 [44] and  $W + jets$  generated with ALPGEN V2.0 [161] were considered.

The selection of SUSY events containing a top quark was based on the following criteria:

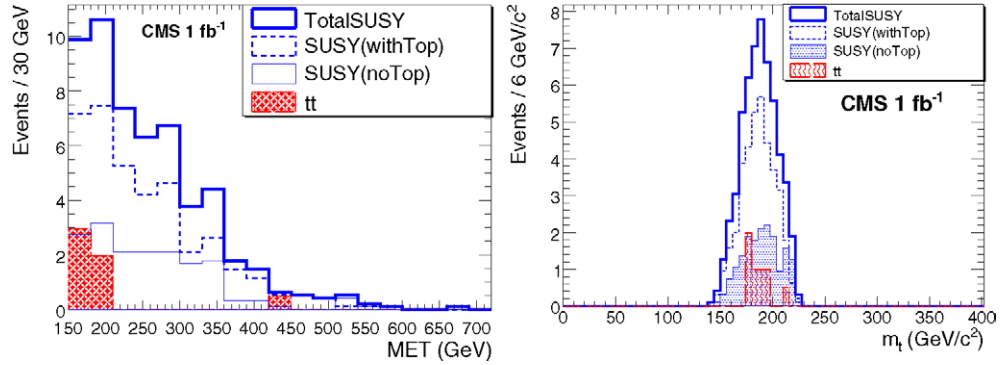
- L1T: every event must pass the first level of the Trigger (L1T) cuts corresponding to "Jet/Met" (a jet with  $E_T > 88$  and  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 46$  GeV/c).
- HLT: events were required to pass High level Trigger (HLT) cuts (a jet with  $E_T > 180$  and  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 123$  GeV).
- $\geq 4$  jets with  $E_T^{\text{raw}} \geq 30$  GeV and  $\eta \leq 2.5$ .
- $\geq 1$  b-jet with  $E_T^{\text{raw}} \geq 30$  GeV and  $\eta \leq 2.5$ .
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} \geq 150$  GeV to suppress  $t\bar{t}$  and other SM backgrounds.
- a convergent fit with  $P(\chi^2) \geq 0.1$ .
- $\Delta\Phi$  between the fitted top and  $E_T^{\text{miss}} \leq 2.6$  rad to suppress semi-leptonic  $t\bar{t}$  events.
- $\geq 1$  isolated lepton ( $e$  or  $\mu$ ) with  $p_T \geq 5$  GeV and  $\eta \leq 2.5$  to suppress QCD background.

These criteria were simultaneously optimised to reject SM backgrounds and to maximise the ratio of events with a top quark at generator level, called SUSY(with top), to events without top at generator level, called SUSY(no top).

The effect of the cuts is shown in Table 13.12. As a result of the selection, the signal events remaining for a  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity consist of 38 events SUSY(with top) and 17 events

**Table 13.12.** Effect of different cuts on different samples. In every row, the number of the remaining events after that cut is shown. “No.of.used.events” shows the number of events used in this analysis, “NEve(Nor.xsec)1 fb<sup>-1</sup>” is the same number after normalising to the cross section times 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> and “wT/noT” means  $\frac{SUSY(withTop)}{SUSY(noTop)}$ .

cut	SUSY (withTop)	SUSY (noTop)	ttInc	WW	ZW	Single t	wT/noT
x-sec(pb) NLO	52	830	269.91	51.5	250	-	
No.of.used.events	494261	1674500	305000	70000	100000	-	
NEve(Nor.xsec)1 fb <sup>-1</sup>	8375	43625	830000	269910	51500	250000	0.19
L1T (Jet/Met)	6269	33582	75806	18498	598	10875	0.19
HLT (Jet/Met)	5070	29427	14430	4733	142	1750	0.17
MET ≥ 150 GeV	4183	25677	4930	2312	99	653	0.16
$n_{bj} \geq 1$	3457	14388	3718	792	32	355	0.24
$n_j^{b \text{ or light}} \geq 4$	1789	4576	769	25	0	33	0.39
A convergent Fit	1335	3062	557	12	0	28	0.44
$\chi^2$ probability >0.1	105	69	56	0	0	5	1.52
$\Delta\phi < 2.6$	79	52	12	0	0	5	1.51
$n_l > 0$	38	17	5	0	0	0	2.19



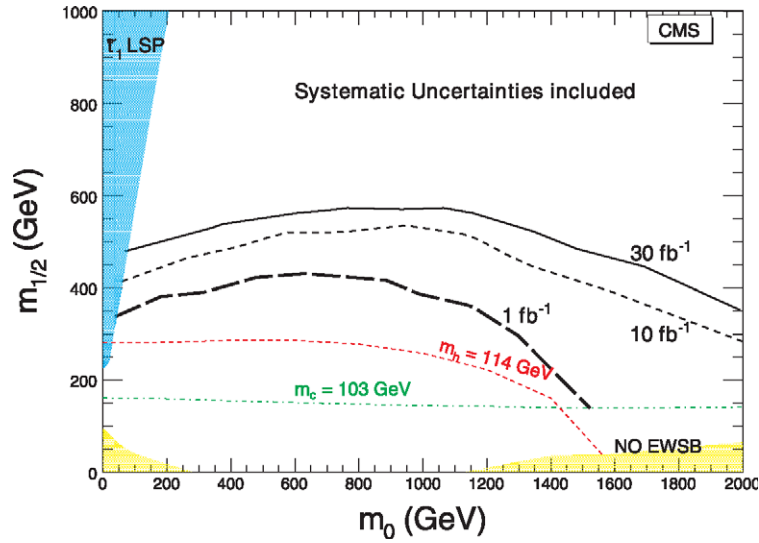
**Figure 13.22.** (left) Distributions of  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and (right) fitted top mass after all selection criteria are applied.

SUSY(no top). The remaining backgrounds are 5 events from  $t\bar{t}$ . The resulting distributions of  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and of the fitted top mass are displayed in Fig. 13.22.

### 13.12.3. Results at point LM1

The significance of a discovery was computed from statistical uncertainties only using the formula of  $S_{c12}$ , defined in Appendix A.1, where the number of signal events,  $S$ , is the sum of SUSY(with top) and SUSY(no top) and  $B$  represents the sum of all SM backgrounds. Using this formula, the integrated luminosity required to make a discovery at point LM1 with a significance of 5 amounts to  $\sim 210 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ .

Many systematic uncertainties (cross section, showering, ISR/FSR, ...) will be rendered very small by using real data. The main uncertainties remaining will be the absolute jet energy scale (estimated to 5% for jets and MET in  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ), which leads to 5.1% from jets and 18.3% from MET in the  $t\bar{t}$  sample and the b-tagging efficiency estimated to 8% for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Adding them in quadrature yields a total systematic uncertainty of 21%, considered common to all backgrounds. It is seen that this remains negligible compared to the statistical uncertainty.



**Figure 13.23.** The  $5\sigma$  reach in  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  plane with 1, 10 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  obtained for final states with a top quark.

#### 13.12.4. CMS reach for inclusive top search

The CMS fast simulation, FAMOS, was used to find the reach of CMS in this channel in  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  plane. In total 36 points have been tried. The ntuples were generated by using the CMS-official ISAPYTHIA. The NLO cross sections were derived by PROSPINO [682].

Figure 13.23 shows the  $5\sigma$  reach in  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  plane with 1, 10 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

#### 13.13. Mass determination in final states with ditaus

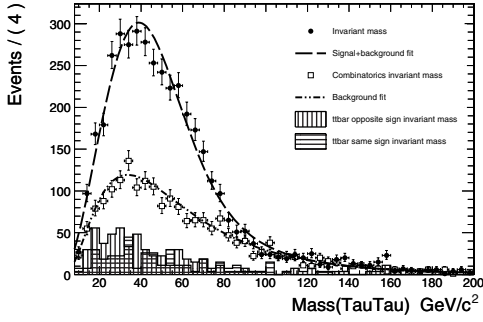
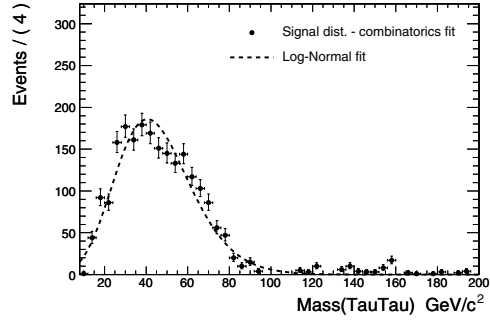
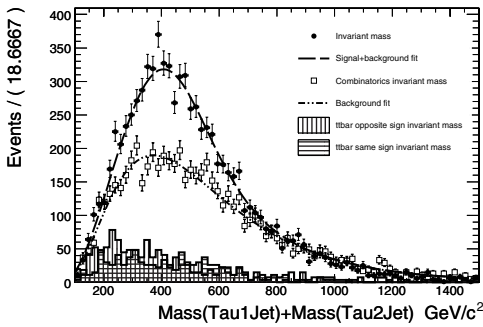
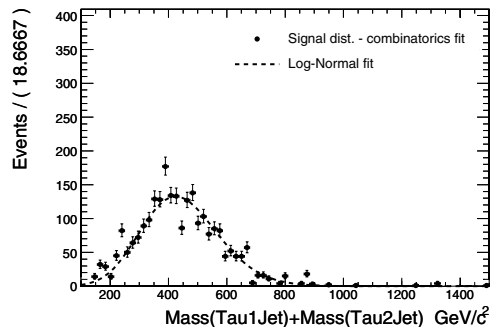
In this section the determination of the sparticle masses using invariant mass distributions in the ditau final state is investigated. The selection of the events is the same as presented in Section 13.9.

##### 13.13.1. Extraction of mSUGRA mass spectra from the measurement of the end points of invariant mass distributions

Using the kinematics of the successive two body decays in  $\tilde{q} \rightarrow q\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow q\tau\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow q\tau\tau\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ , it is possible to express the mass of the sparticles involved in that cascade as a fully resolved system of equations which depends only on the end-point of the invariant mass distributions obtained by combining the leptons and quark-jets observed in the final state.

However, the tau-lepton always decays, producing at least one undetected neutrino. Therefore, instead of observing a triangle-shaped distribution like for the dilepton invariant mass distribution of chapter 13.8, where the end-point coincides with the maximum of the distribution, the absence of the neutrino smears the resulting mass distribution to lower values. Even though the end-point of the distribution remains unchanged, it now lies at the tail of a gaussian-like distribution.

The  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  cascade always produces a pair of opposite charge  $\tau$ 's, therefore signal samples are obtained by combining opposite charge tau pairs to the two most energetic jets of the event. In 75% of the cases the quark produced by the decay of the  $\tilde{q}$  to  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  is among these


**Figure 13.24.** Ditau invariant mass distribution.

**Figure 13.25.** Difference between ditau invariant mass distribution and combinatorics fit together with log-normal fit.

**Figure 13.26.**  $\tau_1 \text{Jet} + \tau_2 \text{Jet}$  invariant mass distribution.

**Figure 13.27.** Difference between  $\tau_1 \text{Jet} + \tau_2 \text{Jet}$  invariant mass distribution and combinatorics fit together with log-normal fit.

two jets, due to the fact that the  $\tilde{q}$  is much heavier than the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ . This large number of tau's and jets is responsible for a high combinatorial background. A good description of this combinatorial background, in particular of its tail, is essential for extracting the true end-points. The combinatorial background in the opposite sign invariant ditau mass is estimated by taking same sign tau pairs. The combinatorial background from the jets is estimated by combining all tau pairs to a jet taken among the 2 most energetic jets of a previous event selected randomly to insure that the jet and tau's are uncorrelated.

Five invariant mass and their associated combinatorial background distributions are then obtained:  $M(\tau\tau)$ ,  $M(\tau\tau\text{Jet})$ ,  $M(\tau_1\text{Jet})$ ,  $M(\tau_2\text{Jet})$  and  $M(\tau_1\text{Jet}) + M(\tau_2\text{Jet})$ . ( $\tau_1$  is defined as the one which maximises the invariant mass formed by its association with a jet,  $M(\tau_1\text{Jet}) > M(\tau_2\text{Jet})$ ).

The distributions of combinatorial background are first fitted. Then, the resulting fit parameters are used together with a Log-normal distribution, which gives a good description of the tail of the true distributions, to fit the distributions of the signal. Since it is possible to express the log-normal distribution as a function of the end-point, the end-point can be extracted directly from the fit.

The ditau invariant mass and  $M(\tau_1\text{Jet}) + M(\tau_2\text{Jet})$  are fitted first (Figs 13.24–13.27). The three other invariant mass distributions are built using only candidates found to have values for the two previous distributions below the measured end-points. Then, they are fitted using the same procedure. The sparticle masses are evaluated by solving the system of four equations giving the end-points as a function of the sparticle mass [683].



**Table 13.13.** End-point obtained with the lognormal fit together with sparticle masses measured with the end-point technique for LM2 for integrated luminosities around  $40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

End-points (GeV)	case 1 (GeV)	case 2 (GeV)
$m(\tau_1 \tau_2)^{\text{max}} = 95 \pm 3$	$M(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 213 \pm 14$	$M(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 147 \pm 23$
$m(\tau_1 Q)^{\text{max}} = 559 \pm 11$	$M(\tilde{\chi}_2^0) = 337 \pm 17$	$M(\tilde{\chi}_2^0) = 265 \pm 10$
$m(\tau_2 Q)^{\text{max}} = 298 \pm 7$	$M(\tilde{\tau}) = 310 \pm 17$	$M(\tilde{\tau}) = 165 \pm 10$
$m(\tau_1 \tau_2 Q)^{\text{max}} = 596 \pm 12$	$M(\tilde{q}) = 839 \pm 19$	$M(\tilde{q}) = 763 \pm 33$
$E_5^{\text{meas}} = 780 \pm 20$	$E_5^{\text{calc}} = 815 \pm 26$	$E_5^{\text{calc}} = 765 \pm 30$

**Table 13.14.** sparticle masses measured with end-point method for LM2 together with theoretical value.

	LM2 benchmark point	
	measured	theory
$M(\tilde{\chi}_1^0)$ (GeV)	$147 \pm 23(\text{stat}) \pm 19(\text{sys})$	138.2
$M(\tilde{\chi}_2^0)$ (GeV)	$265 \pm 10(\text{stat}) \pm 25(\text{sys})$	265.5
$M(\tilde{\tau})$ (GeV)	$165 \pm 10(\text{stat}) \pm 20(\text{sys})$	153.9
$M(\tilde{q})$ (GeV)	$763 \pm 33(\text{stat}) \pm 58(\text{sys})$	753–783 (light $\tilde{q}$ )

When several solutions are possible for the SUSY mass spectrum (as it is the case here, where two valid solutions exist), the choice is made by comparing the measured  $M(\tau_1 \text{Jet}) + M(\tau_2 \text{Jet})$  end-point value,  $E_5$ , to the one computed from the sparticle masses found by solving the systems of equations.

The most probable mass hypothesis is then chosen as the one for which  $E_5$  computed for each mass spectrum is the closest to the measured one. The measured end-point was found to be  $780 \pm 20 \text{ GeV}$  while the calculations for the mass hierarchy in case 1 and case 2 yield to  $815 \pm 26 \text{ GeV}$  and  $765 \pm 30 \text{ GeV}$  respectively (Table 13.14). The second hypothesis, which corresponds to the correct LM2 mass hierarchy, gives a result compatible with the measured end-point value.

Three main systematic uncertainties are considered, the jet energy scale and tau-jet energy scale as well as systematics uncertainties arising from the extraction procedure.

Results obtained are shown in Table 13.14 for  $40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , together with LM2 generated sparticle masses. They are found to be in good agreement with the theoretical values. Using a  $40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  LM2 sample, it is possible to measure the SUSY mass spectra and in particular  $\tilde{\tau}$  mass with a precision of  $30 \text{ GeV}$ .

### 13.14. Direct $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ production in tri-leptons

The exclusive tri-lepton final state appears in  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  channel with subsequent three body decays of the second neutralino,  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 ll$ , and chargino,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 W^* \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l \nu$ ; or via sleptons in two body decay,  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l} l \rightarrow l \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l$ , and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow l \tilde{\nu} \rightarrow l \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \nu$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\nu} l \rightarrow \nu \tilde{\chi}_1^0 l$ . The final signatures are two Opposite-Sign Same-Flavour (SFOS) leptons ( $e, \mu$ ) from the neutralino  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decay plus any lepton from the chargino  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ . Jets are expected to be only due to gluon state radiation or pile up events. In spite of the escaping  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ , the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  is relatively small at low  $m_{1/2}$  and is comparable with the one of SM backgrounds, especially for three body decays at large  $m_0$ . The invariant mass of the SFOS dileptons exhibits a particular shape with a kinematic end point  $M_{ll}^{\text{max}}$  that depends upon the event topology, see section 13.3.

### 13.14.1. Datasets

The tri-lepton cross section  $\sigma_{3l}$  was calculated with ISAJET (7.69) and PYTHIA (6.225 CTEQ5L) at LO, the  $K_{NLO}$  factor calculated with PROSPINO is in the range of 1.30–1.25 (for  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} = 150\text{--}300\text{ GeV}/c^2$ ) [684]. The  $\sigma_{3l}$  drops rapidly with the neutralino mass  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0} \sim 0.8m_{1/2}$ ,  $\sigma_{3l} \sim m_{1/2}^{-4}$ . This study is restricted to the low  $m_{1/2}$  region, where  $\sigma_{3l}$  contributes, for instance,  $\sim 0.5\%$  to the total SUSY cross section at  $m_0 > 1000\text{ GeV}/c^2$ . The three body decays are dominant in this  $m_0, m_{1/2}$  region, except for  $m_0 < 150\text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $\tan\beta \leq 20$ . The kinematic end point in the invariant mass is approximately  $M_{ll}^{max} \sim 0.42^* m_{1/2} - 18.4\text{ GeV}/c^2$  (at  $m_0 \sim 1000\text{ GeV}/c^2$ ), thus moving into the Z-peak region at  $m_{1/2} > 250\text{ GeV}/c^2$  where the SM background is high. Among the CMS benchmark points in this region, LM9 ( $m_{1/2} = 175, m_0 = 1450, \tan\beta = 50, A_0 = 0$ ) has the largest cross section,  $\sim 3700$  events are produced for  $30\text{ fb}^{-1}$ , and it was used as a reference.

### 13.14.2. Backgrounds and trigger path

The main background results from the Drell–Yan,  $Z + \text{jets}$ ,  $\bar{t}t \rightarrow WbWb, ZW, ZZ, Wt + \text{jets}, WW + \text{jets}, W + \text{jets}$  and inclusive SUSY channels. For all backgrounds, except  $ZW$  and  $ZZ$ , some leptons originate from jets, mostly  $b \rightarrow l + j$ . The background events were produced with PYTHIA (ALPGEN and TOPREX are also used) and their cross section corrected to NLO. The  $Z$  and  $W$  bosons are forced to decay leptonically to  $e, \mu, \tau \rightarrow e, \mu$ . The DY and  $Z + \text{jets}$  cross section is large ( $\sigma_{DY, Zj} \sim 10\text{ nb}$ ) and events were preselected by requiring three leptons with  $p_T > 5\text{ GeV}/c$  and  $|\eta| < 2.4$  at the generator level. The full data samples of  $30\text{ fb}^{-1}$  for the LM9 test point and backgrounds are simulated with the CMS fast simulations (FAMOS) validated with smaller statistics samples produced with the full GEANT based simulation (OSCAR, ORCA). Low luminosity pile-up was included.

All events were required to pass Level-1 and HLT triggers. The main trigger paths for LM9 are the dimuons (74%) and dielectrons (25%). The trigger efficiency is 86% at Level-1 and 91% at HLT for LM9 and is increasing for larger  $m_{1/2}$  where the leptons become harder. In the off-line selection, at least three isolated leptons in  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $P_T^{\mu, e} > 10\text{ GeV}/c$  are required for each event. The leptons are reconstructed using standard reconstruction algorithms. Electrons and muons are required to be isolated, *i.e.* other tracks may only contribute up to  $\sum P_T$  of  $1.5\text{ GeV}/c$  inside a cone of  $\Delta R < 0.3$ . Moreover, for muons the energy deposit in calorimeters should be  $E_T < 5\text{ GeV}$  in a cone of  $\Delta R < 0.3$ . In addition, electron candidates are required to satisfy quality criteria based on a likelihood function,  $> 0.65$ . The muons and electrons reconstruction efficiencies in ORCA are found to be 78% ( $P_T^\mu > 5\text{ GeV}/c$ ) and 66% ( $P_T^e > 10\text{ GeV}/c$ ) respectively. The jets are reconstructed using an iterative cone algorithm with the seed energies  $E_T^{seed} > 0.5\text{ GeV}$  in a cone  $\Delta R < 0.5$ . The  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  was reconstructed from the calorimeter towers. Since the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  for the signal events is relatively small and its reconstruction at low energy scale is limited by the  $E_T$  resolution, a  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  requirement is not as efficient as in other SUSY channels.

### 13.14.3. Analysis path

The reconstructed events are selected in two steps. First, sequential cuts are applied: 1) No central jets with corrected energy  $E_T > 30\text{ GeV}$  in  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , 2) Two SFOS isolated leptons ( $e, \mu$ ) in  $|\eta| < 2.4$  with  $P_T^\mu > 10\text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $P_T^e > 17\text{ GeV}/c$  and the dilepton invariant mass below the Z peak  $M_{ll} < 75\text{ GeV}/c^2$ . 3) The third lepton is with  $P_T^{\mu, e} > 10\text{ GeV}/c$  in  $|\eta| < 2.4$ . The evolution of statistics and the efficiencies of the selection cuts are presented in Table 13.15.

**Table 13.15.** Evolution of signal and background statistics with the cuts as expected for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The last column gives the results of a neural network selection applied after the sequential cuts.

channel	$N_{ev} 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ( $\sigma \times BR$ [pb])	L1+HLT	No Jets	2 SFOS+I SFOS $M_{ll} < 75 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$NN_{LM9}$
LM1	2640 (0.088)	1544 (58%)	864 (56%)	70 (8%)	17 (24%)
LM7	1540 (0.051)	1250 (82%)	738 (59%)	91 (12%)	57 (62%)
LM9	3700 (0.125)	2896 (78%)	1740 (60%)	239 (14%)	158 (68%)
SUSY	$4 \cdot 10^5$ (13.1 $^{NLO}$ )	$2.5 \cdot 10^5$ (63%)	$1.8 \cdot 10^4$ (7%)	34 (0.2%)	22 (65%)
ZW	$5 \cdot 10^4$ (1.68 $^{NLO}$ )	$3.6 \cdot 10^4$ (73%)	$1.9 \cdot 10^4$ (53%)	173 (1%)	44 (25%)
ZZ	$4.8 \cdot 10^3$ (0.16 $^{NLO}$ )	$3.5 \cdot 10^3$ (73%)	$1.7 \cdot 10^3$ (48%)	38 (2.3%)	15 (39%)
$t\bar{t}$	$2.6 \cdot 10^6$ (88 $^{NLO}$ )	$1.8 \cdot 10^6$ (70%)	$1.3 \cdot 10^5$ (7%)	239 (0.2%)	89 (37%)
Z+jets(3l)	$4.6 \cdot 10^5$ (15.4 $^{LO}$ )	$3.7 \cdot 10^5$ (80.5%)	$9.8 \cdot 10^4$ (26.5%)	504 (0.5%)	129 (26%)
DY(3l)	$4.5 \cdot 10^5$ (15.1 $^{LO}$ )	$3.2 \cdot 10^5$ (71%)	$1.4 \cdot 10^5$ (44%)	670 (0.5%)	131 (20%)
Z $b\bar{b}$ (3l)	$8.4 \cdot 10^4$ (2.8 $^{LO}$ )	$7.3 \cdot 10^4$ (87%)	$1.5 \cdot 10^4$ (20%)	69 (0.6%)	18 (26%)
Wt+jets	$3 \cdot 10^5$ (10 $^{NLO}$ )	$2.1 \cdot 10^5$ (70%)	$3.9 \cdot 10^4$ (18.5%)	52 (0.1%)	20 (38%)
WW+jets	$6 \cdot 10^5$ (19.8 $^{LO}$ )	$3.8 \cdot 10^5$ (63%)	$1.9 \cdot 10^4$ (50%)	7 (0.04%)	2 (29%)
Tot. bkg	$\sim 4.9 \cdot 10^6$			1786	470 (26%)

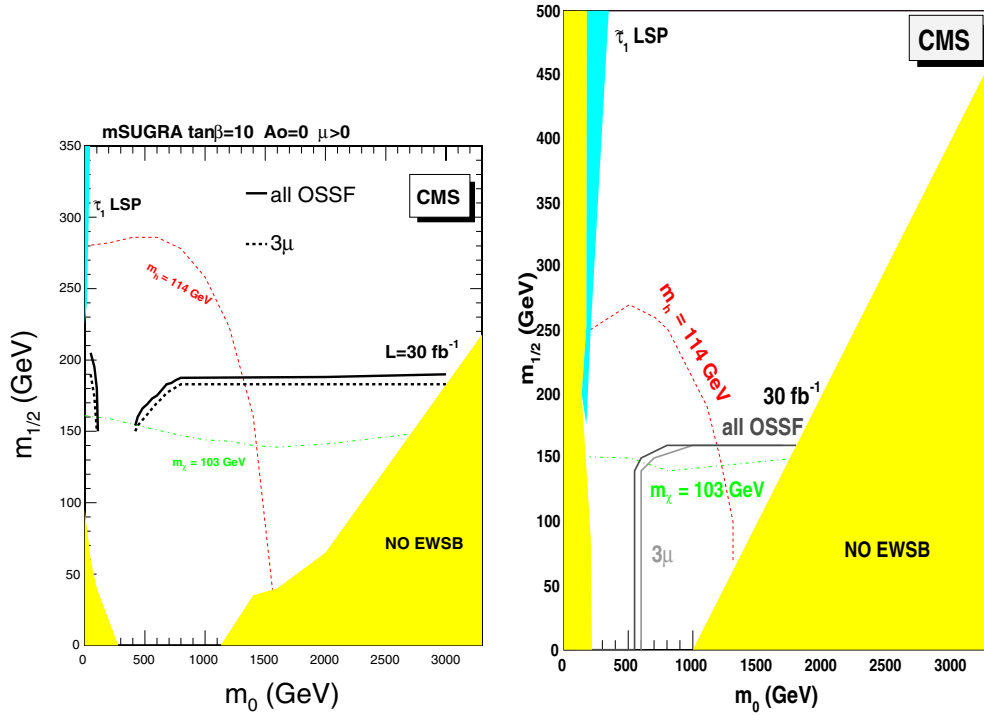
In a second step the background suppression is improved with a Neural Network (NN). Five networks for DY, Z+jets,  $t\bar{t}$ , ZW and ZZ backgrounds are trained on the LM9 signal sample using the following variables:  $P_T^{1,2,3}$ ,  $\sum P_T$ ,  $M_{ll}$ ,  $P_T^{2l}$  (transverse momentum of two SFOS leptons),  $A = \frac{P_T^1 - P_T^2}{P_T^1 + P_T^2}$ ,  $\Theta_{ll}$  (angle between two SFOS leptons),  $\Phi_{ll}$  (angle in transverse plane),  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $N_{jets}$  (number of jets passing the jets veto),  $E_t^{hj}$  (of the highest  $E_T$  jet),  $\eta_{hj}$  (rapidity of the highest jet). The selection cuts on the NN outputs were optimised for the maximum significance at LM9 with the genetic algorithm GARCON [63]. The efficiency of the NN selection is also shown in Table 13.15.

#### 13.14.4. Results at LM9 and systematics

After the selection based on cuts the  $S_{cp}$  significance calculated for all SFOS pair combination is 6.1 at point LM9 for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The NN improves the  $S_{cp}$  for all SFOS combinations to 7.8.

In addition to the real tri-lepton final state, leptons can be produced in the detector volume from  $\pi^\pm$ ,  $K^\pm$  decays, bremsstrahlung, punch-through or faked by jets. The rate per event of such fake leptons was estimated individually for each background by matching the reconstructed lepton with the generated one and is  $\sim 10^{-4}$  for electrons and  $\sim 10^{-5}$  for muons. The expected fake leptons substantially increase the background, especially for the preselected channels like DY or Z + jets, by  $\sim 221 \pm 48$  events and  $\sim 31 \pm 16$  events respectively for the tri-muon final state where the fake rate is smaller. The  $S_{cp}$  significance defined in Appendix A.1 including fakes but without other systematic uncertainties for all SFOS combinations and for the tri-muon state at LM9 is 6.5 and 5.1 respectively.

The reconstruction uncertainties related to the jet energy scale (5%) and the lepton momentum resolution (2%) contribute 1% to the uncertainties on the background. The average theoretical uncertainty from the PDFs, calculated with the LHPDF subsets using the reweighting technique for each background channel, amounts to 1.7%. These uncertainties reduce the significances to 5.8 and 4.8 for the all SFOS pairs and for the tri-muon final state, respectively. However the largest uncertainties are coming from the Monte Carlo statistical



**Figure 13.28.** Discovery reach of tri-lepton from the  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  production at  $\mathcal{L}_{int}=30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for all SFOS lepton combinations (dashed) and for the tri-muon final state (solid) including systematic uncertainties from reconstruction, for (left)  $\tan \beta = 10$  and (right)  $\tan \beta = 50$ .

errors in the fake rate estimation which contribute  $\sim 7\%$  to the background uncertainties rendering the signal hardly observable,  $S_c p \sim 3.3$ . These fake rate uncertainties can be reduced with larger simulation samples.

In summary, for the tri-lepton mSUGRA study presented here, the final signal to background ratio is 0.23, the total signal efficiency is 4.4% and the background composition is 28% Drell–Yan, 27%  $Z$  + jets, 19%  $t\bar{t}$ , 9%  $WZ$ , and 17%  $ZZ$ ,  $WW$ , SUSY,  $W$  + jets and QCD. The total considered theoretical and reconstruction systematic uncertainties on the Standard Model background is 2.2%. The Monte Carlo statistics systematic errors in the fake rates increases this to 7.5%.

#### 13.14.5. CMS reach for the tri-lepton final state

Figure 13.28 shows the  $5\sigma$  discovery reach in  $m_0$  and  $m_{1/2}$  plane at  $\mathcal{L}_{int} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for all SFOS combinations and for the tri-muon final state including the systematic uncertainties due to the reconstruction. The signal can be observed at large  $m_0 > 1000 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  in a narrow band below  $m_{1/2} < 180 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . At low  $m_0 < 100 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  the two body decays are visible although a better optimisation is possible in this region, see Sections 13.8 and 13.15. The tri-lepton final state from direct neutralino-chargino production is complementary to the inclusive SFOS dilepton search and provides an additional verification for the leptonic decays of the neutralino at low  $m_{1/2}$ .

### 13.15. Production of $\tilde{l}\tilde{l}$

The aim of this section is the study of the possibility of detecting sleptons. Note the previous related papers where the sleptons detection was studied at the level of a toy detector [685–689].

#### 13.15.1. Simulation details

ISASUSY 7.69 [672] was used for the calculation of coupling constants and cross sections in the leading order approximation for SUSY processes. For the calculation of the next-to-leading order corrections to the SUSY cross sections the PROSPINO code [682] was used. Cross sections of the background events were calculated with PYTHIA 6.227 [69] and COMHEP 4.2pl [355]. For considered backgrounds the NLO corrections are known and they were used. Official datasets (DST) production was used for the study of CMS test point LM1 and backgrounds ( $t\bar{t}$ , ZZ, WW, Wt, Z  $b\bar{b}$ , DY2e, DY2 $\tau$ ). For WZ, DY2 $\mu$  and W + jet backgrounds the events were generated with PYTHIA 6.227. The detector simulation and hits production were made with full CMS simulation [8], digitised and reconstructed [10]. The DY2 $\mu$  and W + jet backgrounds were simulated with fast simulation [11].

Jets were reconstruction using an iterative cone algorithm with cone size 0.5 and their energy corrected with the GammaJet calibration.

The events are required to pass the Global Level 1 Trigger (L1) and the High Level Trigger (HLT). The events have to pass at least one of the following triggers: single electron, double electron, single muon, double muon.

The CMS fast simulation code was used for the determination of the sleptons discovery plot.

#### 13.15.2. Sleptons production and decays

When sleptons are heavy relative to  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ , they are produced significantly at the LHC through the Drell–Yan mechanism (direct sleptons production), via  $q\bar{q}$  annihilation with neutral or charged boson exchange in the s-channel, namely,  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{l}_L\tilde{l}_L, \tilde{l}_R\tilde{l}_R, \tilde{\nu}\tilde{\nu}, \tilde{\nu}\tilde{l}, \tilde{l}_L\tilde{l}_R$ . The left sleptons decay to charginos and neutralinos via the following (kinematically accessible) decays:

$$\tilde{l}_L^\pm \rightarrow l^\pm + \tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^0, \quad (13.21)$$

$$\tilde{l}_L^\pm \rightarrow \nu_l + \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \quad (13.22)$$

$$\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow \nu_l + \tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^0, \quad (13.23)$$

$$\tilde{\nu} \rightarrow l^\pm + \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm. \quad (13.24)$$

For right sleptons only decays to neutralino are possible and they decay mainly to LSP:

$$\tilde{l}_R^\pm \rightarrow l^\pm + \tilde{\chi}_1^0. \quad (13.25)$$

If sleptons are light relative to  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ , they can be abundantly produced, besides the Drell–Yan mechanism, also from chargino and neutralino decays  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_2^0$  (indirect production), equations (13.8), (13.9), (13.13) and (13.14).

### 13.15.3. Signature and backgrounds

The slepton production and decays described previously lead to the signature with the simplest event topology: *two leptons* +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + *jet veto*. This signature arises for both direct and indirect slepton pair production. In the case of indirectly produced sleptons not only the event topology with two leptons but with single, three and four leptons is possible. Besides, indirect slepton production from decays of squarks and gluino through charginos, neutralinos can lead to an event topology *two leptons* +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + ( $n \geq 1$ ) *jets*.

The cut set close to the optimal one is the following:

(a) for leptons:

- $p_T$  - cut on leptons ( $p_T^{\text{lept}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ ) and lepton isolation within  $\Delta R < 0.3$  cone containing calorimeter cells and tracker;
- effective mass of two opposite-sign and the same-flavour leptons is outside ( $M_Z - 15 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_Z + 10 \text{ GeV}$ ) interval;
- $\Phi(l^+l^-) < 140^\circ$  cut on angle between two leptons;

(b) for  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ :

- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 135 \text{ GeV}$  cut on missing  $E_T$ ;
- $\Phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, ll) > 170^\circ$  cut on relative azimuthal angle between dilepton and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ;

(c) for jets:

- jet veto cut:  $N_{\text{jet}} = 0$  for a  $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$  (corrected jets) threshold in the pseudorapidity interval  $|\eta| < 4.5$ .

The Standard Model (SM) backgrounds are:  $t\bar{t}$ , WW, WZ, ZZ, Wt, Zbb, DY, W+jet. The main contributions come from WW and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds. There are also internal SUSY backgrounds which arise from  $\tilde{q}\tilde{q}$ ,  $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}$  and  $\tilde{q}\tilde{g}$  productions and subsequent cascade decays with jets outside the acceptance or below the threshold. Note that when we are interested in new physics discovery we have to compare the calculated number of SM background events  $N_{SMbg}$  with new physics signal events  $N_{\text{new physics}} = N_{\text{slept}} + N_{\text{SUSYbg}}$ , so SUSY background events increase the discovery potential of new physics.

### 13.15.4. Results

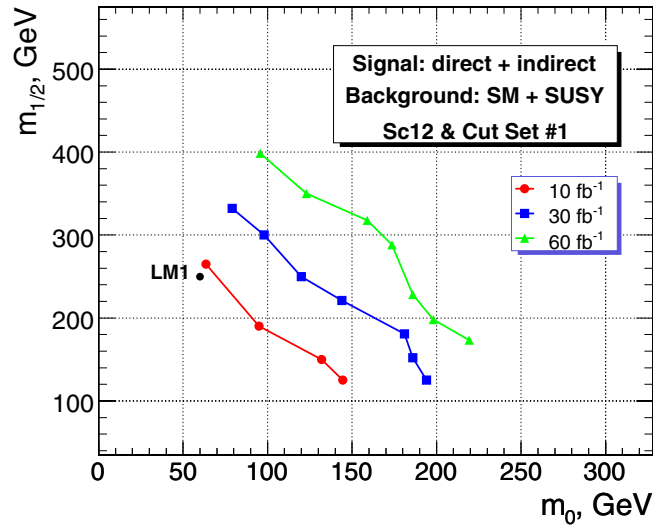
For the point LM1 with the used set of cuts for the integral luminosity  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  the number of signal events (direct sleptons plus sleptons from chargino/neutralino decays) is  $N_S = 60$ , whereas the number of SUSY background events is  $N_{\text{SUSYbg}} = 4$  and the number of SM background events is  $N_{\text{SMbg}} = 41$ . The total signal efficiency is  $1.16 \times 10^{-4}$  and the background composition is  $1.32 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $1.37 \times 10^{-5}$  of the total WW,  $4 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total WZ,  $4.4 \times 10^{-5}$  of the total ZZ,  $8.1 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total Wt, 0 of the total Zbb, DY, W+jet.

The SUSY background is rather small compared to the signal, so we can assume  $N_S = N_{\text{direct sleptons}} + N_{\text{chargino/neutralino}} + N_{\text{SUSYbg}} = 64$ . It corresponds to the significances  $S_{c12} = 7.7$  and  $S_{cL} = 8.3$ , defined in Appendix A.1.

Taking into account the systematic uncertainty of 23% related with in exact knowledge of backgrounds leads to the decrease of significance  $S_{c12}$  from 7.7 to 4.3.

The ratio of the numbers of background events from two different channels  $N(e^+e^- + \mu^+\mu^-)/N(e^\pm\mu^\mp) = 1.37$  will be used to keep the backgrounds under control.

The CMS discovery plot for *two leptons* +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  + *jet veto* signature is presented in Fig. 13.29.



**Figure 13.29.** Discovery plot ( $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $\text{sign}(\mu) = +$ ,  $A = 0$ ) for final states with  $l^+l^-$ , missing transverse energy and a jet veto.

### 13.16. Lepton flavour violation in neutralino decay

The aim of this section is the study of the possibility to detect SUSY and Lepton Flavour Violation (LFV) using the  $e^\pm\mu^\mp + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  signature.

#### 13.16.1. Signal selection and backgrounds

The simulation details of this study could be found in the Section 13.15.

The SUSY production  $pp \rightarrow \tilde{q}\tilde{q}', \tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{q}\tilde{g}$  with subsequent decays leads to the event topology  $e^\pm\mu^\mp + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ . In the MSSM with lepton flavour conserving neutralino decays into leptons  $\tilde{\chi}_{2,3,4}^0 \rightarrow l^+l^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  do not contribute to this signature and contribute only to  $l^+l^- + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  signature (here  $l = e$  or  $\mu$ ). The main backgrounds which contribute to the  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  events are:  $t\bar{t}$ , ZZ, WW, WZ, Wt, Zbb, DY2 $\tau$ , Z+jet. It has been found that  $t\bar{t}$  background is the biggest one and it gives more than 50% contribution to the total background.

Our set of cuts is the following:

- $p_T$  - cut on leptons ( $p_T^{\text{lept}} > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ ) and lepton isolation within  $\Delta R < 0.3$  cone.
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 300 \text{ GeV}$  cut on missing  $E_T$ .

#### 13.16.2. Results at CMS test points and reach

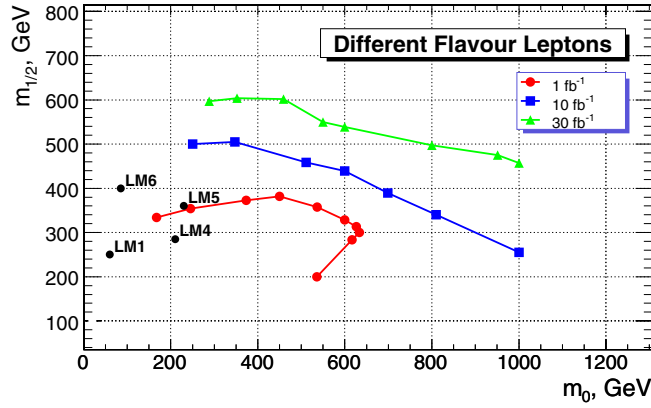
For integrated luminosity  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  the number of background events is  $N_B = 93$ . The results for this luminosity are presented in Table 13.16. At point LM1 the signal over background ratio is 3 and the signal efficiency is  $6 \times 10^{-4}$ . The background composition is  $9.5 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $3.4 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total WW,  $4 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total WZ,  $3.2 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total Wt,  $2.2 \times 10^{-6}$  of the total Z+jet, 0 of the total ZZ, Zbb, DY2 $\tau$ .

The CMS discovery plot for the  $e^\pm\mu^\mp + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  signature is presented in Fig. 13.30.

In the MSSM the off-diagonal components of the slepton mass terms violate lepton flavour conservation. As it was shown in Refs. [690–692] it is possible to look for lepton

**Table 13.16.** Number of signal events and significances  $S_{c12}$  [50] and  $S_{cL}$  [100, 102], defined in Appendix A.1, for  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

Point	$N$ events	$S_{c12}$	$S_{cL}$
LM1	329	21.8	24.9
LM2	94	8.1	8.6
LM3	402	25.2	29.2
LM4	301	20.4	23.1
LM5	91	7.8	8.3
LM6	222	16.2	18.0
LM7	14	1.4	1.4
LM8	234	16.9	18.8
LM9	137	11.0	11.9


**Figure 13.30.** Discovery plot ( $\tan\beta = 10$ ,  $\text{sign}(\mu) = +$ ,  $A = 0$ ) for the luminosities  $\mathcal{L} = 1, 10, 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for the  $e^\pm\mu^\mp + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  signature.

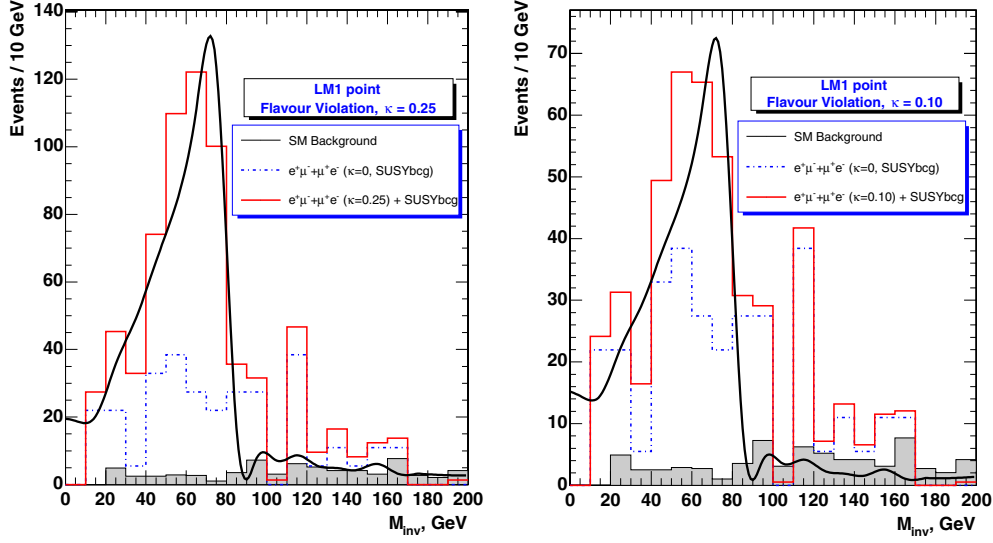
flavour violation at supercolliders through the production and decays of the sleptons. For the LFV at the LHC one of the most promising processes is the LFV decay of the second neutralino [693, 694]  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}l \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 ll'$ , where the non zero off-diagonal component of the slepton mass matrix leads to the different flavours for the leptons in the final state. By using the above mode, LFV in  $\tilde{e} - \tilde{\mu}$  mixing has been investigated in Refs. [693, 694] at a parton model level for a toy detector. In this section we study the perspectives of the LFV detection in CMS on the base of full simulation of both signal and background is studied. To be specific, we study the point LM1. We assume that the LFV is due to nonzero mixing of right-handed smuon and selectron. The signal of the LFV  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decay is two opposite-sign leptons ( $e^+\mu^-$  or  $e^-\mu^+$ ) in the final state with the characteristic edge structure. In the limit of lepton flavour conservation, the process  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \tilde{l}l \rightarrow ll\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  has the edge structure for the distribution of the lepton-pair invariant mass  $m_{ll}$  and the edge mass  $m_{ll}^{\text{max}}$  is expressed by the slepton mass  $m_{\tilde{l}}$  and the neutralino masses  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^0}$  as follows:

$$(m_{ll}^{\text{max}})^2 = m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{l}}^2}{m_{\tilde{\chi}_2^0}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}^2}{m_{\tilde{l}}^2}\right). \quad (13.26)$$

The SUSY background for the LFV comes from uncorrelated leptons from different squark or gluino decay chains. The SM background comes mainly from

$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow bWbW \rightarrow bll'v\nu'. \quad (13.27)$$





**Figure 13.31.** The distribution of dilepton invariant mass after selection of two isolated  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  leptons with  $p_T^{lept} > 20$  GeV/c and  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 300$  GeV for flavour violation parameter  $k = 0.25$  (left) and  $k = 0.1$  (right). The superimposed curves are fits to the invariant mass distribution for the case of 100% LFV.

The Drell–Yan background from  $pp \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow e\mu \dots$  is negligible. It should be stressed that for the signature with  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  in the absence of the LFV we do not have the edge structure for the distribution on the invariant mass  $m_{inv}(e^\pm\mu^\mp)$ . As the result of the LFV the edge structure for  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  events arises too. Therefore the signature of the LFV is the existence of an edge structure in the  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  distribution. The rate for a flavour violating decay is

$$Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = \kappa Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \mu^+\mu^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0), \quad (13.28)$$

where

$$Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \mu^+\mu^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0) = Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^+e^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0) + Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-\tilde{\chi}_1^0), \quad (13.29)$$

$$\kappa = 2x \sin^2\theta \cos^2\theta, \quad (13.30)$$

$$x = \frac{\Delta m_{\tilde{e}\tilde{\mu}}^2}{\Delta m_{\tilde{e}\tilde{\mu}}^2 + \Gamma^2}, \quad (13.31)$$

$$Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^\pm\mu^\mp) = Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^+\mu^-) + Br(\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow e^-\mu^+). \quad (13.32)$$

Here  $\theta$  is the mixing angle between  $\tilde{e}_R$  and  $\tilde{\mu}_R$  and  $\Gamma$  is the sleptons decay width. The parameter  $x$  is the measure of the quantum interference effect. There are some limits on  $\tilde{e} - \tilde{\mu}$  mass splitting from lepton flavour violating processes but they are not very strong.

For  $\kappa = 0.25$ ,  $\kappa = 0.1$  the distributions of the number of  $e^\pm\mu^\mp$  events on the invariant mass  $m_{inv}(e^\pm\mu^\mp)$  (see Figure 13.31) clearly demonstrates the existence of the edge structure [695], i.e. the existence of the lepton flavour violation in neutralino decays. It appears that for the point LM1 the use of an additional cut

$$m_{inv}(e^\pm\mu^\mp) < 85 \text{ GeV} \quad (13.33)$$

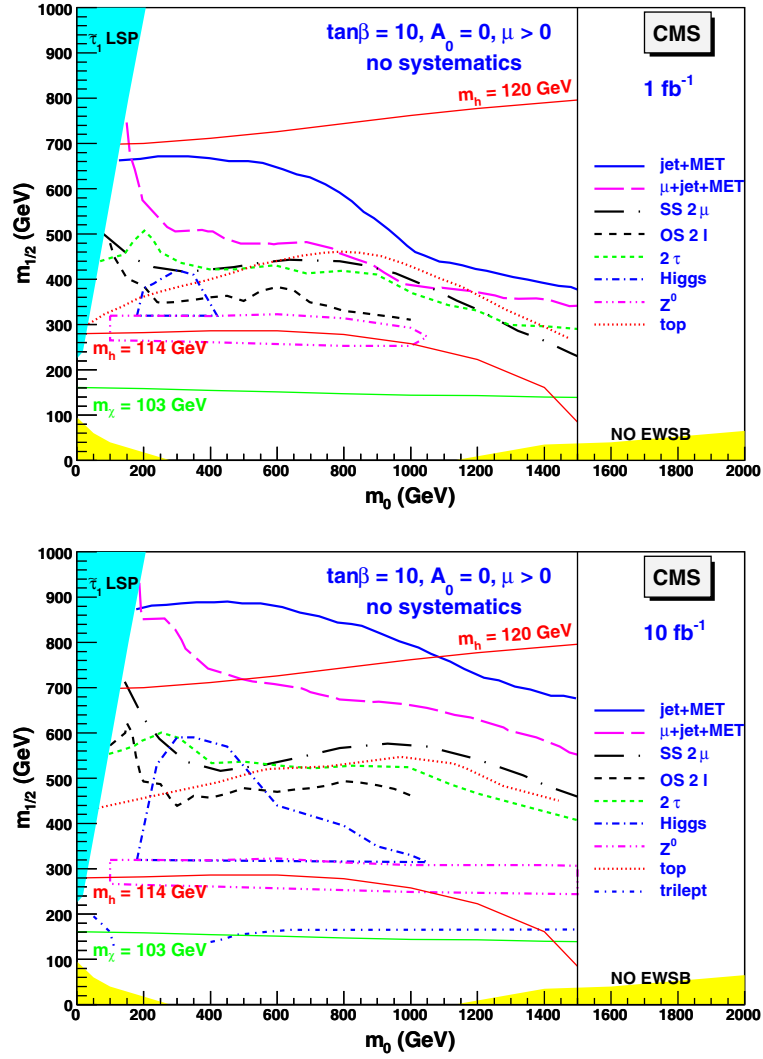


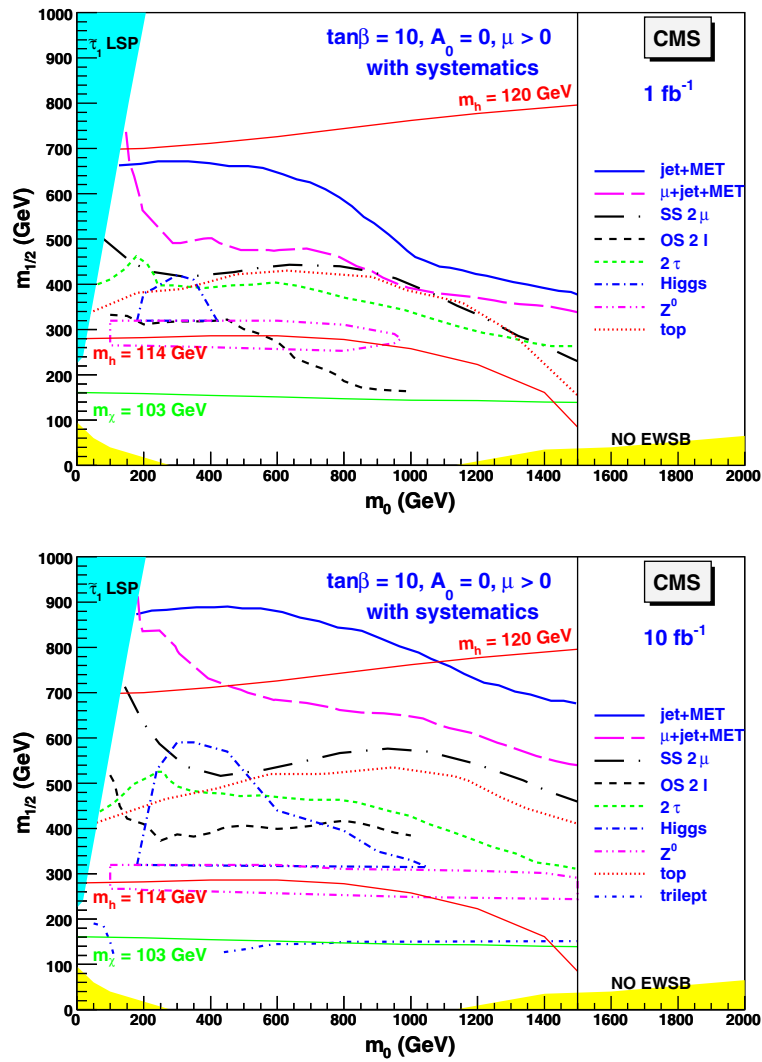
Figure 13.32. Regions of the  $m_0$  versus  $m_{1/2}$  plane showing CMS the reach when only statistical uncertainties are taken into account. (Top) for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity, except the Higgs case which assumes  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . (Bottom) for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

reduces both the SM and SUSY backgrounds and increases the discovery potential in the LFV search. For the point LM1 we found that in the assumption of exact knowledge of the background (both the SM and SUSY backgrounds) for the integrated luminosity  $\mathcal{L} = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  it would be possible to detect LFV at  $5\sigma$  level in  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decays for  $\kappa \geq 0.04$ .

### 13.17. Summary of the reach with inclusive analyses

#### 13.17.1. Summary of the $mSUGRA$ studies

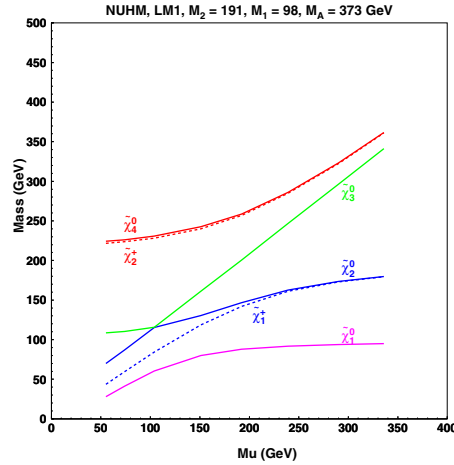
In previous sections, several characteristic topologies (or signatures) for MSSM were studied and it was shown that many are already detectable with rather low integrated luminosity



**Figure 13.33.** Regions of the  $m_0$  versus  $m_{1/2}$  plane showing CMS the reach when systematic uncertainties are included. (Top) for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity, except the Higgs case which assumes  $2 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . (Bottom) for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

(few years of LHC running) over a sizeable part of the parameter space, extending well beyond the Tevatron reach.

The curves in Fig. 13.32 summarise the reach estimated for the various topologies of the preceding sections for integrated luminosities of 1 and  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  when only statistical uncertainties are taken into account. The same results are shown in Fig. 13.33 when systematic uncertainties are included. It is seen that the systematic uncertainties do not degrade the reach very much for integrated luminosities up to  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . It should be noted that the analyses have not been reoptimised for the inclusion of systematics nor for higher masses which could be reached with higher luminosity. Moreover, the reach will be further improved by the addition of topologies with electrons, which are presently missing for the muon + jet + MET and same sign dimuon searches.



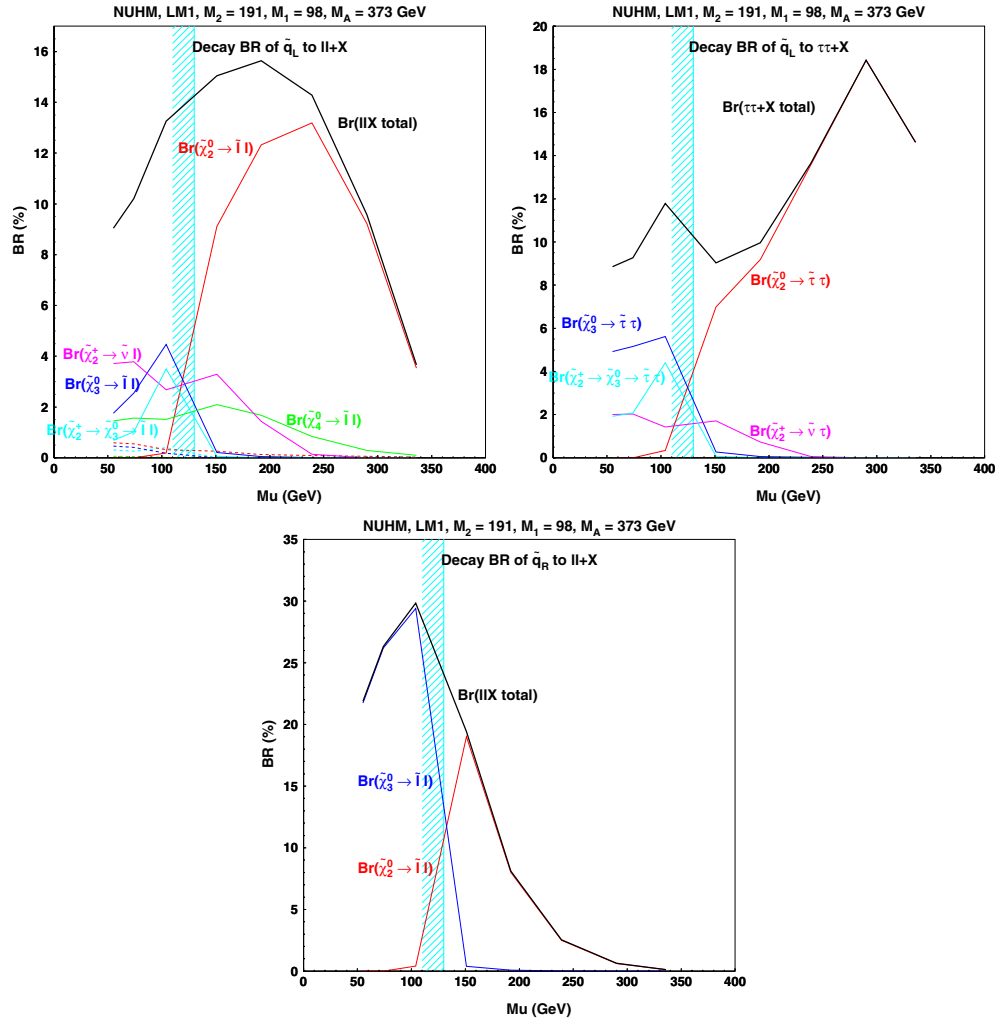
**Figure 13.34.** Variation of the chargino and neutralino masses as a function of  $\mu$  for the CMS test point LM1.

The best reach is obtained with the most inclusive channels, the jets+MET and muons+jet+MET. The range of gluino and squark masses up to about 1.5 TeV can be probed with an integrated luminosity of only  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and is extended to about 2 TeV with  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Moreover, a large part of the area is covered by several search topologies. The simultaneous observation of a signal in various topologies will help unravel the underlying physics. Examples are the triangular dilepton mass distribution, the observation of the  $Z^0$  or the  $h^0$  in less inclusive channels, which provide a hint that their origin may be the decay of a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ . If discovered, yet more exclusive analyses should then allow a more quantitative study, e.g. the reconstruction of the sparticle masses and cross section measurements of relevant sub-processes and their ratios.

### 13.18. Look beyond mSUGRA

#### 13.18.1. Non-universal Higgs masses

It was emphasised in Section 13.3 that the signatures of SUSY with a stable LSP result from the fundamental Supersymmetry gauge couplings, together with the composition of the lightest charginos and neutralinos. As all previous analyses were based on mSUGRA, it is interesting to verify their robustness when relaxing some of the assumptions which might affect the signal observability. As full generality, including giving up all universality assumptions, would lead to an intractable model, a choice needs to be made. Here, a mild extension is considered whereby the two Higgsino mass parameters at the GUT scale are no longer supposed to be degenerate with the other scalar masses, which is sometimes called the Non Universal Higgs Masses (NUHM [696]) scenario. This scenario is conveniently parameterised in terms of two low scale parameters, the mass of the CP-odd Higgs ( $m_A$ ) and the parameter  $\mu$ . More specifically, we will analyse the effect of lowering the value of  $\mu$  compared to its mSUGRA value on the observability of the signatures, as this modifies the composition of the charginos and neutralinos as a function of the gaugino and Higgsino fields. For simplicity,  $m_A$  is kept at a fixed value. As exemplified in Fig. 13.34 for the test point LM1, lowering  $\mu$  also lowers the gaugino masses and in particular their splittings, which affect the

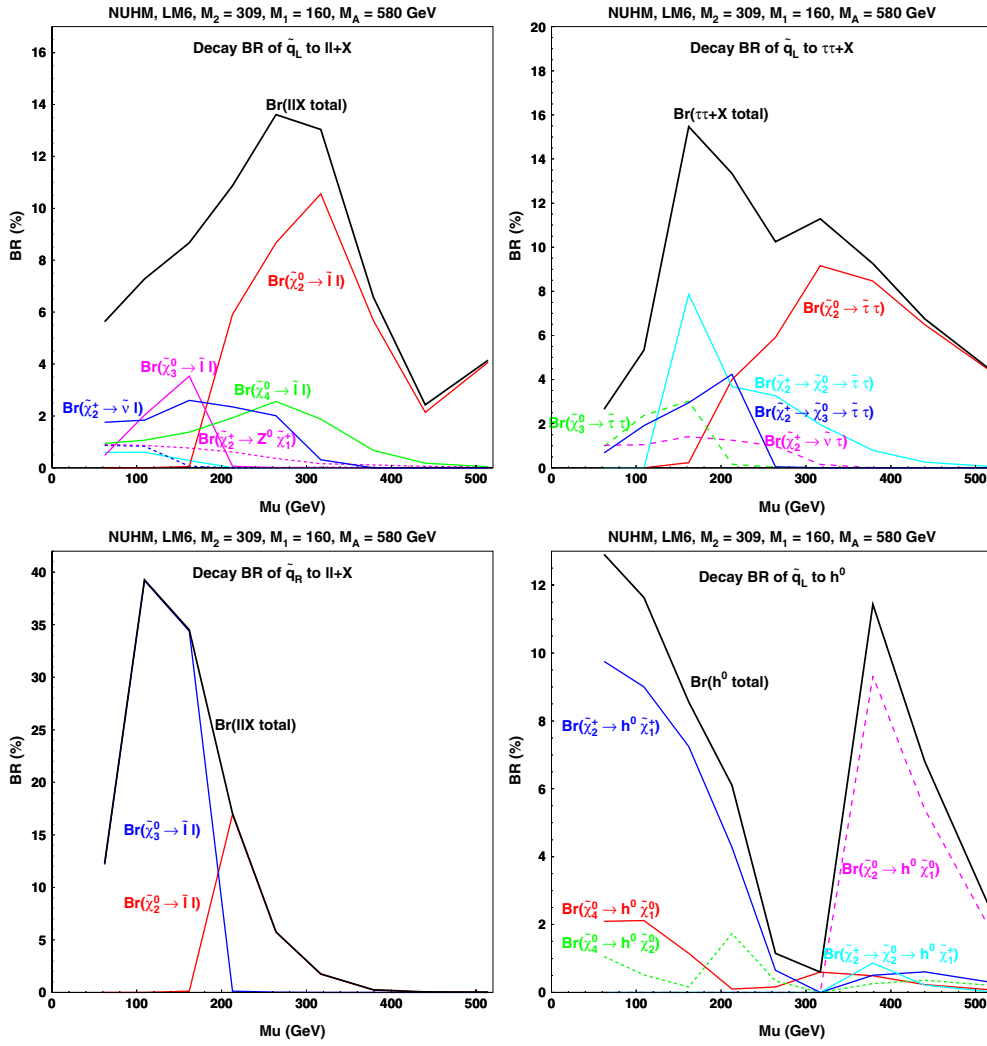


**Figure 13.35.** Decay branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$  for  $\tilde{q}_L$  into  $ll$  and  $\tau\tau$  and for  $\tilde{q}_R$  into  $ll$  at the test point LM1.

branching ratios through phase space effects (a similar behaviour is observed for the other test points). The  $\tilde{q}$  and  $\tilde{l}$  spectra are almost unaffected. As for low values of  $\mu$  the lightest chargino becomes lighter than the exclusion from LEP,  $m(\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm) \geq 103$  GeV, this region is excluded and is indicated on Fig. 13.35 by a grey (blue) shaded strip.

**13.18.1.1. Signatures at point LM1.** The test point LM1 was studied above for its detectability in cascade decays via a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  into  $\tilde{l}_R l$ . Figure 13.35 shows the variation of some branching ratios from the value of  $\mu$  near the region where radiative electroweak symmetry breaking is not possible up to its value in mSUGRA.

It is seen that by lowering  $\mu$ ,  $B(\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow q \tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow q \tilde{l}_R l)$  first increases (due to closing the competing decay to  $\tilde{\nu}\nu$ ), then decreases when the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  becomes Higgsino-like, but it remains considerably larger than its mSUGRA value for all values of  $\mu$  down to the LEP limit. In



**Figure 13.36.** Decay branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$  for  $\tilde{q}_L$  into  $ll$ ,  $\tau\tau$  and  $h^0$  and for  $\tilde{q}_R$  into  $ll$  at the test point LM6.

addition, some new channels open up, like the decay via  $\tilde{\chi}_4^0$  into left and right sleptons and the decay via a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}_l \tilde{l}$  followed by  $\tilde{\nu}_l \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm l$  (the  $\tilde{\chi}_4^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm$  become more Wino-like). Other decays via  $\tilde{\chi}_3^0$  might also contribute, but only in the region excluded by LEP.

The branching for the decay to  $\tilde{\tau}\tau$  shows qualitatively the same behaviour, but is larger than its mSUGRA value in only a small region of  $\mu$ . Also here a small contribution from the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow \tilde{\nu}\tau$  is present at small  $\mu$ .

It is interesting to note that, although for mSUGRA the  $\tilde{q}_R$  decays exclusively directly to the LSP, it may have for lower  $\mu$  a non negligible branching ratio to  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and also contributes to the dilepton signature.

Finally, there is a non-zero branching ratio for the  $\tilde{q}_L$  to the light Higgs via the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm$  or  $\tilde{\chi}_4^0$  (not shown), but it remains below 1% over the whole range of  $\mu$  above the LEP limit and will be difficult to detect.

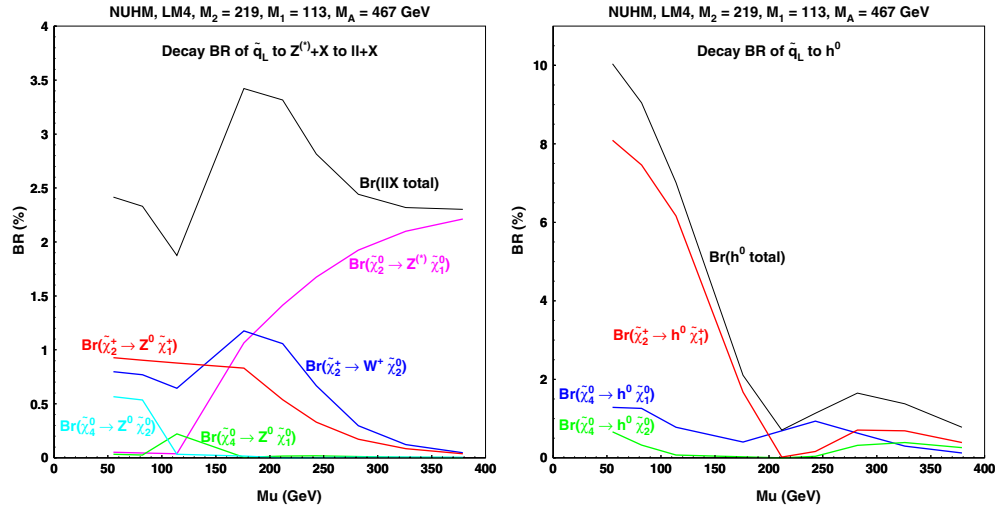


Figure 13.37. Decay branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$  for  $\tilde{q}_L$  into  $ll$  and  $h^0$  at the test point LM4.

13.18.1.2. *Signatures at point LM6.* The test point LM6 has many features in common with LM1, but the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decays mainly to  $\tilde{l}_L l$  with a small admixture of  $\tilde{l}_R l$ . Moreover the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  is kinematically allowed, although suppressed due to the strong gaugino dominance in the  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ . The variation of the branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$  is displayed in Fig. 13.36.

The cascade decays of  $\tilde{q}_L$  to  $\tilde{l}l$  and  $\tilde{\tau}\tau$  via  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  show grossly the same behaviour as for LM1, with an increase at intermediate values of  $\mu$  followed by a decrease at low  $\mu$ . Again, the contributions from other charginos and neutralinos are non negligible near the LEP exclusion limit. Also  $\tilde{q}_R$  decays contribute to the dilepton signal via  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_3^0$  intermediate states.

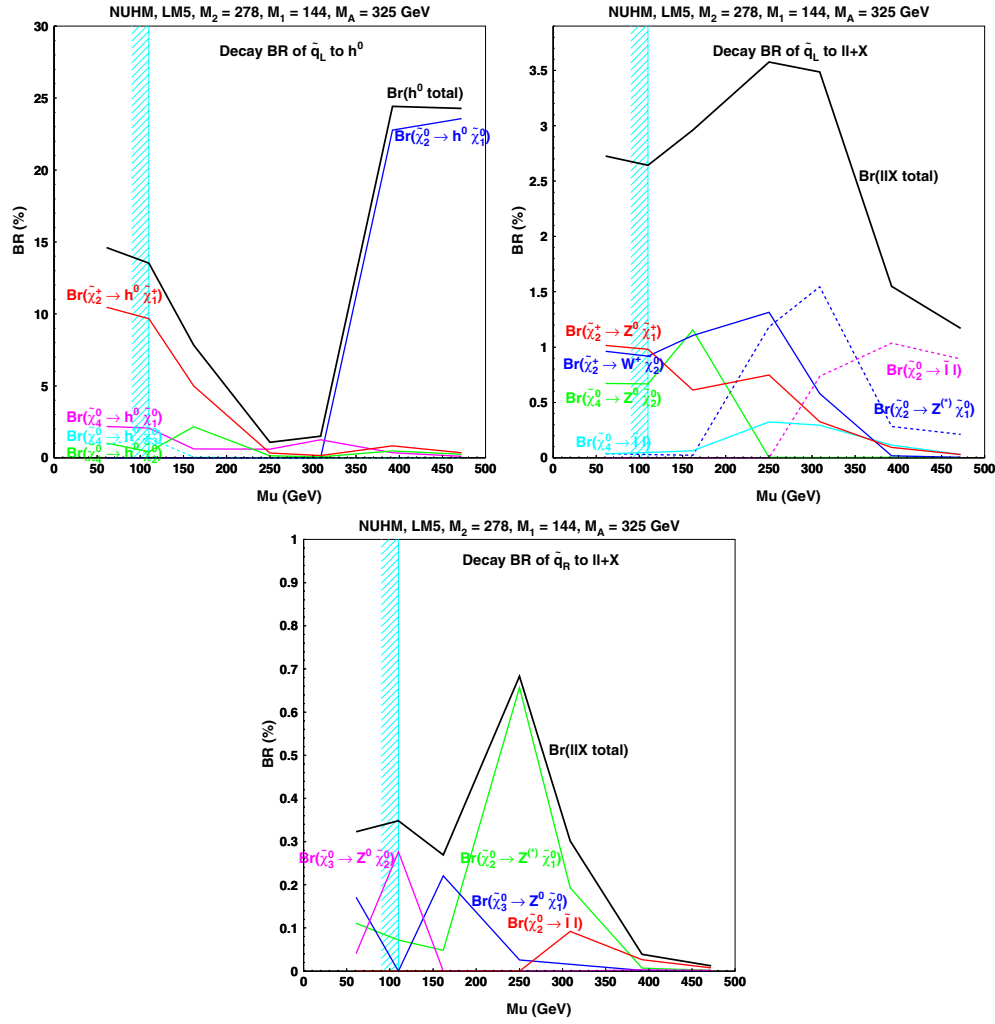
A distinctive feature of LM6 is its production of final states with  $h^0$ . The  $\tilde{q}_L$  branching ratio via  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ , which is only 2% for mSUGRA increases drastically for lower  $\mu$  due to the increased Higgsino components in  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ , then it drops as the decay becomes kinematically forbidden. After a gap where the branching ratio is below 1%, a strong increase is again visible for lower  $\mu$  from the cascade dominated by  $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  down to the LEP limit. Such an effect is not observed at LM1 due to the smaller spacing of the masses.

13.18.1.3. *Signatures at point LM4.* Point LM4 was chosen for its characteristic decay of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  into  $Z^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ . Figure 13.37 shows the variation of the branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$ .

As the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$  requires Higgsino components in both the  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$ , its branching ratio remains above 90% for all values of  $\mu$  allowed by the LEP limit. The branching ratio of the  $\tilde{q}_L$  into  $Z^{(*)}$  via a  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decreases mainly due to the decrease of  $B(\tilde{q}_L \rightarrow q \tilde{\chi}_2^0)$  (the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  becomes less gaugino-like). This loss is, however, compensated by the contributions from cascades via  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow W \tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow Z^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  and the overall effect is a net increase of the branching ratio of the  $\tilde{q}_L$  to final states with a  $Z^0$ .

For low values of  $\mu$  there is also a contribution to  $h^0$  final states via the decay  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ , but it remains small above the limit imposed by LEP.

13.18.1.4. *Signatures at point LM5.* At point LM5, the main signature for mSUGRA is provided by the cascade via  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ . The variation of the branching ratios with  $\mu$  are shown in Fig. 13.38.



**Figure 13.38.** Decay branching ratios as a function of  $\mu$  for  $\tilde{q}_L$  into  $h^0$  and  $ll$  and for  $\tilde{q}_R$  into  $ll$  at the test point LM5.

The sharp drop in the branching ratio of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  to  $h^0$  below the mSUGRA value of  $\mu$  results from the decrease in the mass splitting between  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  which suppresses the decay to  $h^0$ . For lower values of  $\mu$ , final states with  $h^0$  are again produced mainly via the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow h^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ . In between these two decay chains, a narrow gap is left where the Higgs branching ratio is less than 2% and hence very difficult to detect.

It is seen that this loss of sensitivity to Higgs final states is to some extent compensated by an increase of the dilepton final states in the region of the gap. The cascade decays of both  $\tilde{q}_L$  and  $\tilde{q}_R$  contribute in this region, the main contributions being through  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0 \rightarrow Z^* \tilde{\chi}_1^0$ ,  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow Z^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_2^\pm \rightarrow W \tilde{\chi}_2^0$ . It gives a branching ratio of up to 3.5% for the dilepton decay of  $\tilde{q}_L$  and less than 1% for  $\tilde{q}_R$  and hence should be detectable. However, the mixture of intermediate states leading to the dileptons will make the sparticle mass reconstruction very challenging.



*13.18.1.5. Conclusion.* It can be concluded that the same flavour dilepton signatures originating from the decay of  $\tilde{l}$  or  $Z^*$  are quite robust with respect to the chargino and neutralino composition. Lowering  $\mu$  with respect to its mSUGRA value, a sizeable increase of the branching ratio is even observed for the test points LM1, LM4 and LM6. The  $h^0$  signature at point LM5 is less robust and a region with low branching ratio exists at intermediate values of  $\mu$ . It is compensated by an increase of dilepton final states. It may be noted that the loss of  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  decay to  $h^0$  is due to the reduction of the  $\tilde{\chi}_2^0$  and  $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$  mass splitting. It is therefore a consequence of the low mass spectrum chosen and should disappear at larger values of  $m_{1/2}$ . Another feature of the NUHM scenario is that for small  $\mu$  the cascades from  $\tilde{q}_R$  also contribute to the signatures, unlike the mSUGRA case. Moreover the signatures at low to intermediate  $\mu$  tend to be produced by several intermediate neutralino and chargino states. This points to the difficulty of identifying which sparticles are at the origin of the observed end points in the effective mass distributions.

## Chapter 14. Extra Dimensions and New Vector Boson High Mass States

### 14.1. Introduction

The theoretical and phenomenological landscape of beyond the standard model searches extends to a multitude of exotic tendencies today in collider physics. Most are conceived within one kind or another of extra dimensions and supersymmetric scenarios. The strict or loose dualities between different frameworks for physics “beyond the Standard Model” have a direct experimental consequence: the final states and signatures of the models are very similar. This renders the characterisation of an excess or a deviation a fine and probably long challenge. To mention a couple of examples: the question “is it extra dimensions (e.g. UED/TeV) or is it SUSY?” or “is it a Randall–Sundrum graviton mode or a  $Z'$ ” is not going to be answered immediately when the excess is observed. The results from all the collider data to date, together with the as yet unobserved Higgs and including the data on the neutrino masses and the composition of the universe, impose a wide program of searches that the LHC experiments are preparing for.

In the present chapter and as well as the “alternatives” chapter that follows, a series of searches is presented with signatures (corresponding to models) as indicated below:

- Dilepton, dijet, diphoton resonances
  - \* using  $ee$ ,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ , dijets
  - \* searching for  $Z'$  (leptons, jets), RS Extra Dimensions (leptons, photons, jets),  $Z_{KK}$  in  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$  (electrons) (can also be interpreted in the context of Little Higgs models)
- Dilepton, dijet continuum modification
  - \* using  $\mu\mu$ , dijets
  - \* searching for ADD graviton exchange (dimuons), contact interactions (dimuons, dijets)
- Dilepton + dijets
  - \* using  $ee$ ,  $\mu\mu$  + dijets
  - \* searching for heavy neutrino from right-handed  $W$  (can also be interpreted in the context of leptoquark searches)
- Single photon + missing  $E_T$ 
  - \* using  $\gamma$  + missing  $E_T$
  - \* searching for ADD direct graviton emission (can also be interpreted in the context of GMSB gravitino-type searches)
- Single lepton + missing  $E_T$ 
  - \* using  $\mu$  + missing  $E_T$
  - \* searching for  $W'$  (can also be interpreted in the context of little Higgs or  $W_{KK}$  excitation in  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$  models)
- Multilepton + multijet
  - \* using top,  $W$  and  $Z$  reconstruction and constraints
  - \* searching for technicolour, littlest Higgs (can also be interpreted in the context of leptoquark searches)
- Same-sign dileptons
  - \* using  $ee$ ,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $e\mu$
  - \* searching for same-sign top (can be interpreted in the context of technicolour, charged Higgs or SUSY searches)

- High multiplicity/sphericity

- \* searching for microscopic black holes in large extra dimensions scenarios

Although not included here, a number of searches are being developed for signatures that involve heavy highly-ionising charged particles and split-SUSY type R-hadrons as well as low  $P_T$  multi-lepton signatures in UED scenarios. Strategies are being developed to extract the Standard Model backgrounds from data and control its systematic uncertainties. Fake rates are being estimated as possible while machine and cosmic ray induced backgrounds are not included although methods to suppress them are being developed.

#### 14.1.1. Models with heavy vector bosons

Additional heavy neutral gauge bosons ( $Z'$ ) are predicted in many superstring-inspired [87, 88] and grand unified theories (GUTs) [89], as well as in dynamical symmetry breaking [90] and “little Higgs” [91] models. There are no reliable theoretical predictions, however, of the  $Z'$  mass scale. Current lower limits on the  $Z'$  mass are (depending on the model) of the order of 600–900 GeV/ $c^2$  [54]. The mass region up to about 1 TeV/ $c^2$  is expected to be explored at Run II at the Tevatron [92, 93]. The LHC offers the opportunity to search for  $Z'$  bosons in a mass range significantly larger than 1 TeV/ $c^2$ . In the  $Z'$  studies presented here (Sections 14.3 and 14.2) six models which are frequently discussed and whose properties are representative of a broad class of extra gauge bosons are used:

- $Z_{\text{SSM}}$  within the Sequential Standard Model (SSM), which has the same couplings as the Standard Model  $Z^0$ .
- $Z_\psi$ ,  $Z_\eta$  and  $Z_\gamma$ , arising in  $E_6$  and SO(10) GUT groups with couplings to quarks and leptons as derived in Refs. [96, 97].
- $Z_{\text{LRM}}$  and  $Z_{\text{ALRM}}$ , arising in the framework of the so-called “left–right” [98] and “alternative left–right” [92, 93] models with couplings as derived in Ref. [92, 93], with the choice of  $g_R = g_L$ .

The  $W'$  search presented in Section 14.4 uses a reference model by Altarelli [697], in which the  $W'$  is a heavy copy of the  $W$ , with the very same left-handed fermionic couplings (including CKM matrix elements), while there is no interaction with the Standard Model gauge bosons or with other heavy gauge bosons such as a  $Z'$ .

#### 14.1.2. Arkani-Hamed–Dimopoulos–Dvali (ADD) models

ADD refers to the class of models which incorporate the large extra dimensions scenario of Arkani-Hamed, Dvali, and Dimopoulos [698]. These were the first extra dimensions models in which the compactified dimensions can be of macroscopic size, consistent with all current measurements, and they are referred to as “large extra dimensions” models. In the most basic version,  $n$  extra spatial dimensions are compactified on a torus with common circumference  $R$ , and a brane is introduced which extends only in the three infinite spatial directions. Strictly speaking, the brane should have a very small tension (energy per unit volume) in order that it does not significantly warp the extra dimensional space. It is assumed that all standard model fields extend only in the brane. This can be considered as a toy version of what happens in string theory, where chiral gauge theories similar to the standard model are confined to reasonably simple brane configurations in reasonably simple string compactifications [699].

A consequence of these assumptions is that the effective 4d Planck scale is related to the underlying fundamental Planck scale of the  $4+n$ -dimensional theory and to the volume of

the compactified space. This relation follows from Gauss' law, or by dimensional analysis

$$M_{\text{Planck}}^2 = M_*^{2+n} R^n, \quad (14.1)$$

where  $M_{\text{Planck}}^2$  is defined by Newton's constant:  $M_{\text{Planck}} = 1/\sqrt{G_N} = 1.2 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .  $M_*^{2+n}$  is defined as the gravitational coupling which appears in the  $4+n$ -dimensional version of the Einstein–Hilbert action. It is the quantum gravity scale of the higher dimensional theory.

If  $M_{\text{Planck}}$ ,  $M^*$  and  $1/R$  are all of the same order, as is usually assumed in string theory, this relation is not very interesting. But it is plausible and experimentally allowed that  $M^*$  is equal to some completely different scale. Taking  $M^* \sim 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  [700] the hierarchy problem of the standard model is translated from an ultraviolet problem to an infrared one. Note that if there is any interface with string theory, ADD-like models must arise from string ground states in which the string scale (and thus the ultraviolet cutoff for gravity) is also in the TeV range. This is difficult to achieve but has been studied in [701].

The ADD scenario renders observations of quantum gravity at the LHC possible. In such models only the graviton, and possibly some non-SM exotics like the right-handed neutrino, probe the full bulk space. There is a Kaluza–Klein (KK) tower of graviton modes, where the massless mode is the standard 4d graviton, and the other KK modes are massive spin 2 particles which also couple to SM matter with gravitational strength.

Whereas bremsstrahlung of ordinary gravitons is a completely negligible effect at colliders, the total cross section to produce *some* massive KK graviton is volume enhanced, and effectively suppressed only by powers of  $M^*$  and not  $M_{\text{Planck}}$ . From Eq. (14.1) it follows:

$$\sigma \sim \frac{1}{M_{\text{Planck}}^2} (ER)^n \sim \frac{1}{M_*^2} (EM_*)^n, \quad (14.2)$$

where  $E$  is the characteristic energy of the subprocess.

For graviton phenomenology it is useful to replace the ADD parameter  $M^*$  by other rescaled parameters. The two most useful choices are taken from the work of Giudice, Rattazzi and Wells (GRZ) [702], and Han, Lykken and Zhang (HLZ) [703]:

$$M_*^{n+2} = \frac{S_{n-1}}{(2\pi)^n} M_s^{n+2}, \quad (14.3)$$

$$M_*^{n+2} = \frac{8\pi}{(2\pi)^n} M_D^{n+2}, \quad (14.4)$$

where  $M_s$  is the HLZ scale,  $M_D$  is the GRW scale, and  $S_{n-1}$  is the surface area of a unit  $n$ -sphere:

$$S_{n-1} = \frac{2\pi^{n/2}}{\Gamma(n/2)}. \quad (14.5)$$

Both notations are equivalent. To obtain a complete dictionary between ADD, GRZ and HLZ, one also needs to relate the ADD parameter  $R$  to those used by the other authors:  $R = R_{\text{HLZ}} = 2\pi R_{\text{GRW}}$ , and take note of the different notations for Newton's constant:

$$\kappa^2 = 16\pi G_N \text{ (HLZ)}; \quad \bar{M}_P^2 = \frac{1}{8\pi G_N} \text{ (GRW)}. \quad (14.6)$$

A Kaluza–Klein graviton mode has a mass specified by an  $n$ -vector of integers  $\vec{k}$ :

$$m^2(\vec{k}) = \frac{\vec{k}^2}{R_{\text{GRW}}^2}. \quad (14.7)$$

Let  $r = |\vec{k}|$ . Then for large  $r$  (as is often the relevant case for ADD phenomenology) the number of KK graviton states of a given polarisation with  $r \leq r_{\max}$  is given by the integral

$$\begin{aligned} S_{n-1} \int_0^{r_{\max}} dr r^{n-1} &= \frac{1}{n} S_{n-1} r_{\max}^n \\ &= \int_0^{m_{\max}} \rho(m) dm, \end{aligned} \quad (14.8)$$

where the KK density of states is

$$\rho(m) = \frac{m^{n-1}}{G_N M_s^{n+2}}. \quad (14.9)$$

$M_s$  is the natural scaling parameter for KK graviton production. The density of states formulation can be applied to a much more general class of models than ADD, and can also include graviton wavefunction factors when the extra dimensions are not flat.

Consider an on-shell production of a KK graviton from a  $pp$  or collision. To leading order this is a  $2 \rightarrow 2$  process with two massless partons in the initial state, plus a massive KK graviton and a massless parton in the final state. Let  $p_1, p_2$  denote the 4-momenta of the initial state partons,  $p_3$  the 4-momentum of the graviton, and  $p_4$  the 4-momentum of the outgoing parton. The total cross section for any particular variety of partonic subprocess has the form

$$\sigma(1+2 \rightarrow \text{KK}+4) = \int dx_1 dx_2 f_1(x_1, \hat{s}) f_2(x_2, \hat{s}) \int d\hat{t} \int_0^{\sqrt{\hat{s}}} dm \rho(m) \frac{d\sigma_m}{d\hat{t}}(\hat{s}, \hat{t}), \quad (14.10)$$

where  $f_1(x_1, \hat{s}), f_2(x_2, \hat{s})$  are the parton distribution functions (PDFs) for the initial state partons,  $\hat{s} = x_1 x_2 s = (p_1 + p_2)^2$  is the square of the total centre of mass (cm) energy of the subprocess, and  $\hat{t} = (p_1 - p_3)^2$  is the usual Mandelstam invariant. The formulae for  $d\sigma_m/d\hat{t}$ , the differential subprocess cross sections for KK gravitons of mass  $m$ , are given in [702].

*14.1.2.1. Graviton production above the cutoff.* At the LHC, proton–proton collisions will probe a distribution of partonic subprocess energies  $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$ . This creates a problem for the consistent analysis of missing energy signatures in the framework of ADD models. These models are simple low energy effective theories which are only valid for  $\sqrt{\hat{s}}$  below some cutoff. This cutoff is at most  $2M^*$ , and could be a factor of a few smaller if the ultraviolet completion of the model is weakly coupled string theory [704]. The same is true for the Lykken–Randall model [705], which is a low energy description of gravity in a single infinite warped extra dimension, valid up to a cutoff  $\sim M^*$ . It is inconsistent to use either type of model to describe LHC collisions with subprocess energies greater than the cutoff.

This problem was first noted by the authors of [702], who suggested replacing the ADD graviton density of states  $\rho(m)$  by  $\rho(m)\theta(\sqrt{\hat{s}} - M_D)$ , where  $\theta$  is a step function. This introduces a systematic theory error into the analysis. The size of this error is very sensitive to the values of  $M_D$  and  $n$ . For initial LHC data sets, we will be probing the lower range of  $M_D$  values, beginning at the current  $\simeq 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  bounds from Tevatron and LEP. This increases the theory systematic from the cutoff for any fixed  $n$ . For fixed  $M_D$ , the theory systematic increases rapidly for increasing  $n$ . For  $n = 2$ , the theory uncertainty in the total cross section remains below about 20% even for  $M_D$  approaching  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .<sup>49</sup> For  $n = 6$  and above, the effect of the cutoff is enormous for modest values of  $M_D$ , because the rapid rise in the graviton density of states is not compensated by the rapid falloff of the pdfs. The theory error for the total cross section in this case can be as large as an order of magnitude.

<sup>49</sup> To avoid strong astrophysical constraints,  $n = 2$  ADD models also require an *ad hoc* infrared cutoff, truncating the massive graviton spectrum for masses below about 20 MeV. This has a negligible effect on LHC analysis.

The resolution of this problem depends upon whether or not there is a signal in the missing energy channels (we will not discuss the related problems which arise in channels affected by virtual graviton exchanges). If there is a signal, the optimal procedure is to measure the observables  $d^2\sigma/dp_\uparrow d\eta$  as accurately as possible, perhaps at more than one collider energy as suggested in [706, 707]. No theory systematic should be included in these analyses. Instead, one should use the data to find the best fit form for  $\rho(m, \sqrt{\hat{s}})$ . Simple trial forms can be obtained, for example, from multiplying the ADD density of states by the form factors obtained in models with strings [704, 708, 709] or branes [710]. For the lower range of  $M_D$  values, the sensitivity to  $n$  suggested in [706, 707] will tend to be washed out. This is not a bad outcome, since it is a result of convolving the  $n$  dependence with the effects of strings, branes or other new physics. Thus the theory systematic is replaced by likelihood fits to theories of Planck scale physics.

More problematic is the case where there is no graviton signal in a given data set. Since in this case we are trying to set a limit, we need an estimate of the theory systematic. The simplest possibility is to implement the GRW cutoff defined above, and estimate the theory error by varying the cutoff. For ADD with  $n \geq 6$ , one expects to obtain no lower bound at all on  $M_D$ , as noted in [702].

#### 14.1.3. Virtual graviton exchange

The second class of collider signals for large extra dimensions is that of virtual graviton exchange [702, 711] in  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering. This leads to deviations in cross sections and asymmetries in Standard Model processes with difermion final states. It may also give rise to new production processes which are not present at tree-level in the Standard Model, such as  $gg \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$ . The signature is similar to that expected in composite theories and provides a good experimental tool for searching for large extra dimensions for the case  $\sqrt{s} < M_D$ .

Graviton exchange is governed by the effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} = i \frac{4\lambda}{M_H^4} T_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} + \text{h.c.} \quad (14.11)$$

The amplitude is proportional to the sum over the propagators for the graviton KK tower which may be converted to an integral over the density of KK states. However, in this case, there is no specific cut-off associated with the process kinematics and the integral is divergent for  $n > 1$ . This introduces a sensitivity to the unknown ultraviolet physics which appears at the fundamental scale. This integral needs to be regulated and several approaches have been proposed: (i) a naive cut-off scheme [702, 711], (ii) brane fluctuations [710], or (iii) the inclusion of full weakly coupled TeV-scale string theory in the scattering process [704, 708]. The most model independent approach which does not make any assumptions as to the nature of the new physics appearing at the fundamental scale is that of the naive cut-off. Here, the cut-off is set to  $M_H \neq M_D$ ; the exact relationship between  $M_H$  and  $M_D$  is not calculable without knowledge of the full theory. The parameter  $\lambda = \pm 1$  is also usually incorporated in direct analogy with the standard parametrisation for contact interactions [123] and accounts for uncertainties associated with the ultraviolet physics. The substitution

$$\mathcal{M} \sim \frac{i^2 \pi}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \sum_{\tilde{n}=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s - m_{\tilde{n}}^2} \rightarrow \frac{\lambda}{M_H^4} \quad (14.12)$$

is then performed in the matrix element for s-channel KK graviton exchange with corresponding replacements for t- and u-channel scattering. As above, the Planck scale suppression is removed and superseded by powers of  $M_H \sim \text{TeV}/c^2$ .

The resulting angular distributions for fermion pair production are quartic in  $\cos\theta$  and thus provide a unique signal for spin-2 exchange.

The experimental analyses also make use of the cut-off approach. Using virtual Kaluza–Klein graviton exchange in reactions with diphoton, dibosons and dilepton final states, ( $G_n \rightarrow \gamma\gamma, VV, \ell\ell$ ), the LEP and Tevatron experiments exclude exchange scales up to  $\sim 1.1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .

In the dimuon studies presented here (14.3.2) with  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  a 5-sigma effect from the virtual contributions of ADD gravitons to Drell–Yan process is observable for effective fundamental Planck scale of 4.0 TeV and for  $n = 6$  extra dimensions.

#### 14.1.4. Inverse TeV sized extra dimensions

The possibility of  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$ -sized extra dimensions naturally arises in braneworld theories [700]. By themselves, they do not allow for a reformulation of the hierarchy problem, but they may be incorporated into a larger structure in which this problem is solved. In these scenarios, the Standard Model fields are phenomenologically allowed to propagate in the bulk. This presents a wide variety of choices for model building: (i) all, or only some, of the Standard Model gauge fields exist in the bulk; (ii) the Higgs field may lie on the brane or in the bulk; (iii) the Standard Model fermions may be confined to the brane or to specific locales in the extra dimension. The phenomenological consequences of this scenario strongly depend on the location of the fermion fields. Unless otherwise noted, our discussion assumes that all of the Standard Model gauge fields propagate in the bulk.

The masses of the excitation states in the gauge boson KK towers depend on where the Higgs boson is located. If the Higgs field propagates in the bulk, the zero-mode state of the Higgs KK tower receives a vacuum expectation value (vev) which is responsible for the spontaneous breaking of the electroweak gauge symmetry. In this case, the resulting mass matrix for the states in the gauge boson KK towers is diagonal and the excitation masses are shifted by the mass of the gauge zero-mode, which corresponds to the Standard Model gauge field, giving

$$m_{\vec{n}} = (m_0^2 + \vec{n} \cdot \vec{n} / R_c^2)^{1/2} \quad (14.13)$$

where  $\vec{n} = (n_1, n_2, \dots)$  labels the KK excitation levels. However, if the Higgs is confined to the brane, its vev induces mixing, amongst the gauge KK states of order  $(m_0 R_c)^2$ . The KK mass matrix must then be diagonalised in order to determine the excitation masses. For the case of 1 extra  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$ -sized dimension, the coupling strength of the gauge KK states to the Standard Model fermions on the brane is  $\sqrt{2}g$ , where  $g$  is the corresponding Standard Model gauge coupling.

In the case where the Standard Model fermions are rigidly fixed to the brane, they do not feel the effects of the additional dimensions. For models in this class, precision electroweak data place strong constraints on the mass of the first gauge KK excitation. Contributions to electroweak observables arise from the virtual exchange of gauge KK states and a summation over the contributions from the entire KK tower must be performed. For  $D > 5$ , this sum is divergent. In the full higher dimensional theory, some new, as of yet unknown, physics would regularise this sum and render it finite. An example of this is given by the possibility that the brane is flexible or non-rigid, which has the effect of exponentially damping the sum over KK states. Due to our present lack of knowledge of the full underlying theory, the KK sum is usually terminated by an explicit cut-off, which provides a naive estimate of the magnitude of the effects.

Since the  $D = 5$  theory is finite, it is the scenario that is most often discussed and is sometimes referred to as the 5-dimensional Standard Model (5DSM). In this case, a global

fit to the precision electroweak data including the contributions from KK gauge interactions yields  $m_1 \sim R_c^{-1} \gtrsim 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . In addition, the KK contributions to the precision observables allow for the mass of the Higgs boson to be somewhat heavier than the value obtained in the Standard Model global fit. Given the constraint on  $R_c$  from the precision data set, the gauge KK contributions to the anomalous magnetic moment of the muon are small. The first gauge KK state can be produced as a resonance at the LHC in the Drell–Yan channel provided  $m_1 \lesssim 6 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . In the studies presented here using the  $Z_{KK}$  in the dielectron channel a 5-sigma reach for  $m_1 \sim R_c^{-1} \sim 4.97 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  is obtained with  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

In the scenario where the Standard Model fermions are localised at specific points in the extra  $\text{TeV}^{-1}$ -sized dimensions, the fermions have narrow gaussian-like wave functions in the extra dimensions with width much smaller than  $R_c^{-1}$ . The placement of the different fermions at distinct locations in the additional dimensions, along with the narrowness of their wavefunctions, can then naturally suppress operators mediating dangerous processes such as proton decay. The exchange of gauge KK states in  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scattering processes involving initial and final state fermions is sensitive to the placement of the fermions and can be used to perform a cartography of the localised fermions, i.e., measure the wavefunctions and locations of the fermions. At very large energies, it is possible that the cross section for such scattering will tend rapidly to zero since the fermions' wavefunctions will not overlap and hence they may completely miss each other in the extra dimensions.

#### 14.1.5. Randall–Sundrum (RS) models

Randall–Sundrum refers to a class of scenarios, also known as warped extra dimensions models, originated by Lisa Randall and Raman Sundrum [94, 646]. In these scenarios there is one extra spatial dimension, and the five-dimensional geometry is “warped” by the presence of one or more branes. The branes extend infinitely in the usual three spatial dimensions, but are sufficiently thin in the warped direction that their profiles are well-approximated by delta functions in the energy regime of interest. If we ignore fluctuations of the branes, we can always choose a “Gaussian Normal” coordinate system, such that the fifth dimension is labelled  $y$  and the usual 4d spacetime by  $x^\mu$ . The action for such a theory contains, at a minimum, a 5d bulk gravity piece and 4d brane pieces. The bulk piece has the 5d Einstein–Hilbert action with gravitational coupling  $M^3$ , and a 5d cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ . The brane pieces are proportional to the brane tensions  $V_i$ , which may be positive or negative. These act as sources for 5d gravity, contributing to the 5d stress-energy terms proportional to

$$\sum_i V_i \delta(y - y_i) \quad (14.14)$$

where the  $y_i$  are the positions of the branes. Combined with a negative  $\Lambda$ , this results in a curved geometry, with a 5d metric of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\mu\nu}(x^\rho, y) &= a^2(y) \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}(x^\rho), \\ g_{\mu y} &= 0, \quad g_{yy} = 1, \end{aligned} \quad (14.15)$$

where  $a(y)$  is called the warp factor,  $\tilde{g}$  is a 4d metric, and we have made a useful choice of coordinates. Warping refers to the fact that a 4d distance  $d_0$  measured at  $y = y_0$  is related to an analogous 4d distance  $d_1$  measured at  $y = y_1$  by  $a(y_0)d_0 = a(y_1)d_1$ . Thus in Randall–Sundrum scenarios 4d length, time, energy and mass scales vary with  $y$ .

Most collider physics phenomenology done with warped extra dimensions so far is based upon one very specific model, the original simple scenario called RSI. In this model the extra dimension is compactified to a circle of circumference  $2L$ , and then further orbifolded by identifying points related by  $y \rightarrow -y$ . The fifth dimension then consists of two periodically



identified mirror copies of a curved 5d space extending from  $y = 0$  to  $y = L$ . It is assumed that there is a brane at  $y = 0$ , with positive tension  $V_0$ ; it is known as the Planck brane – strong gravity resides on that brane. There is another brane at  $y = L$ , with negative tension  $V_L$ , known as the TeV brane—the entire 4d universe is confined to the TeV brane.

Randall and Sundrum showed that, for a tuned choice of input parameters  $V_0 = -V_L = -M^2\Lambda$ , the 5d Einstein equations have a simple warped solution on  $0 < y < L$  with metric:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\mu\nu}(x^\rho, y) &= e^{-2ky} \eta_{\mu\nu}, \\ g_{\mu y} &= 0, \quad g_{yy} = 1, \end{aligned} \quad (14.16)$$

where  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$  is the 4d flat Minkowski metric, and  $k = \sqrt{-\Lambda}$ . Away from the branes, the 5d curvature is constant and negative; it is thus equivalent locally to  $AdS_5$ , with the anti-de Sitter radius of curvature given by  $1/k$ . At the locations of the branes the curvature is discontinuous, due to the fact that the branes are delta function sources for curvature.

The RSI model is completely described by three parameters:  $k$ ,  $M$ , and  $L$ . Restricting the scenario to a low energy effective description implies considering  $k$ ,  $1/L \ll M$ . In fact in RSI it is assumed that  $k$  is merely parametrically small compared to the 5d Planck scale  $M$ , i.e.  $k \sim M/10$ . The effective 4d Planck scale, which is the same as the coupling of the graviton zero mode, is given by dimensional truncation:

$$M_{\text{Planck}}^2 = \frac{M^3}{2k} (1 - e^{-2kL}). \quad (14.17)$$

Then, within an order of magnitude,  $M \sim k \sim M_{\text{Planck}}$ . In RSI the distance  $L$  is fixed by requiring that  $a(L)M_{\text{Planck}} \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}$ , thus  $kL \sim 30$ . This is *not* a large extra dimension: its inverse size is comparable to the grand unification scale.

Since the standard model fields live on the TeV brane as in ADD models, the phenomenology of RSI is concerned with the effects of the massive KK modes of the graviton. These modes as measured on the TeV brane have their mass splittings of the order of a TeV, and have TeV suppressed couplings to the standard model fields. In RSI, the Standard Model is replaced at the TeV scale by a new effective theory in which gravity is still very weak, but there are exotic heavy spin-two particles.

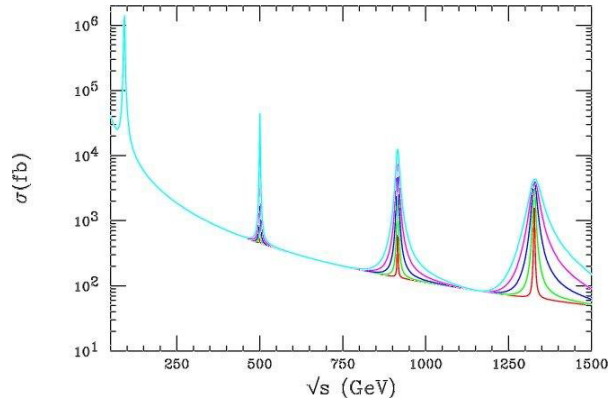
At the LHC the KK gravitons of RSI would be seen as difermion or dibosons resonances, since (unlike the KK gravitons of ADD) the coupling of each KK mode is only TeV suppressed [712]. The width of these resonances is controlled by the ratio  $c = k/M$ ; the resonances become more narrow as the coupling parameter  $c = k/M$  is reduced, as shown in Fig. 14.1.

The studies presented here focus on dilepton and diphoton final states while results using dijets can be found in Section 14.4.1. Note that due to the spin-2 nature of the graviton its branching ratio to diphotons is roughly twice that of a single dilepton channel.

## 14.2. High mass dielectron final states

This section presents the CMS experiment discovery potential for new heavy resonances, decaying into an electron pair. The  $e^+e^-$  decay channel provides a clean signature in the CMS detector. The presence of a heavy particle would be detected in CMS by the observation of a resonance peak in the dielectron mass spectrum over the Drell–Yan process ( $pp \rightarrow \gamma/Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ ) which constitutes the main Standard Model background.

Heavy resonances with mass above  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  are predicted by several models beyond the Standard Model. Three models are considered here: Kaluza–Klein (KK) excitations of a Z boson (TeV<sup>-1</sup> model, see Section 14.1.4) and KK excitation of a graviton (Randall–Sundrum



**Figure 14.1.** The cross section for  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  including the exchange of KK gravitons in the RSI model. The narrowest resonances correspond to  $k/M = 0.05$ , the widest to  $k/M = 0.14$ . (Taken from Ref. [713].)

(RS) model, see Section 14.1.5), both predicted in extra dimensions models, and neutral heavy  $Z'$  boson predicted by Grand Unified Theories (GUT) (see Section 14.1.1). For the  $Z'$  bosons, 6 models are studied, as for the  $Z' \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  channel [100] that is discussed in Section 14.3.

Details of the analyses presented in this section can be found in [714] and [715].

#### 14.2.1. Event selection and correction

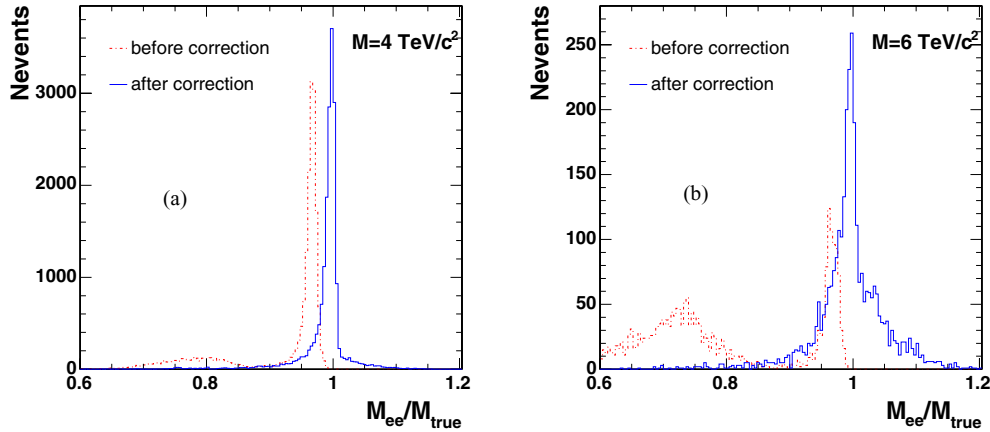
Two electrons are required for this analysis. They are reconstructed as super-clusters (SC) in the ECAL calorimeter in the barrel and the endcap regions [716]. For endcap SC, the energy loss in the preshower detector is taken into account. The two SC with highest energies are selected as the electron candidates.

Reducible backgrounds (like QCD jets and  $\gamma$ -jets) are suppressed by applying the following requirements:

- The ratio of the HCAL to ECAL energy deposits is required to be  $H/E < 10\%$ .
- The two SC must be isolated: the total additional transverse energy in a cone of radius  $0.1 < \Delta R < 0.5$  is required to be below 2% of the SC transverse energy (where  $\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta\eta^2 + \Delta\phi^2}$ ).
- To identify electrons and reject neutral particles, a track is requested to be associated for each electron candidate. If a track is associated with only one of these SC, the event is however kept if it contains a third SC with  $E > 300\text{ GeV}$  with an associated track and satisfying the  $H/E$  and isolation cuts described above.

The selected events are then corrected for the following effects:

- Saturation correction. For very energetic electrons and photons, saturation occurs in the ECAL electronics because of the limited dynamical range of the Multi-Gain-Pre-Amplifier. The saturation threshold has been established to be at 1.7 TeV in crystals of the barrel and 3.0 TeV in the endcaps. A correction method (for barrel only) has been developed using the energy deposit in crystals surrounding the saturated crystal. The correction allows the energy deposits of clusters suffering from saturation to be estimated with a resolution of about 7% [717].



**Figure 14.2.** Ratio  $M_{ee}/M_{\text{true}}$  before and after corrections for KK  $Z$  boson production, for  $M = 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (a) and  $M = 6 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (b).

- Energy correction. The ECAL measured electron energy after preshower, HCAL and saturation corrections, is smaller than the generated energy. Dedicated energy correction factors for very energetic electrons have been determined using calibration files. These factors depend on both energy,  $\eta$  and whether saturation occurs or not. The resolution on the corrected SC energy is 0.6% at  $E = 1000 \text{ GeV}$ .
- $z$ -vertex distribution. The measurement in  $\eta$  takes into account the knowledge of the  $z$ -vertex position.
- FSR recovery. Hard photon emission from Final State Radiation can induce the detection in the event of a third energetic SC. If a SC with  $E > 300 \text{ GeV}$  satisfying the  $H/E$  and isolation cuts is observed very close to the SC of the electron candidates ( $\Delta R < 0.1$ ), this additional SC is associated to the corresponding electron.

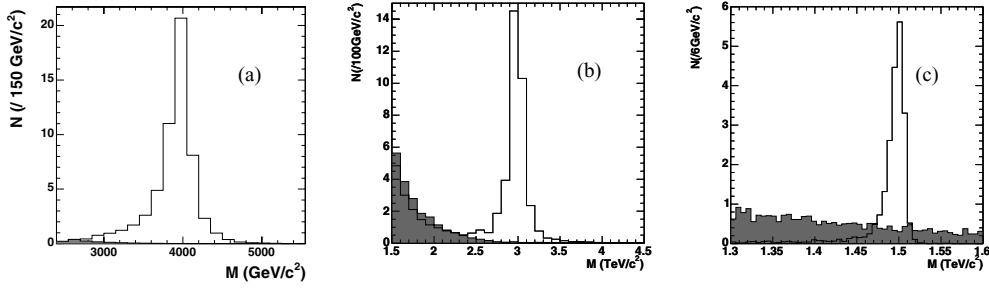
#### 14.2.2. Mass peak distributions

The resonance mass is reconstructed from the energies and angles of the 2 electron candidates, after the selection cuts and energy corrections mentioned above. Figures 14.2a and 14.2b show the ratio of the reconstructed and the true masses,  $M_{ee}/M_{\text{true}}$ , before and after energy corrections for KK  $Z$  production with  $M = 4$  and  $6 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , respectively. The peaks at low values of  $M_{ee}/M_{\text{true}}$  correspond to events with saturated ECAL electronics. The final resolution on the resonance mass is around 0.6% for events with no saturation, and 7% in case of saturation.

Figure 14.3a presents the signal and the Drell–Yan background for KK  $Z$  boson production with  $M = 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ; Fig. 14.3b for  $Z'$  boson production with  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ; Fig. 14.3c for graviton production with  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and coupling parameter, defined in Section 14.1.5,  $c = 0.01$ .

#### 14.2.3. Discovery potential of CMS

The discovery potential of a new physics resonance is determined using the likelihood estimator  $S_{cL}$  (defined in Appendix A.1) based on event counting, suited for small event samples. The discovery limit is defined by  $S_{cL} > 5$ .



**Figure 14.3.** Resonance signal (white histograms) and Drell–Yan background (shaded histograms) for KK  $Z$  boson production with  $M = 4.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (a), SSM  $Z'$  boson production with  $M = 3.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (b), and graviton production with  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , coupling parameter  $c = 0.01$  (c), for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

**Table 14.1.** Number of events for resonant signal,  $N_s$ , and for Drell–Yan background,  $N_b$ , and corresponding significances  $S_{cL}$  for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The masses  $M$  and the mass windows  $M_w$  are in  $\text{TeV}/c^2$ .

	KK $Z$		G, $c = 0.01$	G, $c = 0.1$	SSM $Z'$	
$M$	4.0	6.0	1.5	3.5	1.0	5.0
$M_w$	3.5–4.5	5.0–6.7	1.47–1.52	3.30–3.65	0.92–1.07	4.18–5.81
$N_s$	50.6	1.05	18.8	7.30	72020	0.58
$N_b$	0.13	0.005	4.16	0.121	85.5	0.025
$S$	22.5	3.0	6.39	6.83	225	1.63

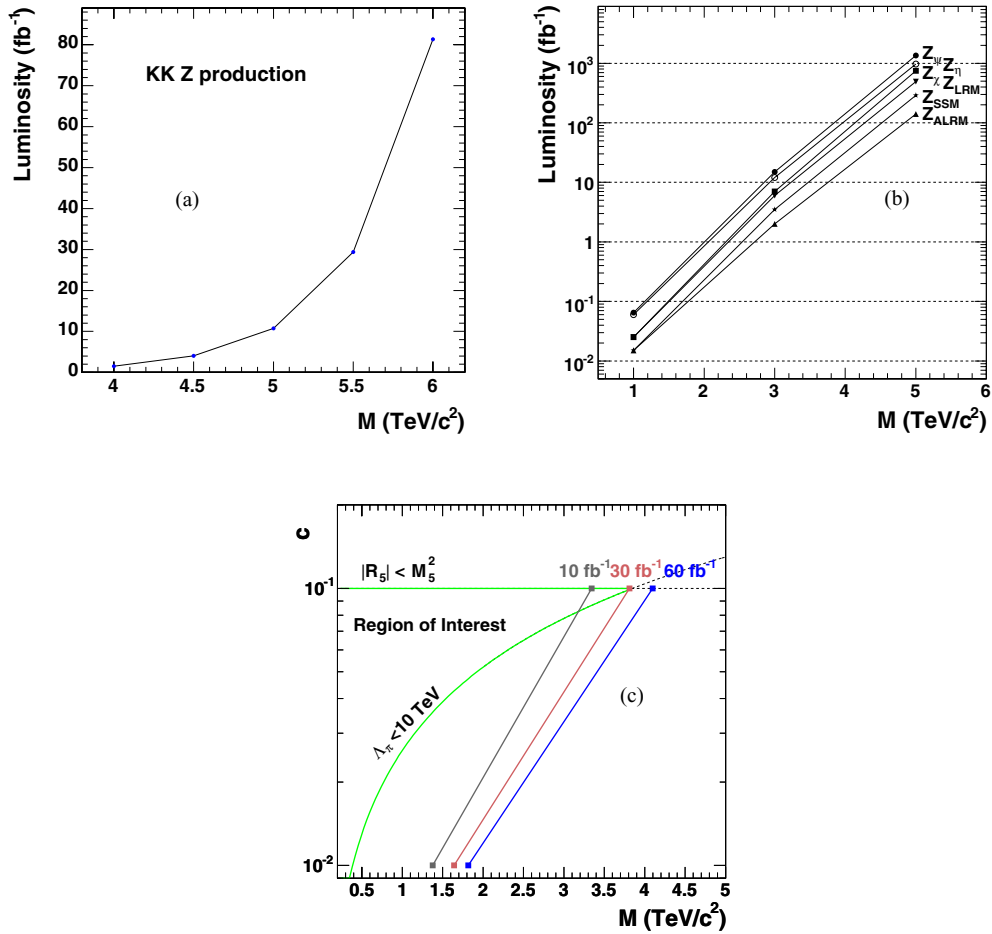
The number of signal and background events,  $N_s$  and  $N_b$ , computed for a given mass window around the peak, are presented in Table 14.1 for the three models, together with the corresponding significance, for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

The  $5\sigma$  discovery limits as a function of mass are given in Fig. 14.4a and Fig. 14.4b, for KK  $Z$  boson production and  $Z'$  production (for the 6 considered models), respectively. In the graviton case, the  $5\sigma$  discovery plane as a function of the coupling parameter  $c$  and the resonance mass is given in Fig. 14.4c.

For KK  $Z$  bosons, a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be achieved for a resonance mass up to  $M = 4.97 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $M = 5.53 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $M = 5.88 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . For gravitons, with an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be extracted for masses up to  $1.64 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.01$  and up to  $3.81 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.1$ . For  $Z'$  boson production, with an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , a  $5\sigma$  discovery can be extracted for masses up to  $3.31 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for model  $\psi$  and up to  $4.27 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for model ARLM. The  $5\sigma$  discovery limits on the resonance masses for 10, 30 and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are summarised in Table 14.2.

For KK  $Z$  boson production, the luminosities needed for a five  $\sigma$  discovery are 1.5, 4.0, 10.8, 29.4, and  $81.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $M = 4.0, 4.5, 5.0, 5.5$  and  $6.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , respectively; for SSM  $Z'$  boson production, they are 0.015, 3.0 and  $260 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for  $M = 1, 3$  and  $5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ; for graviton production, most of the interesting region of the (mass, coupling) plane is already covered with  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

For KK  $Z$  and  $Z'$  production, a K factor of 1 was conservatively taken for both the signal and the Drell–Yan background, since heavy  $Z$  production interferes with  $Z/\gamma$  Drell–Yan production. For the graviton analysis, as little interference is present with the Standard Model



**Figure 14.4.** Five  $\sigma$  discovery limit as a function of the resonance mass for KK Z boson production (a), for the 6  $Z'$  models (b); five  $\sigma$  discovery plane for graviton production as a function of the coupling parameter  $c$  and the graviton mass (c).

**Table 14.2.** The  $5\sigma$  discovery limit on the resonance mass (given in  $\text{TeV}/c^2$ ) for the three models, for an integrated luminosity of 10, 30 and 60  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ .

Model	Luminosity ( $\text{fb}^{-1}$ )		
	10	30	60
KK Z	4.97	5.53	5.88
G ( $c = 0.01$ )	1.38	1.64	1.82
G ( $c = 0.1$ )	3.34	3.81	4.10
$Z'$ ( $\psi$ )	2.85	3.31	3.62
$Z'$ (ALRM)	3.76	4.27	4.60

processes, a K factor of 1.0 is used for the signal and of 1.3 for the Drell–Yan background, in order to take into account the higher order terms in the cross section. The latter number comes from the CDF analysis [718] and is compatible with the K factor obtained from theoretical computations [348].

#### 14.2.4. Systematic uncertainties

The uncertainty coming from the choice of the parton distribution function (PDF) was investigated using the set of 20 positive and 20 negative errors, of the CETQ6.1M “best fit” parametrisation [12, 719, 720]. For each event, a weight factor is computed according to the  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ , and  $Q^2$  variables, for each of the 40 PDF errors, in the case of graviton production with  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  ( $c = 0.01$ ) and  $M = 3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  ( $c = 0.1$ ). The uncertainties on the PDF modify the number of signal events by a factor 1.20 (positive deviations) and 0.86 (negative deviations) for  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  ( $c = 0.01$ ). The corresponding numbers for  $M = 3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  ( $c = 0.1$ ) are 1.47 and 0.78. For the Drell–Yan background, the re-weighting effects on the numbers of events are 1.07 and 0.94 for masses around  $1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , and 1.19 and 0.88 for masses around  $3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . For an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the significances with the “best fit” and with the positive/negative deviations are equal respectively to 6.40 and 7.25/5.78 for  $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , and to 6.83 and 8.54/5.93 for  $M = 3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . The main effect of the variation comes from the gluon-fusion contribution to the graviton production cross section. A lower dependence is observed for the KK  $Z$  and  $Z'$  channels, which are produced by quark-anti-quark annihilation. For KK  $Z$  boson production at  $M = 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  with an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , the significances with the “best fit” and with the positive/negative errors are equal respectively to 22.5 and 23.3/21.9.

Changing to 1 the value of the K factor of the Drell–Yan background for RS graviton production increases the significance from 6.39 to 6.87 ( $M = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.01$ ) and from 6.83 to 7.09 ( $M = 3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.1$ ). The discovery limits increase respectively from 1.64 to 1.68  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  and from 3.81 to 3.84  $\text{TeV}/c^2$ .

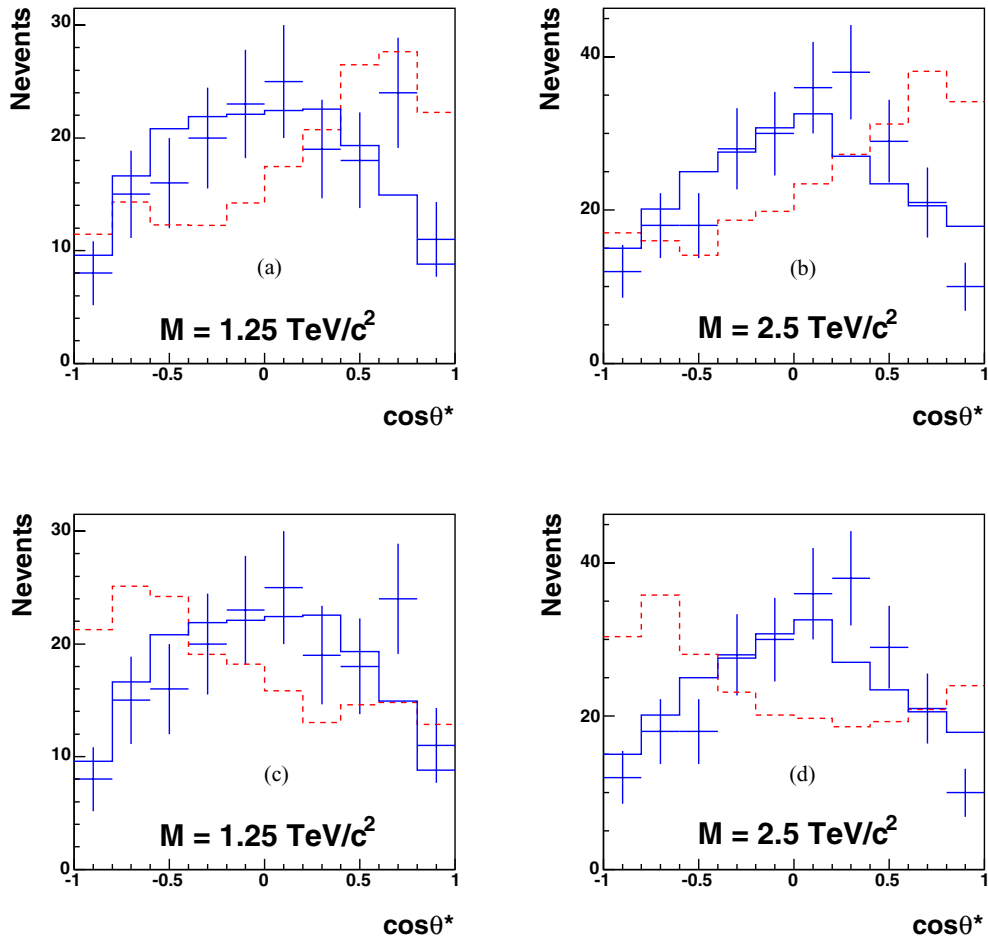
The data themselves will be used to estimate and cross-check the Drell–Yan background at very high energy. For resonance discovery, the number of events in the side-bands of the resonance and their mass dependence will be used to estimate the number of background events under the resonance peak, provided there is enough data in the side-bands. In this approach, the uncertainties on the background cross-sections, the PDF and the luminosity measurement are highly reduced.

#### 14.2.5. Identification of new particles

Once a resonance is found, information will be gained on its characterisation from the study of other decay channels, like  $\gamma\gamma$  (see Section 14.6), of angular distributions and of asymmetries, in view of the spin determination (see also Section 14.3).

As an example, RS gravitons with spin 2 can be distinguished from the Standard Model background and  $Z'$  bosons with spin 1 using the distribution of the  $\cos\theta^*$  variable, computed as the cosine of the polar angle between the electron and the boost direction of the heavy particle in the latter rest frame. In addition to the cuts defined above, the electron and positron candidates are requested to have opposite charges, in order to identify the electron, from which the  $\cos\theta^*$  variable is computed.

The  $\cos\theta^*$  distributions for graviton production with  $M = 1.25 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.01$  and  $M = 2.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.1$ , are presented in Fig. 14.5, for an integrated luminosity of  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The error bars represent the corresponding statistical uncertainties, applied to the signal distribution obtained from a large statistics simulation. The spin-2 hypothesis is compared to the spin-1 hypothesis (dashed red curve in the figures), formed by the Drell–Yan production (Figs. 14.5a and 14.5b) or the ALRM  $Z'$  production (Figs. 14.5c and 14.5d). For graviton production, the expected background is included in the  $\cos\theta^*$  distributions.



**Figure 14.5.** Distributions of  $\cos\theta^*$  for graviton production (full blue curves) and for Drell–Yan production (dashed red curves) normalised to the signal, for  $M = 1.25 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (a) and  $2.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (b), and for  $Z'$  boson (ALRM model) (dashed red curves), normalised to the signal, for  $M = 1.25 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (c) and  $2.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (d), with an integrated luminosity of  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The error bars represent the “1-experiment” distribution for the graviton production. The expected background is included in the  $\cos\theta^*$  distributions.

The spin 2 nature of RS gravitons can be determined in contrast to the Drell–Yan production or the  $Z'$  boson production for an integrated luminosity of  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  up to  $1.25 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.01$  and  $2.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.1$ .

### 14.3. High mass dimuon final states

Many scenarios beyond the Standard Model are expected to manifest themselves through modifications in the mass spectrum of high-mass dimuon pairs. The potential of the CMS experiment to discover dimuon decays of a new heavy neutral gauge boson,  $Z'$ , is discussed in Section 3.3.4; the discovery reach for a representative set of  $Z'$  models was found to be in the range between  $2.9$  and  $3.8 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  for an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . In this section, we discuss the observability of  $\mu^+\mu^-$  final states predicted in two classes of

large extra dimensions models, RS and ADD. While the RS scenario gives rise to relatively narrow resonances, the ADD model is expected to be observed via non-resonant modifications of the dimuon spectrum; therefore, these two searches require somewhat different experimental approaches. The search for compositeness in the dimuon channel is described in Section 15.2.

Once a new physics is discovered, observables other than dimuon invariant mass can be used to determine the theoretical framework to which it belongs. The measurement of the forward-backward asymmetries of leptonic decay products has long been known as a powerful tool to identify  $Z'$ ; some aspects of such a measurement at the LHC are discussed in Section 3.3.5. Spin discrimination of new heavy resonances based on an unbinned likelihood ratio statistic incorporating the angles of the decay products is described in Section 3.3.6.

#### 14.3.1. The Randall–Sundrum model in the dimuon channel

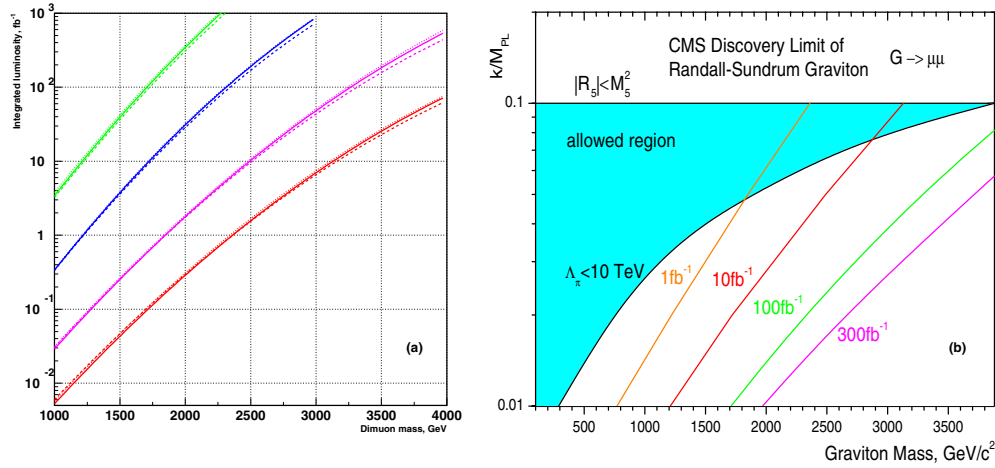
We consider the range of RS1 graviton masses in the range  $1 < m < 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and the dimensionless coupling constant in the expected theoretical range  $0.01 \leq c \leq 0.1$  [721]. A full simulation with PYTHIA [69] version 6.227 and with the GEANT4-based CMS program [8] and reconstruction with the CMS full-reconstruction package [10], including pile-up of minimum-bias collisions is carried out. We derive both the CMS discovery potential for Randall–Sundrum gravitons and the performance of spin determination in this channel (see details in Ref. [117]). The non-reducible backgrounds are the Drell–Yan process, vector boson pair production  $ZZ$ ,  $WZ$ ,  $WW$ ,  $t\bar{t}$  production, etc. In the SM the expected leading-order cross section of the Drell–Yan process dominates the other contributions (see the Section 9.2 for details). The trigger simulation is based on the reconstruction package, using the on-line reconstruction algorithm. We require the single or double muon trigger, no requirement for calorimeter isolation of high- $p_T$  muons is made. The total trigger + reconstruction efficiency varies between 95% and 90% for dimuons in the mass range  $1 < m < 4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . Only the events which passed both the Level-1 and HLT cuts are selected. Note that the trigger efficiency is significantly decreased after applying of the calorimeter isolation cuts (down to 15%). This drop is caused by electromagnetic showers accompanying high-energy muons. In the following, no cuts on calorimeter isolation of muon tracks are applied at the HLT level.

*14.3.1.1. The Randall–Sundrum model discovery potential.* The significance estimators used for studying the discovery potential of the RS1 model were  $S_{cP}$ ,  $S_{cL}$  and  $S_L$ , defined in Appendix A.1 (see discussion of  $S_L$  in Section 3.3.4.1).

Figure 14.6a shows the integrated luminosity required for a  $5\sigma$  discovery as a function of the dimuon mass. The results for different values of integrated luminosity are summarised in Table 14.3 and Fig. 14.6b. The CMS experiment can observe a RS1 graviton with mass up to  $2.3 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  with an integrated luminosity of  $\int L dt = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  if the coupling  $c$  is equal to 0.1. For  $c = 0.01$  the mass reach does not exceed  $1.9 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , even for the asymptotic regime of LHC operation with  $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The asymptotic reach limit for  $c = 0.1$  is  $4.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .

A combined analysis [721] in the RS1 scenario shows that the value of the coupling constant  $c$  is strongly restricted (Fig. 14.6b) due to the theoretical constraints to assure that the model does not introduce a new hierarchy (the scale parameter  $\Lambda_\pi = M_{Pl} e^{kL} < 10 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  with the symbols defined in Section 14.1.5). The direct comparison of results on a mass reach region for  $c$  with the data of the Fig. 14.6 shows that a luminosity of  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is needed to test the RS1 model everywhere in  $(c - M_{\text{grav}})$  space of model parameters. However, these conclusions are not definitive since the initial theoretical constraints are quite arbitrary.





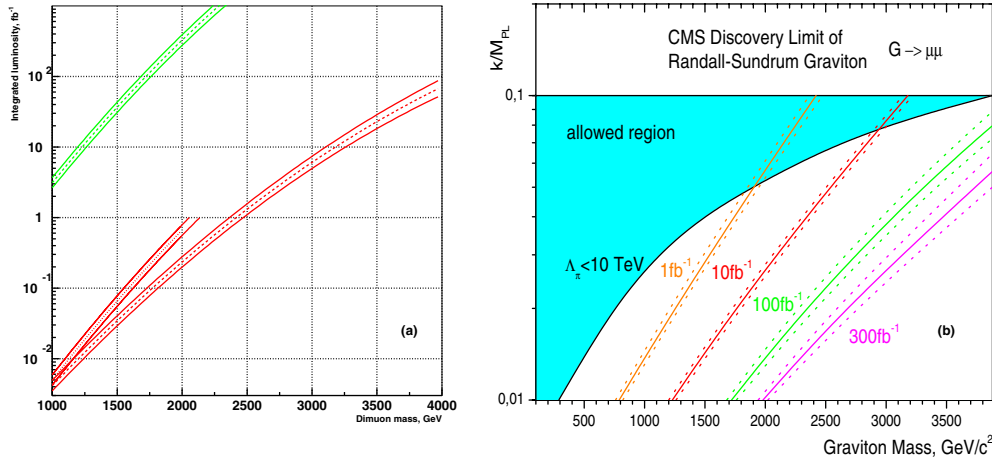
**Figure 14.6.** (a) Discovery limit for RS1 graviton with  $\mu^+\mu^-$  decay mode for different values of RS1 coupling constant  $c = 0.01, 0.02, 0.05$  and  $0.1$  (from top to bottom). Used discovery limit  $S > 5$  for the  $S_{cP}$  estimator (solid lines),  $S_L$  (dashed lines),  $S_{cL}$  (dotted lines). (b) Reach of the CMS experiment as a function of the coupling parameter  $c$  and the graviton mass for various values of integrated luminosity. The left part of each curve is the region where significance exceeds  $5\sigma$ .

**Table 14.3.** CMS discovery potential invariant mass reach (in TeV) to observe the RS1 graviton in  $\mu^+\mu^-$  channel.

Coupling constant $c$	Estimator	1 fb <sup>-1</sup>	10 fb <sup>-1</sup>	100 fb <sup>-1</sup>	300 fb <sup>-1</sup>
0.01	$S_{cP}$	0.75	1.20	1.69	1.95
	$S_{cL}$	0.77	1.21	1.71	1.97
	$S_L$	0.78	1.23	1.73	1.99
0.02	$S_{cP}$	1.21	1.72	2.30	2.63
	$S_{cL}$	1.22	1.72	2.31	2.64
	$S_L$	1.22	1.74	2.34	2.68
0.05	$S_{cP}$	1.83	2.48	3.24	3.67
	$S_{cL}$	1.85	2.49	3.26	3.71
	$S_L$	1.85	2.51	3.31	3.79
0.1	$S_{cP}$	2.34	3.11	4.12	4.52
	$S_{cL}$	2.36	3.13	4.14	4.54
	$S_L$	2.36	3.16	4.23	4.73

**14.3.1.2. Systematic uncertainties.** The results taking into account the systematic uncertainties are shown in Fig. 14.7. The expected effects of misalignment are considered in two misalignment scenarios: the First Data and the Long Term scenarios [99], which correspond to different stages of the alignment corrections for the positions of the tracker and muon chambers. The current estimate is that the transition to the Long Term scenario can be achieved at an integrated luminosity of about 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> [86]. In contrast to Fig. 14.6 which assumed a K-factor equal to unity, a K-factor of  $K = 1.30 \pm 0.05$  is used both for the RS1 signal and Drell–Yan background. Additional variations due to EW corrections, hard-scale and PDF uncertainties have been considered, the details being found in Ref. [117].

**14.3.1.3. Spin discrimination in angular analysis.** A study of muon angular distributions allows a discrimination between the hypotheses of Graviton (spin-2 particle) and  $Z'$  (spin-1 particle) – see the discussion and the results in Section 3.3.6.



**Figure 14.7.** (a) Discovery limit for coupling constants  $c = 0.01, 0.1$  (upper and lower curves, respectively) after taking into account the systematic uncertainties including misalignment in two scenarios: the curves ending at integrated luminosity of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  correspond the First Data misalignment scenario, the other ones correspond to the Long Term scenario. The ranges show the expected variations due to the systematic uncertainties. (b) The ranges of the expected variations due to the systematic uncertainties for the mass reach of the CMS experiment.

### 14.3.2. The ADD model in the dimuon channel

We consider the fundamental Planck scale of the ADD model in the range of  $3.0 < M_S < 10.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and numbers of extra dimensions in the range of  $3 \leq n \leq 6$  [698]. The contribution of KK-modes of ADD gravitons to the Drell–Yan processes is computed using the leading-order matrix element [722] which was implemented in STAGEN generator collection as external matrix element in PYTHIA [69] version 6.227. A full simulation [8] of the CMS detector and reconstruction [10], without a pile-up of minimum-bias collision is performed to derive the CMS discovery potential for ADD virtual gravitons (see details in Ref. [723]). The non-reducible backgrounds are the Drell–Yan process, vector boson pair production  $ZZ, WZ, WW, t\bar{t}$  production, etc. In the SM the expected leading-order cross section of the Drell–Yan process dominates the other contributions (see Section 9.2 for details). The trigger simulation is realised in the reconstruction package, using the on-line reconstruction algorithm. A single or double muon trigger is required, but no requirement for calorimeter isolation of high- $p_T$  muons is made. The total trigger + reconstruction efficiency varies between 70% and 90% for dimuons dependent on the model parameters. Only the events which passed both the Level-1 and HLT cuts are selected.

**14.3.2.1. The ADD discovery limit.** The CMS discovery potential was estimated using as significance  $S_{cP}$  and  $S_{cL}$ , defined in Appendix A.1. The computed significance values for the ideal detector as a function of a fundamental theory scale,  $M_S$ , are presented in Fig. 41.8 for integrated luminosities of 0.1, 1.0, 10, 100, 300,  $1000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The main observations are:

- $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , even a low luminosity regime allows us to measure the effect from the virtual contributions of ADD gravitons to Drell–Yan process for an effective fundamental Planck scale up to 4.0 TeV for the most unfavourable case with  $n = 6$ . For a scenario where the number of extra dimensions is  $n = 3$  the reach limit is extended to 5.8 TeV.
- $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $M_S$  values of 4.8 and 7.2 TeV can be reached for  $n = 3$  and  $n = 6$  respectively.

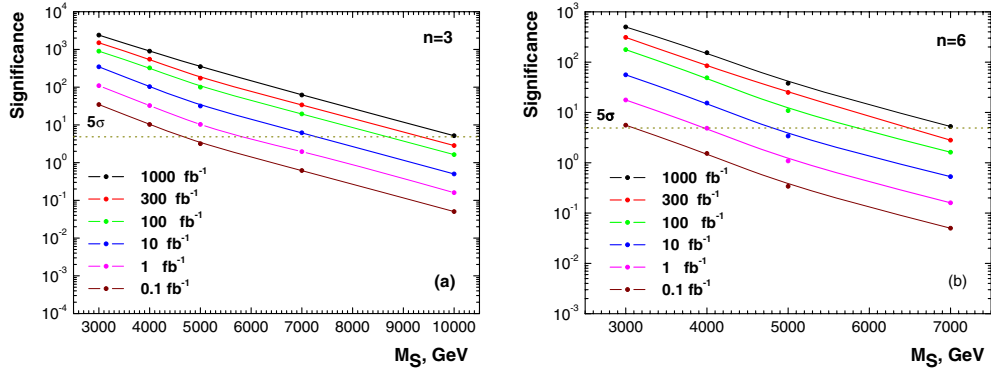


Figure 14.8. Significance as a function of  $M_S$  for (a)  $n = 3$  and (b)  $n = 6$ .

- $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , for LHC operation in a high luminosity regime allow the observation of the ADD signal at  $5.8 \div 8.7 \text{ TeV}$  of model scale dependent on a number of extra dimensions.
- $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , in the asymptotic regime the CMS sensitivity to fundamental Planck scale is increased to values of  $6.5 \div 9.3 \text{ TeV}$ .

**14.3.2.2. Systematics.** The results taking into account the systematical uncertainties with the  $S_{CP}$  estimator are shown in Fig. 14.8. To take into account the misalignment effect two scenario of misalignment were considered during reconstruction procedure: *First Data* scenario [99] for 0.1 and  $1.0 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and *Long Term* scenario [99] for 10, 100, 300,  $1000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The K-factor of  $K = 1.30 \pm 0.05$  is used both for ADD signal and Drell–Yan background. Additional variations due to hard-scale and PDF uncertainties as well as trigger and selection uncertainties have been considered, the details being given in Ref. [723].

## 14.4. High energy single lepton final states

### 14.4.1. Introduction

Several theoretical models predict, in addition to the well known electroweak vector bosons  $\gamma$ ,  $W$ ,  $Z$ , further heavy gauge bosons. These additional particles are postulated for example in Left–Right Symmetric Models [724–727], based on the gauge group  $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$  (B, L: baryon-, lepton-number) in theories predicting a substructure of the known “elementary particles”, and in Little Higgs Models [91].

Here we investigate the detection capabilities for a hypothetical heavy partner of the  $W$ , a charged spin-1 boson  $W'$ . We do not assume one of the specific models mentioned above, but derive the  $W'$  properties from the Reference Model by Altarelli [697], which has been used in several earlier experiments, so that the resulting limits can be compared easily. In this Reference Model the  $W'$  is a carbon copy of the  $W$ , with the very same left-handed fermionic couplings (including CKM matrix elements), while there is no interaction with the Standard Model gauge bosons or with other heavy gauge bosons as a  $Z'$ . Thus the  $W'$  decay modes and corresponding branching fractions are similar to those for the  $W$ , with the notable exception of the  $t\bar{b}$  channel, which opens for  $W'$  masses beyond 180 GeV.

In hadron collisions  $W'$  bosons can be created through  $q\bar{q}$  annihilation, in analogy to  $W$  production. Previous searches for the Reference  $W'$  at LEP and at the Tevatron give rise to lower bounds approaching 1 TeV [728].

This analysis is based on the decay  $W' \rightarrow \mu\nu$ , with a branching ratio of roughly 10%. The resulting signature of a high energy muon accompanied by missing energy allows an easy separation of signal and background reactions. More details are found in [729].

#### 14.4.2. Data samples

For this study we assume an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and an average instantaneous luminosity of  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  corresponding to an average pile-up of 3.5  $pp$ -collisions per bunch crossing.

Reference Model  $W'$  events decaying into muon and neutrino have been generated with PYTHIA v6.227 [69], based on the leading order cross section and the parton density functions CTEQ 5L (leading order) [719]. In total about 300 000 events have been produced for  $W'$  masses between 1 TeV and 8 TeV. The product of LO cross section and branching fraction varies between  $3.0 \times 10^3 \text{ fb}$  (1 TeV) and  $3.3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ fb}$  (8 TeV), to be compared with  $1.7 \times 10^7 \text{ fb}$  for Standard Model  $W$  production and muonic decay. The detector response was simulated with the full CMS simulation [8] and reconstruction [10] software. Both the signal events and the following background samples were analysed:  $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ ,  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $WW$  inclusive,  $ZZ$  inclusive,  $ZW$  inclusive,  $t\bar{t}$  inclusive. These data sets have been produced in the CMS Data Challenge 2004. On average 3.5 minimum bias reactions have been overlaid to each event.

#### 14.4.3. Event selection and analysis

Events have been preselected requiring at least one globally reconstructed muon which pass the trigger criteria.

The final cuts to select  $W' \rightarrow \mu\nu$  candidate events are:

- muon quality: at least 13 hits along the global track,  $\chi^2/N_{dof} < 50$  for the fit;
- single muon requirement;
- muon isolation: no additional track ( $p_T > 0.8 \text{ GeV}$ ) within a cone of size  $\Delta R = 0.17$ .

These cuts have been chosen to maximise the signal/background ratio.

For the selected events the transverse mass

$$M_T = \sqrt{2p_{T\mu} E_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos \Delta\phi_{\mu, E_T^{\text{miss}}})}$$

is calculated from the muon transverse momentum  $p_{T\mu}$ , the missing energy component in the transverse plane  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and the angular  $\Delta\phi_{\mu, E_T^{\text{miss}}}$  between both in this plane. Figure 14.9 shows the resulting distribution for signal (1 and 5 TeV) and background events. The  $W'$  boson distributions show a Jacobian peak which is spread out for large  $M_T$  due to the detector resolution. It can be seen immediately, that a 1 TeV boson can be discovered or excluded easily, while for higher masses a statistical analysis is needed to quantify the sensitivity.

#### 14.4.4. Discovery and exclusion potential

To interpret the results, the  $\text{CL}_s$  method [508] is applied, which is based on the likelihood ratios, calculated for all bins of the  $M_T$  distribution.  $\text{CL}_s$  is defined as ratio of the confidence levels for the signal and background hypotheses,  $\text{CL}_s = \text{CL}_{s+b}/\text{CL}_b$ .

Figure 14.10 shows, that for an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , a limit of 4.7 TeV at the 95% CL is reachable, if no signal is present in the CMS data. Both the expected discovery and exclusion limits are displayed in Fig. 14.11 as a function of integrated luminosity and  $W'$  mass. To investigate the sensitivity to the signal and background cross sections, they have been varied in a wide range; relative changes by factors of 2 and 10, respectively, lead to a lowering of the accessible mass range by about 0.5 TeV in the worst case.

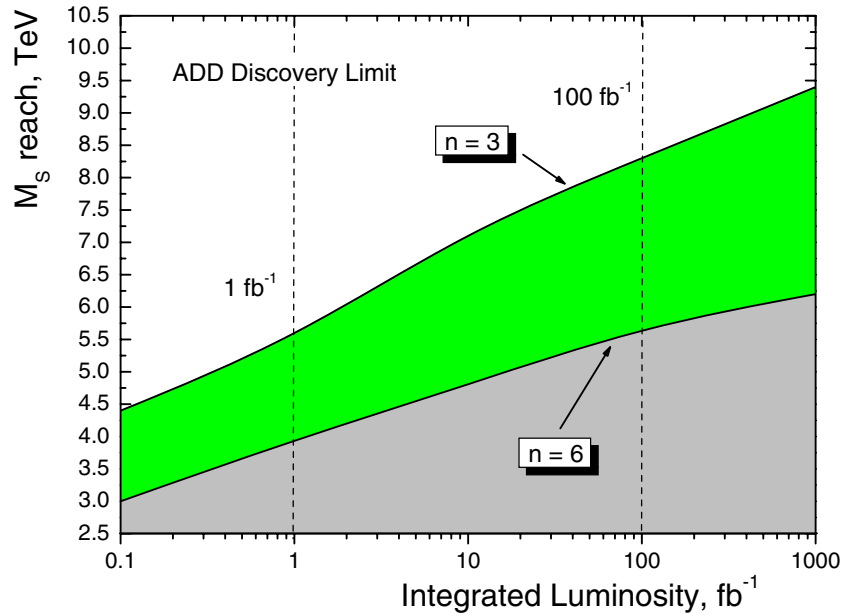


Figure 14.9.  $5\sigma$  limit on  $M_S$  for the number of extra dimensions  $n = 3$  and  $6$ .

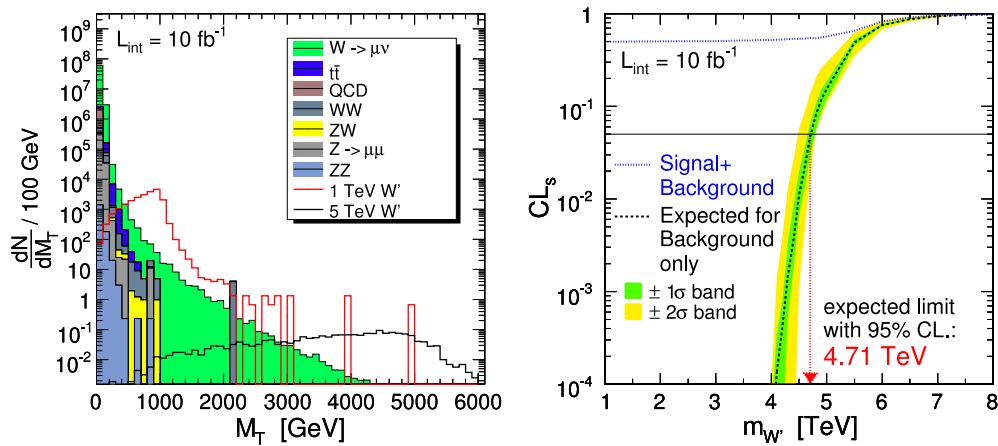
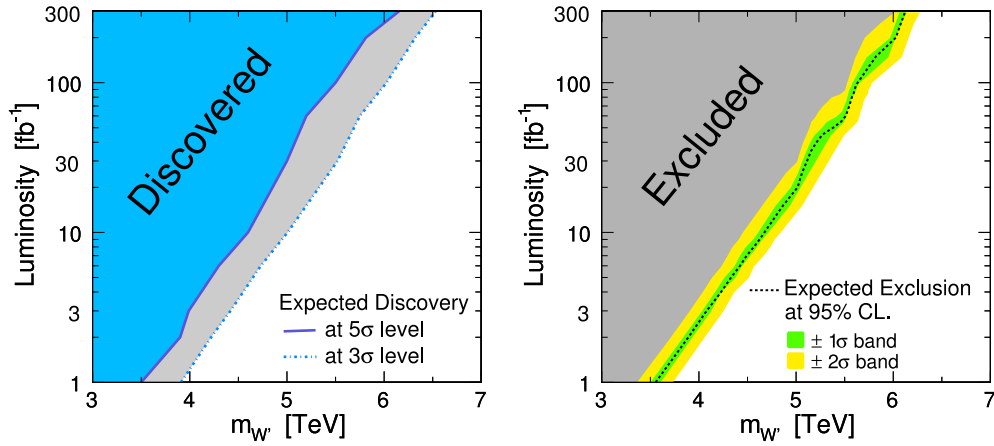


Figure 14.10. (Left) transverse invariant mass spectrum of signal (1 and 5 TeV, non-stacked) and background (stacked) after applying the selection cuts. (Right) result of the  $CL_s$ -method: with an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Reference  $W'$  bosons can be excluded up to a mass of 4.7 TeV.

#### 14.4.5. Systematic uncertainties

The uncertainties arising from an imperfect knowledge of the PDFs at LHC energies and the error from the hard scale parameters have been investigated by using the Les Houches Accord PDFs [95] and varying the hard scale, respectively. The relative errors on the cross-section of the signal are listed in Table 14.4. The error on the background is comparable to that of the  $W'$  at the corresponding invariant mass.

The steep falling invariant mass distribution especially of the  $W$  background holds a potential danger for the detection of  $W'$  bosons: if only a small fraction of these events is



**Figure 14.11.** The plots show which integrated luminosity is needed to discover (left) or exclude (right)  $W'$  bosons of a certain mass.

**Table 14.4.** Relative systematic uncertainties in percent, arising from an imperfect theoretical knowledge (parton density functions, hard scale) and the expected luminosity error for an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

Type	Systematic Uncertainties				
	1 TeV $W'$	2 TeV $W'$	3 TeV $W'$	4 TeV $W'$	5 TeV $W'$
PDF $\Delta\sigma/\sigma$	+3.6 -4.3	+6.8 -5.9	+6.2 -8.3	+17.1 -10.6	+33.7 -18.9
Hard Scale $\Delta\sigma/\sigma$	+4.1 -4.1	+7.5 -6.9	+10.4 -9.2	+13.1 -10.3	+14.8 -12.7
Luminosity $\Delta\mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}$	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$	$\pm 5\%$

reconstructed with a by far too large mass, which might result from a mis-measured muon momentum, the detection of a  $W'$  becomes extremely difficult. Such a behaviour would be visible in non-gaussian tails for example in the  $p_T$  resolution distribution. Using a large sample of a  $W$  events it could be demonstrated, that the alignment precision expected after an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  has only a small influence on the non-gaussian tails of the muon  $p_T$  resolution distribution.

The luminosity uncertainty at the considered integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  is expected to be 5%, while other experimental errors (neutron background, dead detector components, etc.) are expected to be negligible.

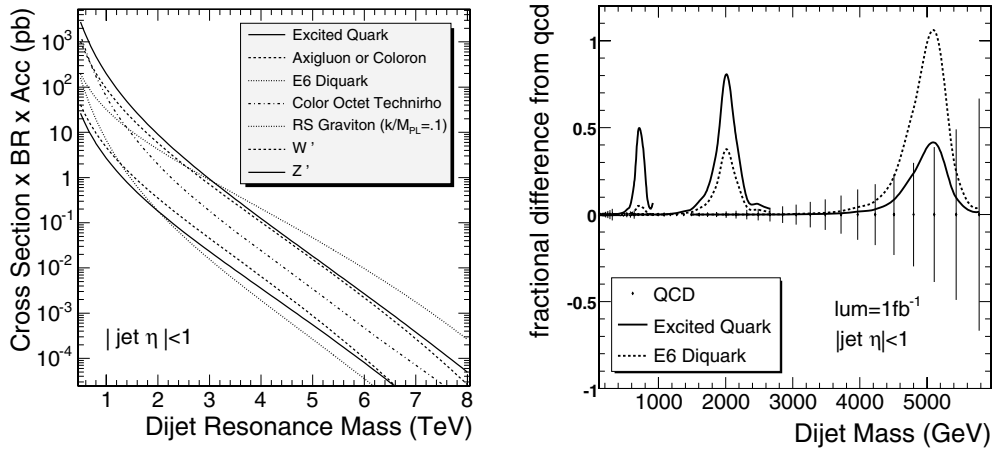
#### 14.4.6. Summary

For an integrated luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $W'$  bosons of the Reference Model can be discovered or excluded up to a mass of 4.5–5 TeV, from an analysis of the muonic decay mode.

### 14.5. High mass dijet final states

#### 14.5.1. Dijet resonances and contact interactions

Dijet resonances and contact interactions are the two major signals of new physics with dijets. Dijet resonances are direct and compelling observations of a new physical object at a mass  $M$ , requiring an incoming parton-parton collision energy equal to the mass. Contact interactions



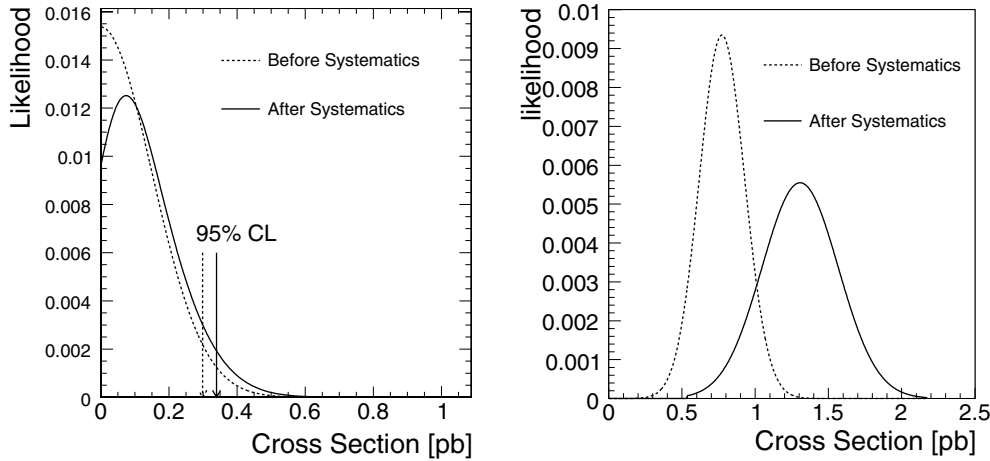
**Figure 14.12.** (Left) The total cross section times branching ratio times acceptance for dijet resonances from eight different models (see text). (Right) For resonance masses of 0.7, 2.0, and 5.0  $\text{TeV}/c^2$ , the fractional difference between an excited quark (solid curve) or an E6 diquark (dashed curve) and the QCD dijet background is compared to the QCD statistical errors (vertical lines).

(discussed in Section 15.3) are indirect observations of an energy scale of new physics,  $\Lambda$ , which can be significantly larger than the available collision energy. Resonances are clear signals but contact interactions are often observed first.

#### 14.5.2. Dijet resonance search

We search for processes producing narrow resonances,  $X$ , decaying to dijets:  $pp \rightarrow X \rightarrow \text{jet} + \text{jet}$  (inclusive) [730]. Our experimental motivation is that LHC is a parton-parton collider, and resonances made from partons must decay to the same partons giving two jets in the final state. The theoretical motivation is broad, since there are many models that predict narrow dijet resonances.

**14.5.2.1. Dijet resonance models.** In Fig. 14.12 we show the cross section times branching ratio times acceptance calculated to lowest order for eight benchmark models. Here we introduce them in order of descending cross section at low mass. Excited states of composite quarks [731] are strongly produced giving large cross sections ( $qg \rightarrow q^*$ ). Axigluons ( $A$ ) [732] or colorons ( $C$ ) [733] from an additional colour interaction are also strongly produced, but require an anti-quark in the initial state ( $q\bar{q} \rightarrow A$  or  $C$ ) slightly reducing the cross section compared to excited quarks. Diquarks [734] from superstring inspired  $E_6$  grand unified models are produced with electromagnetic coupling from the valence quarks of the proton ( $ud \rightarrow D$ ). The cross section for  $E_6$  diquarks at high mass is the largest of all the models considered, because at high parton momentum the probability of finding a quark in the proton is significantly larger than the probability of finding a gluon or anti-quark. Colour octet technirhos [735] from topcolour-assisted technicolour are produced for either gluons or quark-anti-quark pairs in the initial state through a vector-dominance model of mixing between the gluon and the technirho ( $q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow g \rightarrow \rho_{T8}$ ). Randall–Sundrum gravitons [94] from a model of large extra dimensions are produced with a significant cross section at masses below 1  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  primarily from gluons in the initial state ( $q\bar{q}, gg \rightarrow G$ ). Heavy  $W$  bosons [736] inspired by left-right symmetric grand unified models have electroweak couplings and



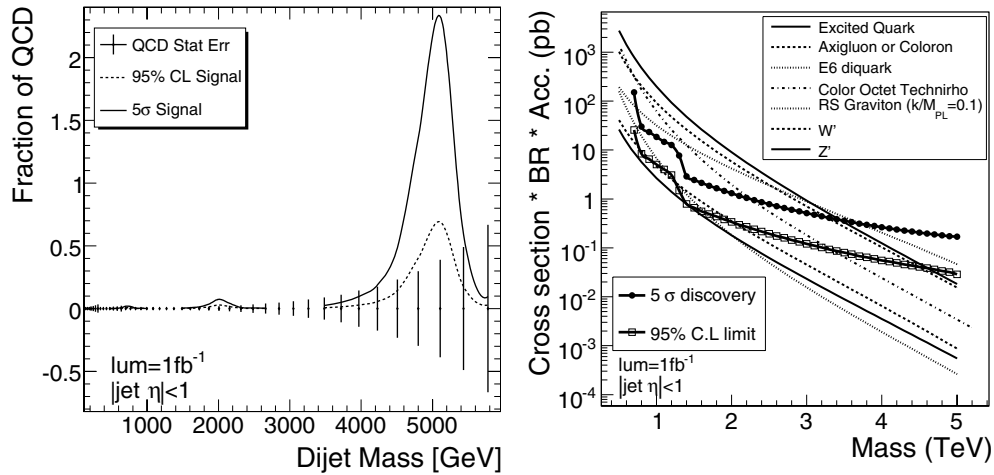
**Figure 14.13.** Likelihoods for observing a narrow dijet resonance of mass  $2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  in a  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data sample that contains only QCD background (left) and a data sample that also contains a resonance with a significance of  $5\sigma$  (right) are shown with statistical uncertainties only (dashed) and including systematics (solid).

require anti-quarks for their production ( $q_1\bar{q}_2 \rightarrow W'$ ) giving small cross sections. Heavy  $Z$  bosons [736] inspired by grand-unified models are widely anticipated by theorists, but they are weakly produced, and require an anti-quark in the initial state ( $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z'$ ), so their production cross section is around the lowest of the models considered. Lower limits from CDF [120] and D0 [121] on the mass of these models range from 0.4 to  $1.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .

*14.5.2.2. Dijet resonance sensitivity estimates.* The signal and background dijet mass distributions for narrow resonances were presented in Section 4.1.4. In Fig. 14.12 we demonstrate the size of the signal for excited quarks and  $E_6$  diquarks compared to the QCD background and its statistical uncertainty. It is clear that we will be sensitive to such large signals for strongly produced dijet resonances. Here we quantify our sensitivity to any model of narrow dijet resonances. In Fig. 14.13 we show examples of likelihoods for excluding or observing a narrow resonance signal on a QCD background as a function of the signal cross section. In the case where the observed sample is QCD only, the signal likelihood peaks around zero cross section, and the 95% CL excluded signal cross section is shown. In the case where the observed sample is QCD plus a resonance signal, we have varied the signal size until the Gaussian distributed likelihood is  $5\sigma$  above zero. In Fig. 14.13 we have included estimates of our systematic uncertainties. For a resonance mass of 0.7 (5.0)  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  the systematic uncertainty on the observable signal cross section due to the jet energy uncertainty in the background rate is 15% (25%), the uncertainty due to jet resolution in the resonance shape is 10% (10%), the uncertainty due to radiation's affect on the resonance shape is 10% (25%), and the uncertainty due to luminosity is 10% (10%). For resonance masses just above the dijet mass thresholds where the trigger prescale decreases, there is an additional systematic uncertainty from the jet energy uncertainty. Systematic uncertainties have a greater effect on discovery than exclusion, because exclusions occur at a smaller signal cross section and are dominated by statistical uncertainties.

Figure 14.14 demonstrates that the 95% CL exclusion and  $5\sigma$  discovery signal cross sections, including statistical uncertainties only, have reasonable values when compared to the size of the QCD statistical errors. Also in Fig. 14.13 we present the resonance cross





**Figure 14.14.** (Left) For resonances of mass 0.7, 2.0 and 5.0  $\text{TeV}/c^2$ , the rate as a fraction of QCD that CMS expects to exclude (dashed) or discover (solid) including statistical uncertainties only. (Right) The resonance cross section that CMS expects to exclude (boxes) or discover (circles), including systematic uncertainties, is compared to the cross section for eight resonance models.

**Table 14.5.** Sensitivity to dijet resonances with  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . For each resonance model, we show the range of masses we expect to be able to exclude at a confidence level of 95% or greater, and the range of masses we expect to be able to discover with a significance of  $5\sigma$  or greater. All estimates are with both statistical and systematic uncertainties.

Resonance Model	95% CL Excluded Mass ( $\text{TeV}/c^2$ )			$5\sigma$ Discovered Mass ( $\text{TeV}/c^2$ )		
	$100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$	$1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$	$1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
Excited Quark	0.7–3.6	0.7–4.6	0.7–5.4	0.7–2.5	0.7–3.4	0.7–4.4
Axigluon or Colouron	0.7–3.5	0.7–4.5	0.7–5.3	0.7–2.2	0.7–3.3	0.7–4.3
$E_6$ diquarks	0.7–4.0	0.7–5.4	0.7–6.1	0.8–2.0	0.8–3.7	0.8–5.1
Colour Octet Technirho	0.7–2.4	0.7–3.3	0.7–4.3	0.7–1.5	0.7–2.2	0.7–3.1
Randall–Sundrum Graviton	0.7–1.1	0.7–1.1	0.7–1.1			
		1.3–1.6	1.3–1.6	N/A	N/A	N/A
			2.1–2.3			
$W'$	0.8–0.9	0.8–0.9	0.8–1.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
		1.3–2.0	1.3–3.2			
$Z'$	N/A	N/A	2.1–2.5	N/A	N/A	N/A

section values for  $\text{jet } |\eta| < 1$  that CMS can expect to exclude at 95% CL or discover at  $5\sigma$  significance for an integrated luminosity of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . These can be compared with the cross section of any model of narrow dijet resonances, and here we compare with our benchmark models. From Fig. 14.14 we can read off the mass limits or discoveries that are possible with  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, which are listed in Table 14.5 along with the results of repeating the same analysis for  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  and  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The resonances that are produced via the colour interaction (excited quarks, axigluons, colorons and colour octet technirhos) or from the valence quarks of each proton ( $E_6$  diquarks) have large cross sections and can be discovered up to a mass of a few TeV. A single search for resonances in the dijet mass distribution provides CMS with a sensitive test of many different models of the widely anticipated New Physics at the TeV scale.

## 14.6. High mass diphoton final states

### 14.6.1. Introduction

The study of the Randall–Sundrum (RS) graviton decaying into the two photons is particularly interesting as the detection of such few  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  mass resonance in such channel together with its observation in the dilepton channel will sign a RS graviton, distinguishing it from a  $Z'$  production. The model is governed by two parameters: the graviton mass  $M$  and its coupling to Standard Model particles  $c$ , the latter being related to the natural width of the resonance.

### 14.6.2. Event generation and kinematics pre-selection

The search for the  $G \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  signal at LHC is affected by four types of backgrounds:

- The prompt diphoton production from the quark annihilation and gluon fusion diagrams, which provides an intrinsic or ‘irreducible’ background.
- The  $\gamma$  + jets production consisting of two parts: i) prompt photon from hard interaction + the second photon coming from the outgoing quark due to final state radiation and ii) prompt photon from hard interaction + the decay of a neutral hadron (mostly isolated  $\pi^0$ ) in a jet, which could fake a real photon.
- The background from QCD hadronic jets, where electromagnetic energy deposits result from the decay of neutral hadrons (especially isolated  $\pi^0$ s) in both jets.
- Drell–Yan process with  $e^+e^-$  in a final state which could mimic photons when correspondent electron tracks will not be assigned to the superclusters during the reconstruction.

Generator-level pre-selection and parameters used for QCD and bremsstrahlung backgrounds is described in [737].

### 14.6.3. Offline selection and analysis

The requirements for the analysis were as follows:

- 1 Two super-clusters (SCs) with  $E_T > 150 \text{ GeV}$  and two HLT trigger bits triggered at the same time: 2p (two photons) and r2p (two photons relaxed).
- 2 Calorimeter isolation criteria: for each SC the energy in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.5$  (excluding SC itself) should be  $< 0.02 E_T(\text{SC})$
- 3  $E(\text{HCAL})/E(\text{ECAL}) < 0.05$
- 4 Tracker isolation: the sum of the energy of all tracks in a cone  $\Delta R = 0.5$  around the SC should be  $< 0.01 E_T(\text{SC})$
- 5 Photon energy corrections are done in a simple way so far:
  - For E1 energy  $< 1.7 \text{ TeV}$ , only a simple energy dependent part of correction is applied (just a shift of the peak).
  - For E1 energy  $> 1.7 \text{ TeV}$ , the MGPA saturation correction (1d) was applied (see and [738]).

### 14.6.4. K-factors

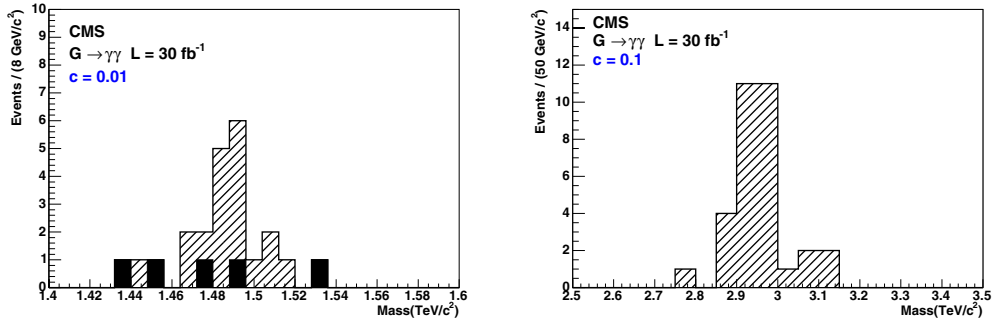
To produce the final results and to calculate the expected statistical significance for RS-1 graviton search recently calculated next-to-leading order corrections (K factors) to the cross sections of different types of background are used:  $K = 1.5$  for quark annihilation [26],  $K = 1.2$  for gluon fusion [29],  $K = 1$  for the  $\gamma$  + hadronic jets [29] and  $K = 1$  for QCD jets. For signal, a conservative  $K = 1$  value is taken.

**Table 14.6.** Number of events passed through the analysis cuts defined above for  $M_G = 1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.01$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Leading column is non-saturated events, all saturated events, passed through the analysis, were added in brackets, where applied.

	signal	Born (K = 1.5)	Box (K = 1.2)	Brem (K = 1)	QCD (K = 1)	DY (K = 1)
trigger + 2SC	28.9	8.6	0.10	29.2	798.7	4.3
+ EM isolation	24.5	5.5	0.08	20.3	361.8	3.5
+ HCAL/ECAL	24.3	5.4	0.08	4.4	12.8	3.5
+ tracker isolation	17.6	4.2(+0.2)	0.05	0.17	0.0	0.0

**Table 14.7.** Number of events passed through the analysis cuts defined above for  $M_G = 3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $c = 0.1$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Leading column is non-saturated events, all saturated events, passed through the analysis, were added in brackets, where applied.

	signal	Born (K = 1.5)	Box (K = 1.2)	Brem (K = 1)	QCD (K = 1)	DY (K = 1)
trigger + 2SC	11.6	0.20	$4.4 * 10^{-4}$	0.78	821.9	0.10
+ EM isolation	10.8	0.14	$3.6 * 10^{-4}$	0.32	164.4	0.095
+ HCAL/ECAL	10.6	0.13	$3.4 * 10^{-4}$	0.016	0.0	0.095
+ tracker isolation	8.9(+1.0)	0.10(+0.02)	$2.7(+0.24) * 10^{-4}$	$1.7 * 10^{-3}$	0.0	$7.2 * 10^{-4}$



**Figure 14.15.** Number of events passing all cuts for  $(1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2, 0.01)$  (left) and  $(3.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2, 0.1)$  (right) RSI gravitons for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity.

#### 14.6.5. Results

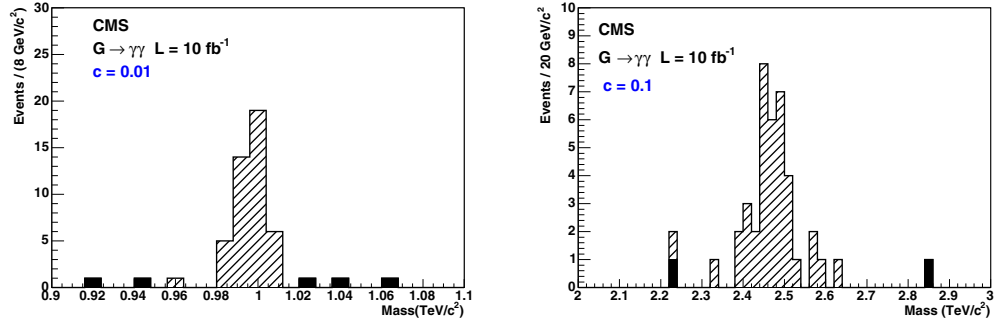
The numbers of events passing the analysis cuts described above, for the signal and for the backgrounds, are presented in Table 14.6 ( $1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $0.01$ ) and in Table 14.7 ( $3.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ,  $0.1$ ).

Figure 14.15 shows the number of events satisfying all cuts for both signal and backgrounds for the cases  $(1.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2, 0.01)$  and  $(3.0 \text{ TeV}/c^2, 0.1)$  after  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity. The results for one year low luminosity of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are presented in Fig. 14.16.

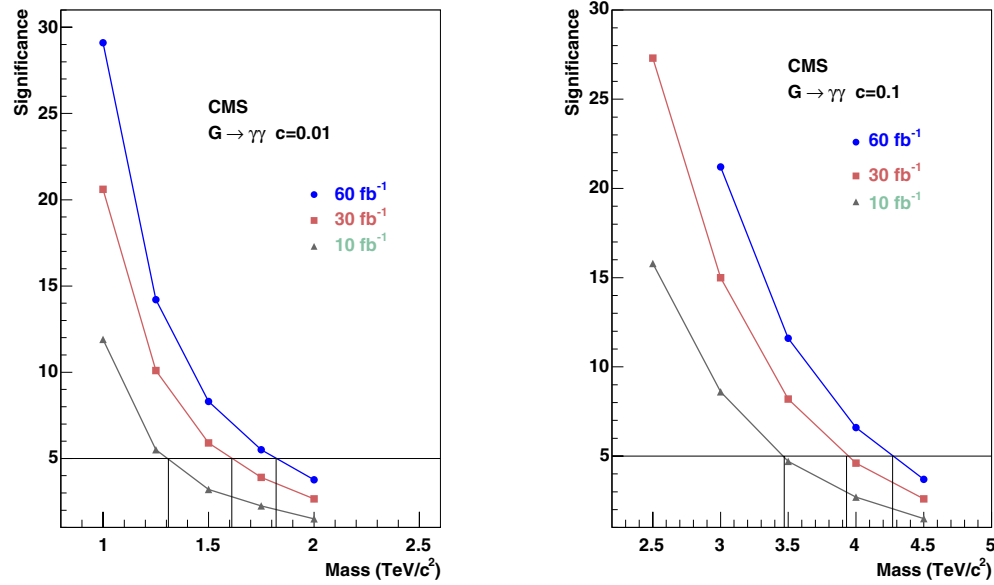
Taking into account the K-factors described above, the number of events for signal and background and the significance  $S_{cL}$  (defined in Appendix A.1) for  $c = 0.01$  and  $c = 0.1$  are shown respectively in Tables 14.8 and 14.9 for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

The significance as a function of the graviton mass ( $M_G$ ) for integrated luminosities of  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are displayed in Fig. 14.17.

The discovery region in the plane of the coupling parameter  $c$  and the graviton mass is shown in Fig. 14.18.



**Figure 14.16.** Number of events passing all cuts for (1.0 TeV/c<sup>2</sup>, 0.01) (left) and (2.5 TeV/c<sup>2</sup>, 0.1) (right) RS-1 gravitons for 10 fb<sup>-1</sup> integrated luminosity.



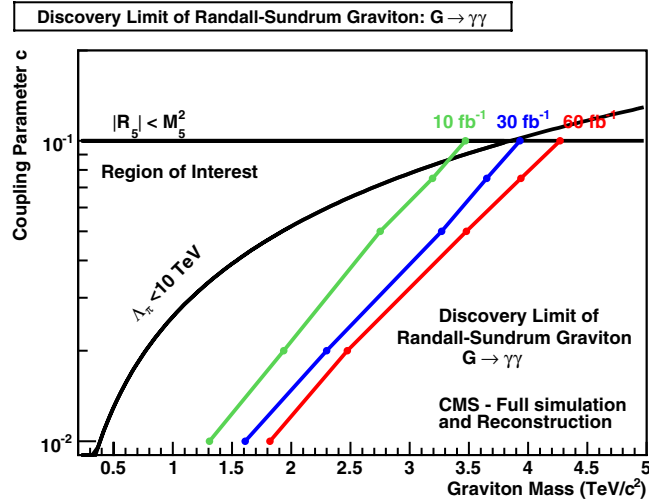
**Figure 14.17.** Significance as a function of the graviton mass for 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>, 30 fb<sup>-1</sup> and 60 fb<sup>-1</sup> integrated luminosities, with  $c = 0.01$  (left) and  $c = 0.1$  (right).

**Table 14.8.** Significance for  $c = 0.01$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

	$M_G = 1.0$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 1.25$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 1.5$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 1.75$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 2.0$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>
$N_s$	135.8	44.0	17.6	7.3	3.9
$N_{bkg}$	15.0	8.8	4.6	1.8	1.2
Significance	20.6	10.1	5.9	3.9	2.6

**Table 14.9.** Significance for  $c = 0.1$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

	$M_G = 2.5$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 3.0$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 3.5$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 4.0$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>	$M_G = 4.5$ TeV/c <sup>2</sup>
$N_s$	103.8	31.6	9.9	3.44	1.11
$N_{bkg}$	1.11	0.35	0.13	0.06	0.02
Significance	27.3	15.0	8.2	4.6	2.6



**Figure 14.18.** Reach of the CMS experiment in the search for the Randall–Sundrum graviton decaying into diphoton channel as a function of the coupling parameter  $c$  and the graviton mass for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ,  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The left part of each curve is the region where the significance exceeds  $5\sigma$ .

**Table 14.10.** Hard scale confidence limits uncertainties for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

	$4\hat{s}$	$0.25\hat{s}$
$c = 0.01$	$-62 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$+56 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
$c = 0.1$	$-47 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$+42 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

The discovery region for  $60 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  extends to  $M_G = 1.82 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.01$  and to  $M_G = 4.27 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.1$ . For  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  it is  $M_G = 1.61 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.01$  and  $M_G = 3.95 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.1$ . For  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  it reaches to  $M_G = 1.31 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.01$  and  $M_G = 3.47 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  if  $c = 0.1$ .

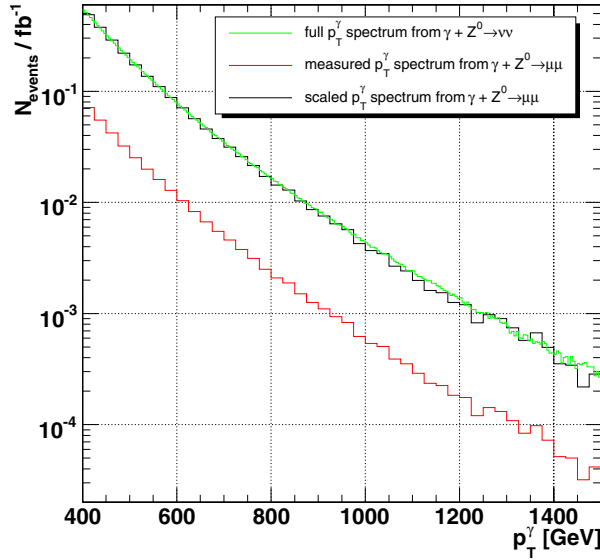
#### 14.6.6. Systematic uncertainties for $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Several systematic uncertainties and their effect on the mass reach have been evaluated for an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The effect of hard scale uncertainties is given in Table 14.10, computed by multiplying and dividing the scale  $\hat{s}$  by a factor 2. The uncertainties from the pdfs, computed with LHAPDF, amount for  $c = 0.01$  to  $-55 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and for  $c = 0.1$  to  $-152 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . There is another source of uncertainties due to the fact, that we have used  $K\text{-factor} = 1.5$  for the Born process, while the most recent measurements at the Tevatron pointed to a  $K\text{-factor}$  closer to 2 [739]. The effect of such a change on the mass reach is  $-50 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.01$  and  $-30 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  for  $c = 0.1$ .

### 14.7. Single $\gamma$ final state with $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ from extra dimensions

#### 14.7.1. Topology of single-photon final states

An introduction to the signals involving direct graviton emission in ADD type of extra dimensions frameworks is given in Section 14.3.2. The topology of single photon events can



**Figure 14.19.** Number of expected  $p_T^\gamma$  events per 25 GeV bin at  $1\text{fb}^{-1}$  from measured  $\gamma+Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  events before and after transformation compared with the generator distribution for  $\gamma+Z^0 \rightarrow \nu_i\bar{\nu}_i$  – the transformed muon distribution models the  $\nu_i\bar{\nu}_i$  spectrum well.

be identified by:

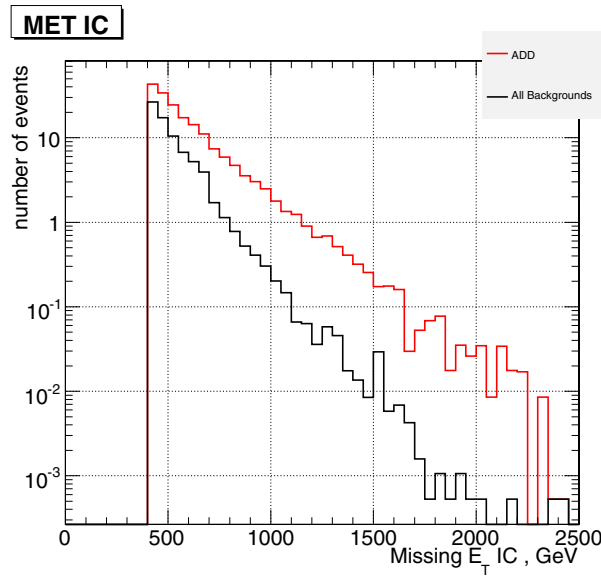
- a single high  $p_T$  photon in the central  $\eta$  region;
- high missing  $p_T$  back-to-back to the photon in the azimuthal plane with a similar  $p_T$  distribution.

These characteristics are not strongly dependent on the ADD model parameters. The details of this analysis can be found in [740].

#### 14.7.2. Backgrounds from the Standard Model

All signal and background samples used in the following were simulated using the CMS fast detector simulation [11]. Fully simulated reference samples were generated for the signal and the largest irreducible background,  $Z^0\gamma \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} + \gamma$ . A detailed comparison of the resolution, efficiency and purity of all reconstructed objects used in this analysis to the GEANT-based CMS simulation confirmed that the fast simulation provides a very good approximation of the expected detector response. All samples were consistently generated using a generator level cut in PYTHIA  $\hat{p}_T > 400\text{ GeV}$ . The backgrounds considered in the study are,  $Z^0\gamma \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu} + \gamma$ ,  $W^\pm \rightarrow \ell\nu$  where  $\ell$  is electron, muon or tau,  $W^\pm\gamma \rightarrow e\nu + \gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ +Jets, QCD, di  $\gamma$  and  $Z^0$  + jets. For the main background, a normalisation method from measured data is developed employing the reconstructed leptonic decays of the  $Z^0$  into muon and electron pairs.

The detector acceptance for selecting the leptons is parameterised using a two-dimensional function  $\alpha(p_T^\gamma, \eta_\gamma)$ . Figure 14.19 shows the measured and the  $p_T^\gamma$  spectrum from  $\gamma+Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  after the (acceptance  $\times$  efficiency) parameterisation is applied, in comparison with the generator spectrum for  $\gamma+Z^0 \rightarrow \nu_i\bar{\nu}_i$  events. For  $p_T^\gamma > 100\text{ GeV}/c$  there is 1170  $Z^0 \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-/e^+e^-$  events expected after all selection cuts for  $30\text{fb}^{-1}$ . These can be used as the candle sample that provides a direct normalisation of the  $\gamma+Z^0 \rightarrow \nu_i\bar{\nu}_i$  with a statistical precision of 3%.



**Figure 14.20.** Spectrum of the missing  $E_T$  for all backgrounds (black histogram) and for an example signal sample ( $M_D = 2.5$  TeV,  $n = 2$ ). The number of events corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

#### 14.7.3. Event selection

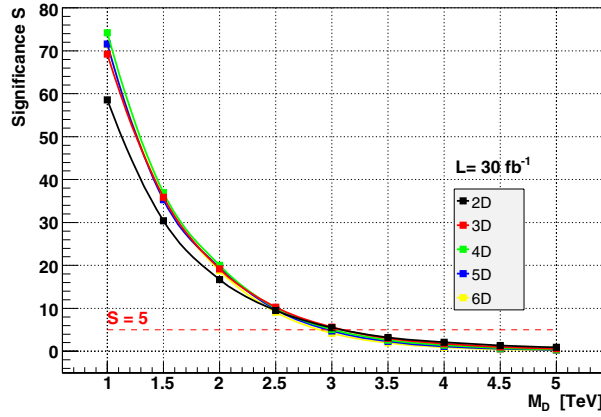
The main trigger path for the selection of signal and background events will be the single photon trigger, both at the Level-1 and the HLT. Presently the single photon trigger has a HLT level threshold of 80 GeV, which is far below the selection cut for events with isolated photons above 400 GeV used here. Hence the expected trigger efficiency is close to 100% and its efficiency can be monitored from data with a  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger which will have a threshold in the range of 200–300 GeV, well below the acceptance of the bulk of the signal. Both the topological characteristic and the necessity to reduce the Standard Model background lead to the following selection criteria:

- At least a  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 400$  GeV is required and the photon  $p_T$  has to be above 400 GeV.
- $|\eta|$  of the photon  $< 2.4$ .
- $\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \gamma) > 2.5$ .
- A track veto for high  $p_T$  tracks  $> 40$  GeV is applied. This is a powerful criterion to reduce all backgrounds containing high-energetic charged particles (such as  $e^\pm$ ,  $\mu^\pm$ , jets).
- An Isolated Photon Likelihood criterion is applied to remove residual background from hard photon emission from jets as well as fake photons from jets.

Figure 14.20 shows the missing transverse energy spectra for events surviving the selection path for both the signal and the backgrounds. As expected the  $Z^0\gamma$  is by far the most dominant component of the background, followed by  $W^\pm\gamma$  while the contributions of the other Standard Model backgrounds are small. For all ADD cross section the hard truncation approach is used (see Section 14.1), i.e. events with  $M_G < M_D$  are rejected.

#### 14.7.4. Systematic uncertainties and discovery potential

We consider an uncertainty of 2% for the measurement of the photon  $p_T^\gamma$  in the electromagnetic calorimeter and an uncertainty of 5% for the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  measurement. The



**Figure 14.21.** Expected significances as function of  $M_D$  for different number  $n$  of extra dimensions.

resulting decrease of the significance is 1.0% and 1.6% respectively. For the main background the systematics can be reduced to the luminosity measurement using the  $Z^0$  candle calibration method. It can thus be measured with a precision of 3% after  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The  $5\sigma$  discovery reach is achievable for  $M_D < 2.5 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and all values of extra dimensions while for  $M_D < 3 \text{ TeV}/c^2$   $5\sigma$  reach is achievable for  $n$  between 2 and 4. Figure 14.21 shows the expected significances as function of  $M_D$ .

## 14.8. Black holes

### 14.8.1. Introduction to higher-dimensional black holes

One of the consequences of large extra dimensions is the possibility to produce microscopic black hole (BH) at LHC energies. Such a BH formed in a  $(4+n)$ -dimensional space-time has a Schwarzschild radius

$$r_{s(4+n)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} M_{(4+n)}} \left( \frac{M_{BH}}{M_{(4+n)}} \left( \frac{8\Gamma((n+3)/2)}{n+2} \right) \right)^{1/(n+1)} \quad (14.18)$$

where  $M_{(4+n)}$  is the reduced Planck scale and  $n$  is the number of large extra dimensions [741]. A high energy collision of two partons can result in the formation of a BH when the impact parameter is smaller than  $r_{s(4+n)}$ . In the semi-classical approach the BH cross section is given by  $\sigma(M_{BH}) = \pi r_{s(4+n)}^2$  at the parton level. If for low masses  $M_{(4+n)}$ , i.e. around 2 TeV, the BH production cross sections at the LHC is in the pb range.

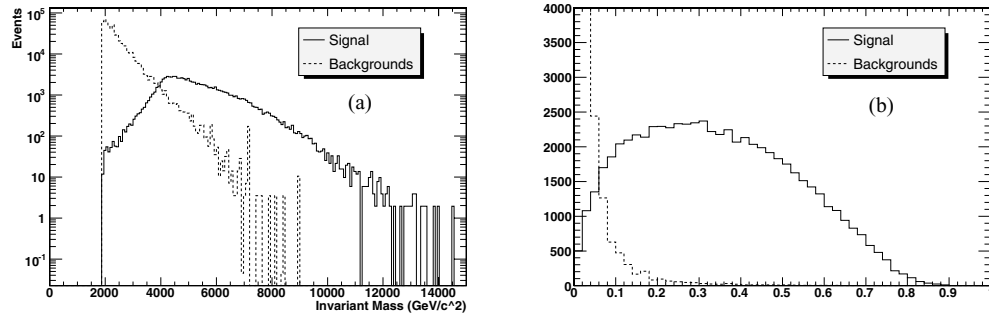
Once produced, these BHs are expected to decay thermally via Hawking radiation [742]. The Hawking temperature for a BH in  $4+n$  dimensions is [743]

$$T_{(4+n)} \sim M_{(4+n)} (M_{(4+n)}/M_{BH})^{1/(n+1)}. \quad (14.19)$$

These BHs have a very short lifetime typically of  $\sim 10^{-27}$  seconds.

BH events are expected to evaporate democratically by emission of all particle types that exist in nature, independent of their spin, charge, quantum numbers or interaction properties. Therefore they can be a source of new particles. BH physics at the LHC can provide the possibility of probing quantum gravity in the lab.





**Figure 14.22.** (a) Reconstructed invariant mass distribution and (b) event sphericity for black hole and standard model background events.

### 14.8.2. Analysis selection path and results

Black hole event samples were produced using the CHARYBDIS event generator [744]. As a benchmark the case which is analysed has the following parameters: a)  $2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  effective Planck scale, b)  $4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  minimum and  $14 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  maximum black hole mass c) 3 extra dimensions. Time evolution during Hawking radiation and gray body effects are included. The detector response was simulated by us using the CMS fast simulation (FAMOS, version 1.4.0) after validation against the detailed CMS GEANT-based simulation. The Standard Model backgrounds taken into account include QCD jets, top production and boson plus jet production. The invariant mass of all final state objects (electrons, photons, jets and muons) in the event is found to be correlated with the input black hole mass. In addition since the black hole formation can only occur if  $M_{\text{BH}} > M_{(4+n)}$ , the event invariant mass can indicate the effective Planck scale  $M_{(4+n)}$ . In the benchmark scenario the invariant mass is required to be greater than  $2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . BH events are characterised by a high multiplicity of the final state particles, which increase as a function of the BH mass (and decreases as a function of Hawking temperature). In particular the ratio of jets to leptons is found to be 5 to 1. In this study with a simple jet and lepton multiplicity counting the jet/lepton ratio is formed. The average value of this ratio is found to be 4.5. The thermal nature of Hawking radiation requires the distribution of BH remnants to be spherical as shown and a sphericity of 0.28 is required which eliminates drastically the Standard Model backgrounds. The invariant mass distribution and sphericity for the signal and background events is shown in Fig. 14.22.

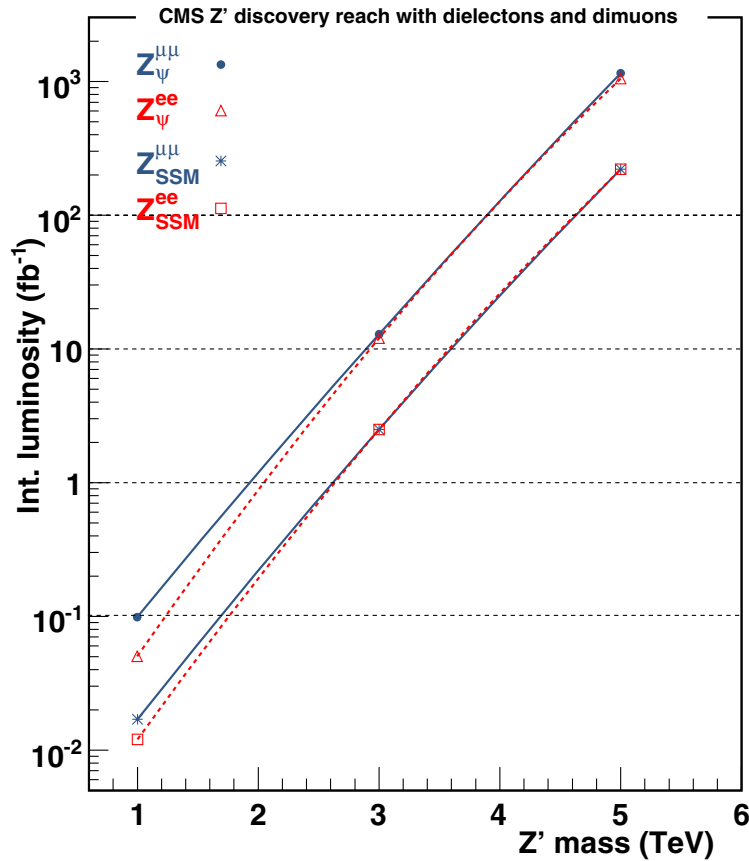
Events are counted when the total sum of the  $P_{\text{T}}$  of all reconstructed objects plus the missing transverse energy is larger than  $2500 \text{ GeV}$ . A study of the Level-1 and HLT trigger path shows that the 4 jet trigger has a 93% efficiency for the signal events and is used in the analysis.

The event selection criteria applied to the reconstructed events and the efficiencies of the requirements are listed in Table 14.11.

The minimum integrated luminosity needed for  $5\sigma$  significance and for the benchmark point is  $\sim 2 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ . A survey of the parameter space using 25 points shows that for effective Planck scale of  $2\text{--}3 \text{ TeV}$ , minimum black hole mass up to  $4 \text{ TeV}$  and  $2\text{--}6$  extra dimensions the 5 sigma significance can be obtained with luminosity between fraction of  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  and 100's of  $\text{pb}^{-1}$ . For effective Planck scale of  $4 \text{ TeV}$  a few  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  is needed for discovery. To account for the systematic uncertainties in the number of signal events, the effect of PDF distribution on cross section is calculated using the CTEQ6 NLO PDF set with the help of LHAPDF interface. PDF uncertainties for the chosen benchmark point is found to be  $^{+24.2\%}_{-9.07\%}$ . Using these uncertainties, the error in significance calculation was computed to be 12%.

**Table 14.11.** Event selection and background rejection for signal events and major background processes.

Cut	Signal	tt+nJ	W+nj	Z+nJ	QCD Dijet	WW+nJ
Cross Section (pb)	18.85	371	896	781.84	33076.8	269.91
Events ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	188500	$3.71 \times 10^6$	$8.96 \times 10^6$	$7.82 \times 10^6$	$3.31 \times 10^8$	$2.70 \times 10^6$
$M_{\text{Inv}} > 2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$	18.71	13.29	6.53	3.85	2634.94	20.53
Tot. Multiplicity $> 4$	17.72	13.25	6.43	3.84	2613.18	20.42
Sphericity $> 0.28$	9.27	1.60	0.23	0.10	53.74	0.07
Final No. Events ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )	92740	15990	2328	982	537391	740

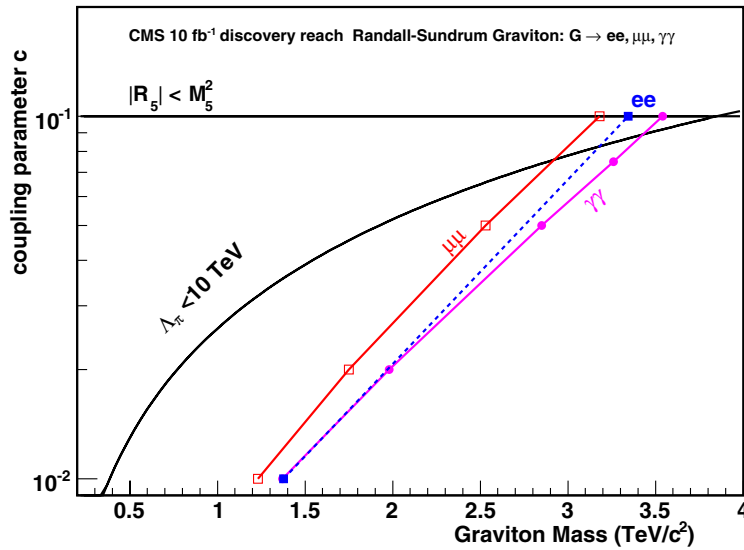


**Figure 14.23.**  $Z'$  discovery reach for two of the models studied in the dielectron and dimuon channels. The reach for the rest of the models studied is within the band between the two shown here.

### 14.9. Discussion

The results on  $Z'$ s and RS gravitons in the channels studied in this chapter are summarised here.

In Fig. 14.23 the summary of the discovery reach in the dielectron and dimuon channels is shown for two representative  $Z'$  models. The reach for the rest of the models studied lies within the band of the two shown in the figure. The results for the dielectron channel are using



**Figure 14.24.** RS graviton discovery mass reach as a function of the model coupling parameter in the dielectron, dimuon and diphoton channels for  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The dielectron reach is shown as dashed because only the boundary points ( $c = 0.01$  and  $c = 0.1$ ) where studied.

here K-factor of 1.3 for the signal and background in order to be directly compared with the dimuon results<sup>50</sup>. Although the analysis strategies and significance computation is different between the two analyses the results are compatible. For low luminosity and mass reach up to  $3 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  the muons suffer from misalignment effects which are recovered after  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . For high mass reach (above  $3 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ ) the saturation in the ECAL is causing a degradation of the resolution in the dielectron channel. The reach using the dielectron channel is up to  $3 \text{ TeV}$  better than the dimuons due to less than 1% resolution. Optimising the analysis in the dielectron channel to extract the background from the data and detailed studies of the saturation is expected to further improve the reach in the dielectron channel for high masses. The combined reach of the two channels requires a detailed analysis and is not presented here. Note that a  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$   $Z'$  is observable with less than  $0.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for all models and with a single channel while every  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  in mass reach corresponds to approximately an order of magnitude increase in integrated luminosity.

In Fig. 14.24 the summary of the RS graviton discovery reach in the dielectron, dimuon and diphoton channels is shown. Here the results for the diphoton channel are using CTEQ6M PDFs to be directly compared with the dielectron and dimuon channels.<sup>51</sup> Although the branching ratio to photons is roughly twice that of electrons or muons the reach for low coupling and graviton mass is comparable between dielectrons and diphotons due to the QCD and prompt photon backgrounds in the photon channel which are harder to efficiently suppress. For higher masses and coupling the diphoton is leading the reach due to the higher branching ratio. The dimuon channel is trailing the reach compared to the dielectrons merely due to resolution.

<sup>50</sup> Recent calculation of K-factors for several of the processes discussed here can be found in reference [745].

<sup>51</sup> In the main analysis the diphoton channel uses CTEQ5L while the dielectron and dimuon analyses use CTEQ6M where the gluon-gluon contribution is enhanced compared to the CTEQ5L; while the Drell–Yan background is largely insensitive to this choice, at low masses the gluon-gluon is the dominant graviton production process while at high masses the  $q\bar{q}$  dominates where CTEQ5L and CTEQ6M are comparable.

## Chapter 15. Alternative BSM Signatures

### 15.1. Technicolour

#### 15.1.1. The $\rho_{TC} \rightarrow W + Z$ channel

Technicolour (TC) provides an alternative to the elementary Higgs mechanism of the Standard Model. It introduces a new strong interaction [746] providing a dynamical nature to Electroweak Symmetry Breaking. Technicolour is a QCD-like force, acting on technifermions at an energy scale  $\Lambda_{TC} \sim v_{weak} = 246 \text{ GeV}$ . A number  $N_D$  of technifermion doublet condensates yield the pseudo-Goldstone bosons  $\pi_{TC}$ , together with a wide spectroscopy of excited technimesons. The present simulation is performed using the phenomenology of the lowest-lying technihadrons, commonly referenced as the ‘‘Technicolour Straw Man’’ model (TCSM) [735]. The colour-singlet sector includes the spin-zero  $\pi_{TC}$  and the spin-one technimesons  $\rho_{TC}$  and  $\omega_{TC}$ . The decay cross-section of the  $\rho_{TC}$  is expressed as an admixture of  $\pi_{TC}$  and the Standard Model  $Z$  and  $W$  bosons:

$$\rho_{TC} \rightarrow \cos^2 \chi \langle \pi_{TC} \pi_{TC} \rangle + \cos \chi \sin \chi \langle \pi_{TC} V_L \rangle + \sin^2 \chi \langle V_L V_L \rangle \quad (15.1)$$

where  $V_L$  is the longitudinal mode of the  $V = Z, W$  and  $\sin \chi \simeq 1/\sqrt{N_D} \sim 1/3$ . The branching fraction  $\text{BR}(\rho_{TC} \rightarrow W + Z)$  is competing with the two first terms in Eq. 15.1, hence changing with  $M(\pi_{TC})$ .

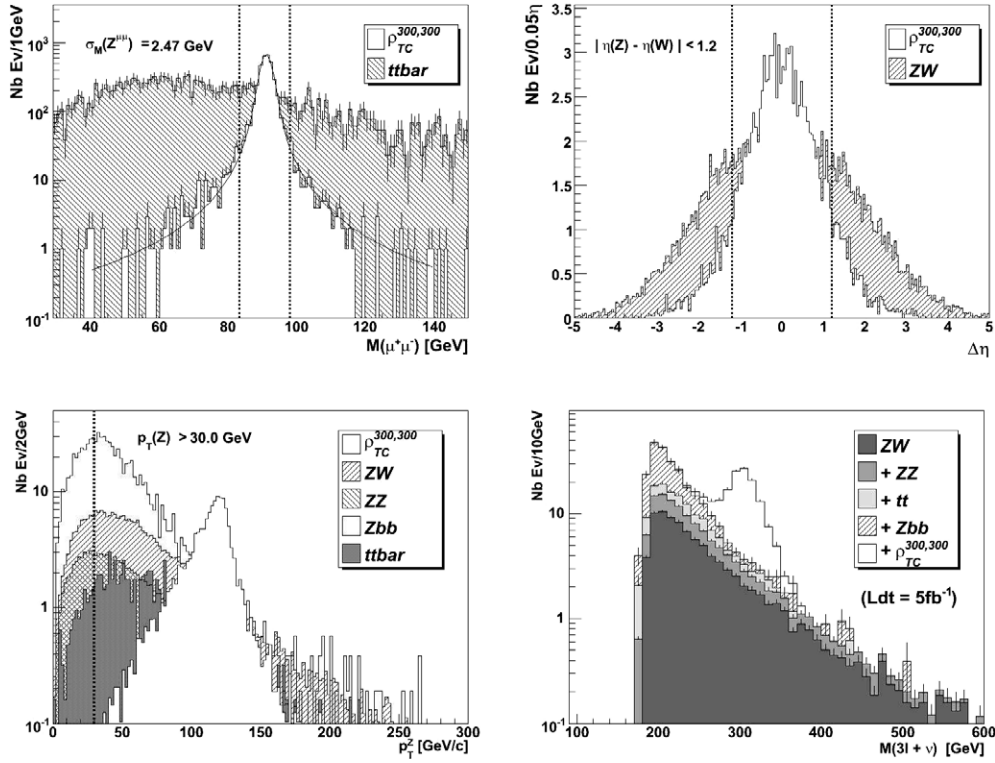
The decay channel  $\rho_{TC} \rightarrow W + Z$  is the subject of this analysis [747] as it has the advantage of a very clean final state, namely  $3\ell + \nu$ . The background contributions arise mainly from Standard Model processes involving weak boson production and decays. Other technicolour decay modes that include jets such as  $\rho_{TC} \rightarrow \pi_{TC} + W$ , have higher branching fractions but are much harder to disentangle from the Standard Model background processes.

*15.1.1.1. Event selection.* All signal and backgrounds samples used in this analysis are generated with PYTHIA 6.2 [24] with the requirement of at least 3 prompt leptons in the CMS fiducial region. The  $Zb\bar{b}$  background is generated using COMHEP [355] interfaced to PYTHIA. Contributions from processes of type  $Z \rightarrow 2\ell$  plus an additional fake lepton from a jet have been taken into account in the systematic uncertainties, see Sect. 15.1.1.2. A set of 14 different  $\rho_{TC}$  samples are generated within the  $[M(\rho_{TC}), M(\pi_{TC})]$  phase space.

Nominal CMS Level-1 and High-Level Trigger requirements are applied [76]. The CMS fast simulation [11] is used for detector simulation and event reconstruction. The main reconstructed objects and their efficiencies have been validated against the detailed GEANT-based CMS detector simulation [8, 10].

The analysis is designed to reduce the main Standard Model background contributions  $WZ, ZZ, Zb\bar{b}$  and  $t\bar{t}$ , while retaining high signal efficiency. It is summarised as follows:

- (i) Lepton selection: 3 high- $p_T$  and isolated electrons or muons.
- (ii) Lepton trigger: single- or two-electron or muon mode (Level-1 and HLT).
- (iii)  $Z$ : same-flavour and opposite-charge  $\ell$ -pair closest to  $M(Z)$ , with  $p_T(\ell_{1,2}) > (30, 10) \text{ GeV}/c$ .
- (iv)  $W$ : solution to 3rd lepton with  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}/c + \text{Missing } E_T + M(W)$  constraint.
- (v)  $|M(\ell^+\ell^-) - M(Z)| \leq 3\sigma_{M_Z} \simeq 7.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .
- (vi)  $p_T(Z)$  and  $p_T(W) > 30 \text{ GeV}/c$ . For benchmark points with  $M(\rho_{TC}) = 200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , the minimum  $p_T(Z)$  and  $p_T(W)$  threshold is  $10 \text{ GeV}/c$ .
- (vii)  $|\Delta[\eta(Z) - \eta(W)]| \leq 1.2$ .



**Figure 15.1.** (a)  $M(\mu^+\mu^-)$  for  $\rho_{TC}(300,300)$  and  $t\bar{t}$ ; (b)  $\Delta[\eta(Z) - \eta(W)]$  for  $\rho_{TC}(300,300)$  and  $ZW$ ; (c)  $p_T(Z)$  for  $\rho_{TC}(300,300)$  and all backgrounds ( $p_T(W)$  is similar); (d) Reconstructed  $M(3\ell + \nu)$  for  $\rho_{TC}(300,300)$  and all backgrounds. The vertical lines indicate the applied requirements.

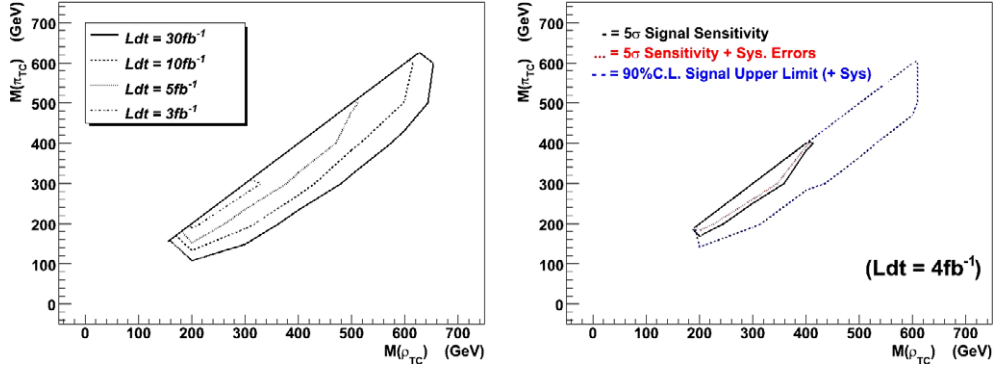
The  $Z$  and  $W$  are reconstructed with a purity of  $\sim 99\%$ , using the 3 highest- $p_T$  leptons in the event, and the Missing Transverse Energy (MET), obtained as the vector sum of the jets and leptons in the event. The  $M(W)$  constraint yields a 2 fold ambiguity in the  $p_Z$  component of the reconstructed neutrino: it is found that the most efficient choice for the  $\rho_{TC}$  signal is the minimum  $p_Z$  solution. The kinematic cuts are illustrated in Fig. 15.1. The main  $t\bar{t}$  reduction is obtained via the  $Z$ -mass window requirement (v). The irreducible background  $WZ \rightarrow 3\ell + \nu$  is most efficiently separated from the signal via the  $\eta(Z) - \eta(W)$  correlation requirement (vii).

The  $p_T$  cut on  $Z$  and  $W$  further improves the signal to background ratio, however it is kept modest in order to preserve the exponential background hypothesis of the  $3\ell + \nu$  invariant mass spectrum, used to compute the signal sensitivity. The  $\rho_{TC}(300,300)$  signal and background yields are shown in Fig. 15.1d and the corresponding reconstruction efficiencies are listed in Table 15.1.

**15.1.1.2. Signal sensitivity and systematic uncertainties.** The sensitivity of each  $\rho_{TC}$  benchmark point is computed by taking into account realistic statistical fluctuations for a given integrated luminosity. The sensitivity estimator is defined as the likelihood-ratio  $S_L$ , defined in Appendix A.1. The signal probability density function (p.d.f.) is assumed Gaussian (dominated by detector resolution) and the background p.d.f. is exponential in all  $\rho_{TC}$  fit regions. The output of the fitting procedure is shown in the contour plot over the

**Table 15.1.**  $\sigma \times \text{BR}(\ell = e \text{ or } \mu)$ , 3-lepton pre-selection efficiency, total efficiency and final yield within  $3\sigma$  of the signal region (Nev), for  $\mathcal{L} = 5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .  $\rho_{\text{TC}}(300, 300)$  and the main background contributions are shown. The simulation is repeated for all  $\rho_{\text{TC}}$  benchmark points.

Sample	$\sigma \times \text{BR}(\text{pb})$	$\varepsilon(3\text{-lept})$	$\varepsilon(\text{Reco}) (\%)$	Nev( $5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )
$\rho_{\text{TC}} \rightarrow W + Z \rightarrow 3\ell + \nu$	0.13	0.635	$25.88 \pm 0.40$	103
$WZ \rightarrow 3\ell + \nu$	0.39	0.471	$9.91 \pm 0.11$	27
$ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$	0.07	0.719	$15.80 \pm 0.14$	10
$Zb\bar{b} \rightarrow 2\ell + X$	332	0.046	$0.23 \pm 0.01$	12
$t\bar{t}$	489.72	0.065	$0.019 \pm 0.001$	8



**Figure 15.2.** Left: Signal  $5\sigma$  Sensitivity curves for various integrated luminosities. Right: sensitivity for  $\mathcal{L} = 4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ : the dotted (resp. dashed) curve shows the sensitivity (resp. the 90% C.L. signal upper limit) after including systematic uncertainties.

$[M(\rho_{\text{TC}}), M(\pi_{\text{TC}})]$  phase space in Fig. 15.2 (left), for various integrated luminosities. A signal sensitivity above 5 is expected for  $\mathcal{L} = 3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (before including systematic uncertainties).

The  $\rho_{\text{TC}}$  sensitivity has been simulated for the early CMS data taking phase. Expected detector related systematic uncertainties for  $\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  are taken into account. While no substantial contribution is found from the tracker and muon system misalignment or the calorimeter miscalibration, the accuracy at which the lepton efficiency will be determined from data affects the result: a 2% uncertainty is considered. Moreover, the lepton fake rate has been simulated on  $Zb\bar{b}$  and extrapolated to any  $Z + jet(s)$  type background, in order to take into account additional contaminations from pion/kaon decays or from wrongly identified lepton candidates. A production cross-section of 1047 pb per lepton flavour is assumed for  $Z + n\text{-jets}$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . A single lepton fake rate of  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$  is obtained using the fast simulation [11], affecting the  $\rho_{\text{TC}}$  sensitivity as shown below. Finally, a 7.5% uncertainty on the missing transverse energy measurement is considered. The above uncertainties result in the following relative  $\rho_{\text{TC}}$  sensitivity drop:

$$\Delta_{\text{SYS}}^{\text{tot}} = \sqrt{(\Delta_{\text{SYS}}^{\text{Eff}})^2 + (\Delta_{\text{SYS}}^{\text{Fake}})^2 + (\Delta_{\text{SYS}}^{\text{MET}})^2} = \sqrt{(2.7\%)^2 + (8.5\%)^2 + (6.6\%)^2} = 11\%. \quad (15.2)$$

Introducing K-factors from next-to-leading-order (NLO) expectations for the signal (a K-factor 1.35 is assumed in similarity with the Drell–Yan process) and background leads to a relative signal sensitivity increase of 6%; however the latter estimate has not been included in the final result.

**Table 15.2.** Contact interaction models.

Model	LL	RR	LR	RL	VV	AA	LL+RR	LR+RL
	Non-parity conserving				Parity conserving			
$\eta_{LL}$	$\pm 1$	0	0	0	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	0
$\eta_{RR}$	0	$\pm 1$	0	0	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	0
$\eta_{LR}$	0	0	$\pm 1$	0	$\pm 1$	$\mp 1$	0	$\pm 1$
$\eta_{RL}$	0	0	0	$\pm 1$	$\pm 1$	$\mp 1$	0	$\pm 1$

In summary, the technicolour signature  $\rho_{TC} \rightarrow W + Z$  in the context of the Straw Man model is studied. The 5 sigma discovery reach is obtained for an integrated luminosity  $\mathcal{L} \simeq 4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

### 15.2. Search for contact interactions with dimuons

Contact interactions offer a general framework for describing a new interaction with typical energy scale  $\Lambda \gg \sqrt{s}$ . The presence of operators with canonical dimension  $N > 4$  in the Lagrangian gives rise to effects  $\sim 1/\Lambda^{N-4}$ . Such interactions can occur for instance, if the SM particles are composite, or when new heavy particles are exchanged.

In the following we will consider lepton-pair production. The lowest order flavour-diagonal and helicity-conserving operators have dimension six [123].

The differential cross section takes the form

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = SM(s, t) + \varepsilon \cdot C_{Int}(s, t) + \varepsilon^2 \cdot C_{NewPh}(s, t) \quad (15.3)$$

where the first term is the Standard Model contribution, the second comes from interference between the SM and the contact interaction, and the third is the pure contact interaction effect. The Mandelstam variables are denoted as  $s$ ,  $t$  and  $u$ .

Usually the coupling is fixed, and the structure of the interaction is parameterised by coefficients for the helicity amplitudes:

$$\begin{aligned} g & \quad \text{coupling (by convention } g^2/4\pi = 1), \\ |\eta_{ij}| \leq 1 & \quad \text{helicity amplitudes } (i, j = L, R), \\ \varepsilon & \quad \frac{g^2 \text{ sign}(\eta)}{4\pi \Lambda^2} \text{ for } f\bar{f}. \end{aligned}$$

Some often investigated models are summarised in Table 15.2. The models in the second half of the table are parity conserving, and hence not constrained by the very precise measurements of atomic parity violation at low energies. The results presented in this contribution cover the LL model, which has the highest sensitivity at LHC energies from the models in the first half of the table. More details can be found in [349].

#### 15.2.1. Analysis

The topology under study is high-mass muon pairs with opposite sign. More details on the analysis are found in [349]. The Global Muon Reconstructor (GMR, described in PTDR, Volume 1, Section 9.1.2) output is used. The dimuon events are triggered by the single and dimuon triggers. We have processed events, generated to cover the whole region of interest

up to dimuon masses of  $6 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , through full simulation with OSCAR and reconstruction with ORCA. The dimuon mass resolution is parameterised in two ways:

- as mass dependent one standard deviation (RMS);
- by fitting the mass resolution with a sum of two Gaussians to account for the long tail of less well reconstructed masses.

The results are remarkably stable as a function of the dimuon mass: the second Gaussian contributes around 14% and has a standard deviation 3.3 times bigger than the first Gaussian.

Our strategy is to generate events with PYTHIA and apply parametrisations of the dimuon mass efficiency and resolution obtained from full simulation. We have verified our approach by comparing the resulting mass spectra with the ones obtained with OSCAR/ORCA or FAMOS for Drell–Yan and selected contact interactions samples, observing good agreement in all cases.

Two mass regions: 500–1000 GeV and 1000–6000 GeV are considered. The total cross section and the forward–backward asymmetry as function of the dimuon mass are studied. Our analysis shows that the sensitivity to contact interactions comes almost exclusively from the cross section measurements for the LL model.

In order to reduce the systematic uncertainties both on the experimental and theory sides a “double ratio” method is developed. The number of observed events for a given bin in invariant mass is

$$N_{obs} = L \cdot \sigma \cdot \varepsilon \quad (15.4)$$

where  $L$  is the luminosity,  $\sigma$  the differential cross section for the given mass bin, and  $\varepsilon$  the experimental efficiency. We select a zeroth “normalisation” bin for invariant masses between 250–500 GeV/ $c^2$ , both well above the Z pole and in an area well covered by the Tevatron, and define the experimental ratios

$$R_i^{DATA} = \frac{N_i^D}{N_0^D} = \frac{\sigma_i^D \cdot \varepsilon_i^D}{\sigma_0^D \cdot \varepsilon_0^D}. \quad (15.5)$$

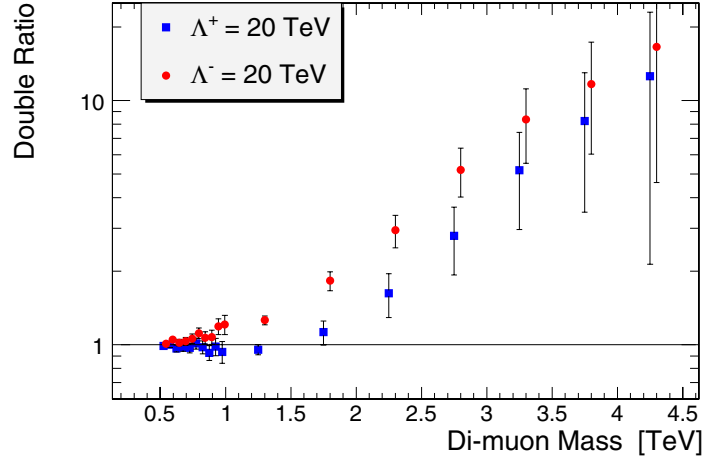
Here the cross sections and efficiencies are the ones for the real LHC data. The index  $i$  runs for all measured bins with masses above 500 GeV/ $c^2$ . The luminosity cancels in the ratio. The choice of this mass bin is not random. If we compare the flavour composition of partons initiating the hard interaction (Table 15.3), at the Z peak 32.1% are heavier flavours (not u or d quarks), with their own parton density functions (PDF) uncertainties. At 250–500 GeV/ $c^2$  the u and d quarks are “initiators” already in 85.6% of the cases, increasing to 96.3% above 1 TeV/ $c^2$ , etc. Moreover, at the Z peak d quarks are most abundant, while at higher masses u quarks dominate, asymptotically approaching a ratio 4:1. It is clear that our choice of normalisation bin gives flavour composition much closer to the most interesting high mass events, compared to a normalisation using Z pole events. The PDF uncertainty on cross sections is estimated using LHAPDF [95, 351]. It is interesting to note that this uncertainty reaches a minimum for masses 250–600 GeV/ $c^2$ , corresponding to medium values of the parton momentum fractions X, reinforcing our choice of normalisation bin.

We define similar ratios for the Monte Carlo (theory) predictions. The *absolute* values of the cross sections and efficiencies are not important for the ratios, what matters is *the shape* of these quantities as function of invariant mass. For example, the absolute value of K-factors, a way to compensate for missing higher order N(N)LO terms and enable the comparison of leading order Monte Carlo predictions to data (similarly for the electroweak radiative corrections) disappears from the ratios and only the *shape* of the K-function as depending on invariant mass remains – a much smaller effect. And part of the uncertainties introduced due to our limited knowledge of PDFs cancels in the ratio, leaving smaller residual uncertainties due to the change of phase space for changing masses.



**Table 15.3.** Flavour composition of partons initiating the hard Drell–Yan interaction. The PDF uncertainty on the cross sections (positive and negative asymmetric errors) is estimated using LHAPDF.

Mass [GeV/c <sup>2</sup> ]	d [%]	u [%]	s [%]	c [%]	b [%]	PDF+ [%]	PDF− [%]
Z peak	35.9	32.1	17.2	9.77	5.10	+4.7	−5.7
250–500	24.3	61.3	6.22	6.64	1.54	+3.4	−4.2
500–600	22.8	68.4	4.03	3.95	0.89	+3.5	−4.1
1000+	21.7	74.6	1.86	1.48	0.33	+5.0	−5.8
2000+	19.9	78.4	0.91	0.63	0.14	+9.0	−7.7



**Figure 15.3.** Double ratios for contact interactions in the dimuon channel, LL model, scale  $\Lambda = 20 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , positive and negative interference, and luminosity  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The errors shown are statistical.

Now let us define the double ratios

$$DR_i = \frac{R_i^{DATA}}{R_i^{MC}}. \quad (15.6)$$

This method is inspired by a study of Drell–Yan events and extraction of proton and pion PDFs at lower masses [748], as well as by the SuperKamiokande double ratio method for measuring atmospheric neutrino oscillations [749]. If our theory understanding and detector modelling are both perfect, we expect  $DR_i \equiv 1$ . The experimental or Monte Carlo errors introduced in the ratios from the uncertainties in the zeroth bin are negligible, as due to the steeply falling Drell–Yan spectrum this bin has much more data compared to the high mass bins.

An example of double ratios for positive and negative interference is shown in Fig. 15.3. As can be seen, for scale  $\Lambda = 20 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  the expected effects are quite sizable (note the log scale), with the sensitivity for negative interference starting around dimuon masses of  $750 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , while for positive interference masses above  $2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  are required.

The experimental systematic effects in the cross section measurement are estimated to be 2% from the total muon efficiency and no more than 1.4% from momentum resolution. The former can be controlled quite well with the huge sample of Z events decaying to dimuons, and the effects for TeV muons are taken into account on top of this. The latter is important at high mass as smearing from lower masses from the steeply falling Drell–Yan spectrum can contaminate the high mass measurements, especially if the tails of the momentum resolution

**Table 15.4.** The PDF uncertainty on the cross section ratios (positive and negative asymmetric errors) as estimated using LHAPDF. Clearly normalising to the 250–500 GeV/c<sup>2</sup> mass bin is superior compared to a normalisation relative to the Z peak (70–120 GeV/c<sup>2</sup>).

Mass [GeV/c <sup>2</sup> ]	$R\left(\frac{M}{250-500}\right)$		$R\left(\frac{M}{Z_{peak}}\right)$	
	PDF+	PDF–	PDF+	PDF–
	[%]	[%]	[%]	[%]
500–600	+1.5	–1.5	+4.6	–4.2
1000+	+5.2	–4.8	+7.8	–7.1
2000+	+10.7	–7.8	+12.9	–9.4

are not under control. It is estimated by varying the two parametrisations of the mass resolution by  $\pm 40\%$ , giving consistent results. The main source of systematic uncertainties on the momentum resolution comes from the alignment of the muon chambers and the central tracker, both at start-up and at high luminosity.

The systematic uncertainties from our limited knowledge of PDFs is estimated using the CTEQ6M PDF set from LHAPDF. From Table 15.4 our estimate of the PDF uncertainty on the cross section ratio is  $^{+5.2}_{-4.8}\%$  above 1 TeV or  $^{+10.7}_{-7.8}\%$  above 2 TeV.

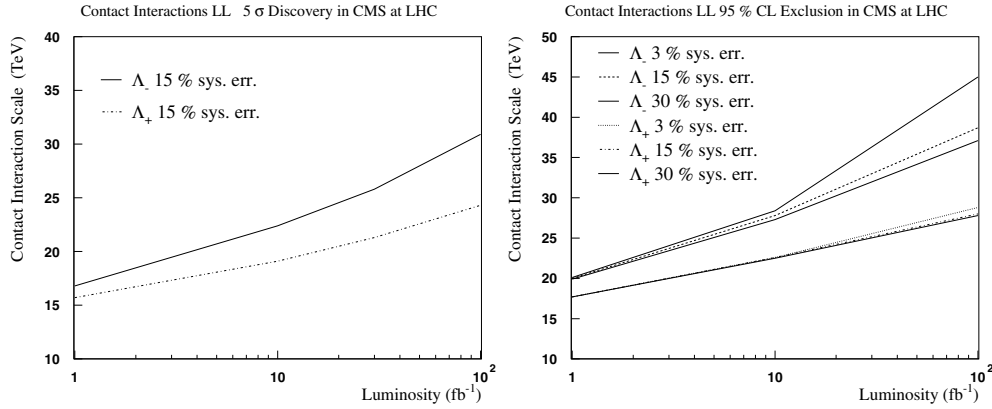
The genuine electro-weak radiative corrections change by  $\sim 10\%$  in the relevant mass range [158, 350]. The K-function changes faster below 250–300 GeV. From our normalisation bin to the highest masses first estimates show a change below 8% on the cross section<sup>52</sup>. Taking conservatively half of these changes with mass as an upper limit on the systematic uncertainty we arrive at 5% and 4% respectively.

Combining all effects in quadrature, we arrive conservatively at systematic uncertainties below 2.5% experimental, 11.5% from theory, 12% total at nominal conditions, 15% shortly after start-up. With the accumulation of data and improved calculations there is hope to improve this number by making progress in our understanding of PDF, electro-weak radiative corrections and K-functions.

The discovery reach for a given model is determined by constructing a negative log-likelihood function combining the deviations between measurements and predictions, including the contact interaction contributions, for all simulated data points. The error on a deviation consists of three parts, which are combined in quadrature: a statistical error, an experimental systematic error and a theoretical uncertainty. The log-likelihood function is integrated in the physically allowed region (all positive  $\Lambda$  for positive interference and all negative  $\Lambda$  for negative interference) to derive the five standard deviations  $\sigma$  discovery reach and one-sided lower limits at 95% confidence level on the scale.

The discovery reach is summarised in Fig. 15.4. The sensitivity is dominated by the cross section measurement, the contribution of the forward-backward asymmetry is minor. The sensitivity for negative interference is substantially better. Even at the highest luminosities the statistical errors at LHC play a major role, as evident from the comparison of the cases with total systematic uncertainties of 3, 15 and 30%. This is not surprising as the Drell–Yan process is probing directly masses up to  $\sim 4\text{--}5$  TeV/c<sup>2</sup>, where due to the steeply falling cross sections the statistical errors remain important for all considered luminosities.

<sup>52</sup> Calculations by M. Schmitt with the program PHOZPRMS [348].

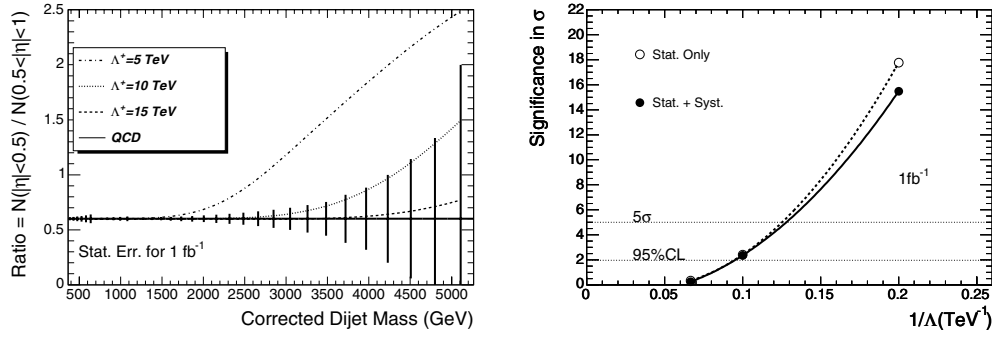


**Figure 15.4.** Five sigma discovery reach (left) and sensitivity at 95% CL (right) for contact interactions in the dimuon channel for different luminosities and signs of the interference.

### 15.3. Search for contact interactions with dijets

New physics at a scale  $\Lambda$  above the mass of the final state is effectively modelled as a contact interaction. Here the propagator for a particle of mass  $M \sim \Lambda$  exchanged between quarks, or exchanged between constituent particles inside two interacting composite quarks, shrinks to a single point and gives a contact interaction. Quark contact interactions, for example those that arise from a left-handed interaction among composite quarks [123, 124], will always produce a rise in rate relative to QCD at high dijet mass or high inclusive jet  $E_T$ . However, observation in the mass distribution alone requires precise understanding of the QCD rate as a function of dijet mass, which is complicated by the large systematic uncertainties discussed in Section 4.1.6. Angular distributions benefit from much smaller systematic uncertainties. The contact interaction is often more isotropic than the QCD background, since QCD is dominated by t-channel scattering and produces jets predominantly in the forward direction. Our analysis uses the dijet ratio, discussed in section 4.1.5, to measure the angular distribution as a function of dijet mass, and see any contact interactions which affect the dijet angular distribution [750].

**15.3.0.1. Contact interaction sensitivity estimates.** The QCD background distribution for the dijet ratio was discussed in section 4.5. In Fig. 15.5 we show a smooth dijet ratio for QCD, estimated at 0.6 from the fit to the full simulation. The error bars shown in Fig. 15.5 are the statistical uncertainties expected with  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and the jet trigger prescales discussed in section E.4.3.2. The uncertainties are calculated using Poisson statistics at high dijet mass, where few events are expected and Gaussian statistics is less accurate. In Fig. 4.7 we presented a lowest order calculation of both QCD and a contact interaction among left-handed quarks. The signal in Fig. 15.5 is estimated by scaling the lowest order contact interaction calculation of Fig. 4.7 by the ratio of our full simulation prediction for QCD to the lowest order QCD calculation:  $\text{signal} = \text{contact} \times 0.6/\text{QCD}$ . Systematic uncertainties on the dijet ratio are small, as discussed in section 4.1.6 and demonstrated in Fig. 4.8. The calculated chisquared between QCD and the contact interaction signal, including all uncertainties on the dijet ratio, is listed in Table 15.5. In Fig. 15.5 we show the significance in  $\sigma$ , estimated as  $\sqrt{\chi^2}$ , compared to a smooth fit as a function of  $1/\Lambda^+$ . The anticipated capability of CMS with  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  to exclude contact interactions at 95% CL or discover them at  $5\sigma$  can be read off Fig. 15.5, and they are listed in Table 15.6. This includes the uncertainty on  $\Lambda$  due to the anticipated 5% uncertainty on the observed jet energy. The same analysis is repeated for  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  and  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  and the



**Figure 15.5.** Left: The expected value and statistical error of the dijet ratio of QCD in the CMS detector for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (solid) is compared with QCD plus a quark contact interaction at a scale  $\Lambda^+$  of 15 TeV (dashed), 10 TeV (dotted) and 5 TeV (dot-dashed). Right: The significance with statistical uncertainties only (open circles) and with all uncertainties (solid circles) of the difference between QCD alone and QCD plus a quark contact interaction is plotted vs  $1/\Lambda^+$  and fit with a quadratic function. Horizontal lines show the  $5\sigma$  and 95% CL levels.

**Table 15.5.** Chisquared between signal and background. For each luminosity and contact interaction scale considered we list the chisquared between QCD alone and QCD plus a contact interaction, for the case where only statistical uncertainties are included (Stat), and for the case where both statistical and systematic uncertainties are included (All).

Luminosity	$100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$			$1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$			$10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$		
$\Lambda^+$ (TeV)	5	10	15	5	10	15	5	10	15
$\chi^2$ (Stat)	18.3	0.090	0.0037	316	5.82	0.107	3652	133	4.15
$\chi^2$ (All)	16.7	0.082	0.0011	240	5.55	0.061	1340	124	3.56

**Table 15.6.** Sensitivity to contact interactions with  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ,  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , and  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . We list the largest value of the contact interaction scale we expect to be able to exclude at a confidence level of 95% or greater, and the largest value we expect to be able to discover with a significance of  $5\sigma$  or greater. Estimates include both statistical and systematic uncertainties.

Luminosity	95% CL Excluded Scale			$5\sigma$ Discovered Scale		
	$100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$	$1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$	$1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	$10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
$\Lambda^+$ (TeV)	<6.2	<10.4	<14.8	<4.7	<7.8	<12.0

results are also listed in Table 15.6. The systematic uncertainties on the dijet ratio reduced the CMS sensitivity to a contact interaction between 0.1 and 0.3  $\text{TeV}/c^2$  depending on luminosity and level of significance. To see how quickly CMS jet data will extend the search for new physics, we note that with  $100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  our anticipated 95% CL sensitivity,  $\Lambda^+ < 6.3 \text{ TeV}$ , is more than twice the sensitivity of the  $D\bar{O}$  search ( $\Lambda^+ < 2.7 \text{ TeV}$  at 95% CL) [122]. We note that our contact interaction sensitivity to composite quarks in Table 15.6 is roughly twice our mass resonance sensitivity to excited states of composite quarks in Table 14.5, and is equivalent to observing or excluding a quark radius of order  $10^{-18} \text{ cm}$ .

## 15.4. Heavy Majorana neutrinos and right-handed bosons

### 15.4.1. Introduction

This study is exploring the left–right (LR) symmetric model  $SU_C(3) \otimes SU_L(2) \otimes SU_R(2) \otimes U(1)$  [724, 725, 751] at LHC. The model embeds the SM at the scale of the order of 1 TeV

and naturally explains the parity violation in weak interactions as a result of the spontaneously broken parity. It necessarily incorporates three additional gauge bosons  $W_R$  and  $Z'$  and the heavy right-handed Majorana neutrino states  $N$ . The  $N$ s can be the partners ( $N_l$ ) of the light neutrino states  $\nu_l$  ( $l = e, \mu, \tau$ ) and can provide their non-zero masses through the see-saw mechanism [726]. Given the results from the atmospheric, solar and reactor neutrino experiments the LR model is very attractive. In the framework of the LR symmetric model, we have studied the production and the experimental signature of heavy Majorana neutrinos and the associated heavy gauge bosons. The detailed analysis is presented in [752].

Existing experimental data constrain the  $Z'$  mass to the values  $O(1) \text{ TeV}/c^2$  [753]. The lower bound on the  $W'$  mass derived from the  $K_L - K_S$  mass difference is quite stringent,  $M_{W'} \gtrsim 1.6 \text{ TeV}$  [754], however with some uncertainties from the low energy QCD corrections to the kaon system. The direct searches for  $W'$  at the Tevatron yield bounds  $M_{W'} \gtrsim 720 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  assuming a light (keV-range)  $N$ , and  $M_{W'} \gtrsim 650 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  assuming  $M_N < M_{W'}/2$  [755]. These bounds are less stringent in more general LR models.

#### 15.4.2. Heavy Majorana neutrino production and decay

The cross sections of  $pp \rightarrow W_R \rightarrow l + N_l + X$  (the process studied here), and  $pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow N_l + N_l + X$  (where  $N_l \rightarrow l + j_1 + j_2$ ) depend on the value of the coupling constant  $g_R$ , the parameters of the CKM mixing matrix for the right-handed sector, the  $W_R - W_L$  and  $Z' - Z$  mixing strengths, and the masses of the partners  $N_l$  of the light neutrino state. In the study presented here the mixing angles are assumed small, the right-handed CKM matrix is identical to the left-handed one and  $g_R = g_L$ . With these assumptions the  $Z'$  is about 1.7 times heavier than  $W_R$  and the production cross-section for  $pp \rightarrow W_R \rightarrow e N_e$  is found to be at least one order of magnitude higher than for the  $pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow N_e N_e$  process. Finally it is assumed that only the lightest  $M_{N_e}$  is reachable at the LHC. In the case of degenerated masses of  $N_l$ , the channels with  $\mu$ 's and  $\tau$ 's are open resulting in the increase of the cross section of the process studied here by a factor of  $\sim 1.2$ . The analysis is performed in the  $M_{W_R}, M_{N_e}$  parameter space. For the benchmark point considered (referred to as (LRRP))  $M_{N_e} = 500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  and  $M_{W_R} = 2000 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

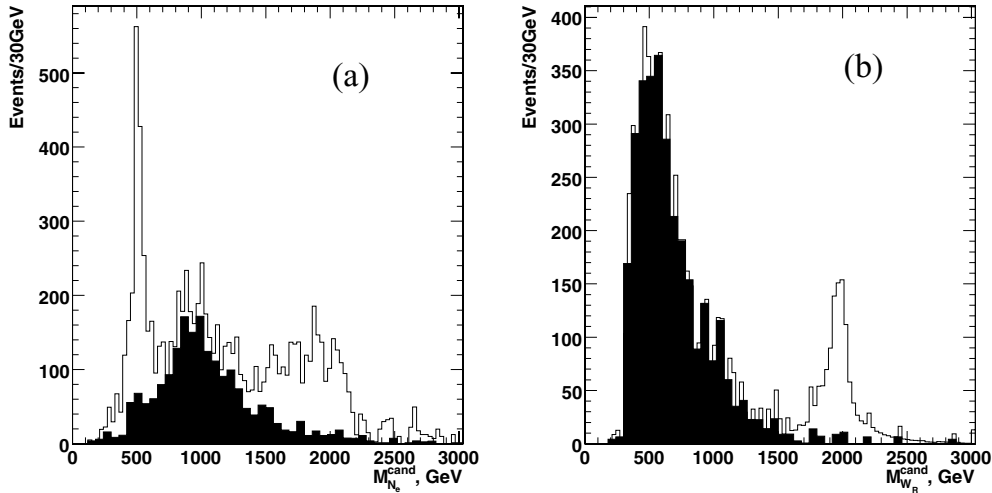
For the signal event generation and calculation of cross sections, the PYTHIA Monte Carlo program is used that includes the LR symmetric model with the standard assumptions mentioned above and CTEQ5L parton distribution functions. The fraction of  $pp \rightarrow W_R^+$  ( $pp \rightarrow W_R^-$ ) reactions as a function of  $M_{W_R}$  changes from  $\simeq 70\%$  ( $\simeq 30\%$ ) at  $M_{W_R} \simeq 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  to  $\simeq 95\%$  ( $\simeq 5\%$ ) at  $M_{W_R} \simeq 10 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . For  $W_R$  boson masses higher than  $M_{W_R} \simeq 2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  the production of  $W_R^+$  boson dominates. The  $W_R$  mass region above  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  is studied since smaller masses are excluded by indirect analyses [756].

The signal and background data sample are simulated using the GEANT based CMS full detector simulation [8] and reconstruction package [10].

#### 15.4.3. Analysis

The two major backgrounds considered in this study are the  $Z$ +jets and  $t\bar{t}$  production. In the event selection two isolated electrons and at least two jets are required. The dielectron invariant mass  $M_{ee}$  is required to be above  $200 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  to suppress the  $Z$ +jets Standard Model background. The invariant mass of each electron with the two leading jets  $M_{e jj}$  ( $M_{N_e}^{\text{cand}}$  is formed. The  $M_{eejj}$  ( $W_R$  boson candidate) invariant mass is required to be above  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . After this requirement the Standard Model background is suppressed as shown in Fig. 15.6.

The total  $W_R$  mass the reconstruction efficiency for  $M_{W_R} = 2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and for neutrino masses above  $500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  is between 20% and 25% while for neutrino masses much smaller



**Figure 15.6.**  $M_{eejj}$  for the signal overlaid with the SM background (shaded histogram) for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ : (a)  $M_{eejj} > 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ , (b)  $M_{eejj} < 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ .

than the  $W_R$  mass the reconstruction efficiency drops due to the significant overlap of the heavy neutrino decay products in  $\eta - \phi$ .

#### 15.4.4. Results

The 5 sigma discovery contour in the  $(M_{W_R}; M_{N_e})$  plane is shown in Fig. 15.7 for 1 and  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . With  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  a 5 sigma observation of  $W_R$  and  $N_e$  with masses up to  $4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and  $2.4 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  respectively can be achieved. The signal at the LRRP test point ( $W_R$  of  $2 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and  $N_e$   $500 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ) is observable already after one month of running at low luminosity.

### 15.5. Little Higgs models

#### 15.5.1. Introduction

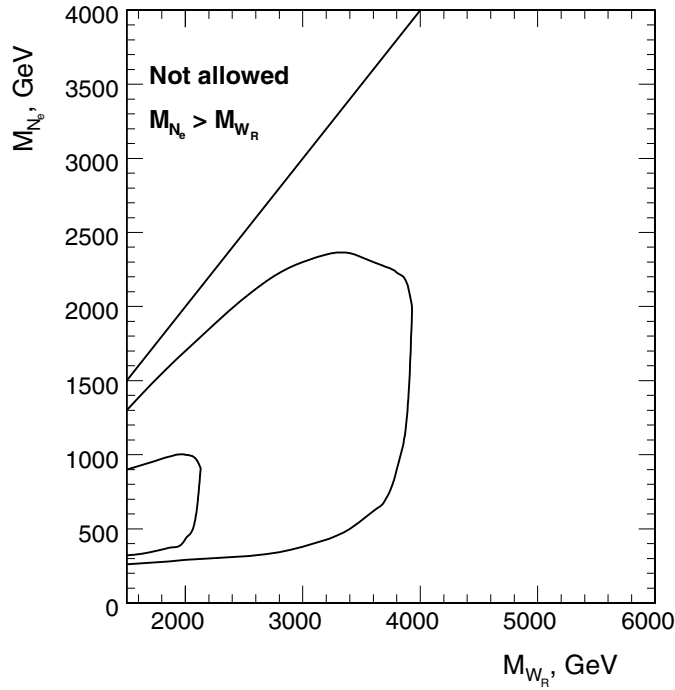
The Little Higgs model [656] provides an alternative mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking keeping a light Higgs boson free from one-loop divergences of SM. It breaks a global symmetry spontaneously and invokes a number of new particles of masses in TeV scale. A heavy singlet quark of charge  $2/3$ , marked as  $T$ , is the lightest among them and hence we study the viability of its observation with limited integrated luminosity.

The heavy quark  $T$  acquires its mass via Yukawa interactions of two gauge groups with couplings  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  which are of similar order.  $T$  has three dominant decay modes, the corresponding branching ratios following the relation:  $BR(T \rightarrow th) = BR(T \rightarrow tZ) = \frac{1}{2} BR(T \rightarrow bW)$ .

#### 15.5.2. Analysis

The decay channel  $T \rightarrow tZ$ , with leptonic decays of  $Z$  and  $W$  bosons, provides a clean signature at the LHC environment. This channel has not been previously studied in CMS and the work presented here is a feasibility study. Further details can be found in [757].

The signal samples were generated with PYTHIA 6.227 [24] and the  $T$  production was mimicked by activating the fourth quark generation through the  $W$ - $b$  fusion. The  $T$  quark mass

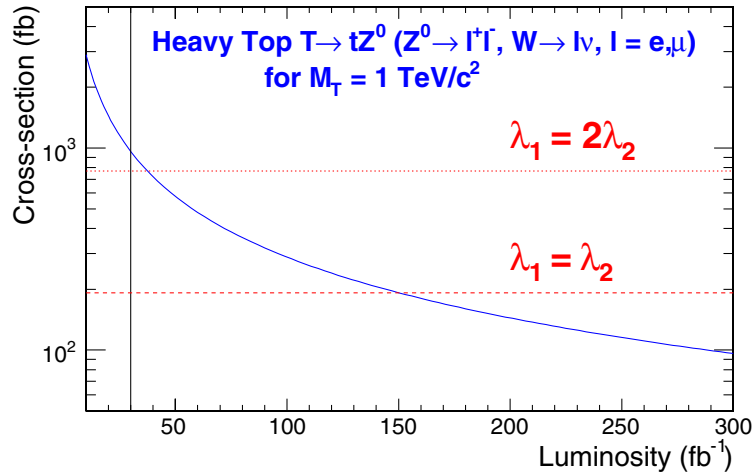


**Figure 15.7.** CMS discovery potential of the  $W_R$  boson and right-handed Majorana neutrinos of the Left-Right Symmetric model for the integrated luminosity  $L_t = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (outer contour) and for  $L_t = 1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  (inner contour).

was set to  $1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  and was treated as a narrow resonance. The CMS full detector simulation was performed with OSCAR [8] and ORCA [10] while pile-up events corresponding to the low luminosity running period of the LHC were taken into account. The major backgrounds considered in this analysis were:  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $ZW$  + jets,  $ZZ$  + jets,  $WW$  + jets,  $Zb\bar{b}$ , and  $Z$  + jets.

The main selection requirements are summarised below:

- Events are required to pass the “double electron” or “double muon” L1 and HLT trigger criteria.
- Electrons are required to have  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$  and muons  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}/c$ .
- The combined transverse momentum of the same flavour opposite sign lepton pair is required to be  $p_T^{\ell\ell} > 100 \text{ GeV}/c$ . The invariant mass of the pair is required to be consistent with the nominal  $Z$  mass within  $10 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .
- A further third lepton is required in the event ( $e^\pm$  with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}/c$  or  $\mu^\pm$  with  $p_T > 15 \text{ GeV}/c$ ). The combined transverse momentum of the third lepton with the missing transverse energy is required to be greater than  $60 \text{ GeV}/c$ . In addition the transverse mass of the third lepton with the missing transverse energy is required to be less than  $120 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , to be consistent with the  $W$  boson transverse mass.
- Exactly one jet compatible with a  $b$ -jet and with calibrated transverse momentum more than  $30 \text{ GeV}/c$  is required.
- The combined transverse momentum of the  $W$  boson and the  $b$ -jet should be more than  $150 \text{ GeV}/c$ , while their invariant mass is required to be in the range  $(110\text{--}220) \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .
- The combined  $ZWb$  system invariant mass is required to be in the mass range of the search for heavy quark, namely  $(850\text{--}1150) \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .



**Figure 15.8.** Minimum cross section required for a  $5\sigma$  discovery for a heavy quark of mass  $M_T = 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  as a function of the luminosity. The horizontal lines correspond to the cross section values for the two cases of  $\lambda_1/\lambda_2$ . The vertical line indicates the luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  used for this analysis.

The SM background  $ZZ \rightarrow$  leptonic, is the only background that gives non-zero contribution (still less than 1 event at luminosity  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ). The total efficiency for the signal selection is  $(9.7 \pm 0.4)\%$ . Assuming the production cross section of  $T \rightarrow tZ$  to be  $192 \text{ fb}$  for  $M_T = 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$  (for the case of  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$ ) and folding in the branching ratios involved, a total of  $N_S = 2.1 \pm 0.1$  signal events are expected for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . This implies that the discovery potential of the channel is rather limited.

The statistical significance of the channel ( $S_{c12}$ , defined in Appendix A.1) is 2.5 with a signal-to-background ratio of 41 for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . Taking into account systematic uncertainties from the electron energy scale, jet and missing energy scale and  $b$ -tagging efficiency uncertainty, the significance drops down to 2.0. Figure 15.8 shows the signal cross section as a function of the integrated luminosity at the LHC, for establishing at  $5\sigma$  level, single production of a heavy quark of mass  $= 1 \text{ TeV}/c^2$ . The luminosity needed for  $5\sigma$  evidence is estimated to be around  $150 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) for choices of parameters  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$  ( $\lambda_1 = 2\lambda_2$ ). The vertical line corresponds to the luminosity used for this analysis and demonstrates the inadequacy of statistics for a luminosity of  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

### 15.6. Same sign top

At the LHC dileptonic  $t\bar{t}(+jets)$  events can be selected with a relatively high signal-to-noise ratio and efficiency. Within the clean sample of such events, both leptons (electrons and muons) have an opposite electric charge. In several models beyond the Standard Model however,  $t\bar{t}(+jets)$  topologies are predicted where both leptons have an equal electric charge. The signal excess is highly enhanced by the application of a combined likelihood variable described in [284]. The likelihood variable is designed to differentiate the lepton from the  $W$  boson decay from leptons arising for example in QCD jets or from fake reconstructions. The signal of new physics can be diluted by the mis-identification of the electric charge of the leptons in Standard Model  $t\bar{t}(+jets)$  events and the mis-identification of the leptons from the  $W$  decay themselves. The observability of an excess of same-sign signals above



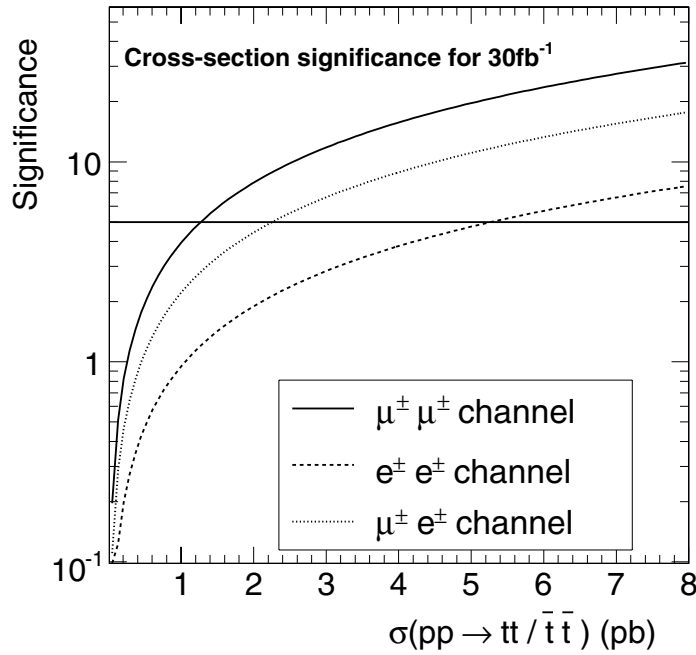
**Table 15.7.** Overview of the selection criteria applied on the events using simulated events with pile-up collisions included. The expected number of events are rescaled to a dataset of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  taking into account the respective Leading-Order cross-sections of the processes.

	$\mu\mu$	$\mu e$ and $ee$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \tau + X$	Other $t\bar{t}$	$W^\pm W^\mp$	$Z + jets$	S/N
Before selection	6915.0	20745.0	34606.2	485973.2	189951.7	578033.3	0.0078
Trigger	6114.7	16314.8	17415.6	100137.2	41288.4	266366.7	0.017
Two jets $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$	4398.2	11982.7	13560.9	93858.2	20593.8	66146.7	0.032
b-tag criteria	989.8	2485.4	2289.6	8784.7	133.5	240.0	0.13
Two leptons identified	888.2	30.1	375.8	801.6	1.7	73.3	1.30
Two leptons selected	481.5	0.07	48.4	3.01	0.4	53.3	4.7
Efficiency (in %)	6.96	0.0003	0.14	0.0006	0.00022	0.0092	
Opposite-sign	481.3	0	48.3	2.19	0	53.3	
Same-sign	0.2	0.07	0.1	0.82	0.4	0	
	$ee$	$\mu e$ and $\mu\mu$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \tau + X$	Other $t\bar{t}$	$W^\pm W^\mp$	$Z + jets$	S/N
Before selection	6915.0	20745.0	34606.2	485973.2	189951.7	578033.3	0.0078
Trigger	5354.8	17074.7	17415.6	100137.2	41288.4	266366.7	0.015
Two jets $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$	3960.9	12420.0	13560.9	93858.2	20593.8	66146.7	0.029
b-tag criteria	802.7	2672.4	2289.6	8784.7	133.5	240.0	0.11
Two leptons identified	724.5	34.6	453.8	2283.6	73.1	126.7	0.57
Two leptons selected	285.0	0.3	37.5	5.2	0.8	53.3	3.1
Efficiency (in %)	4.12	0.0013	0.11	0.0011	0.00044	0.0092	
Opposite-sign	279.6	0.3	36.8	4.1	0.4	46.7	
Same-sign	5.4	0	0.7	1.1	0.4	6.7	
	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$ and $ee$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \tau + X$	Other $t\bar{t}$	$W^\pm W^\mp$	$Z + jets$	S/N
Before selection	13830.0	13830.0	34606.2	485973.2	189951.73	578033.3	0.016
Trigger	10960.0	11469.5	17415.6	100137.2	41288.4	266366.7	0.030
Two jets $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$	8021.8	8359.1	13560.9	93858.2	20593.8	66146.7	0.061
b-tag criteria	1682.7	1792.5	2289.6	8784.7	133.5	240.0	0.25
Two leptons identified	1500.6	66.4	822.1	3001.6	30.2	20.0	0.88
Two leptons selected	722.7	0.9	85.2	6.3	0.4	0	8.3
Efficiency (in %)	5.23	0.0065	0.25	0.0013	0.00022	0	
Opposite-sign	715.5	0.9	83.8	4.9	0	0	
Same-sign	7.2	0	1.3	1.4	0.4	0	

the mis-reconstruction of the Standard Model background is determined. The details of the analysis are mentioned in [758].

The jets in the final state are reconstructed with an Iterative Cone jet clustering algorithm using a cone size of  $\Delta R = 0.5$ . Input objects for the cones are selected from all calorimeter towers above a pseudo-rapidity dependent energy threshold determined from the average underlying event energy deposits [165]. The energy scale of the reconstructed jets is calibrated with corrections from Monte Carlo studies. The primary vertices in the proton bunch crossing are determined, and the vertex with the highest transverse momentum is taken as the one of the hard scattering. Via a track-based algorithm, jets are rejected if they do not match with this hard primary vertex.

The leptons are reconstructed and identified using the methods described in [284]. A likelihood variable is used to suppress leptons from the heavy flavour quark background exploiting several reconstruction aspects of leptons in the CMS detector. This likelihood is determined for each muon or electron in the final state in order to enhance the purity of choosing the correct lepton from the leptonic  $W$  decay. The combined likelihood



**Figure 15.9.** For an integrated luminosity of  $30\text{fb}^{-1}$  the significance of the same-sign  $tt$  or  $\bar{t}\bar{t}$  excess above the Standard Model events is indicated as a function of the cross-section of the inclusive process  $pp \rightarrow tt/\bar{t}\bar{t}$ .

includes observables as tracker isolation, calorimeter isolation, vertex matching significance, transverse momentum of the lepton and angular distance to the closest jet. For the electron likelihood a variable reflecting the reconstruction quality is added. The two muons or electrons having the largest combined likelihood ratio value are taken as the hard leptons of interest.

The inclusive single-muon, single-electron, double muon and double electron triggers are applied as described in [506]. The event should be triggered in at least one of these streams. In total 88.4%, 77.4% and 79.2% of respectively the  $\mu\mu$ , the  $ee$  and the  $\mu e$  signal events remain after applying the trigger criteria. The event is required to have at least 2 jets with a calibrated  $E_T$  above 25 GeV. These jets need to have a pseudo-rapidity in the range  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and a  $b$ -tag discriminant larger than 0.5 [157]. The reconstructed hard leptons are required to have transverse momentum  $p_T$  exceeding 25 GeV/c in the pseudo-rapidity range of  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and a combined likelihood variable larger than 0.05.

In Table 15.7 the efficiencies and signal-to-noise ratios are shown after each selection step. Applying all cuts a signal-to-noise ratio of 4.7, 3.1 and 8.3 is obtained for respectively the  $\mu\mu$ , the  $ee$  and the  $e\mu$  final state. Cross-talk between these three considered final states is by construction not possible. As the amount of selected  $WW$  and  $Z + jets$  events in Table 15.7 is small, their contribution is alternatively estimated by multiplying the efficiencies of the event selection without the  $b$ -tagging and the individual  $b$ -tagging selection cut efficiency under the assumption that both selection cuts are uncorrelated.

It is illustrated [758] that from the selected topology of dilepton  $t\bar{t}$  events, a ratio  $R = \frac{N_{++--}}{N_{+-}}$  can be determined which is sensitive to physics beyond the Standard Model. In the ratio the total amount of events with equally charged leptons is divided by the total amount of events with opposite charged leptons. As the efficiency of reconstructing the leptons electric charge is very high, we can neglect the amount of selected  $pp \rightarrow tt$  or  $pp \rightarrow \bar{t}\bar{t}$

events observed with two opposite-charged leptons. Using the uncertainty on the ratio  $R$ , the significance of the observation of new physics channels  $pp \rightarrow tt$  or  $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  is determined as a function of the cross section (see Fig. 15.9). The dimuon channel has a larger sensitivity compared to the decay channels with electrons. This is caused by the electron reconstruction where a large fraction of electron energy clusters are matched with a wrong track resulting in a charge ambiguity.

It is assumed that the new physics processes beyond the Standard Model have a similar kinematic topology compared to the  $t\bar{t}$  process, therefore the selection efficiency of the new physics channels is taken equal to that of the Standard Model  $t\bar{t}$  process. Several models predict an excess of events with same-sign leptons in this topology, via the process  $pp \rightarrow tt/\bar{t}\bar{t}$  or  $pp \rightarrow tt/\bar{t}\bar{t} + b/c$ . These models are motivated by Flavour Changing Neutral Currents (FCNC) [759, 760], topcolour-assisted Technicolour (TC2) [761] or supersymmetry [762]. With a measurement of  $R$  these kinematically similar processes  $pp \rightarrow tt/\bar{t}\bar{t}$  can be observed with  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity if they have a cross section above 1 pb. Because a ratio of kinematically similar event topologies is measured, most of the experimental and theoretical systematic uncertainties cancel. The uncertainty of the background cross sections on the significances shown in Fig. 15.9 is found to be negligible. A feasibility study is performed to estimate the potential uncertainty on the mis-identification efficiency of the electric charge of electrons and muons from  $Z$  boson decays [758]. The effect on the significance of the excess of  $tt/\bar{t}\bar{t}$  events is found to be negligible.

## Appendix A. 95% CL limits and $5\sigma$ discoveries

### A.1. Estimators of significance

Several methods exist to quantify the statistical “significance” of an expected signal at future experiments. Following the conventions in high energy physics, the term significance usually means the “number of standard deviations” an observed signal is above expected background fluctuations. It is understood implicitly that  $S$  should follow a Gaussian distribution with a standard deviation of one. In statistics, the determination of the sensitivity is a typical problem of hypothesis testing, aiming at the discrimination between a null-hypothesis  $H_0$  stating that only background and no signal is present, and an alternative hypothesis  $H_1$ , which states the presence of a signal on top of the background. The “significance level” is the probability to find a value of a suitably constructed test statistic beyond a certain pre-specified critical value, beyond which the validity of  $H_1$  is assumed. The significance level has to be converted into an equivalent number of Gaussian sigmas to arrive at the common terminology of a high-energy physicist.

Since a signal is usually searched for in many bins of a distribution, and in many channels, a very high value of the significance of a local excess of events must be demanded before an observed “peak” found somewhere in some distribution can be claimed to be an observation of a signal. If the position of the signal peak is not known a-priori and treated as a free parameter in searches for new physics, the probability of background fluctuations is much higher. This is quantified in a case study in Section A.2 below, and this aspect will need careful consideration in the near future before first data taking at the LHC. The general, somewhat arbitrary convention is that the value of  $S$  of a local signal excess should exceed five, meaning that the significance level, or the corresponding one-sided Gaussian probability that a local fluctuation of the background mimics a signal, is  $2.9 \times 10^{-7}$ .

Here, the recommendations for the procedures to be used for the studies presented in this document are summarised. The aim of many of these studies is the prediction of the average expected sensitivity to the observation of a new signal in a future experiment. The real experiment might be lucky, i.e. observe a higher significance than the average expectation, or a downward fluctuation of the expected signal could lead to a lower observed significance. The proposed methods have been checked in a large number of pseudo-experiments using Monte Carlo simulation in order to investigate whether the probability of a background fluctuation having produced the claimed significance of the discovery is properly described.

Counting methods use the number of signal events,  $s$ , and the number of background events,  $b$ , observed in some signal region to define the significance  $S$ . These event numbers can be turned into a significance,  $S_{cP}$ , by using either the Poisson distribution for small numbers of events, or, in the high-statistics limit, the Gaussian distribution, leading to

$$S_{c1} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{b}}. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

The significance may also be obtained from the ratio of the likelihoods,  $\mathcal{L}_1$  and  $\mathcal{L}_0$ , belonging to the hypothesis  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ ,

$$S_L = \sqrt{2 \ln Q}, \quad \text{with } Q = \frac{\mathcal{L}_0}{\mathcal{L}_1}. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

This approach is theoretically well founded and is applicable also to the simple approach of the counting method, leading to

$$S_{cL} = \sqrt{2 \left( (s+b) \ln \left( 1 + \frac{s}{b} \right) - s \right)}, \quad (\text{A.3})$$

which follows directly from the Poisson distribution. In the Gaussian limit of large numbers  $s$  and  $b$ ,  $S_{cL}$  becomes equivalent to  $S_{c1}$ . The likelihood approach can be extended to include the full shapes of the signal and background distributions for the hypothesis  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ , and the likelihood may be obtained from binned or unbinned likelihood fits of the background-only and the background-plus-signal hypotheses to the observed distributions of events.

Another estimator,

$$S_{c12} = 2 \left( \sqrt{s+b} - \sqrt{b} \right), \quad (\text{A.4})$$

has been suggested in the literature [79, 763]. The formula for  $S_{c12}$  is strictly only valid in the Gaussian limit, but tabulated values exist for small statistics.

The presence of systematic errors deserves some special care. Two cases must be separated clearly:

(a) If the background and signal contributions can be determined from the data, e.g. by extrapolating the background level into the signal region from sidebands, systematic errors may be irrelevant, and the systematic errors only influence our ability to predict the average expected sensitivity. In this case, simple propagation of the theoretical errors on  $s$  and  $b$  applied to the above formulae for the various significances is all that is needed.

(b) If systematic errors on the background will affect the determination of the signal in the real experiment, e.g. because an absolute prediction of the background level or a prediction of the background shape are needed, the theoretical uncertainty must be taken into account when estimating the sensitivity. This can be done by numerical convolution of the Poisson distribution, or the Gaussian distribution in the high-statistics limit, with the probability density function of the theoretical uncertainty. Numerical convolutions of the Poisson distribution with a theoretical error of a Gaussian shape, leading to a variant of  $S_{cP}$  including systematic errors, were used for this document [679]. Numerical convolutions of the Poisson distribution with a systematic error of a Gaussian shape, leading to a variant of  $S_{cP}$  including systematic errors, were used for this document. The program ScPf [679] computes the significance by Monte Carlo integration with the assumption of an additional Gaussian uncertainty  $\Delta b$  on  $b$ . The significance can be approximated by an extension of  $S_{c12}$ :

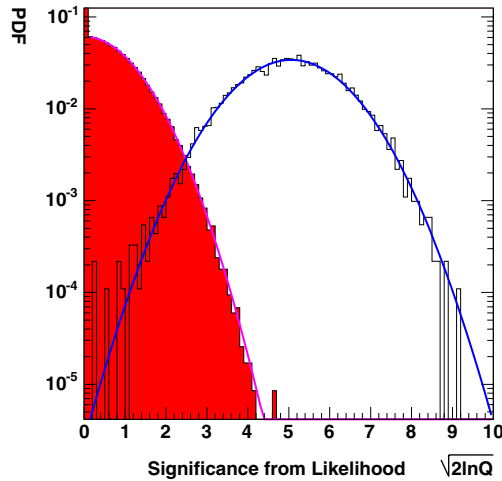
$$S_{c12s} = 2 \left( \sqrt{s+b} - \sqrt{b} \right) \frac{b}{b + \Delta b^2}. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

In the Gaussian limit it leads to

$$S_{c1} = s / \sqrt{b + \Delta b^2}. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

The most crucial point in this context is a realistic description of the probability density function of the systematic theoretical uncertainty, which can be anything ranging from a flat distribution between  $b \pm \Delta b$  to a pathological distribution with a significant non-Gaussian tail, but, in practice, is hardly ever known precisely.

The distribution of a significance estimator  $S$  in a series of experiments, its probability density function (p.d.f.), is of prime importance for the calculation of discovery probabilities in the presence of a real signal, or of fake probabilities due to fluctuations of the background. In the large-statistics limit, the likelihood-based significance estimators are expected to follow a  $\chi^2$ -distribution with a number of degrees of freedom given by the difference in the number of free parameters between the alternative hypothesis and the null hypothesis [103]. When



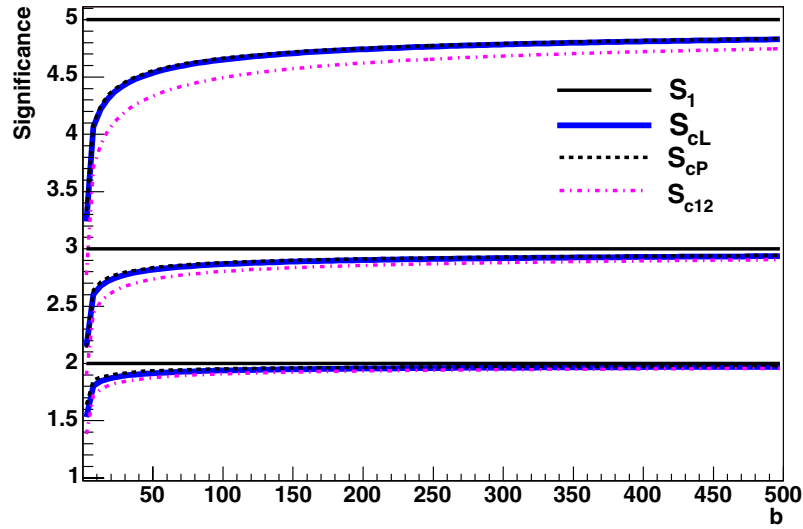
**Figure A.1.** Probability density functions of the estimator of significance  $S_L$  for small statistics (11 signal events over a background of 1.5 events). Filled histogram: pure background sample from 200 000 toy experiments, open histogram: background plus signal from 10 000 toy experiments. Gaussian fits are overlaid; the distribution of  $S_L$  for the background-only sample has a mean of  $-0.004$  and a width of  $\sigma = 1.0$ , the background-plus-signal sample has a width of 1.1.

testing for the presence of a signal on top of background at a fixed peak position,  $2 \ln Q = S_L^2$  is expected to follow a  $\chi^2$  distribution with one degree of freedom, i.e. a standard Gaussian distribution. All of the above estimators have been tested in a large number of toy experiments, see e.g. [60, 100, 102]. In particular the likelihood based estimators were found to be well-behaved, i.e. the distribution of the values of significance followed the expected behaviour already at moderate statistics, as is shown for one example in Fig. A.1. Good scaling with the square root of the integrated luminosity was also observed in these studies. On the other hand, the estimator  $S_{c1}$  cannot be considered a useful measure of significance at low statistics.

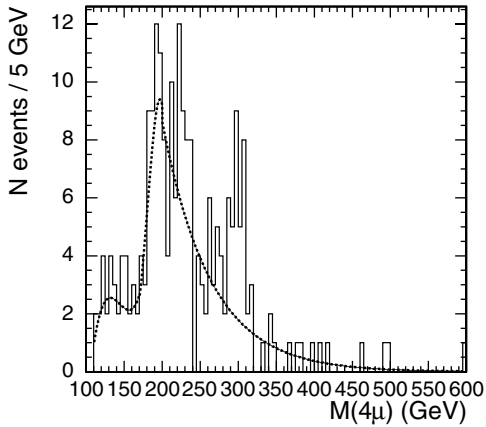
A quantitative comparison as a function of the number of background events for fixed values of  $s/\sqrt{b}$  of the various estimators discussed above is shown in Fig. A.2.  $S_{cL}$  and  $S_{cP}$  are found to agree very well, while  $S_{c12}$  tends to slightly underestimate the significance, a result which was also verified in the above Monte Carlo studies with large samples of toy experiments. While  $S_{cL}$  and  $S_{cP}$  remain valid independent of the value of  $b$ , the simpler estimator  $S_{c1}$  can only be used for background levels larger than 50 events.

### A.2. On the true significance of a local excess of events

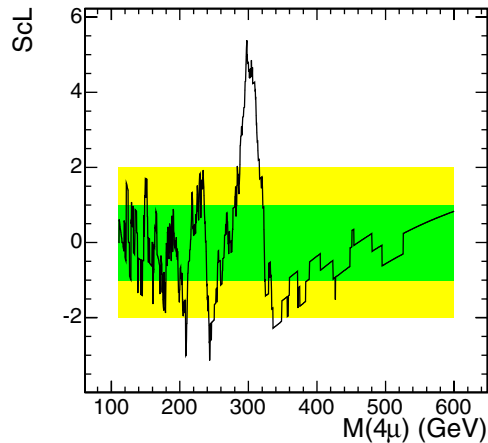
In searching for new phenomena in a wide range of possible signal hypotheses (e.g. a narrow resonance of unknown mass over a broad range background), a special care must be exercised in evaluating the true significance of observing a local excess of events. In the past, this fact was given substantial scrutiny by statisticians (e.g. [764, 765]) and physicists (e.g., [766–770]) alike. The purpose of this Appendix is to quantify a possible scope of this effect on an example of a search for the Standard Model Higgs boson in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^{(*)} \rightarrow 4\mu$  decay channel. As the case study, we chose a counting experiment approach widely used in this volume.



**Figure A.2.** Comparison of the various significance estimators as a function of the number of background events,  $b$ . The number of signal events was taken as  $s = S_{c1}\sqrt{b}$ , hence the constant black lines represent the value of  $S_{c1}$ . As can be seen,  $S_{cP}$  and  $S_{cL}$  agree perfectly, while  $S_{12}$  leads to slightly smaller values of significance.  $S_1$  significantly overestimates the significance at small event numbers.

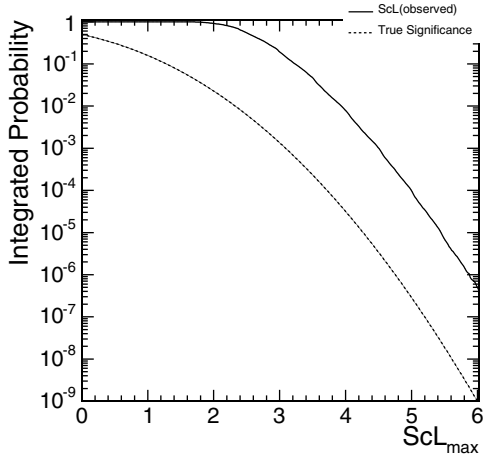


**Figure A.3.** The background  $pdf$  and an example of one pseudo-experiment with a statistical fluctuation appearing just like a signal.

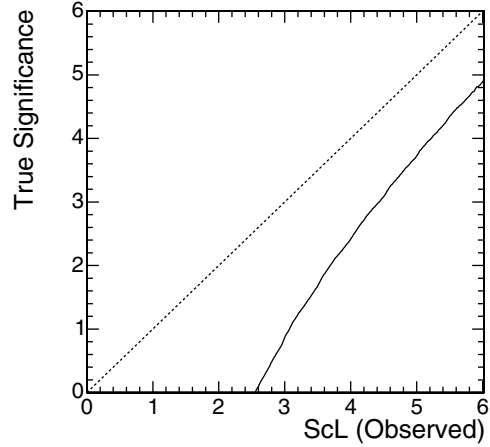


**Figure A.4.** Profile of the  $S_{cL}$  scan corresponding to the pseudo-experiment example shown on the left. Green (inner) and yellow (outer) bands denote  $\pm 1\sigma$  and  $\pm 2\sigma$  intervals. Spikes that can be seen are due to events coming in or dropping off the trial-window, a feature of low-statistics searches.

The dashed line in Fig. A.3 shows the expected  $4\mu$  invariant mass distribution for background at  $\mathcal{L} = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  after applying all the  $m_{4\mu}$ -dependent analysis cuts described in Sec. . Using this distribution, we played out  $\sim 10^8$  pseudo-experiments; an example is shown in Fig. A.3. For each pseudo-experiment, we slid a *signal region window* across the spectrum looking for a local event excess over the expectation. The size of the window  $\Delta m = w(m_{4\mu})$  was optimised and fixed *a priori* (about  $\pm 2\sigma$ ) to give close to the best significance for a



**Figure A.5.**  $S_{cL}$  cumulative probability density function.



**Figure A.6.** Local significance “renormalisation” from an observed value to the true significance with a proper probabilistic interpretation.

resonance with a width corresponding to the experimental SM Higgs boson width  $\sigma(m_{4\mu})$ . The step of probing different values of  $m_{4\mu}$  was “infinitesimally” small ( $0.05 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ) in comparison to the Higgs boson width of more than  $1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ . The scanning was performed in *a priori* defined range of  $115\text{--}600 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ .

We used a significance estimator  $S_{cL} = \text{sign}(s) \sqrt{2n_o \ln(1+s/b) - 2s}$ , where  $b$  is the expected number of background events,  $n_o$  is the number of observed events, and the signal is defined as  $s = n_o - b$ . This estimator, based on the Log-Likelihood Ratio, is known to follow very closely the true Poisson significance, only slightly over-estimating it in the limit of small statistics [51]. Figure A.4 presents the results of such a scan for the pseudo-experiment shown in Fig. A.3. The maximum value of  $S_{cL}$ ,  $S_{max}$ , and the corresponding mass of a “Higgs boson candidate” obtained in each pseudo-experiment were retained for further statistical studies.

After performing  $10^8$  pseudo-experiments, the differential probability density function for  $S_{max}$  and its corresponding cumulative probability function  $P(S_{max} > S)$  (Fig. A.5) were calculated. From Fig. A.5, one can see that the frequency of observing some large values of  $S_{cL}$  (solid line) is much higher than its naive interpretation might imply (dashed line). If desired, the actual probability can be converted to the true significance. The result of such “renormalisation” is presented in Fig. A.6. One can clearly see that the required de-rating of significance is not negligible; in fact, it is larger than the effect of including all theoretical and instrumental systematic errors for this channel (see Section 3.1). More details on the various aspects of these studies can be found in [51].

There are ways of reducing the effect. A more detailed analysis of the shape of the  $m_{4\mu}$  distribution will help somewhat. Using the predicted number of signal events  $s = s_{theory}$  in the significance estimator to begin with and, then, for validating the statistical consistency of an excess  $n_o - b$  with the expectation  $s_{theory}$  will reduce the effect further. One can also use a non-flat prior on the Higgs mass as it comes out from the precision electroweak measurements. Whether one will be able to bring the effect to a negligible level by using all these additional constraints on the signal hypotheses is yet to be seen. The purpose of this Appendix is not to give the final quantitative answer, but rather to assert that these studies must become an integral part of all future search analyses when multiple signal hypotheses are tried.



## Appendix B. Systematic Errors

### B.1. Theoretical uncertainties

The simulation of events at the LHC is complex and can be conventionally divided into different parts which either involve the description of the interesting physics process or the description of the initial scattering conditions and the physics environment.

The simulation of the hardest part of the physics process is done via matrix element (ME) calculations at a certain order in the coupling constants and continues with the parton showering (PS) of the resulting partons until a cut-off scale, over which the perturbative evolution stops and the fragmentation of the final partons takes on. This cut-off is often referred to as factorisation scale, because it is the scale at which the two processes (showering and fragmentation) are supposed to factorise.

The interesting event is accompanied by the so-called underlying event (UE), term which identifies all the remnant activity from the same proton-proton (p-p) interaction and whose definition often includes ISR as well, and the pile-up, composed by other minimum bias (MB) p-p interactions in the same bunch crossing (up to 25 at high luminosity at the LHC). Moreover, since the initial state is not defined in p-p collisions, a proper description of the proton parton density functions (PDFs) should be included in the calculations.

Each of these effects needs to be modelled to the best of our knowledge, and the associated uncertainties need to be determined and propagated to the physics measurements. Moreover, many of the sources are correlated: for instance, fragmentation and showering are obviously dependent on each other, and in turn they assume a certain description of the underlying event. The task of assessing systematics due to theory and modelling can therefore be a difficult one and can sometime contain a certain degree of arbitrariness.

In what follows we propose some guidelines for the estimation of errors coming from the above, trying to divide the systematics sources into wider categories as much uncorrelated as possible: QCD radiation, fragmentation description, PDFs, UE and MB.

In attributing systematic errors we believe that one should use motivated recipes, avoiding unrealistic scenarios which will lead to unnecessarily conservative errors or, much worse, totally arbitrary assumptions.

#### B.1.1. Hard process description and parametric uncertainties

The description of the hard process should be done with Monte Carlo tools which are best suited to the specific analysis. For instance, when precise description of hard gluon emission becomes an issue, then next-to-leading order (NLO) generator tools like MC@NLO [771], or higher leading order (LO)  $\alpha_s$  generators like COMPHEP [43], MADGRAPH [81], ALPGEN [161], and SHERPA [194] should be considered. This is in general true for both the signal and the background description.

When adopting a ME tool, one should always keep in mind that its output is often (if not always) supposed to be interfaced to PS Monte Carlo such as HERWIG [196], PYTHIA [24] or ISAJET [672], that treat the soft radiation and the subsequent transition of the partons into observable hadrons. One of the most difficult problems is to eliminate double counting where jets can arise from both higher order ME calculations and from hard emission during the shower evolution. Much theoretical progress has been made recently in this field [772–775]. For what concerns the ME/PS matched description of multi-jet final states, a rich spectrum of processes is currently available in ALPGEN. However, adopting general purpose generators like PYTHIA can still be the best option for topologies that are better described in the Leading

Logarithm Approximation (LLA), for instance in the case of two leading jets and much softer secondary jets. The two different descriptions should be regarded as complementary.

In general, a sensible choice for the selection of the best generation tools can be driven by the HEPCODE data base [776]. However, comparison between different generators is recommended whenever applicable.

Each analysis needs then to make sure that other important effects (e.g. spin correlations in the final state, NLO ME corrections to top decays) are included in the generation mechanism. For example, TOPREX [44], as long with some of the Monte Carlo generators already introduced in this section, provides a correct treatment of top quark spin correlations in the final state. Neglecting some of these effects corresponds to introducing an error in the analysis that cannot be considered as coming from a theoretical uncertainty.

For both signal and backgrounds, missing higher orders are a delicate source of uncertainty. Formally, the associated error cannot be evaluated unless the higher order calculation is available. This is often not possible, unless extrapolating by using comparisons with analytical calculations of total or differential cross-sections at the next order, if available. One should keep in mind that simple K-factors are not always enough and that the inclusion of higher orders typically also involves distortions in differential distributions.

Moreover, one should not forget that any Standard Model calculation is performed in certain schemes and that the input parameters are subject to their experimental uncertainties; if the error on most of those and the choice of the renormalisation scheme are expected to give negligible effects in comparison with other uncertainties, this might not be so for the choice of the hard process scale, which we will discuss in the next section, and some of the input parameters.

Among the input parameters, by far the one known with less accuracy will be the top mass. The current uncertainty of about 2% [777] enters in the LO calculations for processes which involve top or Higgs production. For instance, the total  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section is known to have a corresponding 10% uncertainty due to this [45]. As far as Higgs production (in association or not with tops) is concerned, gluon–gluon fusion proceeds via a top loop and therefore the total cross-section can have a strong dependence on the top mass when  $m_H \approx 2m_t$ . Analyses which include Higgs bosons or top are encouraged to estimate the dependence of the significant observables on the top mass itself. Effects of  $m_t$  variation on acceptances of these analyses should instead be negligible.

### B.1.2. Hard process scale

The hard process under study drives the definition of the  $Q^2$  scale, which directly enters in the parametrisation of PDFs and  $\alpha_s$ , hence in the expression of the cross sections.

The dependence of the observables on the choice for the  $Q^2$  hard process scale is unphysical and should be regarded as one important contribution to the total uncertainty in the theoretical predictions. The sensitivity of the predicted observables to such choice is expected to decrease with the increasing order in which the calculation is performed, and can be tested by changing the hard process scale parameters in the generation (where applicable) using a set of sound values according to the characteristics of the hard process.

A sensible choice for the hard process scale in  $2 \rightarrow 1$  processes is often  $\hat{s}$ , which is the default in general purpose generators like PYTHIA. Alternative choices to quote theoretical uncertainties can be  $0.25\hat{s}$  and  $4.0\hat{s}$ . In PYTHIA this can be obtained acting on PARP(34).

For  $2 \rightarrow n$  processes, many reasonable alternatives for the  $Q^2$  scale definition exist. The PYTHIA default (MSTP(32) = 8), corresponds to the average squared transverse mass of the outgoing objects. It is possible to test the sensitivity on the  $Q^2$  scale switching to different options, for example trying  $Q^2 = \hat{s}$  (MSTP(32) = 4 in PYTHIA).

### B.1.3. PDF description

The parton distribution functions of interacting particles describe the probability density for partons undergoing hard scattering at the hard process scale  $Q^2$  and taking a certain fraction  $x$  of the total particle momentum. Since the  $Q^2$  evolution can be calculated perturbatively in the framework of QCD, PDFs measurements can be cross checked using heterogeneous DIS, Drell–Yan and jet data, and achieve predictivity for points where no direct measurements are available yet, for example in a large region of the  $(x, Q^2)$  space for p–p interactions at the LHC energy.

Various approaches are currently available to quote the PDFs of the proton, which propose different solutions for what concerns the functional form, the theoretical scheme, the order of the QCD global analysis (including possible QED corrections), and the samples of data retained in the fits: CTEQ [778], MRST [779], Botje [780], Alekhin [781], etc. The CTEQ and MRST PDFs, including Tevatron jet data in the fits, seem to be well suited for use in Monte Carlo simulations for the LHC.

The best way to evaluate theoretical uncertainties due to a certain proton PDFs is to vary the errors on the parameters of the PDF fit itself. With the Les Houches accord [95] PDF (LHAPDF) errors should be easily propagated via re-weighting to the final observables. However, errors are available only for NLO PDF, whereas in most of the cases only LO tools are available for the process calculation. Correctly performing evaluation of theoretical uncertainties in these cases requires some care. The proposed solution is to adopt CTEQxL (LO) for the reference predictions using CTEQxM (NLO) only to determine the errors.

For analyses which are known to be particularly sensitive to PDFs, like cross-section measurements, it would be also desirable to compare two different sets of PDFs (typically CTEQ vs MRST) taking then the maximum variation as an extra error. This is important since, even considering the error boundaries, different set of PDFs may not overlap in some region of the phase space.

The LHAGLUE interface [95] included from the most recent LHAPDF versions simplifies the use of the Les Houches accord PDF in PYTHIA by the switches `MSTP(52) = 2`, `MSTP(51) = LHAPDFid`.

### B.1.4. QCD radiation: the parton shower Monte Carlo

The showering algorithm is basically a numeric Markov-like implementation of the QCD dynamic in the LLA. After the generation of a given configuration at partonic level, the initial state radiation (ISR) and the final state radiation (FSR) are produced following unitary evolutions with probabilities defined by the showering algorithm.

The probability for a parton to radiate, generating a  $1 \rightarrow 2$  branching, are given by the Altarelli–Parisi equations [782], however various implementations of the showering algorithm exist in parton shower Monte Carlo, which mostly differ for the definition of the  $Q^2$  evolution variable (virtuality scale) in the  $1 \rightarrow 2$  radiation branching and for the possible prescriptions limiting the phase space accessible to the radiation: PYTHIA, HERWIG, ARIADNE [783], ISAJET etc.

The virtuality scales for both ISR and FSR need to be matched to the hard process scale, the latter setting an upper limit on the former ones; such limit has to be considered in a flexible way, given the level of arbitrariness in the scale definitions. While this matching is somewhat guaranteed if one adopts the same simulation tool for both hard scattering and parton shower, a careful cross check is recommended in all other cases. In general, a critical judgement taking into account the hard process type is needed. Allowing a virtuality scale higher than the hard

process scale may give rise to double counting. This is the case of  $gg \rightarrow gg$  processes with additional hard gluons added in the showering. However other processes are safer from this point of view, for instance the case of the  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z$  process at LO.

Quantum interference effects in hadronic collisions have been observed by CDF [784] and DØ [785] studying the kinematical correlations between the third jet (regarded as the result of a soft branching in the LLA) and the second one. The implementation of the so called colour coherence in PS Monte Carlo is made in the limit of large number of colours and for soft and collinear emissions, restricting the phase space available to the radiation depending on the developed colour configuration. Different implementations of the colour coherence are available in HERWIG and PYTHIA, while ISAJET doesn't take into account such effects.

The theoretical uncertainty associated to the parton showering descriptions, includes what is normally referred to as ISR or FSR and their interference. In order to achieve practical examples for the recommended parton shower settings, we will consider PYTHIA as the default tool for showering from now on.

Turning OFF ISR and FSR ( $MSTP(61) = 0$ ,  $MSTP(71) = 0$  respectively) or even the interference part ( $MSTP(62) = 0$ ,  $MSTP(67) = 0$ ) is certainly a too crude approach and, to a large extent, a totally arbitrary procedure to assess a systematic error. We believe it is much more realistic to vary, according to sound boundaries, the switches regulating the amount and the strength of the radiation of the showering. These can correspond to  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  and the maximum virtuality scales up to which ISR stops and from which FSR starts. It would be important to switch the parameters consistently going from low to high values in both ISR and FSR.

Notice that the radiation parameters were typically fitted at LEP1 together with the fragmentation parameters, benefiting from a much simplified scenario where no ambiguity on the maximum virtuality scale applies, the only relevant energy scale of the problem being  $\hat{s} = s$ . One has to take into account that while for instance FSR accompanying heavy boson decays at the LHC can be directly related to the LEP experience, FSR in processes like  $gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  entails additional uncertainties arising from the maximum allowed virtuality scale and ISR/FSR interference. On top of that, additional complications arise from the fact that ISR at hadron machines contributes to the description of the underlying event. Matching two different tunings of the same parameter (in particular  $PARP(67)$ ) can be very subtle at the LHC.

These are the suggested settings in PYTHIA, which have been cross-checked with the ones adopted by the CDF experiment and also follow the prescription by the main author:

- $\Lambda_{QCD}$ :  $PARP(61)$ ,  $PARP(72)$ ,  $PARJ(81)$  from 0.15 to 0.35 GeV consistently, symmetric with respect to 0.25. Notice that these settings have been optimised for the CTEQ6L PDFs. In general different ranges apply when changing PDFs. In order to give the user full control on these parameters the option  $MSTP(3) = 1$  has to be set, otherwise  $\Lambda_{QCD}$  is assumed to be derived from the PDFs parametrisation.
- $Q_{max}^2$ :  $PARP(67)$  from 0.25 to 4 and  $PARP(71)$  from 1 to 16 going from low to high emission in a correlated way. In doing so one should also make sure that the tuning of the underlying event is not changing at the same time. Possible re-tuning of the underlying event in different radiation scenarios may be needed, in particular for what concerns  $PARP(82)$ .

### B.1.5. Fragmentation

Perturbative QCD cannot provide the full description of the transition from primary quarks to observable hadrons, but only the part which involves large momentum transfer. The formation of final hadrons involves a range of interactions which goes above the Fermi scale and where

the strong coupling constant  $\alpha_s$  increases above unity, making it necessary to describe this part in a non-perturbative way, normally referred to as fragmentation or hadronisation.

The non-perturbative description of fragmentation is realised via models, which need to be tuned to experimental data. The data correspond, typically, to event shapes and multiplicities at leptonic machines or to the inclusive jet shapes at hadronic machines. A comprehensive overview of the models can be found in [786].

Fragmentation is said to depend only on the factorisation scale if jet universality is assumed, i.e. assuming that jets fragment in the same way at hadron and lepton machines. Jet universality will be ultimately verified at the LHC; one should clarify whether instrumental effects and the LHC environment will have an impact on the final observables. For instance, the much larger fraction of gluon jets or the different description of the underlying event can change the values of the parameters that regulate the fragmentation. Moreover, for events with high multiplicity of jets it will also be crucial to properly describe fragmentation in conditions where large jet overlapping is to be expected and where inclusive tunings might not be ideal.

The consequence of jet universality is that, once the PS cut-off scale is fixed, the fragmentation description for light quarks should be universal, and the LEP/SLD tunings (or the Tevatron ones) could be used as they are for the LHC.

It is important to underline that the description of the non-perturbative part of the radiation also depends on the way the perturbative one is described. This means that one should not use a tuning of fragmentation done with LO(+LL) tools (typically PYTHIA at LEP) attached to perturbative calculation which are done at higher (or different) order.

*B.1.5.1. Light quarks fragmentation.* In the absence of LHC data, the best choice is therefore to use a model tuned to the LEP and SLD data [787–789]. It is important to choose the tuning in a consistent way from the same experiment, given that a combined LEP/SLD tuning has never been attempted. As a possibility, suggested by the major success in describing the data and by its extensive use in the experimental collaborations, is the use of PYTHIA, which uses the string (or Lund) fragmentation model [790]. The parameters that we consider more relevant in PYTHIA for the description of fragmentation are the following, where the central value is taken by the fit performed by the OPAL Collaboration, as an example:

$$\text{PARJ}(81) = 0.250$$

$$\text{PARJ}(82) = 1.90$$

$$\text{PARJ}(41) = 0.11$$

$$\text{PARJ}(42) = 0.52$$

$$\text{PARJ}(21) = 0.40$$

where PARJ(81) ( $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$ ) and PARJ(82) ( $Q_{\text{min}}^2$ ) refer to the radiation part. To properly evaluate a systematic error due to pure fragmentation one should vary only PARJ(42) and PARJ(21) by their respective errors (0.04 and 0.03 for OPAL). The variation should account for the proper parameter correlation if the effect is critical for the analysis. PARJ(41) is totally correlated to PARJ(42).

Alternatively, or additionally, it would also be important to compare PYTHIA with HERWIG with consistent tunings from LEP [787–789]; in doing so it is important to factorise the UE description (see next section) that can induce important differences in the results.

*B.1.5.2. Heavy quarks fragmentation.* The description of the heavy quarks fragmentation is important for top physics and for those processes with large b production in the final states. Exclusive channels are particularly influenced by the description of the fragmentation of the b quark.

The description of the fragmentation of the heavy quarks has been tuned to Z data at LEP and SLD [778, 791–793] (via a measurement of  $x_B$  and  $x_D$ ) and  $b\bar{b}$  data at the Tevatron, using different fragmentation functions like Lund, Bowler [794], Peterson [795], Kartvelishvili [796].

In the spirit of fragmentation universality the LEP/SLD tunings can be adopted for the LHC, but with much care. Significant differences among the fitted values in different experiment can point out that the factorisation scale used for the PS is not the same everywhere. One should make sure that the scale used is set consistently with the chosen fragmentation function parameters. This can be done by using the tuning from only one experiment, making sure to also use the main switches of the parton showering, (PARJ(81) and PARJ(82) in PYTHIA).

The fragmentation function that best describes heavy flavour data at LEP is Bowler. With the same OPAL tuning reported above the best fit of the Bowler parameters,  $a$  and  $bm_{\perp}^2$ , to data gives:

$$\begin{aligned}bm_{\perp}^2 &= 65_{-14}^{+17} \\ a &= 15.0 \pm 2.3.\end{aligned}$$

The Bowler model would extend the string model to heavy flavours, describing the corrections in terms of the charm and bottom masses. Unfortunately, no tuning exists in the literature which is capable to describe at the same time light and heavy quark fragmentation, i.e. adopting universal parameters  $a = \text{PARJ}(41)$  and  $b = \text{PARJ}(42)$  for both light and heavy quarks.

Alternatively, the widely used Peterson function can be used, and its parameters are directly switchable in PYTHIA for just b and c fragmentation:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{PARJ}(54) &= -0.031 \pm 0.011 \\ \text{PARJ}(55) &= -0.0041 \pm 0.0004\end{aligned}$$

where the two parameters correspond, respectively, to  $\varepsilon_c$  and  $\varepsilon_b$  fitted in the OPAL tuning. The systematic can then be evaluated by varying the errors on the fitted parameters or by comparing with a different fragmentation function like Kartvelishvili, or Lund.

An important feature of the b fragmentation that should be considered by those analyses in the top sector sensitive to the details of the fragmentation, is the way the b fragments in top decays. At the LHC the b from a t is hadronising with a beam remnant, introducing potentially worrying differences with respect to the fragmentation at LEP. The main effects are presented in [797] and are known as *cluster collapse*, happening when a very low mass strings quark-remnant directly produces hadrons without fragmenting, hence enhancing the original flavour content, and *beam drag*, which is an angular distortion of hadron distribution toward the end of the string in the remnant. If, under reasonable assumptions on the transverse momentum in top events at the LHC, one can exclude to a large extent the importance of the first effect, beam drag could potentially introduce B meson production asymmetries, even though estimations are keeping the effect at the level of 1% at the LHC [797].

### B.1.6. Minimum bias and underlying event

Multiple parton interaction models, extending the QCD perturbative picture to the soft regime, turn out to be particularly adequate to describe the physics of minimum bias and underlying event. Examples of these models are implemented in the general purpose simulation programs PYTHIA, HERWIG/JIMMY [193] and SHERPA. Other successful descriptions of underlying event and minimum bias at hadron colliders are achieved by alternative approaches like PHOJET [798], which rely on both perturbative QCD and Double Pomeron Models (DPM).

Huge progress in the phenomenological study of the underlying event in jet events have been achieved by the CDF experiment at Tevatron [799], using the multiplicity and transverse momentum spectra of charged tracks in different regions in the azimuth-pseudorapidity space defined with respect to the direction of the leading jet. Regions that receive contributions only by the underlying event have been identified. The average charged multiplicity per unit of pseudorapidity in these regions turns out to be significantly higher with respect to the one measured in minimum bias events. This effect, referred to as “pedestal effect”, is well reproduced only by varying impact parameters models with correlated parton-parton interactions ( $MSTP(82) > 1$  in `PYTHIA`). Simpler models are definitely ruled out.

The main problem of extrapolating the predictions of the multiple interactions models to the LHC is that some of the parameters are explicitly energy dependent, in particular the colour screening  $p_T$  cut-off ( $PARP(82)$  at the tuning energy  $PARP(89)$  in `PYTHIA`). The CDF tuning, often referred to as Tune-A, is not concentrating on this particular aspect. Other works [197, 800] have put more emphasis on this issue. However, one of their results is that currently only `PYTHIA` can be tuned to provide at the same time description of CDF and lower energy minimum bias data from UA5. One of these tunings can be summarised as follows:

- $PARP(82) = 2.9$
- $PARP(83) = 0.5$
- $PAPR(84) = 0.4$
- $PARP(85) = 0.33$
- $PARP(86) = 0.66$
- $PARP(89) = 14000$
- $PARP(90) = 0.16$
- $PARP(91) = 1.0$
- $MSTP(81) = 1$
- $MSTP(82) = 4.$

Sensible estimation of theoretical uncertainties arising from underlying event and minimum bias modelling can be performed assigning  $\pm 3\sigma$  variations to the colour screening  $p_T$  cut-off parameter tuned on minimum bias CDF and UA5 data and extrapolated to the LHC energy [ 800], i.e. varying  $PARP(82)$  in the range [2.4–3.4], while keeping the other parameters listed above to their tuned values.

As a new tool for the description of UE and MB we would like to mention `PYTHIA` 6.3 [801], that allows for new interesting features, including the new  $p_T$ -ordered initial- and final-state showers and a new very sophisticated multiple interactions model that achieves description of colliding partons in the proton in terms of correlated multi-parton distribution functions of flavours, colours and longitudinal momenta. However, as stressed by the `PYTHIA` authors, the new model (`PYEVNW`) is still not so well explored. Therefore the old model (`PYEVNT`) is retained as the default choice, with full backward compatibility. Moreover, in the use of `PYTHIA` 6.3, one should be careful when switching to the new  $p_T$ -ordered showers and multiple interaction models, as their parameters are not tuned yet, in particular for what concerns the energy dependence, necessary to get meaningful extrapolations at the LHC energy.

### *B.1.7. Pile-up and LHC cross sections*

The design parameters of the LHC at both low and high luminosity are such that, on top of possible signal events, additional minimum bias interactions are produced in the same beam crossing, the so-called pile-up effect.

Pile-up is a purely statistical effect. The number of minimum bias interactions generated in a single beam crossing is a Poissonian distribution that depends on the instantaneous luminosity, which varies of about a factor 2 during a LHC fill. Although luminosity variation is not arising from theoretical uncertainties, it is recommended to cross check the stability of the results against variation of the nominal luminosity.

An issue which can affect the pile-up is the definition of the minimum bias itself. The latter, indeed, may or may not include the diffractive and elastic contributions, with figures for the total cross section which can vary from 100 mb to 50 mb respectively. If the PYTHIA generator is adopted, these two different options correspond to MSEL 2 and MSEL 1, however, in order to get full control on the different contributions to the cross sections, one can use MSEL 2, setting  $MSTP(31) = 0$ , and providing explicit input through  $SIGT(0, 0, J)$ , where the meaning of the index  $J$  is described below:

- $J = 0$  Total cross section (reference value = 101.3 mb)
- $J = 1$  Elastic cross section (reference value = 22.2 mb)
- $J = 2$  Single diffractive cross section XB (reference value = 7.2 mb)
- $J = 3$  Single diffractive cross section AX (reference value = 7.2 mb)
- $J = 4$  Double diffractive cross section (reference value = 9.5 mb)
- $J = 5$  Inelastic, non-diffractive cross section (reference value = 55.2 mb).

Where  $J = 0$  has to correspond to the sum of the contributions for  $J = 1, \dots, 5$ . With respect to alternative cross section predictions [802], PYTHIA reference values for diffractive cross sections might be slightly shifted on the high side. A possible sound alternative could be to reduce the diffractive cross sections of around 30%, keeping constant the total cross section.

In order to assess the sensitivity of one analysis to the diffractive variations in the pile-up, at least the two options MSEL 1 and MSEL 2 should be tried. Diffractive contribution will in general result in few additional soft charged particles spiralling in the high magnetic fields of the LHC experiments. This effect is most likely to be relevant in the tracker detectors, where multiple hits in the same layer can be generated by the same track.

#### B.1.8. Decays

In contrast to the simple decay models available in the common PS Monte Carlo, alternative hadron decay models exist, for example EVTGEN [803], which have huge collections of exclusive hadron decays up to branching ratios as low as  $10^{-4}$ .

EVTGEN follows the spin density matrix formalism and has an easily tuneable and upgradeable hadron decay data base which currently constitutes the largest and most refined collection of hadron decay models.

Comparison between the simple default decay models implemented in PS Monte Carlo and those available in EVTGEN should be recommended at least for analyses dealing with B hadrons or relying on b-tagging. However, since switching to a new hadron decay model could have a deep spin-offs on the exclusive description of the final states (multiplicity of kaons, pions, photons and muons, multiplicity of tracks reconstructed in secondary vertices) it might be worth to study also effects on trigger performances.

The LHC version of EVTGEN was initially provided by the LHCb experiment and is currently maintained by LCG Generator [804]. It comprises an interface to PYTHIA simulation that solves the technical problems of switching between the two different scenarios (i.e. hadron decays performed by PYTHIA, hadron decays performed by EVTGEN).



### B.1.9. LHAPDF and PDF uncertainties

The detailed investigations of processes at LHC required a well understanding of the systematic theoretical uncertainties [201]. One of the important source of such errors is the parton distribution functions (PDFs).

The Les Houches Accord Parton Density Functions (LHAPDF) package [95] is designed to work with the different PDF sets<sup>53</sup>. In this approach a “fit” to the data is no longer described by a single PDF, but by a PDF set consisting of many individual PDF members. Indeed, PDFs are specified in a parameterised form at a fixed energy scale  $Q_0$ , such as

$$f(x, Q_0) = a_0 x^{a_1} (1-x)^{a_2} (1+a_3 x^{a_4} \dots). \quad (\text{B.1})$$

The PDFs at all higher  $Q$  are determined by NLO perturbative QCD evolution equations. The total number of PDF parameters ( $d$ ) could be large (for example, for CTEQ parametrisation one has  $d = 20$  [12]). Fitting procedure is used for evaluation an effective  $\chi^2$  function, which can be used to extract the “best fit” (the global minimum of  $\chi^2$ ) and also to explore the neighbourhood of the global minimum in order to quantify the uncertainties. As a result one has the “best-fit” PDF and  $2d$  subsets of PDF [12, 95]:

$$f_0(x, Q), f_i^\pm(x, Q) = f(x, Q; \{a_i^\pm\}), \quad i = 1, \dots, d. \quad (\text{B.2})$$

*B.1.9.1. Master equations for calculating uncertainties.* Let  $X(\{a\})$  be any variable that depends on the PDFs. It can be a physical quantity such as the  $W$  production cross section, or a differential distribution.

Let  $X_0 = X(\{a_0\})$  be the estimate for  $X$  calculated with the best-fit PDF and  $X_i^\pm$  be the observable  $X$  calculated with  $i$ -th subset  $f_i^\pm(x, Q)$ .

Following to CTEQ6 collaboration one can estimate the variation of  $X$  by using a master formula [12]:

$$\Delta X = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (X_i^+ - X_i^-)^2}. \quad (\text{B.3})$$

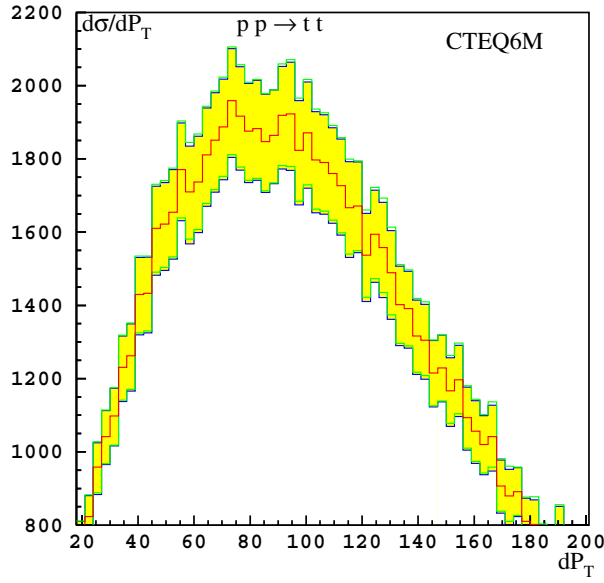
However, very often many  $X_i^+$  and  $X_i^-$  have different magnitudes and even signs! This failure of the master formula is a result of the simple observation that the PDF set that minimises the uncertainty in a given observable  $X$  is not necessarily the same as the one that minimises the fit to the global data set.

The better estimator for the uncertainty of a generic observable  $X$  was proposed in [805]. It is defined as the maximum positive and negative errors on an observable  $X$  by

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta X_+ &= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (\max[(X_i^+ - X_0), (X_i^- - X_0), 0])^2}, \\ \Delta X_- &= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^d (\max[(X_0 - X_i^+), (X_0 - X_i^-), 0])^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.4})$$

In Eqs. (B.4) one sums the maximum deviations on the observable in each of the parameter directions, and hence retain both maximal sensitivity to the parameters that vary most and estimate the range of allowed values of the cross section. Note, that the errors in Table C.2 were evaluated with this Eq. (B.4).

<sup>53</sup> Note, at CMS it was recommended to use the CTEQ 5L set for PTDR simulation. Since there is only *one* CTEQ 5L PDF set (without corresponding subsets), it was recommended to use CTEQ 6M for evaluation of uncertainties due to PDFs for PTDR estimates and only in a special case can one use another sets (e.g. MRST).



**Figure B.1.**  $d\sigma/dP_T$  distribution for  $t\bar{t}$ -pair production at LHC. The central histogram corresponds to the ‘best-fit’ of CTEQ6M PDF, while the shaded area represents the deviation due to PDF uncertainties.

Eq. (B.4) could also be used for calculations of differential distribution. Fig. B.1 presents the differential distribution  $d\sigma/dP_T$  for  $t\bar{t}$ -pair production at LHC.

*B.1.9.2. How to calculate  $X(\{a_i\})$ .* The most simple and straightforward method is to simulate a sample with the “best-fit” PDFs and then to repeat a such simulation  $2d$  times with different  $2d$  PDF subsets. As a results one gets  $(1 + 2d)$  samples of *unweighted* events with *different* kinematics for each samples. Then use these samples to calculate  $(1 + 2d)$  values for observable:

$$X_0 = \sum_{\text{events}} X_n(\{a_0\}), \quad X_i^\pm = \sum_{\text{events}} X_n(\{a_i^\pm\}), \quad i = 1, \dots, d. \quad (\text{B.5})$$

In practice, such method requires a large CPU-time and can be recommended only to be used for very few special cases, when a high accuracy is required.

In the second approach (“*re-weighting*” method) one needs to simulate only **one** sample with the ‘best-fit’ PDF. In doing so the additional weights, corresponding to all other PDF subsets are evaluated. This weight is the ratio of the parton luminosity [PDF( $\{a_i\}$ ) – the product of PDFs] evaluated with PDF subset to the parton luminosity, calculated with the ‘best-fit’ PDF. As a result, for any  $n$ -event one has  $2d$  additional weights:

$$w_{(0)} = 1(\text{best fit PDF}), \quad w_{(i)}^\pm = \frac{\text{PDF}(\{a_i^\pm\})_n}{\text{PDF}(\{a_0\})_n}; \quad w_{(i)}^\pm = \mathcal{O}(1). \quad (\text{B.6})$$

The corresponding  $(1 + 2d)$  values for observable  $X$  are evaluated as follows:

$$X_0 = \sum_{\text{events}} X_n(\{a_0\}), \quad X_i^\pm = \sum_{\text{events}} w_{(i)}^\pm X_n(\{a_0\}). \quad (\text{B.7})$$

Contrary to the first method (see (B.5)) these  $(1 + 2d)$  samples have the events with *different* weights, but with *identical* kinematics for each samples. Note, that all additional samples have

different “total number of events”:

$$N_0 = \sum_{\text{events}} w_{(0)} (= 1), \quad N_i^\pm = \sum_{\text{events}} w_{(i)}^\pm \neq N_0, \quad \text{and} \quad N_i^\pm = \mathcal{O}(N_0). \quad (\text{B.8})$$

Starting from CMKIN\_6\_0\_0 version it is possible for each event the evaluation of the additional weights, corresponding to different PDF subsets (i.e.  $w_{(i)}^\pm$ , see (B.6)). This option is available for CMKIN run with PYTHIA-like generators (PYTHIA, MADGRAPH, COMPHEP, ALPGEN, TOPREX, STAGEN, etc) and HERWIG. This information is written in `/mc_param/` user block after all variables filled by CMKIN and a user (by using of `kis_xxx` routines).

## B.2. Experimental uncertainties

The systematic uncertainties associated with the detector measurements contributing to an analysis are mostly covered in the corresponding chapters of Volume 1 of this Report [7] and are summarised here.

### B.2.1. Luminosity uncertainty

As discussed in Chapter 8 of [7], the design goal for the precision of the luminosity measurement at CMS is 5%, which is assumed to be achieved after  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data has been collected. For integrated luminosities of less than  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ , it is assumed that the precision is limited to 10%. For studies based on  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  or more in this Report, it is assumed that further improvement on the uncertainty can be achieved and a 3% uncertainty is assumed, via e.g. W, Z based luminosity measurements.

### B.2.2. Track and vertex reconstruction uncertainties

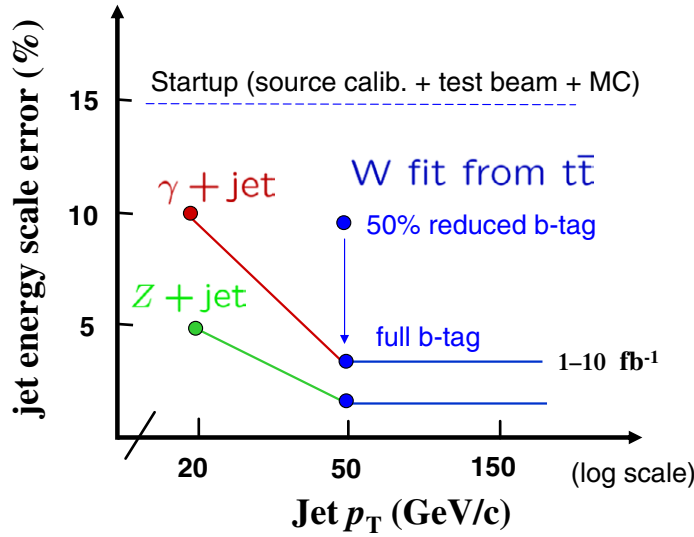
The uncertainty in the silicon track reconstruction efficiency is taken to be 1% for all tracks. The primary vertex precision along the  $z$  coordinate is expected to be about  $10 \mu\text{m}$  once  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  has been collected. The transverse vertex precision is expected to be about  $1 \mu\text{m}$ .

The effects of uncertainties on the alignment of silicon sensors on track and vertex reconstruction are studied using a dedicated software tool (Section 6.6.4 of [7]) that is able to displace tracker elements according to two scenarios: a “First Data Taking Scenario” with placement uncertainties as expected at LHC start-up from measurements using the laser alignment system for the strip tracker and from in-situ track-based alignment of the pixel detector, and a “Long Term Scenario” appropriate after the first few  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  have been collected and a complete track-based alignment has been carried out for all tracker elements.

The effect of the magnetic field uncertainty in the central region of CMS is expected to contribute a momentum scale uncertainty of  $0.0003 \text{ GeV}/c$  to  $1/p_T$ . When combined with the aggregate effect from alignment uncertainties, the overall momentum scale uncertainty is  $0.0005 \text{ GeV}/c$  at start-up.

### B.2.3. Muon reconstruction uncertainties

As with the silicon tracker studies, a dedicated software tool has been developed (Section 3.2.2 of [7]) to study the effects of muon detector placement uncertainties on muon reconstruction. Two scenarios, a “First Data Taking Scenario” with placement uncertainties as expected at LHC start-up and a “Long Term Scenario” appropriate after the first few  $\text{fb}^{-1}$ , are available and used in analyses sensitive to the alignment precision of the muon detectors. The latter



**Figure B.2.** Jet energy scale uncertainty is applied as a rescaling of the four-momentum of the reconstructed jet  $p_{scaled\pm}^{\mu,jet} = (1 \pm \alpha) \cdot p_{meas}^{\mu,jet}$  where  $\alpha$  is the percentage uncertainty plotted above.

scenario describes a detector alignment precision of  $200 \mu\text{m}$  in the plane transverse to the beam axis using the laser alignment system and track-based alignment strategies.

The effect of magnetic field uncertainties on the muon momentum will be dominated by the uncertainty in the central region and its impact on the momentum scale determined by fits to the silicon tracker hits for muon momenta well below the  $\text{TeV}/c$  scale.

#### B.2.4. Electromagnetic calibration and energy scale uncertainties

The precision to which the ECAL crystals can be intercalibrated from a variety of techniques is discussed in Section 4.4 of [7], and ranges from 0.4–2.0% using about  $5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of *in situ* single isolated electron data. A software tool is used to apply calibration constants to the accuracy expected to be obtained with either  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  or  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity. The absolute energy scale can be determined using the  $Z$  mass constraint in  $Z \rightarrow ee$  decays, and is expected to be measured to a precision of about 0.05%.

#### B.2.5. Jet and missing transverse energy uncertainties

The estimated systematic uncertainty on the jet energy scale is shown in Fig. B.2. At startup the accuracy of the jet energy scale relies on the understanding of single-particle test beam calibration and the level of agreement achieved in the data-to-Monte Carlo simulation comparisons of the detector response. The response of an individual tile or crystals is known to limited accuracy from source calibration in the HCAL and test stand measurements for crystals in the ECAL. Hence, given the limitations of the precalibration of the calorimeters, an overall uncertainty of 15% is expected for the “day-one” absolute energy scale. This applies equally for jet response and the energy scale uncertainty of the missing transverse energy.

In the first  $1\text{--}10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of data, the  $\gamma$ +jet calibration [283] and the hadronic W boson mass calibration in top quark pair production events [287] are currently the best estimates for the accuracy on the absolute jet energy scale. The hadronic W jets in the selected

sample have a mean  $p_T$  that is approximately 50 GeV/c. A lowering of the jet selection threshold increases the effects of the offset correction from pile-up. The systematic on offset corrections and backgrounds puts the absolute jet energy scale at 3%. The jet reconstruction efficiencies are flat above 50 GeV/c, but drop in the low  $p_T$  region. The current estimate of the high  $p_T$  jet energy scale based on the hadronic W calibration is 3%. The calorimeter response curves that are required to extrapolate to high  $p_T$  are not expected to significantly increase the energy scale uncertainty beyond the 3% from the W calibration. In the low  $p_T$  region excluded from the hadronic W analysis, the absolute jet energy scale will be set by the  $\gamma$ +jet calibration which will extend down to 20 GeV. Below 20 GeV, only the single-particle calibration methods apply and these will have an accuracy of 10%. The recommended treatment for the jet energy systematic in this report is to apply an uncertainty according to this functional form:

$$\sigma_E^{jet}/E = \begin{cases} 10\% & p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}/c \\ 10\% - 7\% * (p_T - 20 \text{ GeV}/c)/(30 \text{ GeV}/c) & 20 \text{ GeV}/c < p_T < 50 \text{ GeV}/c \\ 3\% & p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}/c \end{cases}$$

It is expected that the Z+jet sample and further analysis of the hadronic W systematics will reduce the overall jet energy scale uncertainty, but these analyses remain under active study.

The low  $p_T$  region is particularly important for the missing transverse energy (MET) response. As the MET will have significant contributions from low  $p_T$  jets and unclustered energy, it is expected that the low  $p_T$  component of the MET will not be understood to better than 10% following the first 1–10 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data. The recommended treatment of the MET energy scale uncertainty has two approaches (one simple and one more detailed). For a MET which is known to be dominated by low  $p_T$  jets and unclustered energy, an uncertainty of 10% should be applied to the components of the MET uncorrelated to the jet energy scale uncertainty of the jets. This is the simple approach and gives a conservative error on the MET. For events with reconstructed high  $p_T$  jets, the contributions to the MET uncertainty are correlated to the jet energy scale uncertainty of the high  $p_T$  jets. The recommended treatment of the MET uncertainty is to apply separate uncertainties on the low  $p_T$  and high  $p_T$  components of the MET. The MET is reconstructed as described in [147] and [148]. This gives a type-1 correction of the following form:

$$E_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{miss}} = - \left[ E_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{raw}} + \sum_{\text{jets}} \left( p_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{corr. jet}} - p_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{raw jet}} \right) \right]$$

where  $E_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{raw}}$  is the sum over the raw calorimeter tower energies and the jet sum in the equation is over jets with a reconstructed  $p_T$  above a given jet  $p_T^{\text{cut}}$  selection cut, typically 20–25 GeV/c. The jet  $p_T$  is used in these formula to account for the angular separation of the towers included in the jet sum, contributing to the jet mass. Rewriting the above equation in this form

$$E_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{miss}} = - \left[ \left( E_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{raw}} - \sum_{\text{jets}} p_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{raw jet}} \right)_{\text{low } p_T} + \left( \sum_{\text{jet}} p_{T_{X(y)}}^{\text{corr. jet}} \right)_{\text{high } p_T} \right]$$

shows explicitly the low  $p_T$  (in the first set of brackets) and the high  $p_T$  components (second set of brackets) of the MET. The proposed systematics treatment is to vary the components of the low  $p_T$  MET by 10% scale uncertainty uncorrelated with the high  $p_T$  component and to vary the high  $p_T$  component according the jet energy scale uncertainty for the measured jets.

If a subset of the high  $p_T$  jets are identified as electromagnetic objects, isolated electrons or photons, then these EM-jets should be given EM-scale energy corrections which are closer to unity than hadronic jet corrections. The energy scale uncertainty on an EM-object will also be much lower than the jet energy scale systematic. Therefore, if the EM-objects are not removed from the jet list, the quoted energy scale uncertainty will be conservative relative to the lower errors associated with separate treatment of identified EM-objects.

In addition to the jet energy scale uncertainty, there are uncertainties on the jet resolution. At startup the jet resolution is estimated to be accurate to 20% of the quoted resolution based on the test-beam data and simulation studies. The dijet balancing resolution will be determined from data and will further constrain this uncertainty. It is expected that the systematics on the third jet veto and other selection criteria will limit the uncertainty on the jet resolution to 10% in the  $1\text{--}10\text{ fb}^{-1}$  dataset. The recommended treatment for this systematic is to add an additional smearing to the jet energy which broadens the overall jet resolution by 10%. This can be done by throwing a Gaussian random number and adding an energy term which is 46% of the jet resolution. Therefore, the jet-by-jet event-by-event smearing should be done as follows:

$$E_T^{\text{jet}} = E_T^{\text{jet}} + \text{Gaus}[0, 0.46 * \sigma(E_T, \eta)] \quad (\text{B.9})$$

where  $\sigma(E_T, \eta)$  is the reference jet resolution which for the central barrel is given by (using Monte Carlo simulation derived jet calibrations where  $E_T^{\text{MC}}$  is equal to  $E_T^{\text{rec}}$  on average)

$$\sigma(E_T^{\text{jet}}, |\eta| < 1.4) = (5.8\text{ GeV}) \oplus \left(1.25 * \sqrt{E_T^{\text{jet}}}\right) \oplus 0.033 * E_T^{\text{jet}} \quad (\text{B.10})$$

(terms added in quadrature) and  $\text{Gaus}[0, 0.46 * \sigma(E_T, \eta)]$  is a randomly thrown sampling of a normal distribution per jet with a mean of zero and a width of 46% of the jet resolution and therefore  $E_T^{\text{jet}}$  is the smeared jet energy to be used in the estimation of the jet resolution systematic uncertainty of the measurement. The 46% is chosen so that when added in quadrature to the nominal resolution gives an overall widening of the energy resolution of 10%. The resolutions of the endcap and forward jet regions are found in [165, Table 5]. These are

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(E_T^{\text{jet}}, 1.4 < |\eta| < 3.0) &= (4.8\text{ GeV}) \oplus \left(0.89 * \sqrt{E_T^{\text{jet}}}\right) \oplus 0.043 * E_T^{\text{jet}} \\ \sigma(E_T^{\text{jet}}, 3.0 < |\eta| < 5.0) &= (3.8\text{ GeV}) \oplus 0.085 * E_T^{\text{jet}} \end{aligned}$$

where for these jet resolution fits the stochastic term in the forward region is small compared to the noise and constant terms (hence the missing  $\sqrt{E_T^{\text{jet}}}$  term for  $3.0 < |\eta| < 5.0$ ). The shift in the +10% direction can be symmetrised to account for the  $-10\%$  shift. Otherwise, the difference between the reconstructed and generated jet energies must be reduced by 10% in order to estimate the  $-10\%$  uncertainty from the nominal Monte Carlo jet resolution. The jet resolution uncertainty is particularly important when searching for signals that are on a rapidly falling QCD multi-jet  $p_T$  spectrum.

### B.2.6. Heavy-flavour tagging uncertainties

A strategy for measuring the b-tag efficiency using an enriched sample of b-jets from  $t\bar{t}$  events, and its estimated precision, is described in Section 12.2.8 of [7]. The relative uncertainty on the b-efficiency measurement is expected to be about 6% (4%) in the barrel and 10% (5%) in

the endcaps for  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) of integrated luminosity. These uncertainties correspond to a b-tag working point efficiency of 50%.

The light-quark (and gluon) mis-tag uncertainty is expected to be larger than the b efficiency uncertainty; however, for this Report a global uncertainty of 5% is assumed for the mis-tag uncertainty. As with the efficiency determination, it is important to identify strategies to measure the mis-tagging probabilities in data as well.

Likewise, a strategy to measure the uncertainty on the efficiency for identifying  $\tau$  leptons is described in Section 12.1.4 of [ 7], and involves comparing the ratio of  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \mu + \text{jet}$  to  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. With a  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data sample, the relative uncertainty on  $\tau$ -tagging is estimated to be about 4%. A measurement of the  $\tau$  misidentification probability can be determined from a sample of  $\gamma + \text{jet}$  events, and with a  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  data sample is expected to have an uncertainty at the level of 4–10%.

## Appendix C. Monte Carlo Models and Generators

### C.1. Introduction

This section presents a short description of the basic event generators used in CMS during preparation of the PTDR (see CMS “Generator Tools group” for details). A comprehensive review of the present Monte Carlo models and generators is given elsewhere [806]. Note that only MC generators used in CMS are described here, and a full description of several popular packages (like ISAJET or ACERMC, see [806]) is omitted.

There are several available Monte Carlo event generators for  $pp$ ,  $pA$  and  $AA$  collisions, namely HERWIG [196], HJING [807], ISAJET [672], PYTHIA [69] and SHERPA [808]. Each of these simulates a hadronic final state corresponding to some particular model of the underlying physics. The details of the implementation of the physics are different in each of these generators, however the underlying philosophy of the generators is the same.

The cross section values and the differential distribution for almost all processes are evaluated as follows:

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow CX) = \sum_{ij} \int f_i^p(x_1, Q^2) f_j^p(x_2, Q^2) \hat{\sigma}(ij \rightarrow C) dx_1 dx_2, \quad (\text{C.1})$$

where  $f_i^p(x, Q^2)$  are the Parton Distribution Functions (PDF) of  $i$ th parton, that carried a fraction  $x$  of the initial proton momentum at a scale ( $Q^2$ );  $\hat{\sigma}(ij \rightarrow C)$  is the cross section for the hard process (i.e. describing two partons,  $i$  and  $j$ , interaction).

A general scheme of event generation assumes the evaluation of the hard process (the cross section value, the incoming and outgoing particle’s momenta and colours), then evolves the event through a parton showering and hadronisation step, and the decay of the unstable particles. The event information (stored in /HEPEVT/ common block [69]) contains the momenta of the final hadrons, leptons and photons and positions of their decay vertexes. Typically such information contains also the characteristics (momenta, colours, KF-codes, mother’s and daughter’s relations) of all intermediate partons (quarks, gluons, gauge bosons, unstable physical particles, etc) that provide a trace-back the history of particle production inside of an event. By using an acceptance-rejection methods weighted events can be returned.

Parton showering is based on the expansion around the soft and collinear evolution limits and is often ascribed to either the initial or final state. The algorithm used by HERWIG and SHERPA also include some effects due to quantum interference. The events that have more energy in the parton process have more showering, and consequently more jet activity.

The collection of quarks and gluons must then be hadronised into mesons and baryons. This is done differently in each of the event generators, but is described by a set of (fragmentation) parameters that must be adjusted to agree with experimental results. HERWIG looks for colour singlet collections of quarks and gluons with low invariant mass and groups them together; this set then turns into hadrons. PYTHIA splits gluons into quark-anti-quark pairs and turns the resulting set of colour singlet quark-anti-quark pairs into hadrons via a string model. ISAJET simply fragments each quark independently paying no attention to the colour flow.

The dominant cross-section at the LHC consists of events with no hard scattering. There is little detailed theoretical understanding of these minimum-bias events and the event generators must rely on present data. These minimum-bias events are important at LHC, particularly at design luminosity, as they overlap with interesting hard-scattering events. The generators use a different approach in this case. HERWIG uses a parametrisation of data mainly from the CERN  $p\bar{p}$  Collider. PYTHIA uses a mini-jet model where the jet cross-section is used at very low



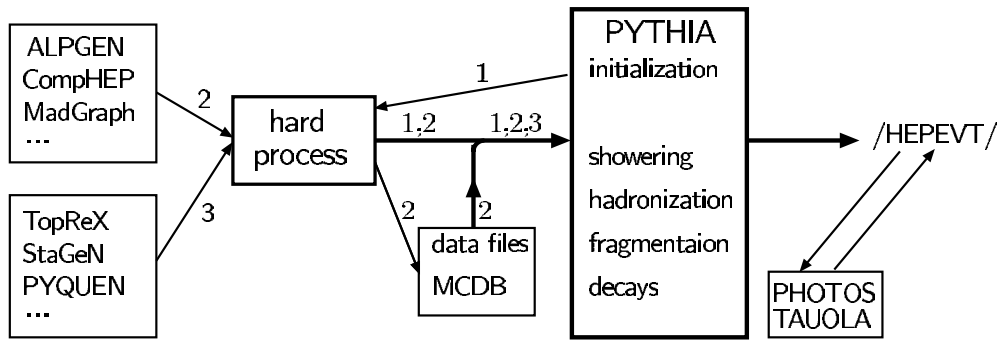


Figure C.1. Purely schematic data flow in PYTHIA and HERWIG.

transverse momenta, i.e. the hard scattering process is extrapolated until it saturates the total cross-section. CMS has used the PYTHIA approach with dedicated modifications that agree with present data from Tevatron [69]. The model of the hadronic interactions implemented in the physics generator has a direct impact on physical observables such as jet multiplicity, their average transverse momentum, internal structure of the jets and their heavy flavour content. This led to the choice to use PYTHIA for most processes, allowing for a consistent set of signal and background events to be generated.

Table C.2 presents the predicted cross-section values for the basic SM processes, as used in the simulations for PTDR. The cross-section values (at leading order) were calculated by using PYTHIA 6.327 with CTEQ5L (default PDF for PTDR) and with CTEQ6M PDFs.  $\alpha_s$  at 1st (2nd) order is used with CTEQ5L (CTEQ6M) PDFs. For CTEQ6M the quoted errors are related to the uncertainties due to PDFs (see Subsection B.1.9).

## C.2. General scheme of generator usage in CMS

All event generators, included in CMS simulation software, can be separated into two groups.

The first group (HERWIG, HIJING, ISAJET, PYTHIA) provides the *full simulation* of events. The basic package explored in CMS is PYTHIA and only few specific processes were simulated with HERWIG or HIJING.

A purely schematic data flow in PYTHIA and HERWIG is presented in Fig. C.1.

After initialisation the package (HERWIG or PYTHIA) calls “hard process” routines (see “1” arrow lines in Fig. C.1). Then information (the momenta of initial and final partons, the colours and KF-codes) is passed to package for parton showering, hadronisation, fragmentation and decays of the unstable particles.

However, all these “full event simulation” generators have very limited number of the hard process matrix elements (typically for  $2 \rightarrow 2$  reaction at LO). Therefore, several special generators are used for simulation of many other LO processes. In fact, such packages generate the hard processes kinematic quantities, such as masses and momenta, the spin, the colour connection, and the flavour of initial- and final-state partons. The information is stored in the “Les Houches” format [809] (/HEPEUP/ common block) and is passed to full event simulation package like PYTHIA or HERWIG (see thick “output” line on Fig. C.1).

Three generators, namely ALPGEN [161], COMPHEP [355], and MADGRAPH [81, 493], are widely used for simulation of many processes, especially for the generation of the hard processes with multi-jet final states. For example, ALPGEN allows to generate  $Q\bar{Q}$  pair

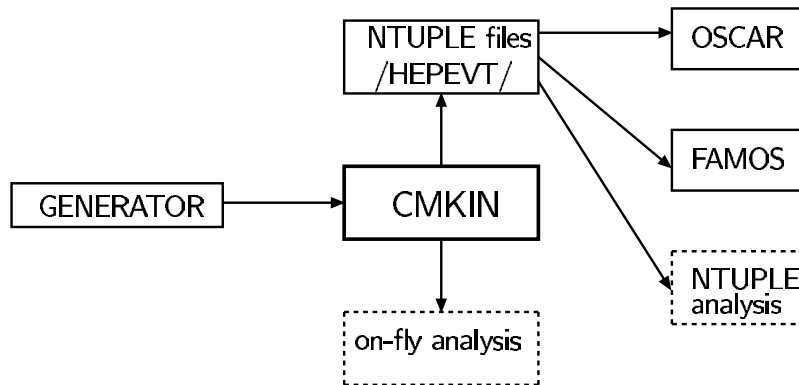


Figure C.2. Illustration of the CMKIN interface.

production with up to 6 jets. Due to the complexity of the matrix elements, describing the multi-jet processes, and a re-weighting procedure the generation of events is very CPU-time consuming. As a result, the information with kinematics is stored in the output files. (see “2” lines on Fig. C.1). Then, like in a generic PYTHIA process, such information is passed to PYTHIA (see thick “output” line on Fig. C.1).

There are several “dedicated generators”, TOPREX [44], STAGEN, SINGLETOP, COSMIC, SIMUB, PHASE, PYQUEN [810, 811], HYDIJET [812], EDDE. These generators are used for simulation of several specific process (see below for a short description of these codes). The information with hard processes kinematic quantities is stored in /HEPEUP/ common block [809] and is passed to the “full event simulation” package (see “3” lines on Fig. C.1).

After full simulation of event with PYTHIA or HERWIG the output information is stored in the /HEPEVT/ common block. In addition two *special functionality* codes provide a better description of photon radiation from a charge final particles (PHOTOS [39]) and  $\tau^\pm$ -lepton decays (TAUOLA [155]). Typically, these codes read information from /HEPEVT/ common, perform simulation and then add generated information (new particles) into the /HEPEVT/ common block (see Fig. C.1).

### C.3. CMKIN

Almost all generators available in CMS could be used with the CMKIN package. Now the CMKIN is used for OSCAR and FAMOS detector simulation input. This software package provides a common interface between physics event generators and CMS detector simulation (see Fig. C.2). It also provides an environment to make physics plots of generated events. CMKIN provides an interface to a number of physics generators like PYTHIA, ISAJET and HERWIG. It also offers the possibility to use different ‘external generators’ like ALPGEN [161], COMPHEP [355], MADGRAPH [81, 493] and TOPREX [44]. Cosmic muon simulation is available as well. Simple particle generation is also included, i.e. single and double particles as well as simple multi particle events. The interface is based on a common block HEPEVT - a HEP standard to store particle kinematics information for one event [69]. The /HEPEVT/ common block is converted to HBOOK n-tuples. The event output format follows the HEPEVT standard and additional information can be included by the user in the block /MC\_PARAM/.

There is a unified compilation script which is used as follows:

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kine_make_ntpl.com <generator> [lhpdf]
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where the first parameter can have one of the following values: *pythia*, *herwig*, *isajet*, *simple*, *single*, *double*, *simplemulti*, *cosmic*, *comphep*, *alpgen*, *madgraph*, *phase*, *toprex* or *stagen*. The optional second parameter *lhpdf* is given when the user wants to use LHAPDF library [95].

#### C.4. Full event simulation generators

##### C.4.1. PYTHIA

The PYTHIA package [69] is a general-purpose generator for hadronic events in pp,  $e^+e^-$  and ep colliders. It contains a subprocess library and generation machinery, initial- and final-state parton showers, underlying event, hadronisation and decays, and analysis tools. PYTHIA contains around 240 different  $2 \rightarrow 2$  (and some  $2 \rightarrow 1$  or  $2 \rightarrow 3$ ) subprocesses, all at leading order. The subsequent decays of unstable resonances ( $W$ ,  $Z$ , top, Higgs, SUSY, ...) brings up the partonic multiplicity, for many processes with full spin correlations in the decays. The external processes can be evolved through the showering and hadronisation (like internal ones).

The final-state shower is based on forward evolution in terms of a decreasing timelike virtuality  $m^2$ , with angular ordering imposed by veto. The framework is leading-log, but includes many NLL aspects such as energy-momentum conservation,  $\alpha_s(p_\perp^2)$  and coherence. Further features include gluon polarisation effects and photon emission.

The initial-state shower is based on backward evolution, i.e. starting at the hard scattering and moving backwards in time to the shower initiators, in terms of a decreasing spacelike virtuality  $Q^2$ . Initial and final showers are matched to each other by maximum emission cones.

The composite nature of hadrons (and resolved photons) allows for several partons from each of the incoming hadrons to undergo scatterings. Such multiple parton-parton interactions are instrumental in building up the activity in the underlying event, in everything from charged multiplicity distributions and long-range correlations to minijets and jet pedestals. The interactions are described by perturbation theory, approximated by a set of more or less separate  $2 \rightarrow 2$  scatterings; energy conservation and other effects introduce (anti)correlations. The scatterings are colour-connected with each other and with the beam remnants.

The Lund string model, used for hadronisation, is based on a picture with linear confinement, where (anti)quarks or other colour (anti)triplets are located at the ends of the string, and gluons are energy and momentum carrying kinks on the string. The string breaks by the production of new  $q\bar{q}$  pairs, and a quark from one break can combine with an anti-quark from an adjacent one to form a colour singlet meson.

Unstable particles are allowed to decay. In cases where better decay models are available elsewhere, e.g. for  $\tau^\pm$  with spin information or for  $B$  hadrons, such decays can be delegated to specialised packages.

At present the parameters from almost all PYTHIA common blocks (see BLOCK DATA PYDATA) could be set via data cards. With the CMKIN these parameters could be set in data card file with the following format (note, that only capital letters should be used):

PYTHIA	CMKIN	COMMENT
parameter		
MSEL = 6	MSEL6	$t\bar{t}$ production
one- and two-dimensional arrays		
CKIN(1) = 100	CKIN1 = 100	$\min.\sqrt{\hat{s}}$
i.e. PMAS(6, 1) = 178	PMAS6, 1 = 178	top-quark mass

• *Common cards for CMKIN*

Below we present a list of PYTHIA parameters used for full event simulation for PTDR. Some of these parameters correspond to the old multiple interactions scenario, namely *Tune A* [813].

MSTP(2) = 1 : 1(first)/2(second) order running  $\alpha_s$   
 MSTP(33) = 0 : do not include of  $K$ -factors in hard cross sections  
 MSTP(51) = 7 : PDF set (here is CTEQ5L)  
 MSTP(81) = 1 : multiple parton interactions is switched ON  
 MSTP(82) = 4 : defines the multiple parton interactions model  
 PARP(67) = 1 : amount of initial-state radiation  
 PARP(82) = 1.9 :  $P_T$  cut-off for multi-parton interactions  
 PARP(83) = 0.5 : fraction of total hadronic matter in core  
 PARP(84) = 0.4 : radius of core  
 PARP(85) = 0.33 : gluon production mechanism in multiple interactions  
 PARP(86) = 0.66 : gluon prod. mechanism in multiple interactions  
 PARP(88) = 0.5  
 PARP(89) = 1000 : reference energy scale for which PARP(82) is set  
 PARP(90) = 0.160 : effective  $P_T$  cut – off = [PARP(82)/PARP(89)]\*\*PARP(90)  
 PARP(91) = 1.0 : width of Gaussian primordial  $k_\perp$  distribution inside hadron  
 PARJ(71) = 10 : maximum average  $c\tau$  for particles allowed to decay  
 MSTJ(11) = 3 : choice of the fragmentation function  
 MSTJ(22) = 2 : allow to decay those unstable particles  
 PMAS(5,1) = 4.8 : the mass of the  $b$ -quark  
 PMAS(6,1) = 175.0 : the mass of the  $t$ -quark

#### C.4.2. HERWIG

HERWIG contains a wide range of Standard Model, Higgs and supersymmetric processes [196]. HERWIG uses the parton-shower approach for initial- and final-state QCD radiation, including colour coherence effects and azimuthal correlations both within and between the jets.

In the treatment of supersymmetric processes, HERWIG itself doesn't calculate the SUSY mass spectrum or decay rates, but reads in an input file containing the low-energy parameters (masses, couplings, decays, ...). This file can be written by hand or more conveniently be generated with the ISAWIG program. This program provides an interface to ISAJET (and therefore to all models in ISASUSY and ISASUGRA), to HDECAY (for NLO Higgs decays), and can also add R-parity violating decays.

Colour coherence effects of (initial and final) partons are taken into account in all hard subprocesses, including the production and decay of heavy quarks and supersymmetric particles. HERWIG uses the angular ordered parton shower algorithm which resums both soft and collinear singularities. HERWIG includes spin correlation effects in the production and decay of top quarks, tau leptons and supersymmetric particles. For the SUSY decays, there is an option for using either the matrix elements (fast) or the full spin correlations. HERWIG uses a cluster hadronisation model based on non-perturbative gluon splitting, and a similar cluster model for soft and underlying hadronic events. This model gives a good agreement with the LEP data on event shapes, but does not fit the identified particle spectrum well.

#### C.4.3. ISAJET

ISAJET is a Monte Carlo program which simulates  $pp$ ,  $p\bar{p}$ ,  $e^+e^-$  interactions at high energies [672]. ISAJET is based on perturbative QCD plus phenomenological models for parton and beam jet fragmentation. At CMS ISAJET is used for calculations of SUSY parameters.

#### C.4.4. HIJING

Hard or semi-hard parton scatterings with transverse momentum of a few GeV/c are expected to dominate high energy heavy ion collisions. The HIJING (Heavy Ion Jet INteraction Generator) Monte Carlo model [807] was developed by M Gyulassy and X-N Wang with special emphasis on the role of minijets in  $pp$ ,  $pA$  and  $AA$  reactions at collider energies.

Detailed systematic comparison of HIJING results with a very wide range of data demonstrates that a quantitative understanding of the interplay between soft string dynamics and hard QCD interaction has been achieved. In particular, HIJING reproduces many inclusive spectra two particle correlations, and can explain the observed flavour and multiplicity dependence of the average transverse momentum.

### C.5. Tree level matrix element generators

#### C.5.1. ALPGEN

ALPGEN is designed for the generation of Standard Model processes in hadronic collisions, with emphasis on final states with large jet multiplicities [161]. It is based on the exact leading order evaluation of partonic matrix elements and  $t$  and gauge boson decays with helicity correlations. The code generates events in both a weighted and unweighted mode. Weighted generation allows for high-statistics parton-level studies. Unweighted events can be processed in an independent run through shower evolution and hadronisation programs.

The current available processes are:

- $W/Z/H Q\bar{Q} + N$  jets ( $Q = c, b, t$ ) with  $N \leq 4$
- $Q\bar{Q} + N$  jets, with  $N \leq 6$
- $Q\bar{Q}Q'\bar{Q}' + N$  jets, with  $N \leq 4$
- $W + \text{charm} + N$  jets, with  $N \leq 5$
- $N$  jets,  $W/Z + N$  jets, with  $N \leq 6$
- $nW + mZ + lH + N$  jets, with  $n + m + l + N \leq 8$ ,  $N \leq 3$
- $N\gamma + M$  jets, with  $N \geq 1$ ,  $N + M \leq 8$  and  $M \leq 6$
- $H + N$  jets ( $N \leq 4$ ), with the Higgs produced via  $ggH$  vertex
- single top production.

#### C.5.2. COMPHEP

COMPHEP [814] is a package for evaluating Feynman diagrams, integrating over multi-particle phase space and generating events with a high level of automation. COMPHEP includes the Feynman rules for SM and several versions of MSSM (SUGRA, GMSB, MSSM with R-parity violation).

COMPHEP computes squared Feynman diagrams symbolically and then numerically calculates cross sections and distributions. After numerical computation one can generate the unweighted events with implemented colour flow information. The events are in the form of the Les Houches Accord event record [809] to be used in the PYTHIA program for showering and hadronisation.

COMPHEP allows for the computation of scattering processes with up to 6 particles and decay processes with up to 7 particles in the final state.

### C.5.3. MADGRAPH and MADEVENT

MADEVENT [81] is a multi-purpose, tree-level event generator which is powered by the matrix element generator MADGRAPH [493]. Given a user process, MADGRAPH automatically generates the amplitudes for all the relevant subprocesses and produces the mappings for the integration over the phase space. This process-dependent information is packaged into MADEVENT, and a stand-alone code is produced. It allows the user to calculate cross sections and to obtain unweighted events automatically. Once the events have been generated – event information, (e.g. particle id's, momenta, spin, colour connections) is stored in the “Les Houches” format [809]. Events may be passed directly to a shower Monte Carlo program (interfaces are available for HERWIG and PYTHIA).

The limitation of the code are related to the maximum number of final state QCD particles. Currently, the package is limited to ten thousand diagrams per subprocess. So, for example,  $W + 5$  jets is close to its practical limit. At present, only the Standard Model Feynman rules are implemented and the user has to provide his/her own rules for beyond Standard Model physics, such as MSSM.

### C.5.4. TOPREX

The event generator TOPREX [44] provides the simulation of several important processes in  $pp$  and  $p\bar{p}$  collisions, not implemented in PYTHIA. In the matrix elements used in TOPREX the decays of the final  $t$ -quarks,  $W^\pm$ ,  $Z$  and charged Higgs bosons are also included. The final top quark could decay into SM channel ( $t \rightarrow qW^+$ ,  $q = d, s, b$ ),  $b$ -quark and charged Higgs ( $t \rightarrow bH^+$ ) and the channels with flavour changing neutral current (FCNC):  $t \rightarrow u(c)V$ ,  $V = g, \gamma, Z$ . The implemented matrix elements take into account spin polarisations of the top quark, that provides a correct description of the differential distributions and correlations of the top quarks decay products.

## C.6. Supplementary packages

### C.6.1. PHOTOS

PHOTOS is a universal package to simulate QED photon radiative corrections [39]. The precision of the generation may in some cases be limited, in general it is not worse than the complete double bremsstrahlung in LL approximation. The infrared limit of the distributions is also correctly reproduced. The action of the algorithm consists of generating, with internally calculated probability, bremsstrahlung photon(s), which are later added to the /HEPEVT/ record. Kinematic configurations are appropriately modified. Energy-momentum conservation is assured. When using PHOTOS, the QED bremsstrahlung of the principal generator must be switched off. For example in case of PYTHIA one has to use `MSTJ 41=1`.

### C.6.2. TAUOLA

TAUOLA is a package for simulation of the  $\tau^\pm$ -lepton decays [155]. It uses the PHOTOS package to simulate radiative corrections in the decay. The TAUOLA interface is made with the PYTHIA generator. This interface evaluates also the position of  $\tau$ -lepton decay (i.e. the information on the production vertex of the decay products of  $\tau$ -lepton).

### C.6.3. PYQUEN

The event generator PYQUEN (PYthia QUENched) [810, 811] provides the simulation of rescattering and energy loss of hard partons in dense QCD-matter (quark-gluon plasma) created in ultrarelativistic heavy ion collisions. The approach relies on an accumulative energy losses, when gluon radiation is associated with each scattering in expanding medium together including the interference effect by the modified radiation spectrum  $dE/d\ell$  as a function of decreasing temperature  $T$ . The model is implemented as fast Monte Carlo tool, to modify standard PYTHIA jet event.

### C.6.4. HYDJET

The event generator HYDJET [812] (HYDrodynamics + JETs) provides the fast simulation of heavy ion events at LHC energy including longitudinal, transverse and elliptic flow effects together with jet production and jet quenching (rescattering and energy loss of hard partons in dense QCD-matter, quark-gluon plasma). The model merges a fast generator of flow effects HYDRO [815] with PYTHIA (for jet production) and PYQUEN [810, 811] (for jet quenching) by simulating full heavy ion event as a superposition of soft, hydro-type state and hard multi-jets.

First of all, HYDJET calculates the number  $N^{\text{hard}}$  of hard nucleon-nucleon sub-collisions and number  $N^{\text{part}}$  nucleons-participants (at given impact parameter  $b$  of  $AA$  collision and minimum  $P_T$  of hard parton scattering) and generates the initial parton spectra by calling PYTHIA  $N^{\text{hard}}$  times (fragmentation off). After each jet parton affected by medium-induced rescattering and energy loss according with PYQUEN model. In the end of each PYTHIA sub-event adding new (in-medium emitted) gluons into PYTHIA parton list and rearrangements of partons to update string formation are performed. Then PYQUEN forms final hadrons with PYEXEC subroutine (fragmentation on). Finally, HYDJET calculates the multiplicity of soft, hydro-induced part of the event and add new particles in the end of the event record.

## C.7. *K*-factors for dilepton production

Some event generators such as PYTHIA do not employ the most advanced matrix-element calculations. They must be reasonably fast since in most applications, many millions of events must be generated. Experimenters apply an *ad-hoc* correction or “kludge” called the *K*-factor so that the cross-section value used for, say, the production of muon pairs, is correct. This *K*-factor amounts to the ratio of a highly accurate cross-section calculation to a less accurate one, typically a leading-order calculation:

$$K_{\text{NLO}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{NLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{LO}}} \quad \text{and} \quad K_{\text{NNLO}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{NNLO}}}{\sigma_{\text{LO}}}.$$

Clearly the *K*-factor reflects the accuracy of the better theoretical calculation, and there can be significant differences between  $K_{\text{NNLO}}$  and  $K_{\text{NLO}}$ . The most significant contributions to the *K*-factor come from QCD radiative corrections are expected to be on the order of 10% or more. Usually one does not include electroweak radiative corrections in the *K*-factor.

We have examined the *K*-factor for the Drell–Yan production of charged lepton pairs, as well as the signal for new  $Z'$  neutral gauge bosons. The program PHOZPRMS is used to compute mass-dependent cross-sections [348], and a generalised version called WUWD is used to study  $Z'$  cross-sections [816]. We checked carefully the differential cross-section,  $d\sigma/dM$  obtained from PHOZPRMS with the program RESBOS [817, 818] and found very good agreement. We use the MRST parton distribution functions [819] for these calculations. Very similar results are obtained using CTEQ6M [12].

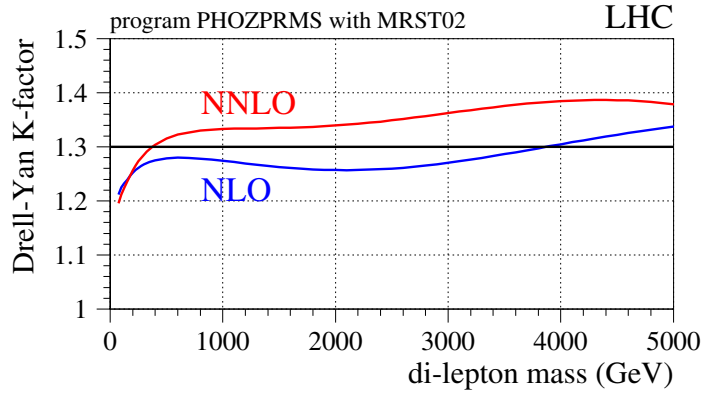


Figure C.3.  $K$ -factors as a function of mass for the LHC.

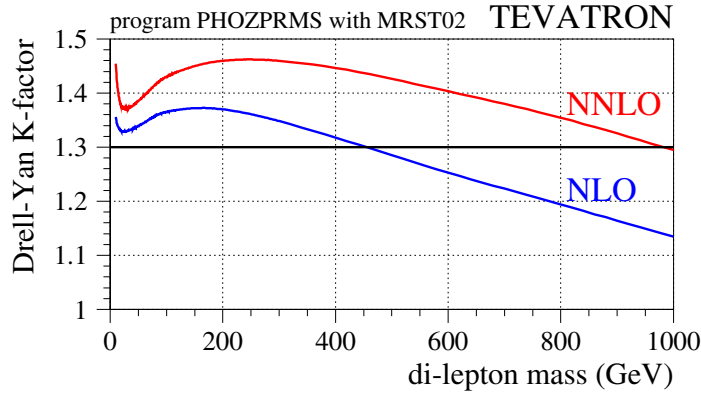


Figure C.4.  $K$ -factors as a function of mass for the Tevatron.

Usually experimenters use a constant value for the  $K$ -factor, but in fact this is not accurate. The variation of the  $K$ -factor with mass is substantial, as shown in Fig. C.3. (There is a similar, though different, variation in the  $K$ -factor for Drell–Yan production at the Tevatron – see Fig. C.4.) Notice that  $K_{\text{NLO}} \neq K_{\text{NNLO}}$ , in general, and the difference can be as large as 7%. A number of values for the  $K$ -factor are listed in Table C.1.

It is customary to take the difference  $K_{\text{NNLO}} - K_{\text{NLO}}$  as a measure of the theoretical uncertainty due to missing higher orders. According to the results obtained with PHOZPRMS, this uncertainty is on the order of 5%. It is interesting to compare this to the uncertainty coming from the parton distribution functions (PDFs). We used the CTEQ6M set which contains “error” PDFs with which one can estimate this uncertainty [12]. The relative uncertainty of the Drell–Yan cross-section as a function of mass is shown in Fig. C.5. The positive and negative variations of the cross-section were summed separately. The error bands show the full uncertainty obtained from the twenty error-PDFs – no rescaling was done to take into account the fact that these error-PDF’s correspond to  $2\sigma$  variations of the PDF parameters. One sees that the PDF uncertainty varies from about 3% at low masses to 20% toward the upper reach of the LHC. Of course, these uncertainties will be reduced as data from HERA, the Tevatron and fixed-target experiments are used to improve the PDFs.



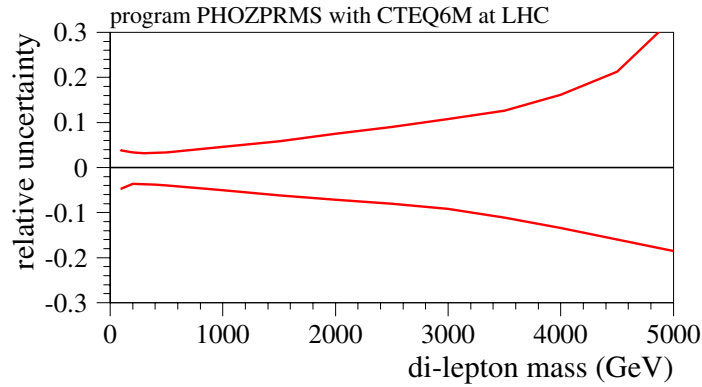
**Table C.1.** Values for  $K_{\text{NNLO}}$ ,  $K_{\text{NLO}}$  and  $K_{\text{NNLO}}/K_{\text{NLO}}$  as a function of mass.

mass (GeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	$K_{\text{NNLO}}$	$K_{\text{NLO}}$	$K_{\text{NNLO}}/K_{\text{NLO}}$
100	1.212	1.225	0.989
200	1.256	1.252	1.003
300	1.286	1.268	1.014
400	1.303	1.275	1.022
600	1.323	1.280	1.033
800	1.330	1.278	1.040
1000	1.333	1.274	1.046
2000	1.339	1.257	1.065
3000	1.362	1.270	1.073
4000	1.385	1.304	1.061
5000	1.378	1.338	1.031

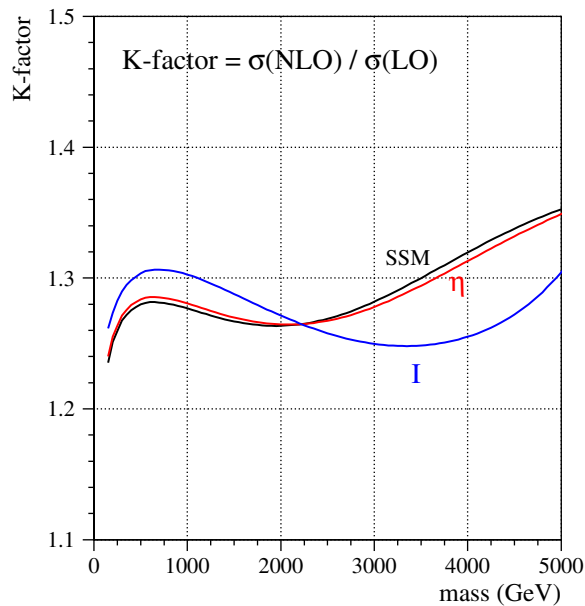
**Table C.2.** Leading order cross sections for some typical process at the LHC calculated by using PYTHIA 6.327 with CTEQ5L (default PDF for PTDR) and with CTEQ6M PDFs.  $P_0$  denotes  $\hat{p}_T$ -min. for the hard process.

process	cross section	comment	
$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(pp \rightarrow X)$	110 ± 10 mb	different models	
$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(pp \rightarrow X)$	111.5 ± 1.2 <sup>+4.1</sup> <sub>-2.1</sub> mb	COMPETE Coll.	
process	CTEQ5L	CTEQ6M	comment
Z-boson	48.69 nb	50.1 <sup>+4.19%</sup> <sub>-4.76%</sub> nb	
Z + jet( $g+q$ )	13.94 nb	12.73 <sup>+3.16%</sup> <sub>-3.94%</sub> nb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z\gamma$	44.21 pb	46.7 <sup>+3.93%</sup> <sub>-4.22%</sub> nb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$W^\pm$ -boson	158.5 pb	161.3 <sup>+4.32%</sup> <sub>-4.93%</sub> nb	
$W^\pm + \text{jet}(g+q)$	41.42 nb	37.24 <sup>+3.34%</sup> <sub>-4.10%</sub> nb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$W^\pm\gamma$	56.21 pb	56.42 <sup>+4.11%</sup> <sub>-4.38%</sub> nb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$W^+W^-$	69.69 pb	75.0 <sup>+3.87%</sup> <sub>-4.03%</sub> pb	
$W^\pm Z$	26.69 pb	28.76 <sup>+3.93%</sup> <sub>-4.08%</sub> pb	
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	11.10 pb	10.78 <sup>+4.02%</sup> <sub>-4.21%</sub> pb	
$WQ\bar{Q}$		$m_b = 4.8$ GeV, $m_c = 1.5$ GeV, TopReX	
$W^\pm c\bar{c}$	1215 pb	1086 <sup>+4.12%</sup> <sub>-4.53%</sub> pb	$M_{c\bar{c}} \geq 3.0$ GeV
$W^\pm c\bar{c}$	33.5 pb	31.3 <sup>+4.00%</sup> <sub>-4.18%</sub> pb	$M_{c\bar{c}} \geq 50$ GeV
$W^\pm b\bar{b}$	328 pb	297 <sup>+4.04%</sup> <sub>-4.37%</sub> pb	$M_{b\bar{b}} \geq 9.6$ GeV
$W^\pm b\bar{b}$	34.0 pb	31.3 <sup>+4.00%</sup> <sub>-4.18%</sub> pb	$M_{b\bar{b}} \geq 50$ GeV
$Zb\bar{b}$ , $m_b = 4.62$ GeV	789.6 ± 3.66 pb	MCFM	$M_{b\bar{b}} \geq 9.24$ GeV
dijet processes	819 μb	583 <sup>+4.78%</sup> <sub>-6.02%</sub> μb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$\gamma + \text{jet}$	182 nb	135 <sup>+4.92%</sup> <sub>-6.14%</sub> nb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$\gamma\gamma$	164 pb	137 <sup>+4.62%</sup> <sub>-5.65%</sub> pb	$P_0 = 20$ GeV
$b\bar{b}$ , $m_b = 4.8$ GeV	479 μb	187 <sup>+9.7%</sup> <sub>-13.2%</sub> μb	
$t\bar{t}$ , $m_t = 175$ GeV	488 pb	493 <sup>+3.24%</sup> <sub>-3.31%</sub> pb	
$t\bar{t}$ , $m_t = 175$ GeV	830 ± 90 pb	NLO+NNLO	
$t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	10 pb		AcerMC 1.2
inclusive Higgs	$m_H = 150$ GeV	23.8 pb	
inclusive Higgs	$m_H = 500$ GeV	3.8 pb	

The variation of the  $K$ -factors with mass comes in part because of the  $Z$ -resonance. The size of the  $Z$ -peak relative to the continuum production of lepton pairs is therefore relevant. This relative size depends on the coupling of the  $Z$ -boson to the up and down quarks in



**Figure C.5.** Uncertainty from the parton distribution functions, evaluated using the CTEQ6M set.



**Figure C.6.**  $K$ -factors as a function of mass of a new  $Z'$  resonance, for two cases:  $\eta$  and  $I$  (see text). The curve ‘SSM’ refers to a sequential Standard Model  $Z'$ .

the proton. There is practically no uncertainty on those couplings, and they are completely determined in the Standard Model. However, if a new  $Z'$  resonances is present, its couplings will not be known *a priori*. Thus it is interesting to consider to what extent the  $K$ -factor will depend on those couplings.

We have considered two examples of possible  $Z'$  resonances, and computed  $K_{\text{NLO}}$  as a function of the resonance mass, as shown in Fig. C.6. The first model, labelled “ $\eta$ ,” illustrates the case of a  $Z'$  which couples primarily to up-quarks, and the second one, labelled “ $I$ ,” couples mainly to down-quarks [816]. As is clear from the figure, the radiative corrections as a function of mass are quite different in these two extreme cases. Thus, there will be an ambiguity in the cross-section measurement of a new  $Z'$  resonance at the level of about 5% until the relative couplings of that  $Z'$  to up and down quarks can be established.

## Appendix D. GARCON: Genetic Algorithm for Rectangular Cuts Optimization

Typically HEP analysis has quite a few selection criteria (cuts) to optimise for example a significance of the “signal” over “background” events: transverse energy/momenta cuts, missing transverse energy, angular correlations, isolation and impact parameters, etc. In such cases simple scan over multi-dimensional cuts space (especially when done on top of a scan over theoretical predictions parameters space like for SUSY e.g.) leads to CPU time demand varying from days to many years... One of the alternative methods, which solves the issue is to employ a Genetic Algorithm (GA), see e.g. [820–822].

We wrote a code, GARCON [63], which automatically performs an optimisation and results stability verification effectively trying  $\sim 10^{50}$  cut set parameters/values permutations for millions of input events in hours time. Examples of analyses are presented in this Physics TDR; see, for example, Sections 3.1, 8.4.1, 13.6, 13.7, 13.14 and recent papers [51, 317, 675, 676].

The GARCON program among many other features allows user:

- to select an optimisation function among known significance estimators, as well as to define user’s own formula, which may be as simple as signal to background ratio, or a complicated one including different systematic uncertainties separately on different signal and background processes, different weights per event and so on;
- to define a precision of the optimisation;
- to restrict the optimisation using different kind of requirements, such as minimum number of signal/background events to survive after final cuts, variables/processes to be used for a particular optimisation run, number of optimisations inside one run to ensure that optimisation converges/finds not just a local maximum(s), but a global one as well (in case of a complicated phase space);
- to automatically verify results stability.

GARCON, like GA-based programs in general, exploits evolution-kind algorithms and uses evolution-like terms:

- Individual is a set of qualities, which are to be optimised in a particular environment or set of requirements. In HEP analysis case Individual is a set of lower and upper rectangular cut values for each of variables under study/optimization.
- Environment or set of requirements of evolutionary process in HEP analysis case is a Quality Function (QF) used for optimisation of individuals. The better QF value the better is an Individual. Quality Function may be as simple as  $S/\sqrt{B}$ , where S is a number of signal events and B is a total number of background events after cuts, or almost of any degree of complexity, including systematic uncertainties on different backgrounds, etc.
- A given number of individuals constitute a Community, which is involved in evolution process.
- Each individual involved in the evolution: breeding with possibility of mutation of new individuals, death, etc. The higher is the QF of a particular individual, the more chances this individual has to participate in breeding of new individuals and the longer it lives (participates in more breeding cycles, etc.), thus improving community as a whole.
- Breeding in HEP analysis example is a producing of a new individual with qualities (set of min/max cut values) taken in a defined way from two “parent” individuals.
- Death of an individual happens, when it passes over an age limit for it’s quality: the bigger it’s quality, the more it lives.

- Cataclysmic Updates may happen in evolution after a long period of stagnation in evolution, at this time the whole community gets renewed and gets another chance to evolve to even better quality level. In HEP analysis case it corresponds to a chance to find another local and ultimately a global maximum in terms of quality function. Obviously, the more complicated phase space of cut variables is used the more chances exist that there are several local maximums in quality function optimisation.
- There are some other algorithms involved into GAs. For example mutation of a new individual. In this case newly “born” individual has not just qualities of its “parents”, but also some variations, which in terms of HEP analysis example helps evolution to find a global maximum, with less chances to fall into a local one. There are also random creation mechanisms serving the same purpose.

There is nothing special involved in GARCON input preparation. One would need to prepare a set of arrays for each background and a signal process of cut variable values for optimisation. Similar to what is needed to have to perform a classical eye-balling cut optimisation.

In comparison to other automatised optimisation methods GARCON output is transparent to user: it just says what rectangular cut values are optimal and recommended in an analysis. Interpretation of these cut values is absolutely the same as with eye-balling cuts when one selects a set of rectangular cut values for each variable in a “classical” way by eye.

All-in-all it is a simple yet powerful ready-to-use tool with flexible and transparent optimisation and verification parameters setup. It is publicly available along with a paper on it [63] consisting of an example case study and user’s manual.

## Appendix E. Online Selection

### E.1. Introduction

The CMS trigger menu depends upon the luminosity delivered by the LHC and the available bandwidth between and out of the systems. The LHC luminosity is expected to start at  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  in 2007 and gradually rise to  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  by 2010. The CMS data acquisition can be operated with one to eight slices of Event Filter Farms that execute High-Level Trigger (HLT) algorithms. It is expected that we start with one slice in 2007, allowing a bandwidth of 12.5 kHz between Level-1 and HLT, and build up to the full eight slices by 2010, when the Level-1 to HLT bandwidth can be raised to 100 kHz. It is assumed that the data logging capability after the HLT selection will remain constant at a rate between 100 Hz to 150 Hz<sup>54</sup>. The Level-1 and HLT algorithms will be configured to operate with the lowest possible thresholds making the best use of the available bandwidth.

Here we focus solely on trigger studies for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . The scenario of operation assumes that CMS uses four DAQ slices capable of 50 kHz. While the actual choice of trigger thresholds, especially at HLT, depends strongly upon the physics of interest at the time of operation, we propose here an example set of trigger menus within the constraints of the data acquisition system. An effort has been made to optimise the Level-1 and HLT thresholds coherently, taking into account possible bandwidth limitations.

The structure of this note is as follows: first we overview the object-identification algorithms used for these studies. The emphasis is given to the changes that have been introduced since a similar study was performed in the DAQ TDR [76]. We then introduce a series of new trigger paths, aiming at increasing the event yield for various physics analyses. The central idea is to exploit various multi-object (or *cross-channel*) triggers in an attempt to improve the rejection and, at the same time, lower the kinematic thresholds of the corresponding objects. We finally present the performance of the triggers, and we calculate the overlap among them and the total HLT output rate.

### E.2. Description of trigger tools

#### E.2.1. Level-1 reconstruction

There have been no significant changes in the Level-1 algorithms since the DAQ TDR. We have introduced an  $H_T$  algorithm which sums the corrected jet  $E_T$  of all the jets found above a programmable threshold, within  $|\eta| < 5$ . It does not account for  $E_T$  carried by muons and neutrinos.

The Level-1 strategy is the following: We have made an effort to keep the thresholds at the same levels, or even reduce them in order to be able to study cross-channel triggers (typically appearing with lower kinematic cuts). The notable exception is the tau triggers, where an increase in the HCAL noise and the usage of a new pile-up model in the simulation do affect the Level-1  $\tau$  identification tools, and therefore the related trigger rates. We have introduced additional Level-1 conditions for all HLT paths. The determination of thresholds and prescales is a compromise between the desire to distribute reasonably the available L1 bandwidth to the various triggers, and the need to optimise the L1 and HLT thresholds coherently in well-defined trigger paths.

<sup>54</sup> At the time of the writing of this document, several scenarios for the HLT output rate, the disk requirements for the storage manager and the associated cost are under discussion.

### E.2.2. HLT reconstruction

Well defined Level-1 terms are used in order to obtain triggers whose behaviour and efficiency can be studied with real data. We have replaced some of the Level-1 conditions with respect to the DAQ TDR with new Level-1 terms when this leads to more reasonable trigger paths or triggers that are more stable and carry less of a bias. The optimisation of the thresholds for the various triggers has been a compromise between the physics needs of the CMS experiment and the total HLT rate available. This study serves only as an intermediate step in a long-term trigger study project. Further improvements in the reconstruction tools, better optimisation of the thresholds, implementation of additional triggers and a CMS-wide discussion of the allocation of the HLT bandwidth to the physics groups according to the priorities of the experiment, are foreseen.

A general and detailed description of the HLT system can be found in Ref. [76]. Here we summarise the recent modifications of the HLT tools, and the expected changes in the rates of the various triggers with respect to the earlier studies.

- **Muons:** The muon algorithm has not changed, with the exception of the drift-tube local reconstruction and segment building. Therefore, no significant changes in the rates of single- and dimuon trigger paths are expected. The option of constructing muon triggers without isolation has been added.
- **Electrons–Photons.** Here the most important change is that all saturated trigger towers at Level-1 are now considered isolated. This increases both the signal efficiency and the background. At HLT, the photon rate can be reduced by increasing the thresholds or by applying some isolation cuts. For the electrons the options include a matching with pixel lines and tracks, as well as isolation requirements in the hadron calorimeter and the tracker. A study of the algorithm optimisation can be found in Ref. [7]. An improvement of the rejection power of the electron–photon algorithms is achieved with a simultaneous decrease of the HLT thresholds. Similar enhancements are expected for cross-channel triggers where one of the objects under consideration is an electron or a photon.
- **Jets and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ .** The main jet-finder algorithm (Iterative Cone with  $R = 0.5$ ) has not been modified. Some optimisations of the tower thresholds have been added, and the jet corrections have been updated (“Scheme C”). Similarly, there are no major algorithm changes for  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , however it has been ensured that all triggers including a  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  object do not have any off-line corrections applied. Another improvement that has been recently introduced is the ability to construct *acoplanar* triggers by combining two jets, or a jet and a  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  object that do not lie “back-to-back” Details of the physics algorithms can be found in Refs. [165] and [148].
- **$b$ -jets.** The algorithm now uses muon information for fast rejection. Further improvements have been made for faster decisions and for an increased efficiency in fully hadronic final states. The documentation for the  $b$ -jet HLT algorithm can be found in Ref. [290].
- **Taus:** The HLT  $\tau$  algorithm has not changed. However, the increase in the Level-1 rate does propagate into the HLT. The isolation parameters for the electromagnetic calorimeter and the tracker have been tuned after recent studies performed by the Higgs group, described in Ref. [280]. The overall rate for  $\tau$ -related triggers is expected to be slightly increased.

A new addition to the HLT reconstruction tools is the  $H_T$  algorithm. It sums the corrected jet  $E_T$  of all the  $E_T > 5$  GeV jets found within  $|\eta| < 5$ , along with the energy of the  $p_T > 5$  GeV/c HLT muons found in the event, and the  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  computed using the calorimeter deposits. It is meant to be driven off the corresponding L1  $H_T$  term.

### E.3. Triggering with forward detectors

#### E.3.1. Objective

We discuss<sup>55</sup> the feasibility of a special forward detectors trigger stream, with target output rate of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  kHz at L1 and  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  Hz on the HLT, as well as the potential of the already foreseen CMS L1 trigger streams for retaining events with diffractive processes.

The proposed forward detectors trigger stream combines the information of the central CMS detector with that from detectors further downstream of the CMS IP. The forward detectors considered are the TOTEM T1 and T2 tracker telescopes as well as the TOTEM Roman Pot (RP) detectors up to 220 m downstream of CMS [823, 824]. Information from TOTEM will be available to the CMS L1 trigger. We also consider detectors at a distance of 420 m, in the cryogenic region of the LHC ring, currently being studied by the FP420 project [254].

Topologically, diffractive events are characterised by a gap in the rapidity distribution of final-state hadrons. In addition, the fractional momentum loss,  $\xi$ , of diffractively scattered protons peaks at  $\xi = 0$  (“diffractive peak”). The TOTEM RP detectors will permit to measure protons in the region  $0.2 > \xi > 0.02$ . Detectors at a distance of 420 m from the IP would provide a coverage of  $0.02 > \xi > 0.002$ , complementary to that of the TOTEM detectors, but cannot be included in the Level-1 trigger without an increase in the Level-1 latency of  $3.2 \mu\text{s}$  (though a special, long latency running mode might be feasible at lower luminosities).

The studies discussed in the following assume that the RP detectors are 100% efficient in detecting all particles that emerge at a distance of at least  $10 \sigma_{\text{beam}} + 0.5$  mm from the beam axis (1.3 mm at 220 m, 4 mm at 420 m). Their acceptance was calculated for the nominal LHC optics ( $\beta^* = 0.55$  m), version V6.5 [825, 826], and by way of a simulation program that tracks particles through the accelerator lattice [827]. LHC bunches with 25 ns spacing were assumed.

The results presented below do not depend on the specific hardware implementation of the TOTEM T1, T2 and RP detectors; they hold for any tracker system with the T1, T2  $\eta$  coverage in conjunction with RPs at 220 m from the IP.

#### E.3.2. Level-1 trigger rates for forward detectors trigger stream

*E.3.2.1. 2-Jet conditions.* A particularly interesting and challenging diffractive channel is the central exclusive production of a Higgs Boson,  $pp \rightarrow pHp$ , with Higgs mass close to the current exclusion limit. The dominant decay of a SM Higgs Boson of mass  $\sim 120 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  is into two  $b$ -quarks and generates 2 jets with at most  $60 \text{ GeV}/c$  transverse momentum each. In order to retain as large a signal fraction as possible, as low an  $E_T$  threshold as possible of the Level-1 2-jet trigger is desirable. In practice, the threshold value cannot be chosen much lower than  $40 \text{ GeV}$  per jet. The Level-1 trigger applies cuts on the calibrated  $E_T$  value of the jet. Thus, a threshold of  $40 \text{ GeV}$  corresponds to  $20\text{--}25 \text{ GeV}$  in reconstructed  $E_T$ , i.e. to values where noise starts becoming sizable.

For luminosities of  $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$  and above, the Level-1 rate from standard QCD processes for events with at least 2 central jets ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ ) with  $E_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$  exceeds by far the target output rate of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  kHz. Thus additional conditions need to be employed to reduce the rate from QCD processes. The efficacy of several conditions was investigated [247, 248, 828–830]. In the following, the corresponding rate reduction factors are always quoted with respect to the rate of QCD events that contain at least 2 central jets with  $E_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$  per jet.

<sup>55</sup> These studies were carried out in collaboration with TOTEM.

**Table E.1.** Reduction of the rate from standard QCD processes for events with at least 2 central Level-1 jets with  $E_T > 40$  GeV, achievable with requirements on the tracks seen in the RP detectors. Additional rate reductions can be achieved with the  $H_T$  condition and with a topological condition. Each of them yields, for all luminosities listed, an additional reduction by about a factor 2.

Luminosity [ $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ]	Pile-up events per BX	Level-1 2-jet rate [kHz] for $E_T > 40$ GeV	Total reduction needed	Reduction when requiring track in RPs at					
				220 m		420 m		220 & 420 m (asymmetric)	420 & 420 m
				$\xi < 0.1$		$\xi < 0.1$		$\xi < 0.1$	
$1 \times 10^{32}$	0	2.6	2	370					
$1 \times 10^{33}$	3.5	26	20	7	15	27	160	380	500
$2 \times 10^{33}$	7	52	40	4	10	14	80	190	150
$5 \times 10^{33}$	17.5	130	100	3	5	6	32	75	30
$1 \times 10^{34}$	35	260	200	2	3	4	17	39	10

The QCD background events were generated with the Pythia Monte Carlo generator. In order to assess the effect when the signal is overlaid with pile-up, a sample of 500,000 pile-up events was generated with Pythia. This sample includes inelastic as well as elastic and single diffractive events. Pythia underestimates the number of final state protons in this sample. The correction to the Pythia leading proton spectrum described in [831] was used to obtain the results discussed in the following.

Given a Level-1 target rate for events with 2 central Level-1 jets of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  kHz, a total rate reduction between a factor 20 at  $1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and 200 at  $1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  is necessary. Table E.1 summarises the situation for luminosities between  $10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , and for different RP detector conditions: a track at 220 m on one side of the IP (single-arm 220 m), without and with a cut on  $\xi$ ; a track at 420 m on one side of the IP (single-arm 420 m); a track at 220 m and 420 m (asymmetric); a track at 420 m on both sides of the IP (double-arm 420 m). Because the detectors at 220 m and 420 m have complementary coverage in  $\xi$ , the asymmetric condition in effect selects events with two tracks of very different  $\xi$  value, in which one track is seen at 220 m on one side of the IP and a second track is seen on the other side at 420 m. If not by the L1 trigger, these asymmetric events can be selected by the HLT and are thus of highest interest. At luminosities where pile-up is present, the rate reduction achievable with the RP detector conditions decreases because of the diffractive component in the pile-up.

A collimator located in front of the LHC magnet Q5, planned to be operative at higher luminosities, will have an effect on the acceptance of the RP detectors resembling that of a  $\xi$  cut. This effect has not been taken into account in Table E.1.

Using T1 and T2 as vetoes in events with 2 central Level-1 jets was found to be effective only in the absence of pile-up [832].

In addition to the  $E_T$  values of individual Level-1 jets, the CMS Calorimeter Trigger has at its disposal the scalar sum,  $H_T$ , of the  $E_T$  values of all jets. Requiring that essentially all the  $E_T$  be concentrated in the two central Level-1 jets with highest  $E_T$ , i.e.  $[E_T^1 + E_T^2]/H_T > 0.9$  ( $H_T$  condition), corresponds to imposing a rapidity gap of at least 2.5 units with respect to the beam direction. This condition reduces the rate of QCD events by approximately a factor 2, independent of the presence of pile-up and with only a small effect on the signal efficiency.

A further reduction of the QCD rate could be achieved with the help of a topological condition. The 2-jet system has to balance the total momentum component of the two protons along the beam axis. In signal events with asymmetric  $\xi$  values, the proton seen on one side



**Table E.2.** Estimated threshold values that result in a L1 output rate of  $\sim 1$  kHz, for various conditions on central CMS detector quantities and on tracks seen in the RP detectors at 220 m and 420 m.

L1 condition	L1 $E_T$ or $p_T$ threshold [GeV] at $\mathcal{O}(1)$ KHz L1 output rate for luminosity [ $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ]			
	$1 \times 10^{33}$	$2 \times 10^{33}$	$5 \times 10^{33}$	$1 \times 10^{34}$
1 Jet	115	135	160	190
2 Jet	90	105	130	150
1 Jet+220s	90	115	155	190
2 Jet+220s	65	90	125	150
1 Jet+220d	55	85	130	175
2 Jet+220d	30	60	100	140
1 Jet+220s(c)	70	90	150	185
2 Jet+220s(c)	60	70	115	145
1 Jet+220d(c)	30	65	110	155
2 Jet+220d(c)	20	45	85	125
1 Jet+420s	65	90	125	165
2 Jet+420s	45	70	100	130
1 Jet+420d	20	40	80	115
2 Jet+420d	< 10	30	60	90
1 $\mu$ +220s	12	16	23	> 100
1 $\mu$ +220d	4	9	17	80
1 $\mu$ +220s(c)	–	11	22	100
1 $\mu$ +220d(c)	–	6	13	30
1 $\mu$ +420s	7	11	14	37
1 $\mu$ +420d	< 2	4	7	14

in the RP detectors at 220 m distance is the one with the larger  $\xi$  and thus has lost more of its initial momentum component along the beam axis. Hence the jets tend to be located in the same  $\eta$ -hemisphere as the RP detectors that detect this proton. A trigger condition requiring that  $[\eta^{jet1} + \eta^{jet2}] \times \text{sign}(\eta^{220mRP}) > 0$  reduces the QCD background by a factor 2, independent of pile-up, and with no loss in signal efficiency.

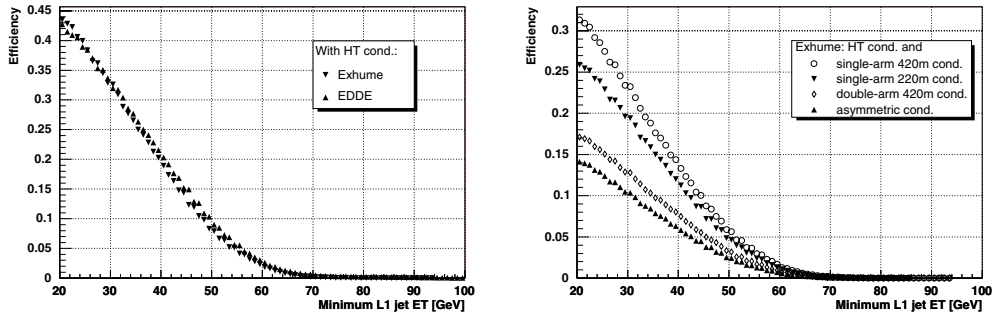
A reduction of the QCD rate to levels compatible with a Level-1 output target rate of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  kHz by including RP detectors at a distance of 220 m from the CMS IP thus appears feasible for luminosities up to  $2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , as long as a  $\xi$  cut can be administered in the L1 trigger.

*E.3.2.2. Other conditions.* The effect of combining already foreseen Level-1 trigger conditions with conditions on the RP detectors is illustrated in Table E.2 [829]. Single- and double-arm RP detector conditions are indicated with ‘s’ and ‘d’ endings, respectively. Entries marked with a ‘(c)’ indicate thresholds applicable if a cut on  $\xi < 0.1$  is implemented for the RP detectors at 220 m. The jet conditions consider all Level-1 jets with  $|\eta| < 5$ .

A further rate reduction by approximately a factor two can be obtained at luminosities with negligible pile-up by imposing a rough large rapidity gap cut at L1. This was implemented by requiring that there be no forward jets, i.e. jets in the HF, in either hemisphere in the event.

### *E.3.3. Level-1 signal efficiencies*

Of the Level-1 conditions discussed so far, only those based on the RP detectors have a significant impact on the signal efficiency. Of further interest is the question how many signal events are being retained by the already foreseen trigger streams, notably the muon trigger.



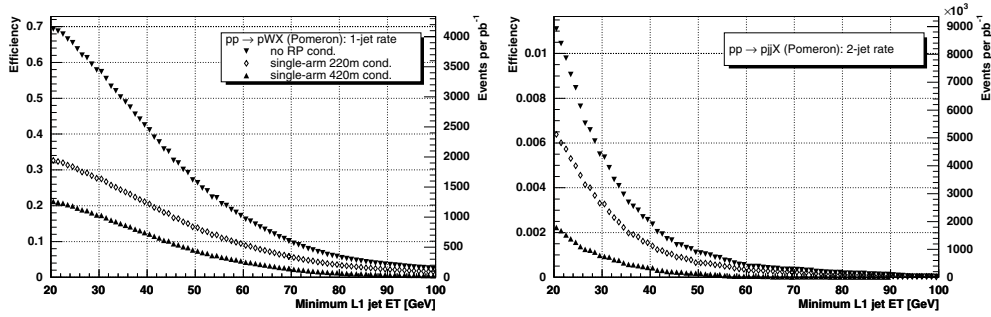
**Figure E.1.** L1 selection efficiency for  $pp \rightarrow pHp$  and  $H(120, \text{GeV}/c^2) \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  as function of the  $E_T$  threshold value when at least 2 central Level-1 jets with  $E_T$  above threshold are required. All plots are for the non-pile-up case and the  $H_T$  condition has been applied. Left: Comparison between the EDDE and Exhume Monte Carlo generators, without applying any additional RP conditions. Right: Comparison of the effect of different RP conditions on the efficiency in the Exhume Monte Carlo sample.

*E.3.3.1. Central exclusive Higgs production ( $H(120 \text{ GeV}/c^2) \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ).* In order to study the effect of the Level-1 trigger selection on the Higgs signal, signal samples of 100,000 events with central exclusive production of a Higgs Boson were generated with the Monte Carlo programs EDDE [261] (version 1.1) and Exhume [259] (version 1.0).

Figure E.1 shows the Level-1 selection efficiency as a function of the  $E_T$  threshold values when at least 2 central Level-1 jets with  $E_T$  above threshold are required [829]. For a threshold of 40 GeV per jet, Exhume and EDDE both yield an efficiency of about 20%. The plot on the right-hand side overlays the efficiency curves obtained with Exhume when the 2-jet condition is combined with RP detector conditions. With an  $E_T$  threshold of 40 GeV per jet, the single-arm 220 m (420 m) condition results in an efficiency of the order 12% (15%), the double-arm 420 m condition in one of 8% and the asymmetric condition in one of 6%. This also means that, even without the possibility of including the RP detectors at 420 m from the CMS IP in the Level-1 trigger, 6% of the signal events can be triggered on with the single-arm 220 m condition, but will have a track also in the 420 m detectors that can be used in the HLT.

An alternative trigger strategy is to exploit the relatively muon-rich final state from  $B$ -decays: about 20% of the events have at least a muon in the final state. Requiring at least one (two) L1 muon(s) with  $p_T$  above 14 GeV/c (3 GeV/c) yields an efficiency of 6% (2%). Demanding at least 1 muon and 1 jet, the latter with  $E_T > 40$  GeV, is a condition not yet foreseen in the CMS trigger tables. For a muon  $p_T$  threshold of 3 GeV/c, the rate at a luminosity of  $10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  is slightly less than 3 kHz, and about half of the decays with muons in the final state (i.e. 9%) are retained [830].

*E.3.3.2. Central exclusive Higgs production ( $H(140 \text{ GeV}/c^2) \rightarrow WW$ ).* For SM Higgs Boson masses above  $120 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , the  $H \rightarrow WW$  branching ratio becomes sizable; in this case the final state contains high- $p_T$  leptons that can be used for triggering. Efficiencies are in general high [830]. About 23% of the events have at least one muon in the final state. Approximately 70% of these (i.e. 16%) are retained by requiring at least one muon with a  $p_T$  threshold of 14 GeV/c. An extra  $\approx 10\%$  (i.e. 2%) would be retained by implementing the muon/jet slot discussed above with thresholds of 3 GeV/c on the muon  $p_T$  and 40 GeV on the jet  $E_T$ .



**Figure E.2.** L1 selection efficiency as function of the  $E_T$  threshold value for  $pp \rightarrow pWX$  (left) and  $pp \rightarrow pjX$  (right), when at least one (left) or two (right) Level-1 jets ( $|\eta| < 5$ ) above threshold are required. All plots are for the non-pile-up case.

*E.3.3.3. Single diffractive hard processes.* Double-Pomeron exchange processes constitute only a small part of the diffractive cross section. Hard single-diffraction,  $pp \rightarrow pX$ , where only one proton remains intact and the other is diffractively excited, have much higher cross sections than hard double-Pomeron exchange events. Efficiencies have been studied for  $pp \rightarrow pX$ , with  $X$  containing a  $W$  or a  $Z$  boson that decay to jets and to muons, as well as with  $X$  containing a dijet system. Samples of 100,000 signal events each were generated with the POMWIG Monte Carlo generator [833] (version 1.3).

For two example processes, Figure E.2 shows the efficiency as a function of the Level-1 threshold value, normalised to the number of events where for the diffractively scattered proton  $0.001 < \xi < 0.2$  holds [829]. Three different trigger conditions are considered: trigger on central detector quantities alone (i), trigger on central detector quantities in conjunction (ii) with the single-arm 220 m condition, and (iii) with the single-arm 420 m condition. Also shown is the number of events expected to pass the L1 selection per  $\text{pb}^{-1}$  of LHC running. A significant part of events is retained when a proton is required in the 220 m RPs.

#### *E.3.4. Effect of pile-up, beam-halo and beam-gas backgrounds*

Pile-up effects are included in all rate and efficiency studies presented. In the 220 m stations, 0.055 protons/pile-up event are expected on average, in the 420 m stations, 0.012 protons/pile-up event. At a luminosity of  $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , there are 35 pile-up events on average; this entails, on average, 2 extra tracks in the 220 m stations and less than one in the 420 m stations.

The effect from beam-halo and beam-gas events on the Level-1 rate is not yet included in the studies discussed here. Preliminary estimates suggest that they are chiefly a concern for any trigger condition based solely on the forward detectors. For any trigger condition that includes a requirement on central CMS detector quantities the size of their contribution is such that they do not lead to a significant increase of the Level-1 output rate.

#### *E.3.5. HLT strategies*

Jets are reconstructed at the HLT with an iterative cone ( $R < 0.5$ ) algorithm. The Level-1 selection cuts are repeated with HLT quantities. The following conditions are imposed [829]:

- (A) The event pass the single-arm 220 m Level-1 condition with  $\xi < 0.1$  cut. As demonstrated in Table E.1, this condition reduces the Level-1 output rate to below  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  kHz. Additional

**Table E.3.** Results of HLT selection.

HLT selection condition	A + B + C	A + B + D	A + B + C + E
HLT rate at $1 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	15 Hz	20 Hz	< 1 Hz
line HLT rate at $2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	60 Hz	80 Hz	1 Hz
e Signal eff. $H(120) \text{ GeV}/c^2 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	11%	7%	6%

rate reduction factors of  $\sim 300$  ( $\sim 1000$ ) at  $1(2) \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  are needed to reach the HLT target output rate of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  Hz.

- (B) The two jets are back-to-back in the azimuthal angle  $\phi$  ( $2.8 < \Delta\phi < 3.48$  rad), and have  $(E_T^1 - E_T^2)/(E_T^1 + E_T^2) < 0.4$ , and  $E_T > 40$  GeV for each jet.
- (C) The proton fractional momentum loss  $\xi$  is evaluated with the help of calorimeter quantities [834–836]:

$$\xi_{+-} = (1/\sqrt{s}) \sum_i E_{Ti} \exp(\mp\eta_i), \quad (\text{E.1})$$

where the sum runs over the two jets and the  $+$ ,  $-$  signs denote the two hemispheres. The result is compared with the  $\xi$  value measured by the RP detectors. At present, no simulation of the RP reconstruction is available. As estimate of the  $\xi$  resolution, 15% (10%) is assumed at 220 m (420 m). Events are rejected if the difference between the two values of  $\xi$  is larger than  $2\sigma$ .

- (D) At least one of the two jets is  $b$ -tagged.
- (E) A proton is seen at 420 m.

The case without pile-up presents no difficulty: essentially no QCD background events survive the selection. If conditions A+B+C are applied, the signal efficiency for  $pp \rightarrow pHp$  with  $H(120 \text{ GeV}/c^2) \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  is at 11% essentially unchanged with respect to the Level-1 selection, but the HLT output rate exceeds the target output rate, see Table E.3. If  $b$ -tagging is required but no  $\xi$  matching (conditions A +B+D), the efficiency drops to 7%, without any improvement in the rate reduction. The combination of conditions A+B+C+E finally leads to the targeted HLT output rate of  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  Hz, without any loss in signal efficiency compared to L1.

#### E.4. High-Level Trigger paths

We are starting with the DAQ-TDR trigger table as the baseline. This includes single- and double-triggers for the basic objects ( $e$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\tau$ ) along with jets and  $b$ -jets. Some cross-channel triggers are also present. We are expanding the cross-channel “menu” by introducing additional triggers. We introduce an  $H_T$  algorithm, which we combine with other objects. We are also adding a series of central single-jets, non-isolated muons, and a diffractive trigger discussed earlier.

##### E.4.1. Level-1 conditions

Table E.4 summarises the Level-1 conditions used to drive all the trigger paths. A pseudo “L1 bit number” has been assigned for easy reference in the following sections.

##### E.4.2. Evolution of DAQ-TDR triggers

The trigger paths that have been studied in Ref. [76] have been inherited and constitute the “bulk” of this next iteration of the CMS Trigger Menu for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ .

**Table E.4.** Level-1 conditions used in High Level Trigger paths.

Level-1 bit #	Trigger	(GeV)	Prescale
0	Single $\mu$	14	1
1	Double $\mu$	3	1
2	Single isolated $e\gamma$	23	1
3	Double isolated $e\gamma$	11	1
4	Double $e\gamma$ (isolated/non-isolated)	19	1
8	Single central jet	177	1
9	Single forward jet	177	1
10	Single $\tau$ -jet	100	1
11	2 central jets	130	1
12	2 forward jets	130	1
13	2 $\tau$ -jets	66	1
14	3 central jets	86	1
15	3 forward jets	86	1
16	3 $\tau$ -jets	40	1
17	4 central jets	70	1
18	4 forward jets	70	1
19	4 $\tau$ -jets	30	1
26	(isolated) $e\gamma + \tau$	14, 52	1
31	$H_T$	300	1
32	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	60	1
33	Single jet (central, forward or $\tau$ )	140	10
34	Single jet (central, forward or $\tau$ )	60	1 000
35	Single jet (central, forward or $\tau$ )	20	100 000
36	Single jet (central, forward or $\tau$ )	150	1
37	2 jets (central, forward or $\tau$ )	100	1
38	3 jets (central, forward or $\tau$ )	70	1
39	4 jets (central, forward or $\tau$ )	50	1

Modifications (optimisation of isolation cuts and thresholds) have been made for certain of the triggers, to reflect changes in the physics algorithms, or the improved understanding of the background from Monte Carlo (MC) simulations. The proposed Trigger Tables includes:

- **Muons.** The standard muon triggers include calorimeter-based isolation at L2, and both calorimeter and tracker isolation at L3. The  $p_T$  thresholds remain at 19 GeV/c for the single-muon and (7, 7) GeV/c for the dimuon trigger. A second set of relaxed single- and double-muons has been added with  $p_T > 37$  GeV and  $p_T > 10$  GeV, respectively. The main motivation here is Drell–Yan studies. In general, physics analyses that do not need a low  $p_T$  muon but do suffer from the isolation requirement on the muon. The reduced rejection caused by the removal of the isolation cuts is compensated by the higher- $p_T$  thresholds on the muons, without affecting the event yield for the physics signal. The relaxed triggers have the advantage that the muons here are immune to radiative losses for the higher energy spectrum ( $p_T > 500$  GeV/c). Both isolated and relaxed triggers run off the corresponding non-isolated single- and double-muon bits at L1.
- **Electrons.** The  $p_T$  threshold remains at 26 GeV/c for the single electron trigger and has a new value of (12, 12) GeV/c for the dielectron trigger. An additional relaxed dielectron trigger appears with  $p_T > 19$  GeV/c. The single-electron and double-electron triggers run off the corresponding Level-1 bits.
- **Photons.** The new  $p_T$  thresholds are 80 GeV/c for the single-photon trigger and (30, 20) GeV/c for the diphoton trigger (both relaxed and non-relaxed flavours). A few prescaled

single- and double-photon triggers have also been introduced, for the purpose of studying trigger efficiencies. The photon HLT algorithms run off the corresponding Level-1  $e\gamma$  bits (single- and double-triggers).

- **Taus.** The single- $\tau$  trigger runs off the corresponding Level-1 bit. The double- $\tau$  trigger is driven by the .OR.-ing of the single- and double- $\tau$  trigger bits at L1. There is no explicit kinematic cut on the tau at HLT. There is, however, a match-to-track requirement in addition to the  $p_T > 100(66)$  GeV/c L1 precondition for the inclusive (double) tau trigger. The single- $\tau$  has also a  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 65$  GeV requirement at HLT.
- **Tau and electron.** The Level-1 condition is the corresponding  $\tau+e\gamma$  trigger. The  $p_T$  threshold remains at 16 GeV/c for the electron. There is no explicit  $p_T$  cut for the  $\tau$  at HLT, but there is the match-to-track requirement for the  $\tau$  candidate.
- **Jets.** The Level-1 conditions for the single-, double-, triple- and quadruple-jet triggers have been simplified considerably. Single jet triggers run off an .OR. of a central-, forward- or tau-jet trigger at L1. Double-, triple- and quadruple-jet triggers use an .OR. of the all the Level-1 terms requiring the same number of jets or less. For example, the triple-jet trigger is driven by an .OR. of the single-, double- and triple-jet Level-1 bits. In all cases, jets can be found in either the central or the forward region of the detector, and they include the  $\tau$  candidates. The additional  $p_T$  cuts at HLT are: 400 (single), 350 (double), 195 (triple) and 80 (quadruple) GeV. The new double-jet trigger is expected to have a large overlap with the single-jet trigger path. However, it is useful for testing the additional bias introduced by the requirement for a second jet in the event. A series of prescaled triggers have also been introduced, which are discussed later (Sec. E.4.3.2).
- **b-jet.** This trigger is also based on the logical .OR. of the single-, double-, triple- and quadruple-jet Level-1 terms. At HLT, we have the additional requirement that the event is consistent with  $b$ -content. The  $E_T$  cut for the HLT jets is one of the following: 350 GeV if the event has one jet, 150 GeV if the event has three jets, or 55 GeV if the event has four jets.
- **Jet and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ .** The  $E_T$  thresholds are 180 and 80 GeV, respectively. The Level-1 condition is a single  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  object above 60 GeV.

### E.4.3. New triggers

*E.4.3.1. Cross-channel triggers.* The trigger studies presented in the DAQ TDR [76] have been the most comprehensive CMS effort to date to calculate rates for various trigger paths across many physics channels. For those studies the focus has been the optimisation of the rejection of the individual object-id algorithms (muon, electron, tau, etc.) rather than the combination of them into more powerful trigger tools. However, single (or even double) trigger objects are limited by the rate and, therefore, have their thresholds often higher than desired for many physics analyses. If the signal contains more than one trigger objects, using trigger paths combining different objects may yield a considerable gain by allowing lower trigger thresholds and higher efficiency. Cross-channel triggers can be much more stable and less prone to rate fluctuations from operating conditions. The correlations among trigger objects can help reduce difficult backgrounds and instrumental fakes. The additional advantage is that such cross-channel triggers have noticeably lower rates than the single trigger channels and therefore contribute fairly little to the overall bandwidth.

Some cross-channel triggers have already been considered and their rates estimated [76], such as  $\tau + e$  and  $\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , motivated by the Higgs searches with hadronic decays of  $\tau$  and leptons, and  $\text{jet} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , important for searches of super-symmetric particles. The new addition

to the Trigger Menu, expanding the scope of Higgs searches, is a combined  $\tau + \mu$  trigger with  $p_T$  thresholds at 40 and 15 GeV/c, respectively. It is driven by the single- $\mu$  Level-1 bit.

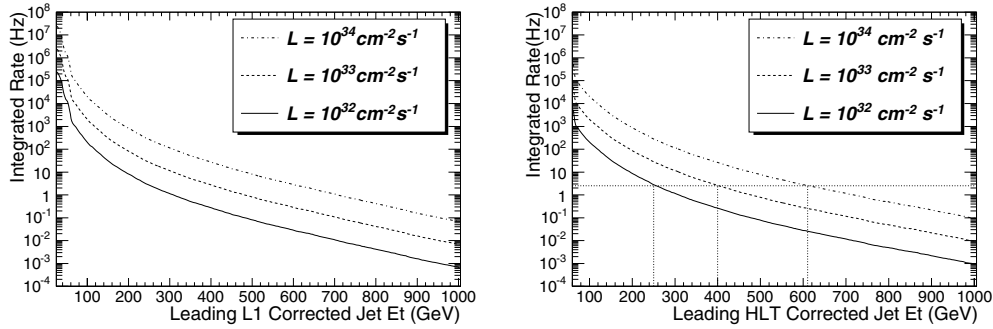
We are presenting here a few additional cross-channel triggers, along with the physics motivation.

- A new category of triggers introduced here is the acoplanar dijet and jet+ $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  for SUSY signals. The gain is the lower thresholds that become possible because of the topology constraint. Possible biases should be studied, so these triggers are meant to run in parallel with the standard jet and jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  triggers without the acoplanarity requirements. We introduce a double-jet trigger with  $E_T$  thresholds at (200, 200) GeV and  $|\Delta\phi| < 2.1$ , and a new jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $E_T$  thresholds at (100, 80) GeV and  $|\Delta\phi| < 2.1$ . The former is driven by an .OR. of the single- and double-jet requirements at Level-1 (bits 36, 37). The latter is driven by a simple  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 60$  GeV Level-1 requirement.
- “ $E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$ ” triggers. A combination of an  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  object with an  $H_T$  cut, one (or more) jet or lepton may be the only way to access  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ -enhanced triggers if there are problems (*e.g.* instrumental fakes) that prevent CMS from running an inclusive  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger. At this point we have implemented:
  - \* Multi-jets and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ . These will be useful for SUSY studies, just like the series of jet triggers. However, the additional  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  requirement allows us to lower the thresholds on the jets, and therefore increase the sensitivity of the analyses. We introduce here a dijet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 155$  GeV,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 80$  GeV, a triple – jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 85$  GeV,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 80$  GeV and a quadruple – jet +  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 35$  GeV,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 80$  GeV. These all run off the single Level-1 requirement for  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 60$  GeV.
  - \*  $H_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and  $H_T + e$ . It is difficult to contain the rate for an inclusive  $H_T$  trigger without any additional cuts. The requirement for a  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  cut or an additional electron in the event allows us to access events with lower  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  or softer electrons. This can give an increased efficiency for  $W$ +jets, top physics, SUSY cascades, and other similar physics channels. Here we propose an  $H_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $H_T > 350$  GeV,  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 80$  GeV and an  $H_T + e$  trigger with  $H_T > 350$  GeV and  $p_T > 20$  GeV/c for the electron. They are both driven by the  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 60$  GeV condition at L1.

Some additional cross-channel triggers that have not been included in this Trigger Table iteration but should be considered in future trigger studies are:

- An  $e + \mu$  trigger is of interest in many studies, for example:
  - \*  $qqH, H \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow 2\ell$ , with an expected gain thanks to the lower lepton thresholds compared to the single-electron and single-muon trigger paths,
  - \* many SUSY decays including leptons in the final state,
  - \* top measurements in the double leptonic channel ( $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}\ell\nu\ell\nu$ ), gaining sensitivity at the lower  $p_T$  spectrum, and
  - \*  $B_s \rightarrow \ell\ell$ , to allow for the lepton-number-violating channel to be studied.
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} + \ell$ . The idea here is to exploit the presence of a  $W$  boson or a top decay in many channels. This could be used in many SM channels where lowering the lepton threshold extends the range of the measurement. For example:
  - \* top measurement in the double leptonic and semi-leptonic channels,
  - \* single top production, and
  - \*  $W$  measurements.

Furthermore, this is a typical signature of an event containing super-symmetric particles.



**Figure E.3.** The integrated trigger rates at Level-1 (left) and HLT (right) above the  $E_T$  thresholds for the highest  $E_T$  jet is plotted versus the  $E_T$  threshold for three luminosity scenarios:  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (solid), and  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (dashed), and  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (dot-dashed). HLT thresholds that give 2.5 Hz are shown by vertical dotted lines.

- Triggers combining a lepton and a jet, or a lepton and a  $b$ -jet could be of interest for top measurements. The  $\ell + \text{jet}$  signature is also very common in super-symmetric events.
- Finally, a combination of a lepton and a photon ( $e + \gamma$  and  $\mu + \gamma$ ) is ideal for Flavour Changing Neutral Current analyses, exploiting the extraordinary capabilities of CMS in detecting photons. These triggers allow to lower the thresholds on the lepton and the photon, increasing the event yield compared to the single- $e$ ,  $\mu$  or  $\gamma$  trigger paths.

*E.4.3.2. Single jet triggers.* In this section we propose the single jet trigger paths. These have been driven by the needs of the inclusive jet and dijet analysis. The full study can be found in Ref. [118]. Here we summarise conclusions, along with a short description of the strategy for adjusting thresholds and prescales as the luminosity changes. This study looks at the evolution of the single-jet triggers for various luminosities. It serves as an example of how to preserve the long-term continuity of the triggers used for physics analyses. It is, therefore, interesting and instructive beyond the strict scope of the single-jet trigger suite.

To measure jet spectra down to low jet  $E_T$  and dijet mass requires multiple triggers, of roughly equal total rate, and with appropriately chosen  $E_T$  thresholds and prescales. In Fig. E.3 we show estimates of the Level-1 and HLT single jet trigger rates vs. corrected jet  $E_T$ . In Table E.5 we show the single jet trigger paths from Level-1 to HLT including thresholds, prescales and estimates of the rates. We find that the maximum allowed HLT rate is the constraining factor for triggering on jets. For luminosity  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  and  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  the highest  $E_T$  threshold at HLT was chosen to give a rate of roughly 2.5 Hz, as illustrated in Fig. E.3, so that four triggers would saturate an allowed jet rate of roughly 10 Hz at HLT.

The highest  $E_T$  threshold in each scenario is not prescaled. Lower thresholds are prescaled and are chosen at roughly half the  $E_T$  of the next highest threshold. This allows reasonable statistics in the overlap between the two samples, necessary for measuring trigger efficiencies and producing a continuous jet spectrum. Note that the total L1 jet rate required is only around 0.3 KHz, a small fraction of the Level-1 total bandwidth. Since we are limited by HLT, not L1, for each trigger path the Level-1 thresholds are chosen low enough to have a Level-1 trigger efficiency of more than 95% at the corresponding HLT threshold in the path, as shown in Figure E.4. This strategy utilizes ten times more bandwidth at L1 than at HLT to insure that all of the resulting HLT sample has high enough trigger efficiency to be useful for analysis.



**Table E.5.** Single jet trigger table showing path names, trigger thresholds in corrected  $E_T$ , prescales, and estimated rates at Level-1 and HLT for four different luminosity scenarios.

Path	L1				HLT	
	$E_T$ Cut (GeV)	Unpres. Rate (KHz)	Prescale (N)	Presc. Rate (KHz)	$E_T$ Cut (GeV)	Rate (Hz)
Single Jet Triggers in Scenario 1: $\mathcal{L} = 10^{32} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$						
High	140	0.044	1	0.044	250	2.8
Med	60	3.9	40	0.097	120	2.4
Low	25	$2.9 \times 10^2$	2,000	0.146	60	2.8
Single Jet Triggers in Scenario 2: $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$						
Ultra	270	0.019	1	0.019	400	2.6
High	140	0.44	10	0.044	250	2.8
Med	60	39	400	0.097	120	2.4
Low	25	$2.9 \times 10^3$	20,000	0.146	60	2.8
Single Jet Triggers in Scenario 3: $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$						
Ultra	270	0.038	1	0.038	400	5.2
High	140	0.88	20	0.044	250	2.8
Med	60	78	800	0.097	120	2.4
Low	25	$5.8 \times 10^3$	40,000	0.146	60	2.8
Single Jet Triggers in Scenario 4: $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$						
Super	450	0.014	1	0.014	600	2.8
Ultra	270	0.19	10	0.019	400	2.6
High	140	4.4	100	0.044	250	2.8
Med	60	$3.9 \times 10^2$	4,000	0.097	120	2.4
Low	25	$2.9 \times 10^4$	200,000	0.146	60	2.8

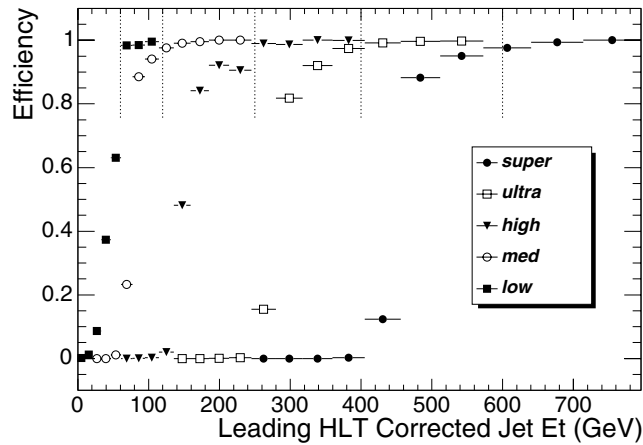
**Figure E.4.** The efficiency for passing the Level-1 jet trigger is shown as a function of HLT corrected jet  $E_T$  for each of the trigger paths shown in table E.5. The Level-1 thresholds were chosen to give an efficiency of greater than 95% at the corresponding HLT threshold.

Table E.5 illustrates a trigger strategy to maintain the continuity of jet analysis as the luminosity increases over a time span of years. The most important feature is that each luminosity scenario maintains the thresholds introduced in the previous scenario, allowing

combination of trigger samples over time. For the prescaled thresholds, we may increase the prescales, either in discrete steps or dynamically, to maintain the allowed HLT rate with increasing luminosity. However, to maintain maximum sensitivity to new physics, the highest  $E_T$  threshold must never be prescaled. For example, in table E.5 when the luminosity increases by only a factor of 2 from  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  to  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , we double the prescales on the prescaled triggers but don't change either the threshold or the prescale of the highest  $E_T$  trigger labelled Ultra. This allows us to maintain stability of the single jet trigger thresholds, and analyses that depend on them, with only modest increases in the total rate for single jets. When the HLT rate in the unprescaled trigger becomes intolerably high, a higher  $E_T$  threshold unprescaled trigger is introduced, and the old unprescaled trigger can then be prescaled as necessary.

For the particular case of single-jet triggers: To commission the calorimeters, or perform a one-time jet study, it may be desirable to have more jets. If we want to write more than roughly 10 Hz of single jets at HLT, we can still use the same suite of single-jets, but lower the prescales to obtain more jets at low  $E_T$ . This is preferable to moving the threshold for the unprescaled trigger, or any of the triggers, and ending up with a special trigger that is only applicable for a given running period and difficult to combine with other samples.

For  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , the suggested jet thresholds have been studied again in the scope of the global High-Level trigger analysis (Sec. E.5) and new Level-1 prescales and rates have been determined. For the trigger table proposed in this study, we have chosen four triggers, with  $E_T$  thresholds of 400, 250, 120 and 60 GeV, and prescales of 1, 10, 1000 and 100 000, respectively.

*E.4.3.3. Other triggers.* The remaining triggers that have been introduced since the DAQ TDR are:

- Inclusive  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger. As discussed earlier, this is a difficult trigger that is subject to the good understanding and control of the detector noise. We suggest here a single  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  trigger with  $E_T > 91 \text{ GeV}$ , driven by the  $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 60 \text{ GeV}$  L1 condition. This is just an indicative value, rather on the low side, as  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  rates appear lower compared to Ref. [76]. It is foreseen that additional  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  triggers with different thresholds and prescales will be introduced in the future.
- Diffractive trigger. This trigger is different than all others described earlier in that it uses the TOTEM detector [823, 824]. At Level-1 we ask for two central jets with  $E_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$ , along with a proton tagged with the 220 m Roman Pot. At HLT, a similar dijet cut and a “back-to-back” azimuthal condition are applied. We also require that we have a consistent measurement of the proton energy loss  $\xi$  in the two hemispheres (within  $2 \sigma$ , measured at the Roman Pots). A final condition for a tagged proton seen by the 420 m Roman Pot brings the HLT rate down to  $\mathcal{O}(1) \text{ Hz}$ . This trigger is discussed in detail in Sec. E.3.

## E.5. Performance

The performance of the trigger system is studied by using simulated data that has been digitised with appropriate pileup<sup>56</sup>, taking into account both the inelastic (55.2 mb) and the diffractive (24.1 mb) cross sections. To reduce the amount of simulation time, about 50 million

<sup>56</sup> We have estimated the average number of in-time interactions per bunch crossing to be 5 for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Additional, out-of-time interactions have been ignored.

**Table E.6.** Description and sizes of MC Samples used for the trigger studies. The contribution to the HLT rate does not include pre-scaled triggers.

Sample description	Cuts (Momenta in GeV/c)	Cross section (mb)	# of events	HLT rate (Hz)
Minimum bias with in-time pile-up; (# of interactions) = 5	—	79.3	50 000 000	—
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [15, 20]$	$1.46 \times 10^0$	49 491	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [20, 30]$	$6.32 \times 10^{-1}$	49 244	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [30, 50]$	$1.63 \times 10^{-1}$	49 742	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [50, 80]$	$2.16 \times 10^{-2}$	99 486	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [80, 120]$	$3.08 \times 10^{-3}$	96 238	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [120, 170]$	$4.94 \times 10^{-4}$	99 736	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [170, 230]$	$1.01 \times 10^{-4}$	99 226	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [230, 300]$	$2.45 \times 10^{-5}$	99 481	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [300, 380]$	$6.24 \times 10^{-6}$	98 739	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [380, 470]$	$1.78 \times 10^{-6}$	46 491	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [470, 600]$	$6.83 \times 10^{-7}$	47 496	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [600, 800]$	$2.04 \times 10^{-7}$	48 986	
QCD	$\hat{p}_T \in [800, 1000]$	$3.51 \times 10^{-8}$	45 741	
	Partial total		930 099	$55.3 \pm 6.9$
$W \rightarrow e\nu$	1 electron with $ \eta  < 2.7$ , $p_T > 25$	$7.9 \times 10^{-6}$	3 944	$9.7 \pm 0.2$
$Z \rightarrow ee$	2 electrons with $ \eta  < 2.7$ , $p_T > 5$	$8.2 \times 10^{-7}$	4 000	$1.4 \pm 0.0$
$pp \rightarrow \text{jet}(s) + \gamma$ , $\hat{p}_T > 30 \text{ GeV}/c$	jet: $p_T > 20, \gamma: p_T > 30$	$2.5 \times 10^{-6}$	4 000	$1.0 \pm 0.0$
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	1 muon with $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 14$	$9.8 \times 10^{-6}$	4 000	$14.0 \pm 0.3$
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$	2 muons with $ \eta  < 2.5$ , $p_T > 20, 10$	$7.9 \times 10^{-7}$	2 941	$1.5 \pm 0.0$
$pp \rightarrow \mu + X$	1 muon with $p_T > 3$	$2.4 \times 10^{-2}$	839 999	$25.5 \pm 1.2$

minimum bias events were simulated and reused in random combinations. It was ensured that these events do not cause triggers by themselves to avoid over estimating the rates due to this reuse of events.

In the following sections we list trigger rates along with their statistical uncertainties. These take into account the luminosity-dependent weight of the events from the different samples, the corresponding cross sections and the  $\hat{p}_T$  of the main interaction and the pile-up contribution. They do *not* take into account the uncertainties of these individual factors, i.e. no systematic effects are studied here.

The Level-1 calorimeter trigger object rate studies are performed using QCD data that has been generated in several bins of  $\hat{p}_T$ . A special event-weighting procedure has been applied to properly take into account the cross sections of the sub-samples. The Level-1 muon and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  rate studies are performed using a purely minimum bias sample.

The HLT rates are estimated using specially enriched samples. For the triggers invoking muons, electrons and photons we have used a minimum bias sample enriched in muons, as well as  $W \rightarrow e/\mu\nu$ ,  $Z \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$  and  $\text{jet}(s) + \gamma$  MC datasets. For the triggers including jets we have used QCD samples. These samples also contribute to the electron and photon triggers. Events triggered exclusively with muons have been excluded from the QCD samples, to avoid double-counting with the muon-enriched sample. Table E.6 summarises the MC samples used for the trigger studies, and their corresponding contribution to the HLT rate. A more detailed breakdown of the contributions to the electron, photon and muon trigger rates from

**Table E.7.** Trigger table showing Level-1 rates for DAQ TDR chosen thresholds for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Whenever the “95% efficiency point” is reported in DAQ TDR, we also give the actual kinematic threshold that has been applied.

Trigger	95% Eff. point	Threshold (GeV)	Rate (kHz)	Cumulative Rate (kHz)
Single $e\gamma$	29	23.4	$3.38 \pm 0.23$	$3.4 \pm 0.2$
Double $e\gamma$	17	11.5	$0.85 \pm 0.12$	$4.0 \pm 0.3$
Single $\mu$	—	14	$2.53 \pm 0.20$	$6.5 \pm 0.3$
Double $\mu$	—	3	$4.05 \pm 0.26$	$10.3 \pm 0.4$
Single $\tau$	86	93	$3.56 \pm 0.24$	$9.7 \pm 0.4$
Double $\tau$	59	66	$1.97 \pm 0.18$	$10.6 \pm 0.4$
1-, 3-, 4-jets	177, 86, 70	135, 58, 45	$2.43 \pm 0.20$	$11.9 \pm 0.4$
Jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	—	88, 46	$1.07 \pm 0.13$	$12.2 \pm 0.4$
$e\gamma + \tau$	—	21, 45	$3.64 \pm 0.24$	$12.9 \pm 0.5$
Level-1 Trigger Total				$12.9 \pm 0.5$

the different samples is discussed later (Sec. E.5.3-rates). For our calculations, we have used the standard HLT physics algorithms (ORCA/\_8/\_13/\_3 [10]) for the implementation of all trigger paths. At the time of this writing, this includes the latest algorithms and jet calibrations. For the global evaluation of the trigger rates we have used the “HLT steering code”

### E.5.1. Level-1 rates

The background at Level-1 is entirely dominated by strong interactions. The muon rates at Level-1 are dominated by low  $p_T$  muons which are reconstructed as high  $p_T$  muons due to limited resolution at the trigger level. For the electron/photon trigger the rate is dominated by jets that fragment to high  $E_T \pi^0$ s. The jet rates are dominated by true jets in the QCD events. The  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  background is due to the limited energy resolution, and pile-up of minimum bias interactions.

We first produce a trigger table with Level-1 rates for DAQ TDR chosen thresholds for comparison. For the calculations we use a sample of 2 million minimum bias crossings with an average of 5 events per crossing, constructed from the minbias events, without reuse of events. The out-of-time pile-up is neglected. Even though there are small differences for the individual triggers, the integral rate is consistent with the rates reported in Ref. [76]. This comparison serves as a cross-check and is a necessary intermediate step before the introduction of new trigger terms. Table E.7 summarises the Level-1 rate calculations for the DAQ TDR triggers with the new MC samples. Besides the “95% efficiency points” (used throughout the DAQ TDR), the applied L1 thresholds are also given.

For the new trigger table: We select several thresholds for each trigger object type and quote corresponding rates and prescales for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . For the single objects we have added a series of prescaled triggers to determine the efficiency turn-on. For the multi-object triggers we have picked the lowest common threshold that is allowed for the allocated bandwidth. For the cross-channel triggers we have attempted to keep the lepton thresholds as low as possible, within the allocated bandwidth based on the physics needs of the experiment. The prescales are chosen such that the simulated rate at all times falls below the DAQ bandwidth taking into account a safety factor of 3. The total Level-1 rate for all triggers (including prescaled ones) is  $22.6 \pm 0.3 \text{ kHz}$ .

**Table E.8.** Comparison of HLT bandwidth given to various trigger paths calculated in this study with the DAQ TDR. See text for details on different kinematic cuts and changes in the HLT algorithms.

Trigger	DAQ TDR Rate (Hz)	New Rate (Hz)
Inclusive $e$	33.0	$23.5 \pm 6.7$
$e$ - $e$	1.0	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
Relaxed $e$ - $e$	1.0	$1.3 \pm 0.1$
Inclusive $\gamma$	4.0	$3.1 \pm 0.2$
$\gamma$ - $\gamma$	5.0	$1.6 \pm 0.7$
Relaxed $\gamma$ - $\gamma$	5.0	$1.2 \pm 0.6$
Inclusive $\mu$	25.0	$25.8 \pm 0.8$
$\mu$ - $\mu$	4.0	$4.8 \pm 0.4$
$\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	1.0	$0.5 \pm 0.1$
$\tau + e$	2.0	$< 1.0$
Double Pixel $\tau$	1.0	$4.1 \pm 1.1$
Double Tracker $\tau$	1.0	$6.0 \pm 1.1$
Single jet	1.0	$4.8 \pm 0.0$
Triple jet	1.0	$1.1 \pm 0.0$
Quadruple jet	7.0	$8.9 \pm 0.2$
jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	5.0	$3.2 \pm 0.1$
$b$ -jet (leading jet)	5.0	$10.3 \pm 0.3$
$b$ -jet (2 <sup>nd</sup> leading jet)	5.0	$8.7 \pm 0.3$

### E.5.2. Level-1 trigger object corrections

The trigger decisions are based on  $E_T$  of the objects reconstructed by various algorithms. Unfortunately, the energy deposition in the calorimeter and the size of the trigger towers, are not entirely uniform. We have used fits to the reconstructed-to-generated  $E_T$  ratios to correct for non-uniformity of the response for jets and electron/photon candidates found at all levels of trigger [830]. This correction procedure adjusts the mean response to the generated level.

The energy response of the calorimeters and the limited number of bits used in trigger calculations result in a finite resolution for the reconstructed trigger objects. Similarly, misalignments of the tracking systems and the limited number of patterns in the muon trigger look-up-tables also result in a finite resolution. To avoid systematic problems in understanding the trigger efficiency turn-on with the  $E_T$  of the trigger objects, it is envisioned that only data where high trigger efficiency is assured is used for analysis.

### E.5.3. HLT rates

A rough comparison of the HLT bandwidth given to various triggers, calculated with the latest algorithms and the ones reported in Ref. [76] is shown in Table E.8. It must be noted that not only thresholds but also other cuts are different in the two trigger studies. Furthermore, additional changes in the HLT algorithms (summarised in Sec. E.2.2) must be taken into account. This comparison serves only as a consistency check. It reaffirms that despite the evolution of the CMS reconstruction algorithms over the years, trigger rates remain under control and that no major bandwidth changes are expected.

Table E.10 shows in a similar way the contributions to the single and double standard and relaxed muon rates from the various MC samples.

The contributions to the single and double electron and photon trigger rates at HLT from the various MC samples is given at Table E.9-egamma. The main contributions to the single

**Table E.9.** Contributions to the HLT rates for the electron and photon triggers from the various MC datasets.

Trigger	Threshold (GeV)	Rates (Hz)			
		QCD	$W \rightarrow e\nu$	$Z \rightarrow ee$	jet(s) + $\gamma$
Inclusive $e$	26	$12.6 \pm 6.7$	$9.7 \pm 0.2$	$1.2 \pm 0.0$	—
$e$ - $e$	12, 12	$0.1 \pm 0.1$	—	$1.0 \pm 0.0$	—
Relaxed $e$ - $e$	19, 19	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	—	$1.0 \pm 0.0$	—
Inclusive $\gamma$	80	$1.1 \pm 0.2$	—	—	$2.0 \pm 0.1$
$\gamma$ - $\gamma$	30, 20	$1.3 \pm 0.8$	—	—	$0.3 \pm 0.0$
Relaxed $\gamma$ - $\gamma$	30, 20	$0.9 \pm 0.6$	—	—	$0.3 \pm 0.0$

**Table E.10.** Contributions to the HLT rates for the muon triggers from the various MC datasets.

Trigger	Threshold (GeV)	Rates (Hz)		
		Enriched- $\mu$ sample	$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$	$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
Inclusive $\mu$	19	$10.9 \pm 0.8$	$13.4 \pm 0.3$	$1.5 \pm 0.0$
Relaxed $\mu$	37	$5.1 \pm 0.5$	$5.7 \pm 0.1$	$1.1 \pm 0.0$
$\mu$ - $\mu$	7, 7	$3.4 \pm 0.4$	—	$1.3 \pm 0.0$
Relaxed $\mu$ - $\mu$	10, 10	$7.1 \pm 0.5$	—	$1.4 \pm 0.0$

**Table E.11.** The Level-1 Trigger Menu at  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ . Individual and cumulative rates are given for the different trigger paths and selected kinematic thresholds.

Trigger	Level-1 Threshold (GeV)	Level-1 Rate (kHz)	Cumulative Level-1 Rate (kHz)
Inclusive $e\gamma$	22	$4.2 \pm 0.1$	$4.2 \pm 0.1$
Double $e\gamma$	11	$1.1 \pm 0.1$	$5.1 \pm 0.1$
Inclusive $\mu$	14	$2.7 \pm 0.1$	$7.8 \pm 0.2$
Double $\mu$	3	$3.8 \pm 0.1$	$11.4 \pm 0.2$
Inclusive $\tau$	100	$1.9 \pm 0.1$	$13.0 \pm 0.2$
Double $\tau$	66	$1.8 \pm 0.1$	$14.1 \pm 0.2$
1-,2-,3-,4-jets	150, 100, 70, 50	$1.8 \pm 0.1$	$14.8 \pm 0.3$
$H_T$	300	$1.2 \pm 0.1$	$15.0 \pm 0.3$
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	60	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	$15.1 \pm 0.3$
$H_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	200, 40	$0.7 \pm 0.1$	$15.3 \pm 0.3$
jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	100, 40	$0.8 \pm 0.1$	$15.4 \pm 0.3$
$\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	60, 40	$2.7 \pm 0.1$	$17.4 \pm 0.3$
$\mu + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	5, 30	$0.3 \pm 0.1$	$17.6 \pm 0.3$
$e\gamma + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	15, 30	$0.7 \pm 0.1$	$17.7 \pm 0.3$
$\mu + \text{jet}$	7, 100	$0.1 \pm 0.1$	$17.8 \pm 0.3$
$e\gamma + \text{jet}$	15, 100	$0.6 \pm 0.1$	$17.8 \pm 0.3$
$\mu + \tau$	7, 40	$1.2 \pm 0.1$	$18.4 \pm 0.3$
$e\gamma + \tau$	14, 52	$5.4 \pm 0.2$	$20.7 \pm 0.3$
$e\gamma + \mu$	15, 7	$0.2 \pm 0.1$	$20.7 \pm 0.3$
Prescaled			$22.6 \pm 0.3$
	Total Level-1 Rate		$22.6 \pm 0.3$

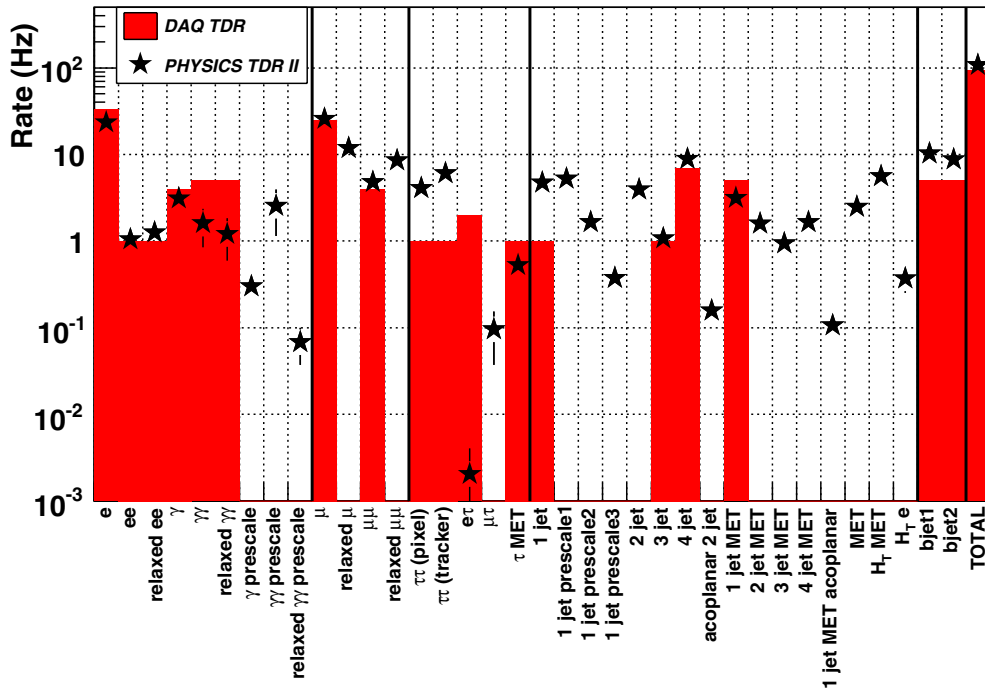
**Table E.12.** The High-Level Trigger Menu at  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  for an output of approximately 120 Hz. The  $E_T$  values are the kinematic thresholds for the different trigger paths.

Trigger	Level-1 bits used	Level-1 Prescale	HLT Threshold (GeV)	HLT Rate (Hz)
Inclusive $e$	2	1	26	$23.5 \pm 6.7$
$e$ - $e$	3	1	12, 12	$1.0 \pm 0.1$
Relaxed $e$ - $e$	4	1	19, 19	$1.3 \pm 0.1$
Inclusive $\gamma$	2	1	80	$3.1 \pm 0.2$
$\gamma$ - $\gamma$	3	1	30, 20	$1.6 \pm 0.7$
Relaxed $\gamma$ - $\gamma$	4	1	30, 20	$1.2 \pm 0.6$
Inclusive $\mu$	0	1	19	$25.8 \pm 0.8$
Relaxed $\mu$	0	1	37	$11.9 \pm 0.5$
$\mu$ - $\mu$	1	1	7, 7	$4.8 \pm 0.4$
Relaxed $\mu$ - $\mu$	1	1	10, 10	$8.6 \pm 0.6$
$\tau + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	10	1	65 ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ )	$0.5 \pm 0.1$
Pixel $\tau$ - $\tau$	10, 13	1	—	$4.1 \pm 1.1$
Tracker $\tau$ - $\tau$	10, 13	1	—	$6.0 \pm 1.1$
$\tau + e$	26	1	52, 16	$< 1.0$
$\tau + \mu$	0	1	40, 15	$< 1.0$
$b$ -jet (leading jet)	36, 37, 38, 39	1	350, 150, 55 (see text)	$10.3 \pm 0.3$
$b$ -jet (2 <sup>nd</sup> leading jet)	36, 37, 38, 39	1	350, 150, 55 (see text)	$8.7 \pm 0.3$
Single-jet	36	1	400	$4.8 \pm 0.0$
Double-jet	36, 37	1	350	$3.9 \pm 0.0$
Triple-jet	36, 37, 38	1	195	$1.1 \pm 0.0$
Quadruple-jet	36, 37, 38, 39	1	80	$8.9 \pm 0.2$
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	91	$2.5 \pm 0.2$
jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	180, 80	$3.2 \pm 0.1$
acoplanar 2 jets	36, 37	1	200, 200	$0.2 \pm 0.0$
acoplanar jet + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	100, 80	$0.1 \pm 0.0$
2 jets + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	155, 80	$1.6 \pm 0.0$
3 jets + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	85, 80	$0.9 \pm 0.1$
4 jets + $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	32	1	35, 80	$1.7 \pm 0.2$
Diffractive	Sec. E.3	1	40, 40	$< 1.0$
$H_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	31	1	350, 80	$5.6 \pm 0.2$
$H_T + e$	31	1	350, 20	$0.4 \pm 0.1$
Inclusive $\gamma$	2	400	23	$0.3 \pm 0.0$
$\gamma$ - $\gamma$	3	20	12, 12	$2.5 \pm 1.4$
Relaxed $\gamma$ - $\gamma$	4	20	19, 19	$0.1 \pm 0.0$
Single-jet	33	10	250	$5.2 \pm 0.0$
Single-jet	34	1 000	120	$1.6 \pm 0.0$
Single-jet	35	100 000	60	$0.4 \pm 0.0$
Total HLT rate				$119.3 \pm 7.2$

electron trigger come from the QCD and  $W \rightarrow e\nu$  samples, whereas for the single photon trigger the primary source is the jet(s) +  $\gamma$  events.

#### E.5.4. Trigger tables

Table E.11 summarises the Level-1 triggers used in this study, their kinematic thresholds, the individual and cumulative rates. We have assumed a DAQ capability of 50 kHz, taking into account a safety factor of 3.



**Figure E.5.** Heuristic comparison of HLT bandwidth assigned to various trigger paths calculated in this study with the DAQ TDR. For the triggers introduced in this study the DAQ TDR entries appear empty. See text for details on different kinematic cuts and changes in the HLT algorithms.

Table E.12 gives the full list of trigger paths proposed for  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  that have been described earlier for an HLT output rate of approximately 120 Hz.

Fig. E.5 shows a graphic representation of the HLT bandwidth assigned to all trigger paths presented in this study. For the triggers that appeared in the DAQ TDR, the corresponding rates are overlaid, in a heuristic comparison.



## Glossary

<b>ADC</b>	Analog to Digital Converter
<b>AdS</b>	Anti de Sitter space
<b>ALEPH</b>	An experiment at LEP
<b>ALICE</b>	A Large Ion Collider Experiment at the LHC
<b>ALPGEN</b>	Monte Carlo event generator for multi-parton processes in hadronic collisions
<b>ATLAS</b>	A Toroidal LHC ApparatuS experiment
<b>BMU</b>	Barrel Muon system
<b>BR</b>	Branching Ratio
<b>BX</b>	Bunch Crossing
<b>BXN</b>	Bunch Crossing Number
<b>CASTOR</b>	Calorimeter in the forward region of CMS
<b>CDF</b>	Collider Detector Facility experiment at the FNAL Tevatron
<b>CL</b>	Confidence Level
<b>CLHEP</b>	Class Library for HEP
<b>CMKIN</b>	CMS Kinematics Package (legacy Fortran)
<b>CMS</b>	Compact Muon Solenoid experiment
<b>CMSIM</b>	CMS Simulation Package (legacy Fortran)
<b>CMSSW</b>	CMS Software framework
<b>CPT</b>	Computing, Physics, TriDAS and software projects of CMS
<b>CPU</b>	Central Processing Unit
<b>CompHEP</b>	Monte Carlo event generator for high-energy physics collisions
<b>CSC</b>	Cathode Strip Chamber muon system
<b>CVS</b>	Concurrent Versions System
<b>DØ</b>	Experiment at the FNAL Tevatron
<b>DAQ</b>	Data Acquisition
<b>DELPHI</b>	An experiment at LEP
<b>DESY</b>	Deutsches Elektronen SYnchrotron laboratory, Hamburg
<b>DST</b>	Data Summary Tape – a compact event format
<b>DT</b>	Drift Tube muon system
<b>DY</b>	Drell–Yan
<b>EB</b>	Electromagnetic Calorimeter (Barrel)
<b>ECAL</b>	Electromagnetic Calorimeter
<b>ED</b>	Extra Dimensions
<b>EE</b>	Electromagnetic Calorimeter (Endcap)
<b>EM</b>	Electromagnetic
<b>EMU</b>	Endcap Muon system
<b>ES</b>	Endcap preShower detector
<b>EW</b>	ElectroWeak
<b>FAMOS</b>	CMS Fast Simulation
<b>FLUKA</b>	Computer program for hadron shower calculations
<b>FNAL</b>	Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, USA
<b>FSR</b>	Final State Radiation

<b>Gb</b>	Gigabit ( $10^9$ bits)
<b>GB</b>	Gigabyte ( $10^9$ bytes)
<b>GCALOR</b>	Computer program for hadron shower calculations
<b>GEANT</b>	Detector simulation framework and toolkit
<b>GMSB</b>	Gauge Mediated Symmetry Breaking
<b>GUT</b>	Grand Unified Theory
<b>H1</b>	An experiment at the DESY HERA collider
<b>HAD</b>	Hadronic
<b>HCAL</b>	Hadron Calorimeter
<b>HB</b>	Hadron Calorimeter (Barrel)
<b>HE</b>	Hadron Calorimeter (Endcap)
<b>HEP</b>	High Energy Physics
<b>HEPEVT</b>	HEP Event (generated event format)
<b>HERA</b>	Electron-proton collider at DESY
<b>HERWIG</b>	Hadron Emission Reactions With Interfering Gluons, a Monte Carlo event generator for high-energy physics collisions
<b>HF</b>	Hadron Calorimeter (Forward)
<b>HI</b>	Heavy Ion(s)
<b>HIJING</b>	Heavy Ion Jet Interaction Generator, Monte Carlo event generator for heavy-ion collisions
<b>HLT</b>	High-Level Trigger
<b>HO</b>	Hadron Calorimeter (Outer Barrel)
<b>IGUANA</b>	Interactive Graphics for User ANalysis – used for the CMS Event Display Package
<b>I/O</b>	Input/Output
<b>IP</b>	Impact Parameter, also Impact Point or Internet Protocol
<b>ISR</b>	Initial State Radiation, also Intersecting Storage Ring collider at CERN
<b>JES</b>	Jet Energy Scale
<b>Kalman Filter</b>	Computational method for fitting tracks
<b>kb</b>	kilobit ( $10^3$ bits)
<b>kB</b>	kilobytes ( $10^3$ bytes)
<b>L1</b>	Level-1 hardware-based trigger
<b>L3</b>	An experiment at LEP
<b>LCG</b>	LHC Computing Grid (a common computing project)
<b>LED</b>	Large Extra Dimensions, also Light Emitting Diode
<b>LEP</b>	Large Electron Positron collider at CERN
<b>LHC</b>	Large Hadron Collider
<b>LHCb</b>	Large Hadron Collider Beauty experiment
<b>LHCC</b>	LHC (review) Committee
<b>LHEP</b>	Physics model of GEANT4
<b>LL</b>	Leading Logarithm, also Log Likelihood
<b>LO</b>	Leading Order calculation
<b>LOI</b>	Letter Of Intent
<b>LPC</b>	LHC Physics Center, Fermilab
<b>LS</b>	Like-Sign
<b>LSP</b>	Lightest Supersymmetric Particle

<b>Mb</b>	Megabit ( $10^6$ bits)
<b>MB</b>	Muon system (Barrel), also Mother Board or Megabyte ( $10^6$ bytes)
<b>MC</b>	Monte Carlo simulation program/technique, also Mini-Crate of DT system
<b>ME</b>	Muon system (Endcap), also Matrix Element or Monitoring Element
<b>MET</b>	Missing Transverse Energy
<b>metadata</b>	Data describing characteristics of other data
<b>MIP</b>	Minimum Ionizing Particle
<b>MSUGRA</b>	Minimal SUPERGRAVITY model of supersymmetry
<b>MSSM</b>	Minimal SuperSymmetric Model
<b>MTCC</b>	Magnet Test Cosmic Challenge
<b>ndf</b>	number of degrees of freedom
<b>NLO</b>	Next-to-Leading Order calculation
<b>NN</b>	Neural Network
<b>NNLO</b>	Next-to-Next-to-Leading Order calculation
<b>NS</b>	Numbering Scheme
<b>OO</b>	Object Oriented
<b>OPAL</b>	An experiment at LEP
<b>ORCA</b>	Object-oriented Reconstruction for CMS Analysis
<b>OS</b>	Opposite-Sign, also Operating System
<b>OSCAR</b>	Object-oriented Simulation for CMS Analysis and Reconstruction
<b>P5</b>	Point 5 collision area of LHC
<b>PAW</b>	Physics Analysis Workstation (legacy interactive analysis application)
<b>PB</b>	Petabyte ( $10^5$ bytes)
<b>PC</b>	Personal Computer
<b>PD</b>	Pixel Detector
<b>PDF</b>	Parton Density Function, also Probability Distribution Function (p.d.f.)
<b>PRS</b>	Physics Reconstruction and Selection groups
<b>PS</b>	Proton Synchrotron, also Parton Showers
<b>PV</b>	Primary Vertex
<b>PYTHIA</b>	Monte Carlo event generator for high-energy physics collisions
<b>QCD</b>	Quantum Chromodynamics
<b>QED</b>	Quantum Electrodynamics
<b>QGSP</b>	Physics model of GEANT4
<b>RecHit</b>	Reconstructed hit in a detector element
<b>RHIC</b>	Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider (at Brookhaven, USA)
<b>RMS</b>	Root Mean Square
<b>ROOT</b>	An object-oriented data analysis framework
<b>RPC</b>	Resistive Plate Chamber muon system

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<b>SLT</b>	Soft Lepton Tag
<b>SM</b>	Standard Model, also SuperModule (ECAL) or Storage Manager (DAQ)
<b>S/N</b>	Signal to Noise ratio
<b>SPS</b>	Super Proton Synchrotron collider at CERN
<b>SS</b>	Same-Sign
<b>SST</b>	Silicon Strip Tracker
<b>SUSY</b>	SUperSYmmetry
<b>SV</b>	Secondary Vertex
<b>T1, T2</b>	Tracking telescopes of TOTEM
<b>TAG</b>	Event index information such as run/event number, trigger bits, etc.
<b>Tb</b>	Terabit ( $10^{12}$ bits)
<b>TB</b>	Terabyte ( $10^{12}$ bytes)
<b>TDR</b>	Technical Design Report
<b>TEC</b>	Tracker EndCap
<b>TIB</b>	Tracker Inner Barrel
<b>TID</b>	Tracker Inner Disks
<b>TOB</b>	Tracker Outer Barrel
<b>TOTEM</b>	Separate experiment at P5 for forward physics
<b>TPD</b>	Tracker Pixel Detector
<b>TriDAS</b>	Trigger and Data Acquisition project
<b>UA1</b>	An experiment at the CERN SPS collider
<b>UA2</b>	An experiment at the CERN SPS collider
<b>UE</b>	Underlying Event
<b>UED</b>	Universal Extra Dimensions
<b>VBF</b>	Vector Boson Fusion
<b>VPT</b>	Vacuum PhotoTriode
<b>WWW</b>	World Wide Web
<b>ZDC</b>	Zero Degree Calorimeter
<b>ZEUS</b>	An experiment at the DESY HERA collider

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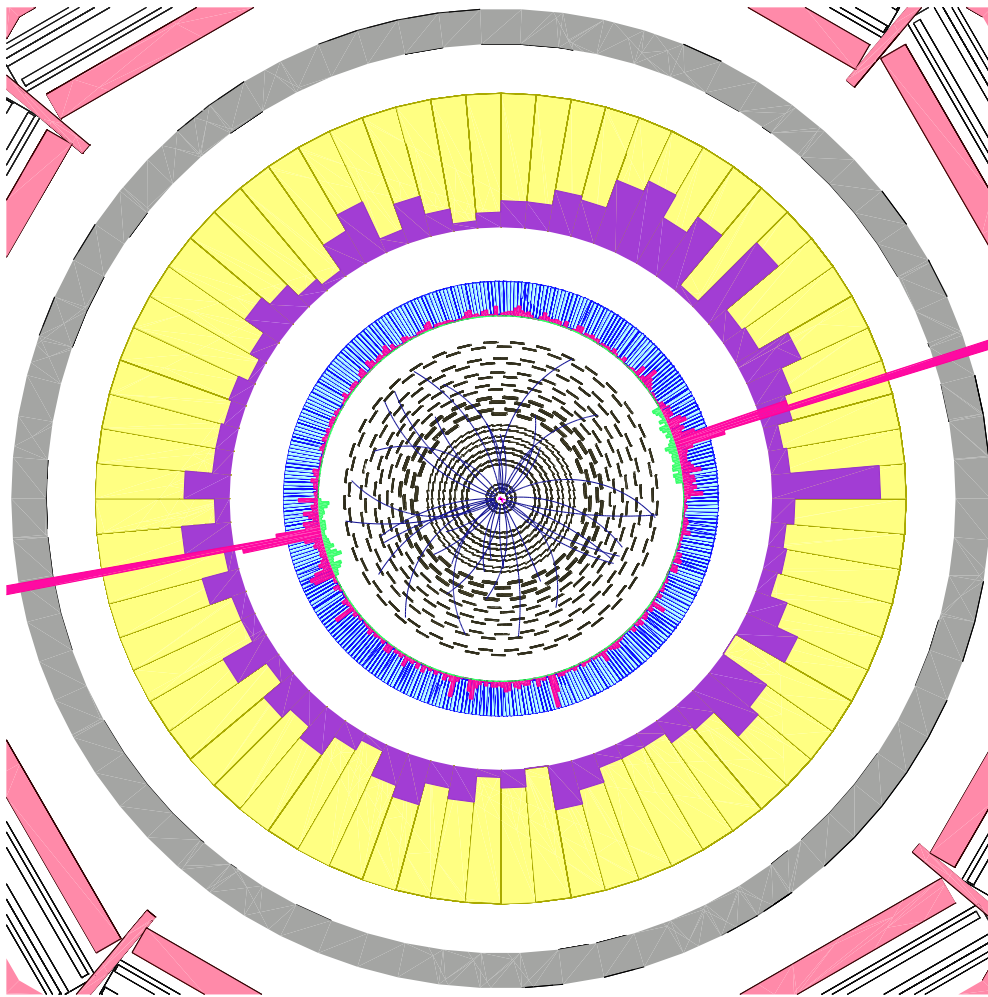
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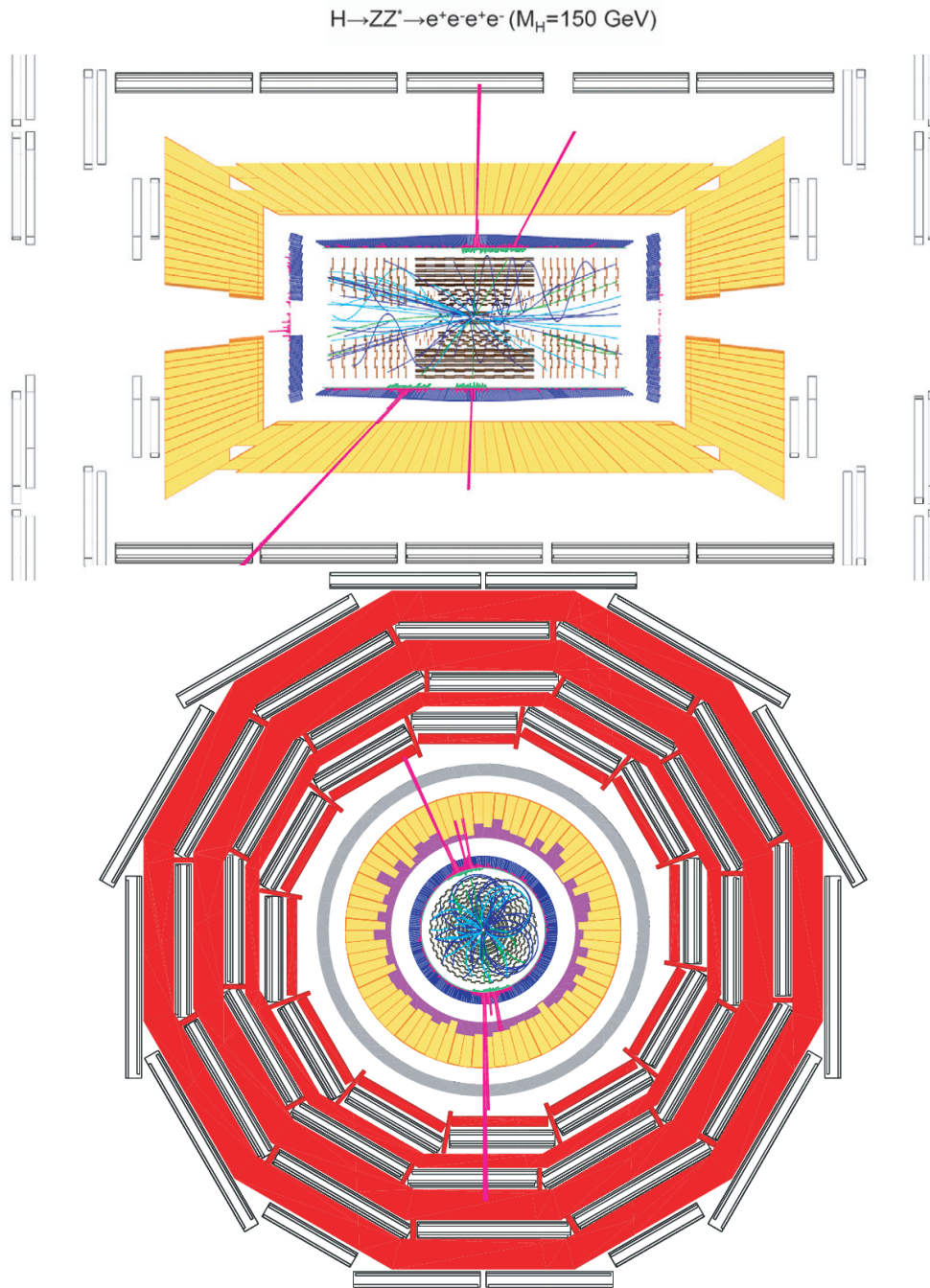
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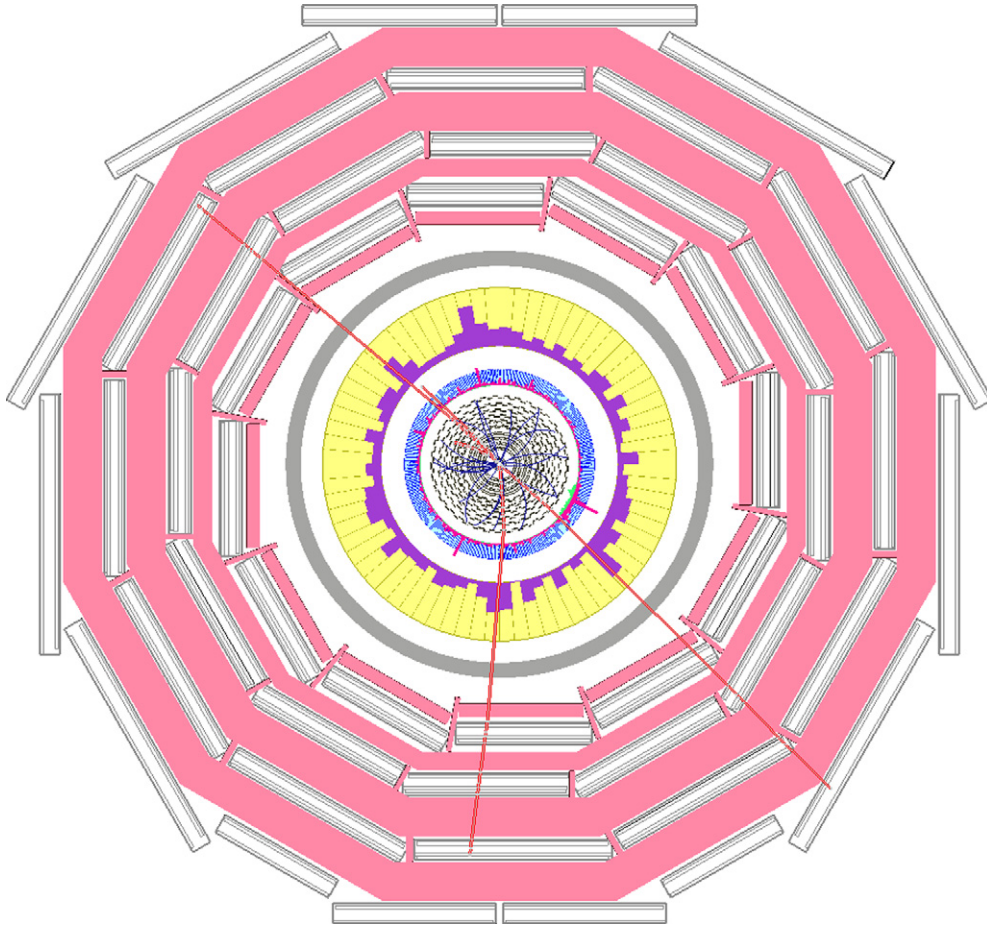
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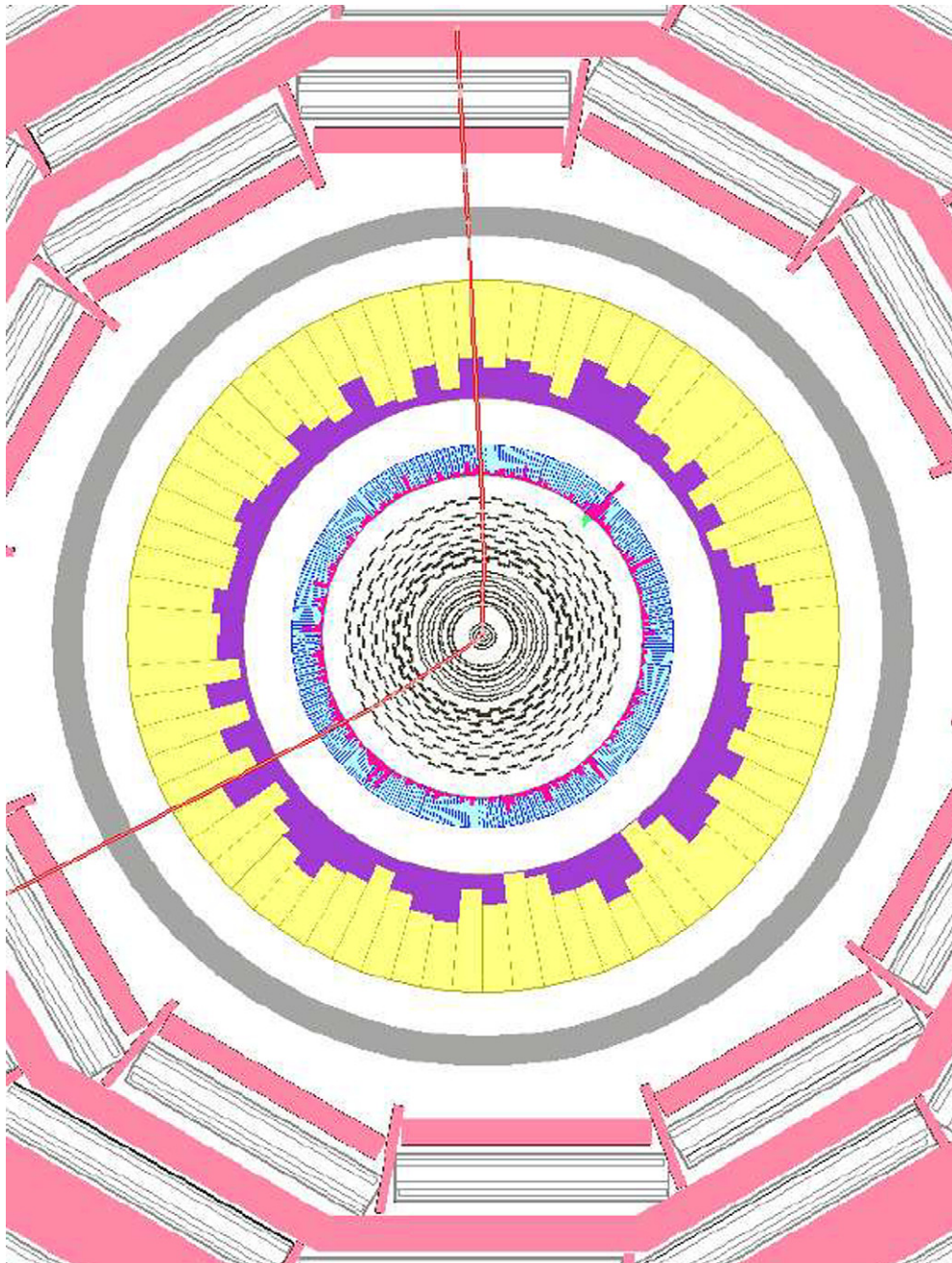
**Figure CP1.** Example of a  $pp \rightarrow H+X$  event with Higgs particle decay  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ . (See section 2.1.)



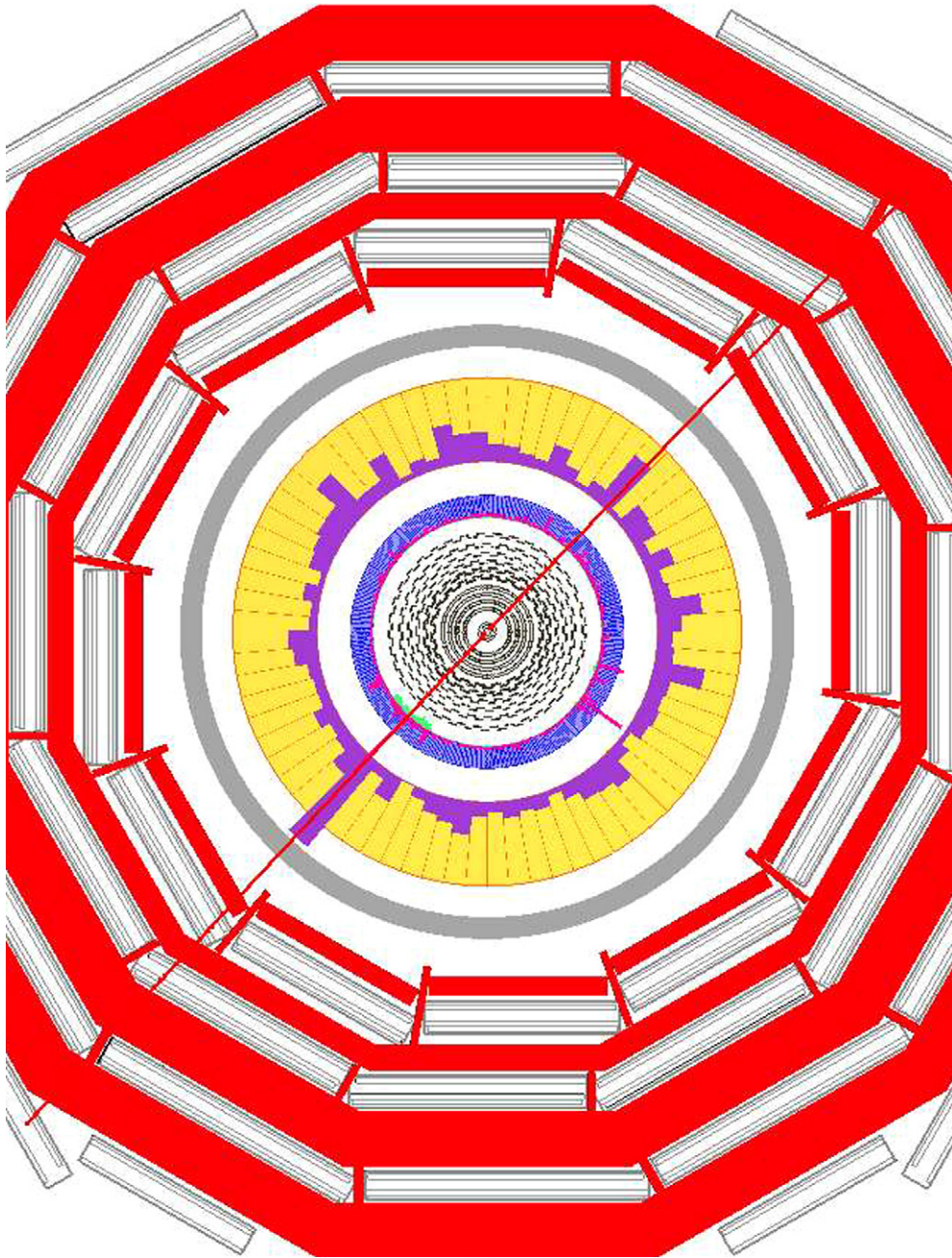
**Figure CP2.** Display of an event candidate in the CMS detector at the LHC for the Standard Model Higgs boson decay channel  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4e$ . The event is shown in a longitudinal (top) and transversal (bottom) projection of the detector. A mass of  $150 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  is measured from the reconstructed electrons. (See section 2.2.)



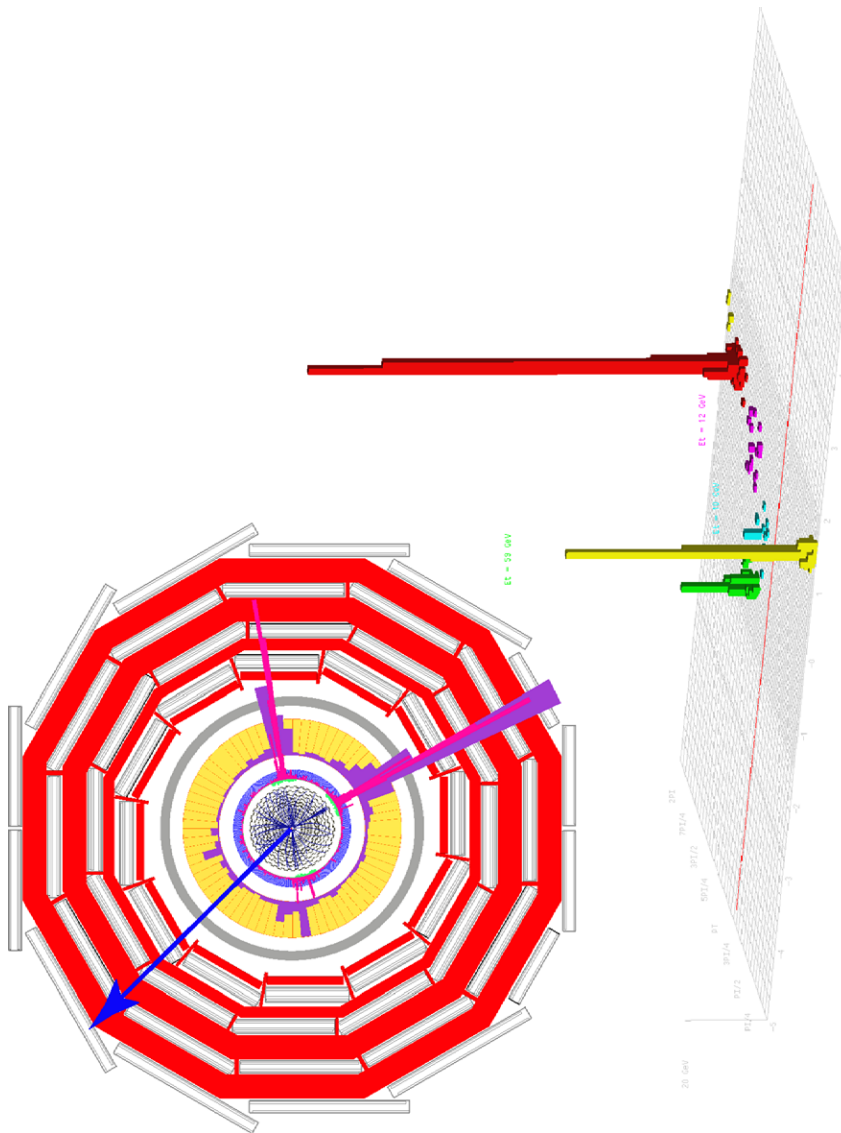
**Figure CP3.** Example of a  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\mu$  event showing only the reconstructed tracks. One muon goes in the endcap detectors. (See section 3.1.1.)



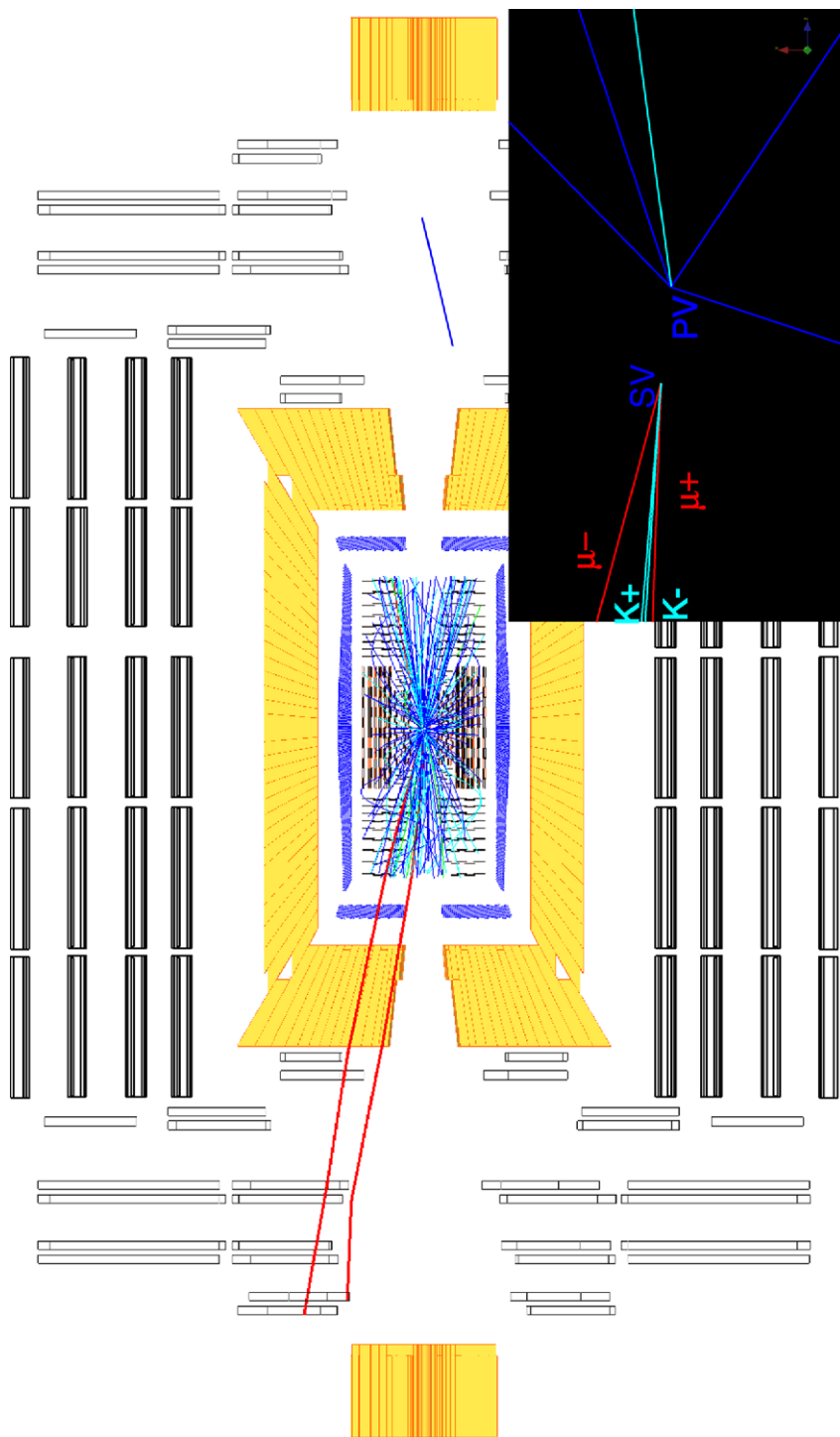
**Figure CP4.** Example of a  $pp \rightarrow H + X$  event with  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \mu\nu\mu\nu$ . (See section 3.2.2.1.)



**Figure CP5.** Typical simulated event of a dimuon decay of  $3 \text{ TeV}/c^2$   $Z'$  produced at  $\mathcal{L} = 2 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , showing the muon tracks only. (See section 3.3.1.)

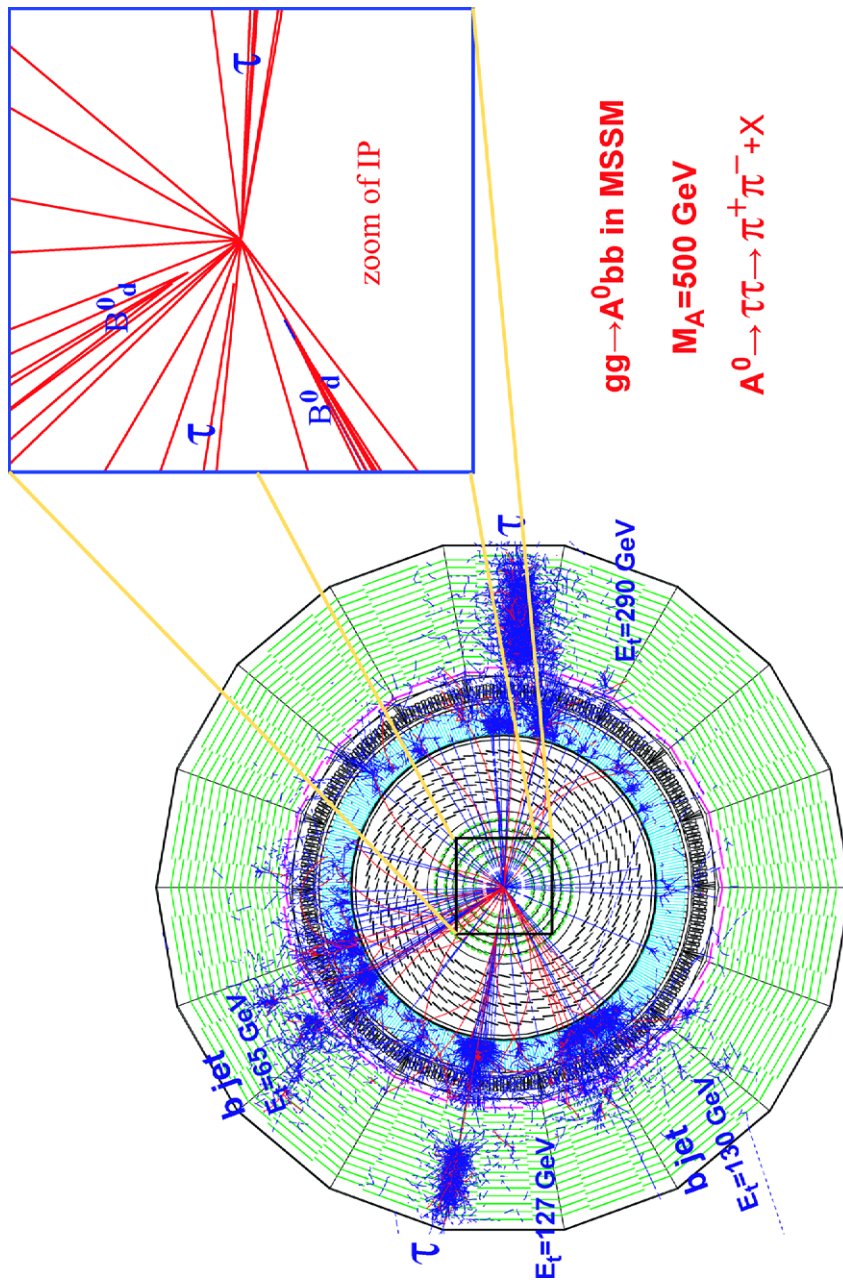


**Figure CP6.** Event display of SUSY candidate event that survives the requirements of the multijet + missing energy analysis of section 13.5. The three highest  $E_T$  jets are 330, 140 and 60 GeV while the missing transverse energy is 360 GeV. The Lego  $\eta - \phi$  calorimeter display shows the three leading jets, colour coded red-yellow-green, while the missing energy  $\phi$  is indicated with the red line. The transverse  $x - y$  view shows relative depositions of the jets in the calorimeter systems as well as the reconstructed tracks and the missing energy vector direction (in blue).

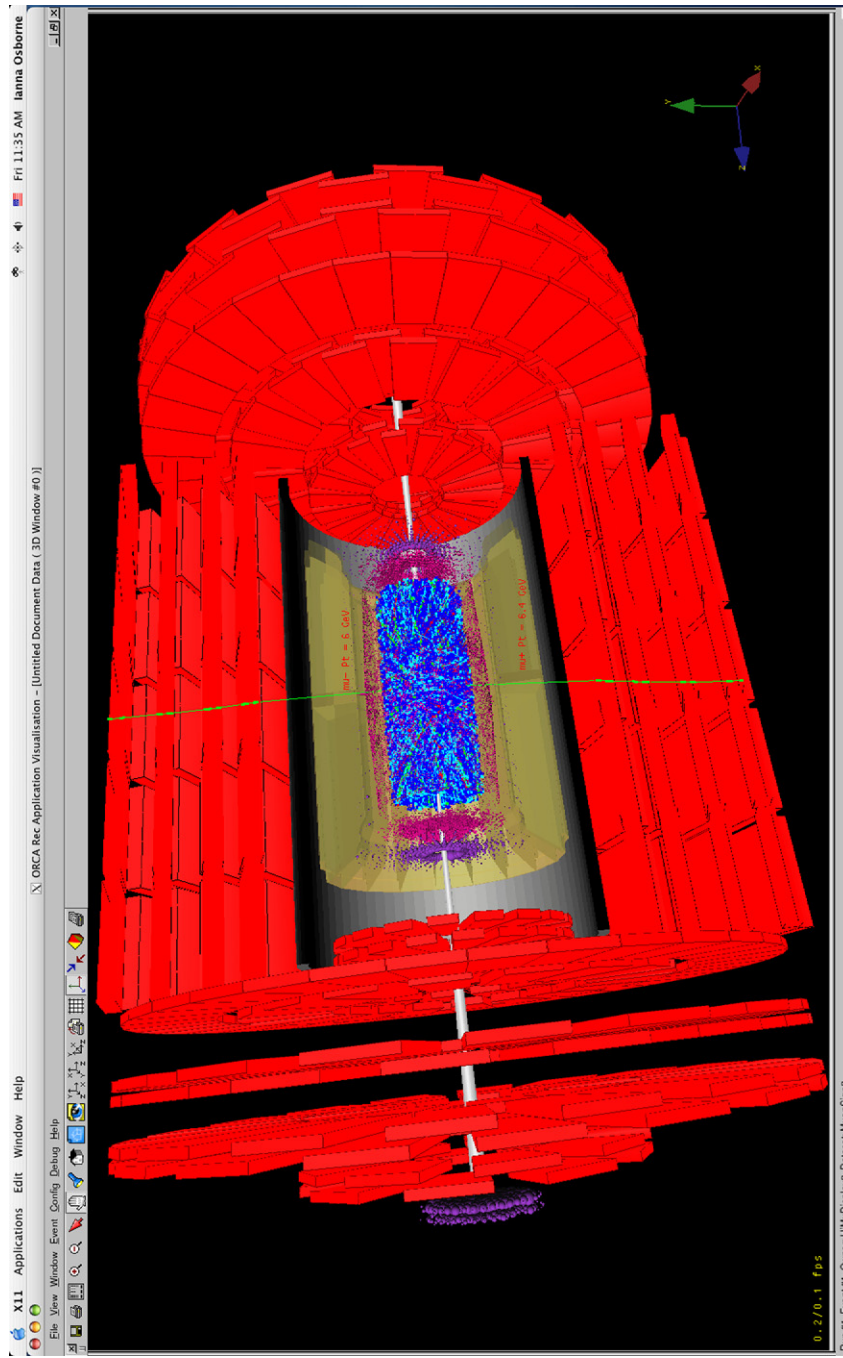


**Figure CP7.** Example of a  $pp \rightarrow B_s + X$  event with  $B_s \rightarrow J/\psi\phi$ . (See section 5.1.1.1.)





**Figure CP8.** Example of a  $pp \rightarrow H + X$  event with  $H \rightarrow \tau\nu\tau$ . (See section 5.2.1.)



**Figure CP9.**  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$  event embedded in a PbPb collision at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 5.5$  TeV with charged multiplicities at mid-rapidity  $dN_{ch}/d\eta|_{\eta=0} = 3500$ . (See section 6.1.)