

EXOTICS AT THE LHC

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WHY EXOTIC SEARCHES AT LHC

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

Several open issues implying Physics beyond Standard Model. Some **examples**:

- 1. Why only three families of leptons and quarks?**
- 2. Why four fundamental interactions and not one?**
 - unification is impossible even at very large energies
- 3. Why only 5% of matter made of ordinary SM particles?**
 - what is dark matter?
- 4. Why most massive particle “only” 200 times heavier than p ?**
 - desert above 170 GeV

THE MEANING OF EXOTICS

- 1) Covering **all possible signatures** and be ready for the unexpected
- 2) Be as much **as model-independent as possible**
 - Use of **benchmark models to test the significance of the searches**
- 3) Search for **extremely high masses**
- 4) Go for **really exotic:**
 - Models with new interactions, quarks, leptons
 - Unconventional signatures
- 5) Find a **candidate for dark matter**
- 6) Explore **new analysis techniques to boost discovery** potential

- ***Hundreds of results and searches***
- ***Here I provide the global picture and focus on very recent or brand new results***

PLENTY OF LUMINOSITY TO PLAY WITH

Run1: $\sim 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 7 - 8 TeV

- Discovery of Higgs boson
- Exploration of new physics

Run2:

- **2015: $\sim 4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 13 TeV**

- First look in new territory

- **2016: $\sim 40 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 13 TeV**

- Repeat 8 TeV program

- **2017: $\sim 50 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 13 TeV**

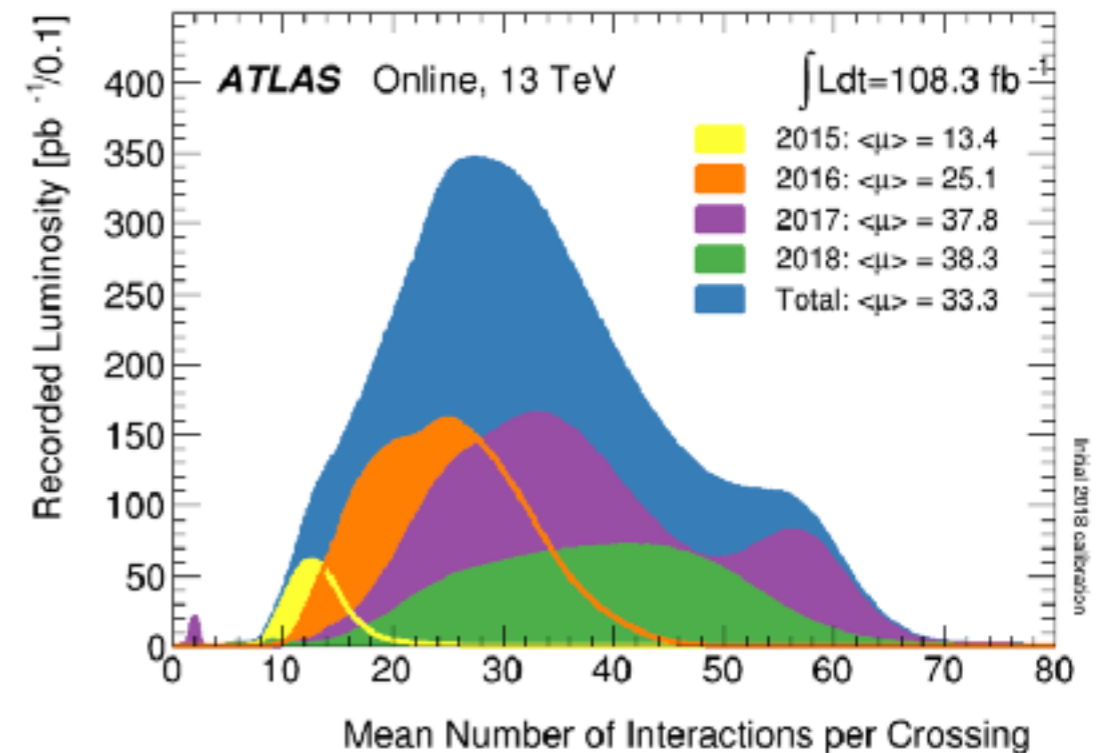
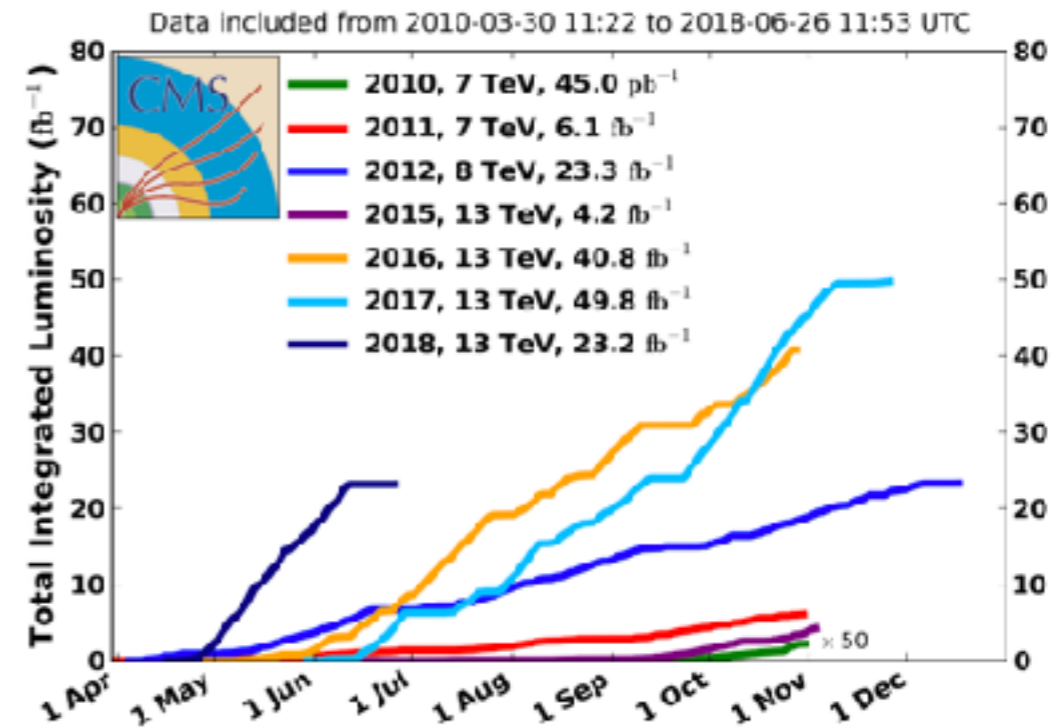
- Go deeper and detailed

- **2018: $\sim 20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ 13 TeV**

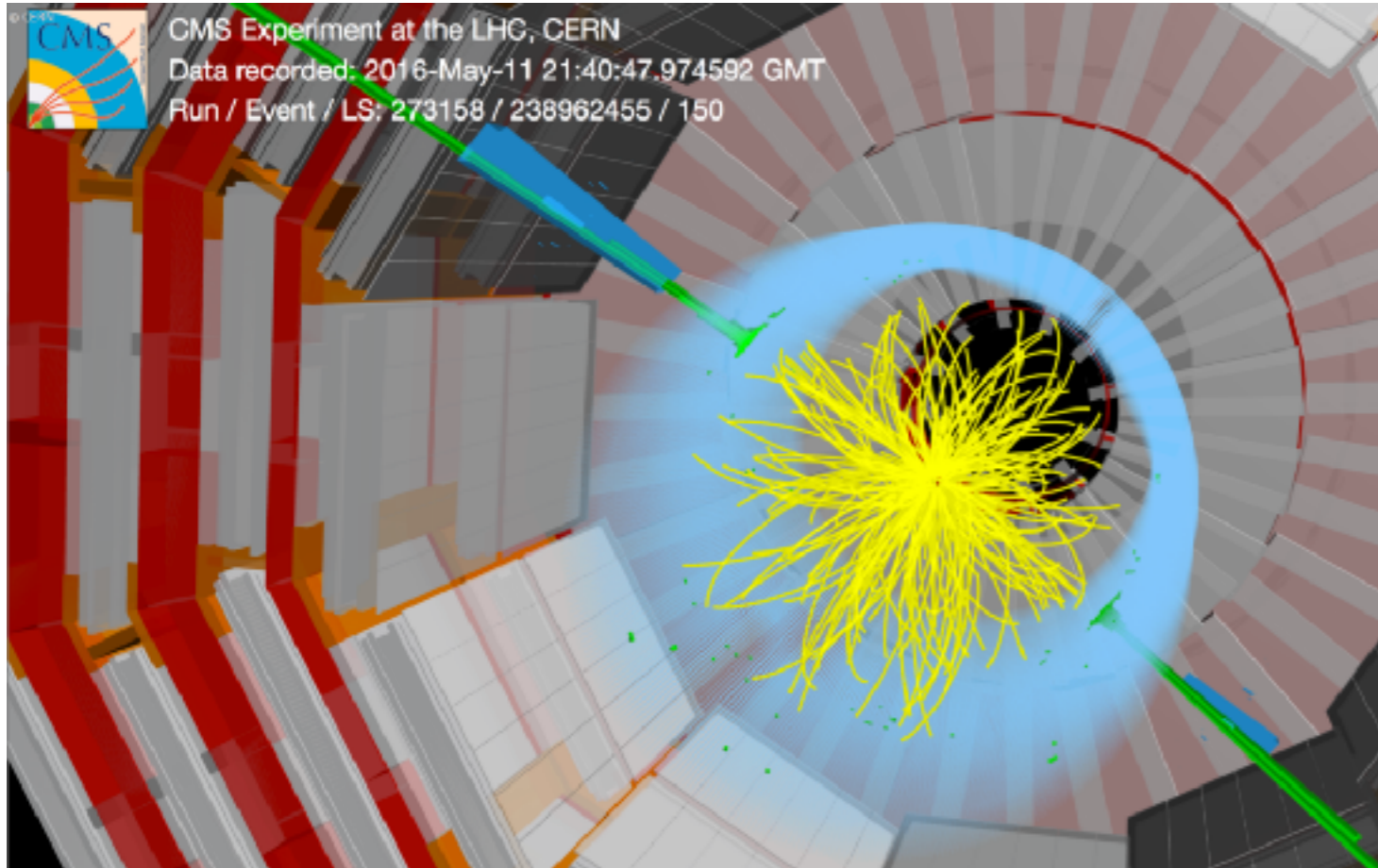
- Ongoing: expect 60 fb^{-1}

Full Run2: $\sim 150 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

statistics
shown today



UNIQUE PLAYGROUND

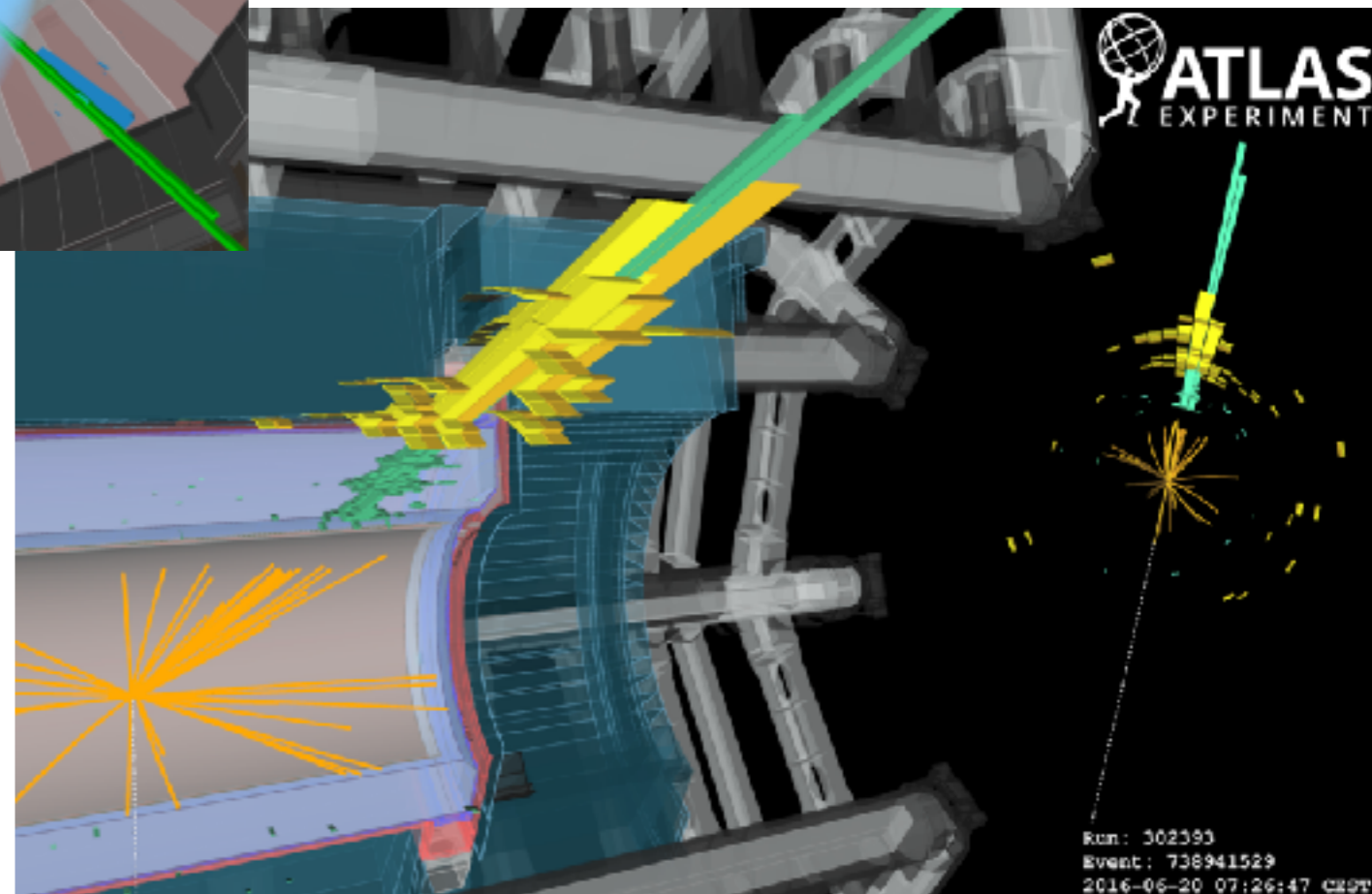


Objects with huge energies

~ 1.7 TeV monojet event!

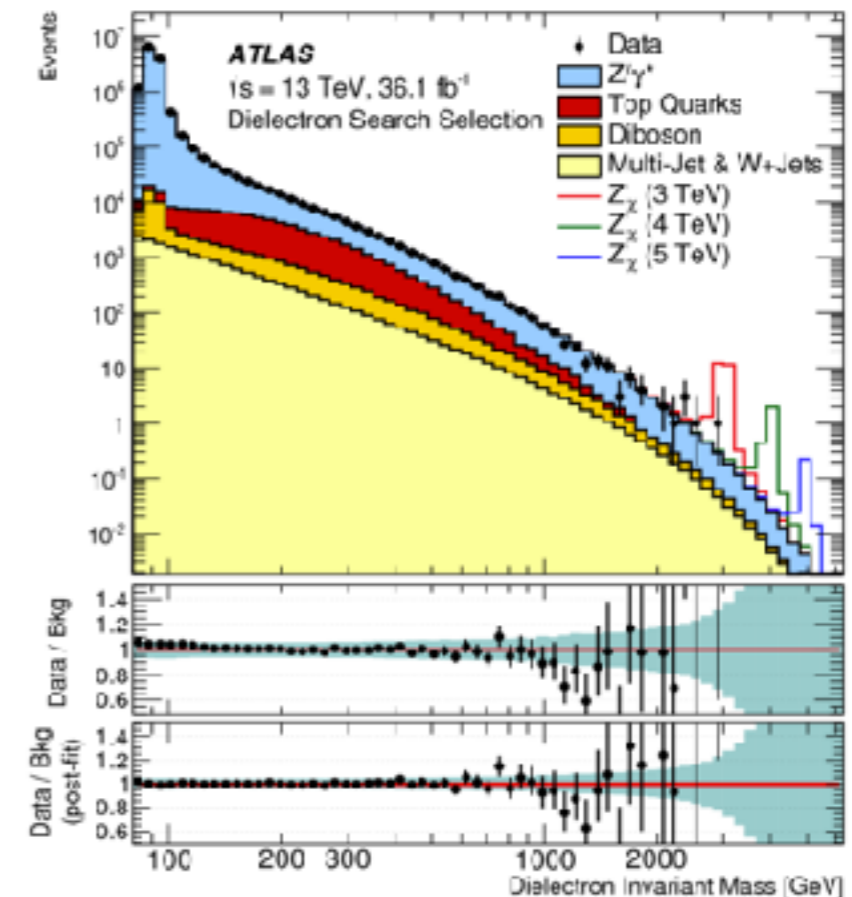
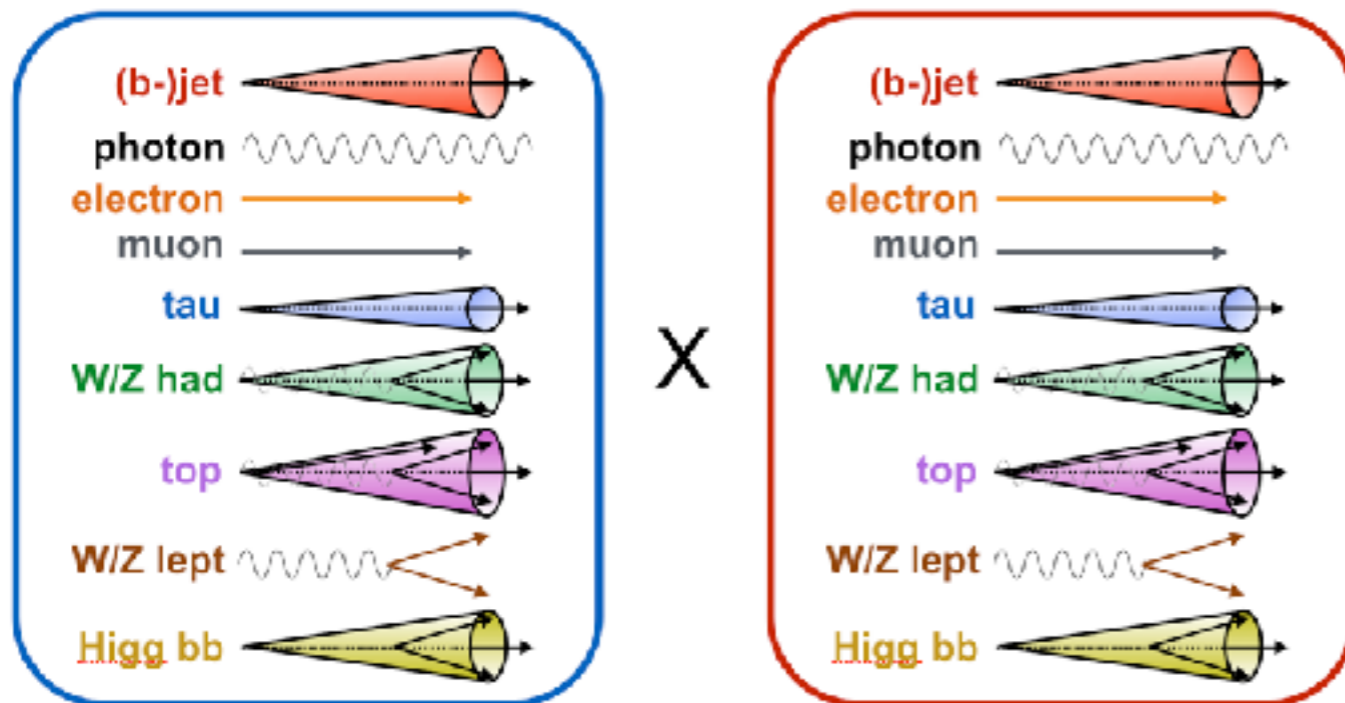
~ 8 TeV dijet event!

*Deep understanding of
detector for detailed searches*



RESONANCES

- **Fully reconstructed resonances represent the simplest way to discover new particles**
 - striking and incontrovertible signature
 - small systematics, robust
- **Most of resonance searches are two-body**
- **Many possible combinations and channels explored**

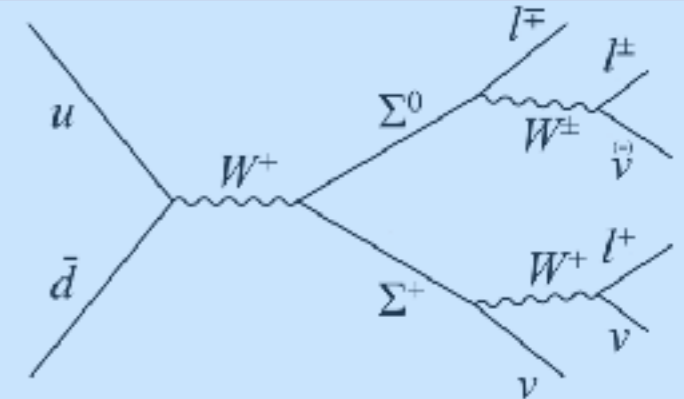


SPECIFIC MODELS FOR SPECIFIC ISSUES

Several models introduced to resolve issue in the Standard Model. Some examples

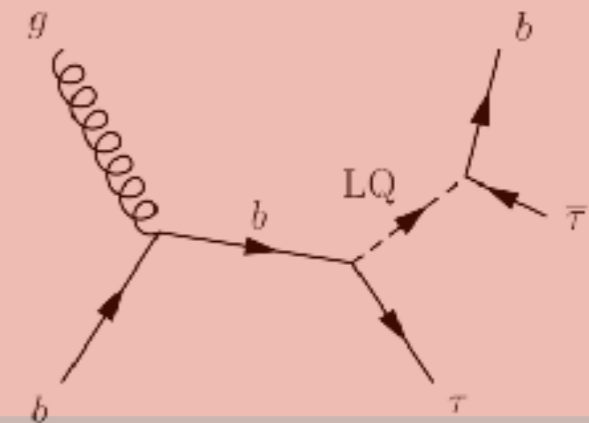
Explain light mass of the neutrinos:

- Seesaw Models:
 - ▶ Type III: introduces new heavy fermions, coupling to leptons, Higgs and V bosons



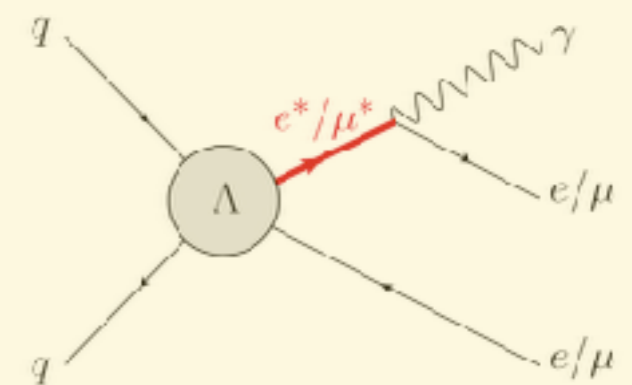
Why same number of generation for leptons and quarks:

- **leptoquarks** carry both lepton and baryon number
 - ▶ decay in lepton-jet



Why three generations of fermions and their hierarchy:

- **excited quarks, excited leptons**
 - ▶ resonant $q\gamma/qg$ and $l\gamma/Z\gamma$ states



LONG-LIVED AND UNCONVENTIONAL

Long-lived (LL) and unconventional exotic particles with striking signatures **predicted by many extensions of the SM.**

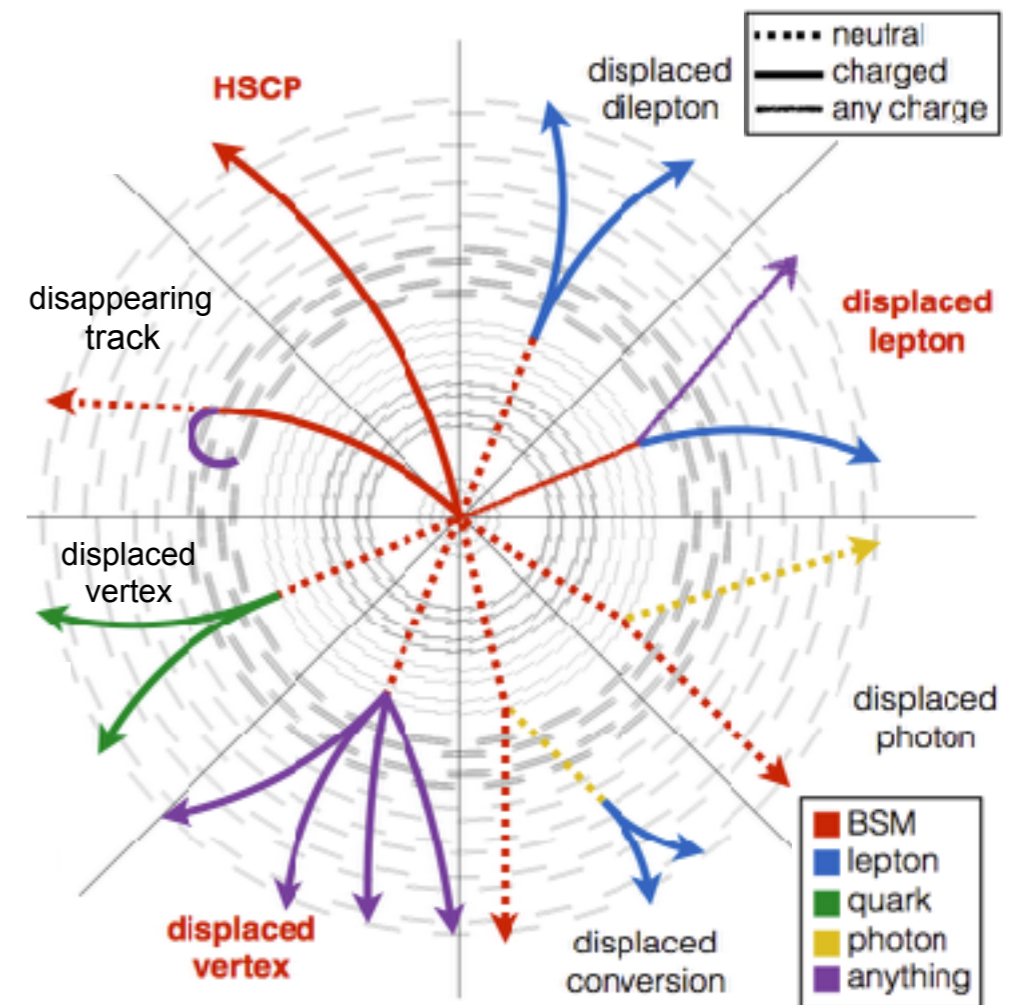
Why LL?

$$\Gamma \stackrel{\text{small couplings}}{=} g^2 |A|^2 \frac{\Phi}{M} \longleftarrow \text{phase-space suppressed, small mass splitting}$$

amplitude suppressed

Examples:

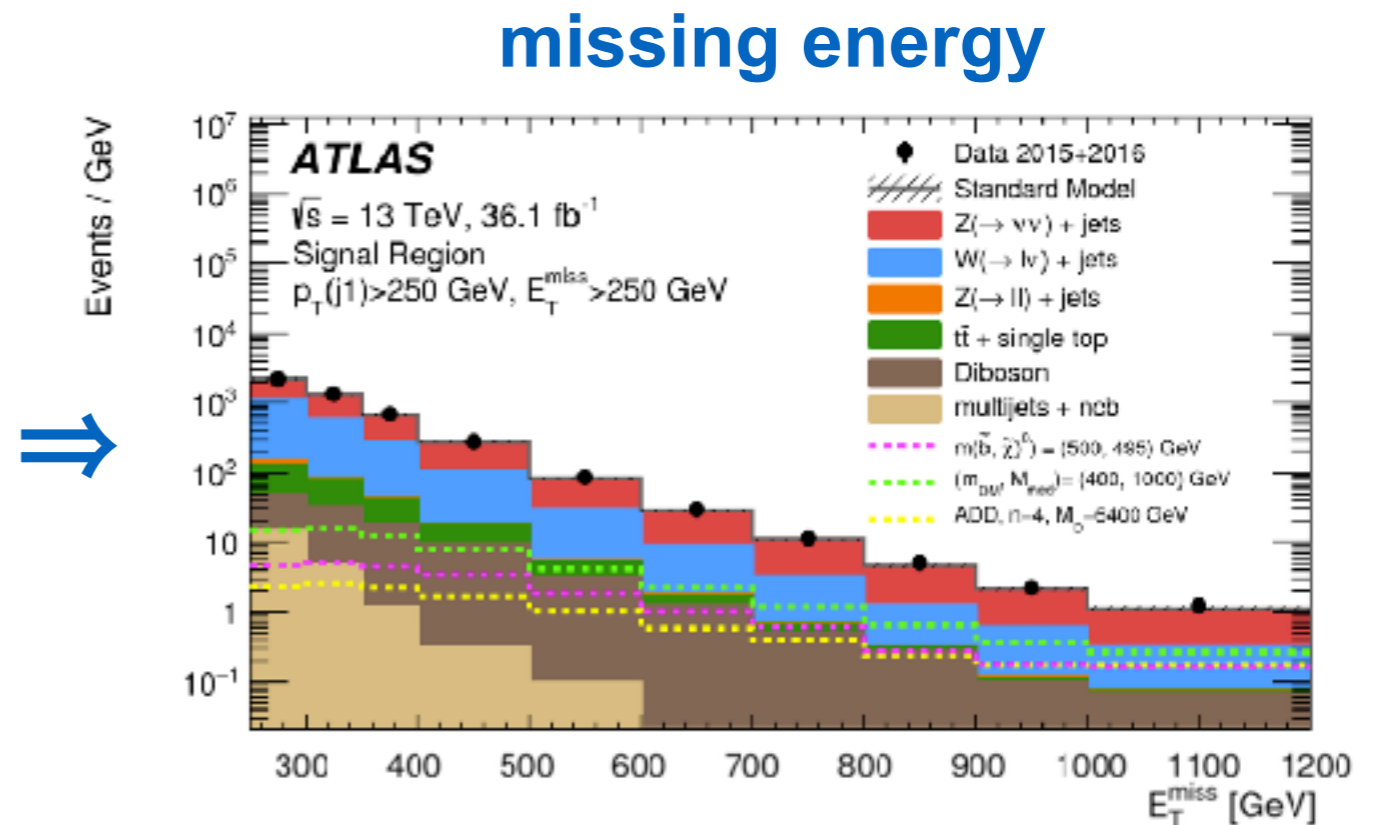
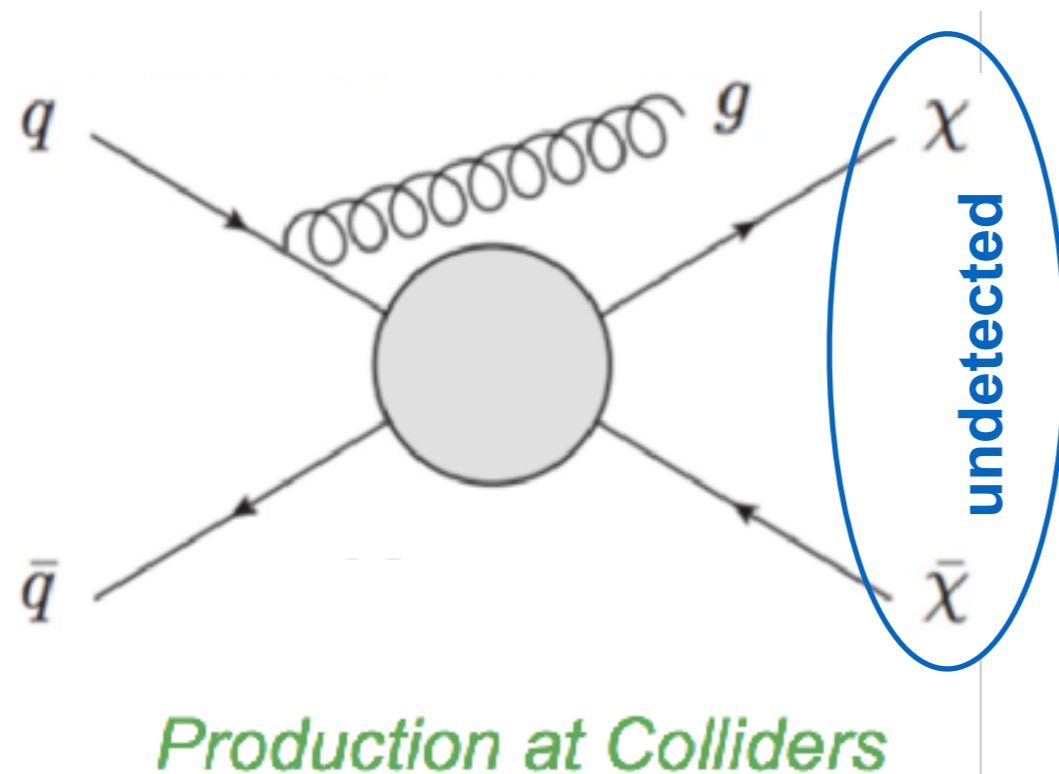
- **Heavy, long-lived, charged particles**
 - R-hadrons, Sleptons
- **Particles can decay in the detector after few cm**
 - neutralinos in GMSB, mass-degenerate gauginos, particles of an Hidden Sector



Credits: J. Antonelli

THE DARK MATTER

- **Look for weakly interacting new particles produced at LHC**
 - Dark Matter candidates!
- **Pair production at LHC**
 - DM candidates escape the detector (weakly interacting)
- **No peaks. Large Missing energy distribution**
- **Deep understanding of SM background and detectors**

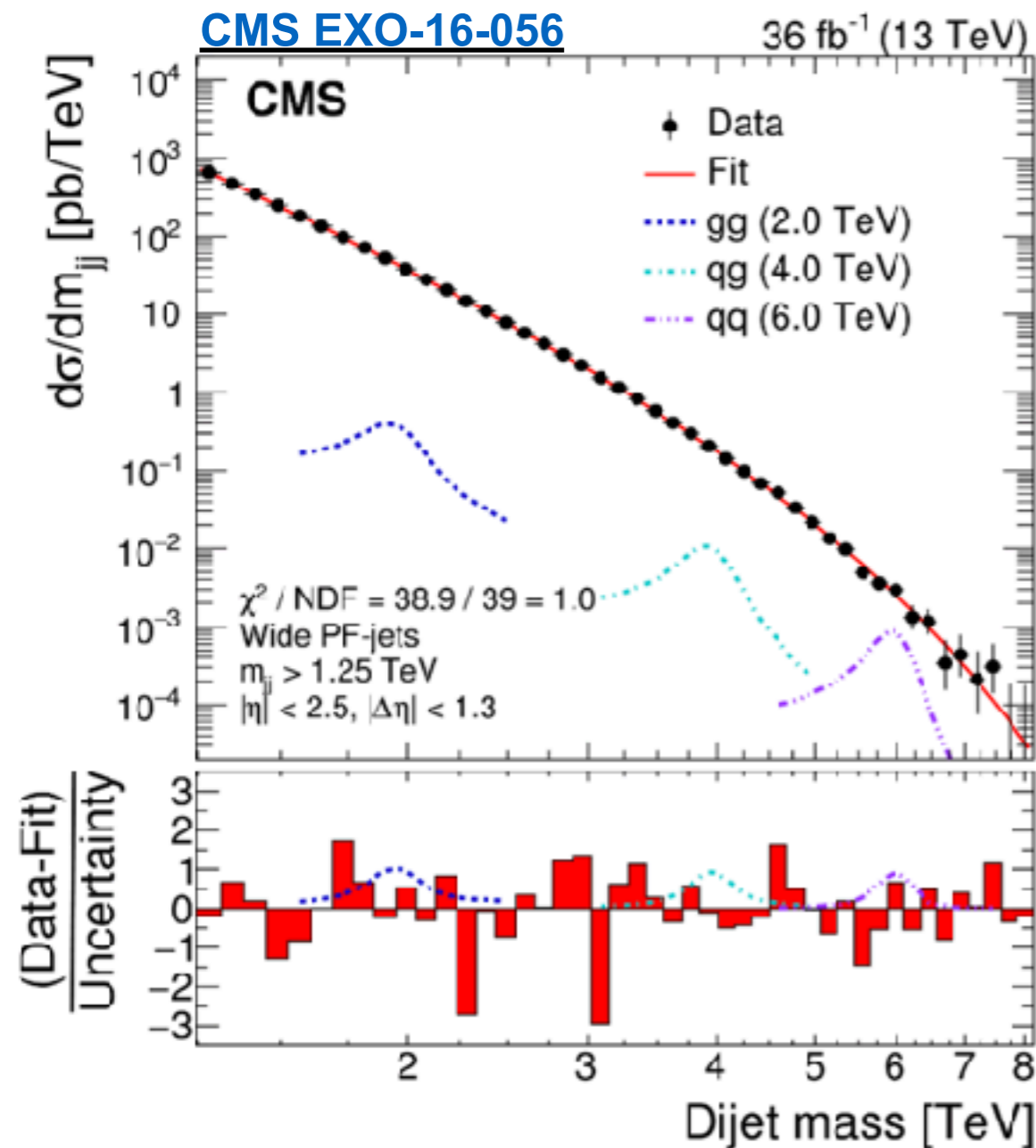


[ATLAS : JHEP 01 \(2018\) 126](#)

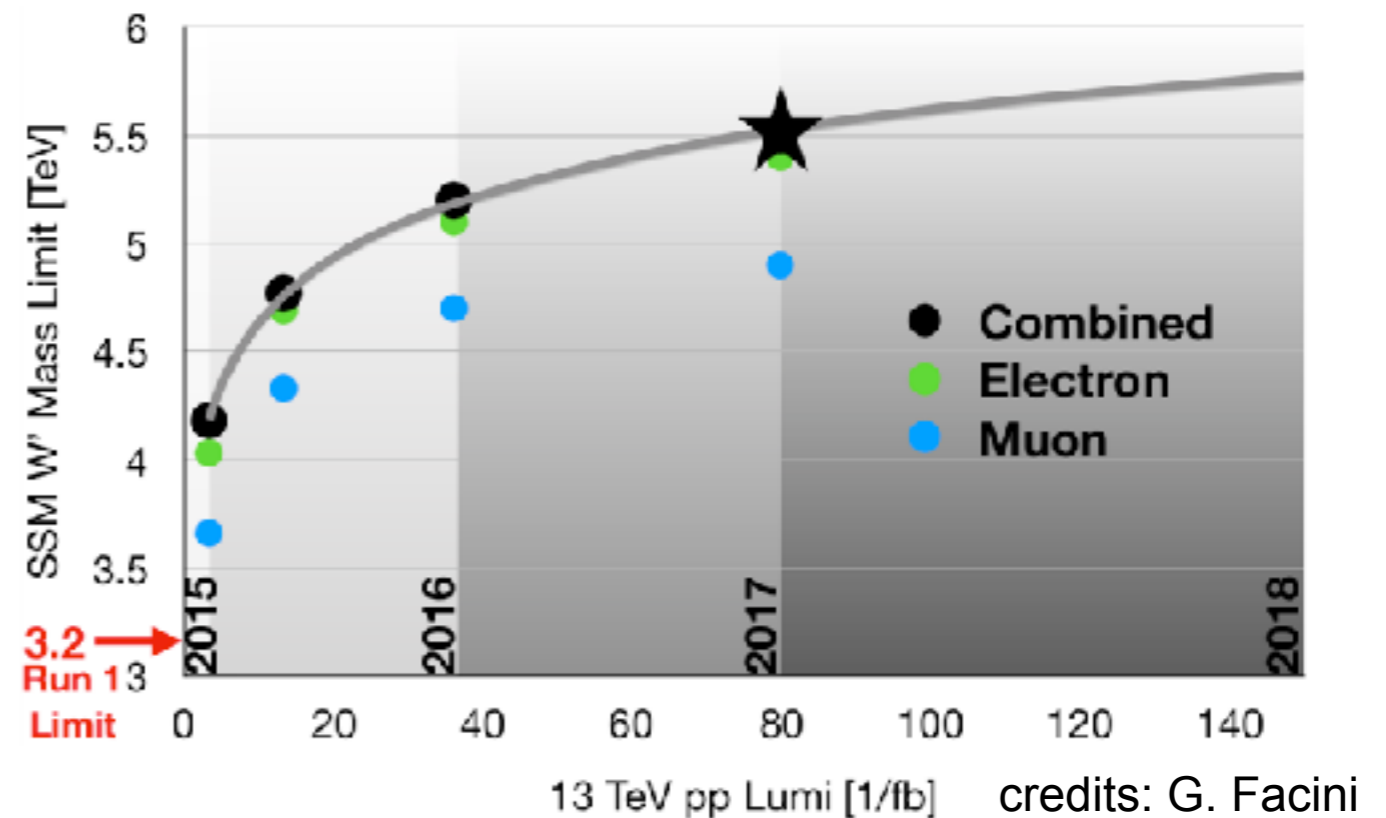
RESONANCES

EXTREMELY HIGH MASSES

- **Very strong limits now**
- Increasing statistics gives **no breakthrough anymore**



<i>examples</i>	Mass Lower limit
String resonance (jj)	~ 8 TeV
Excited quark (jj)	~ 6 TeV
Z' (SSM) (ll)	~ 4.5 TeV
W' (SSM) (lv)	~ 5.5 TeV

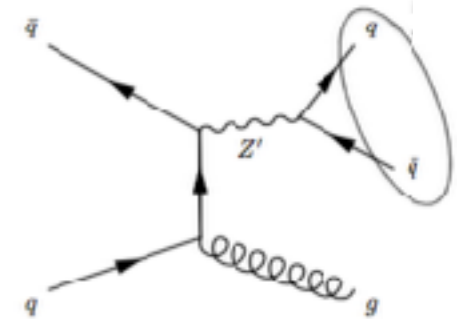


DIJET: LOW AND INTERMEDIATE REGION

Extend the scope: look for **intermediate and low mass regions**

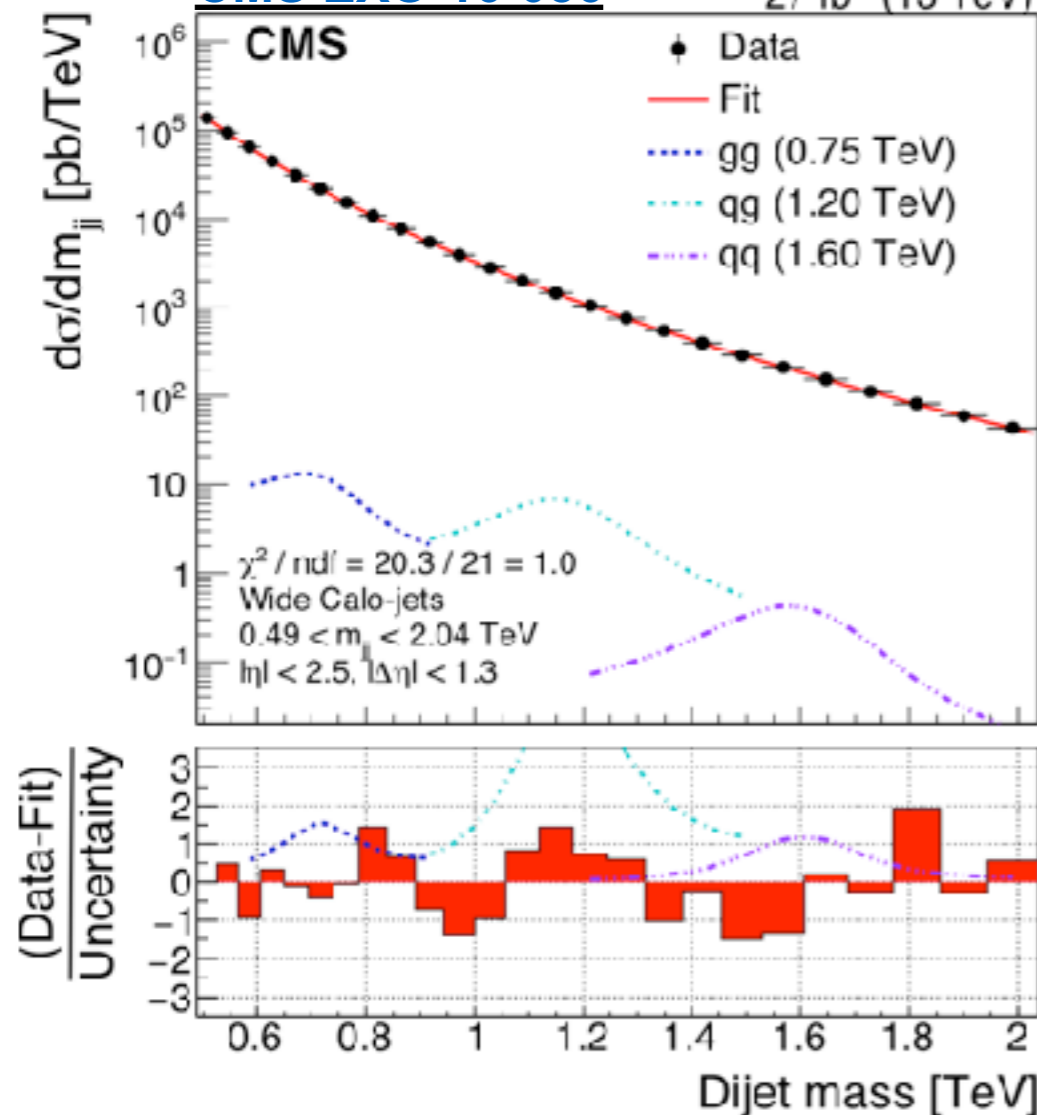
Save reduced event info and apply lower trigger thresholds

Trigger events using ISR jet reconstruct dijet boosted topology



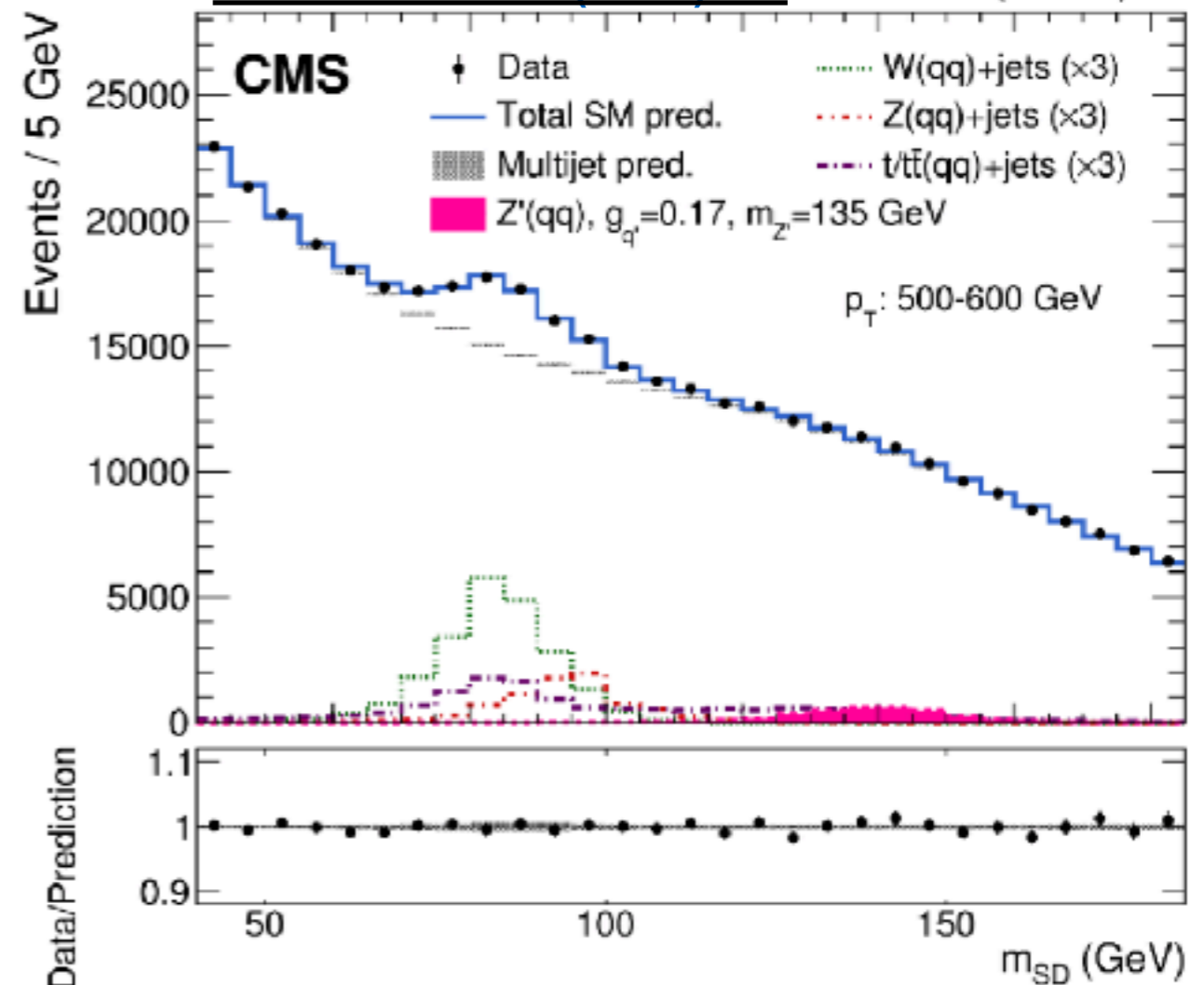
CMS EXO-16-056

27 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



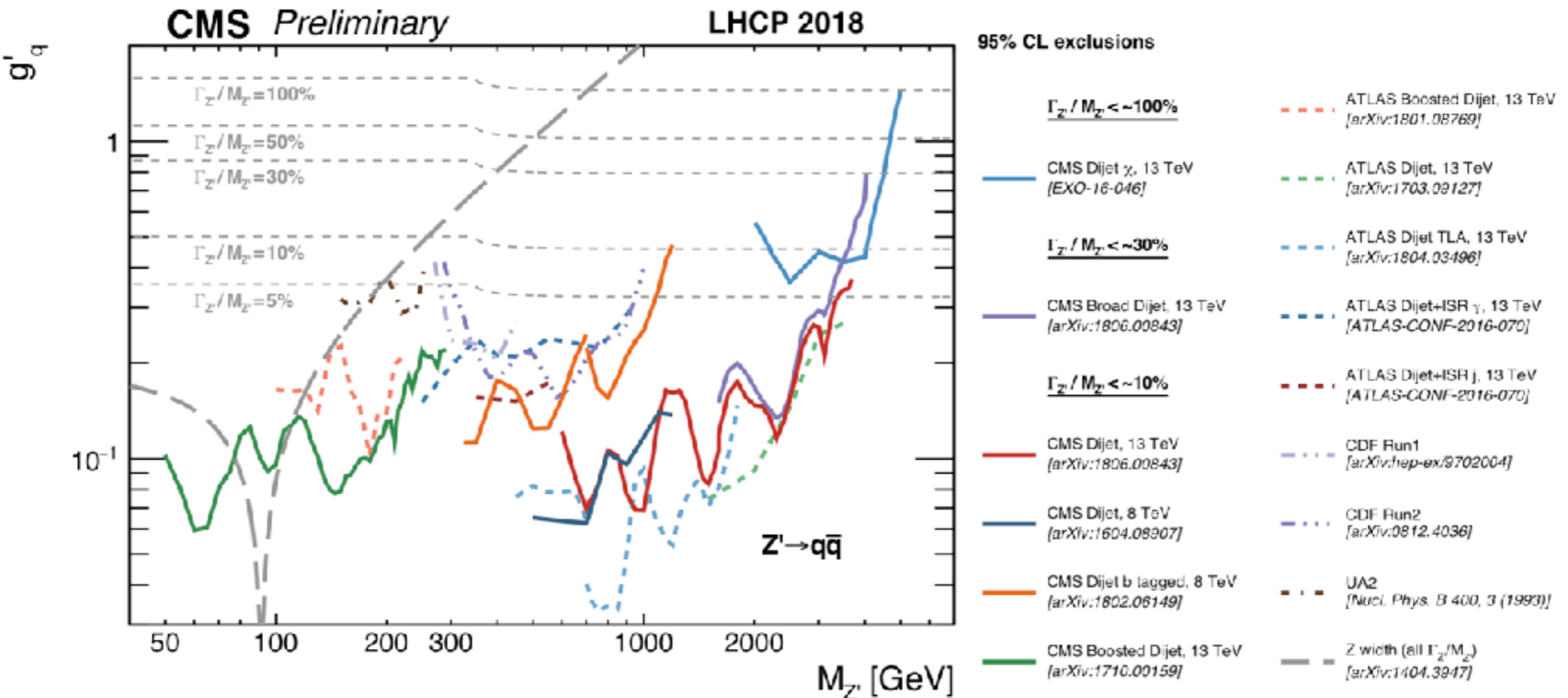
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35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



DIJET: COMBINED LIMITS

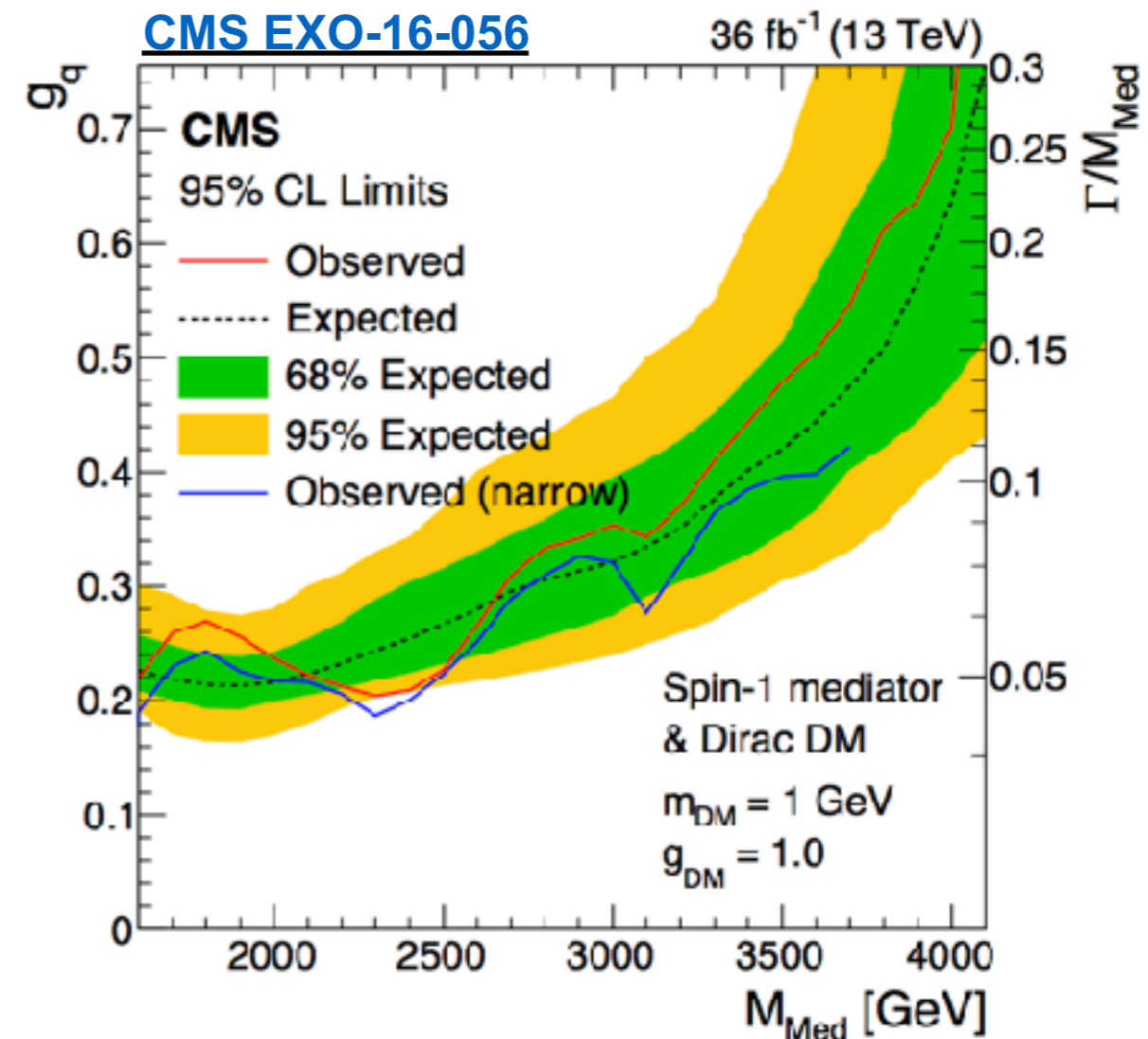
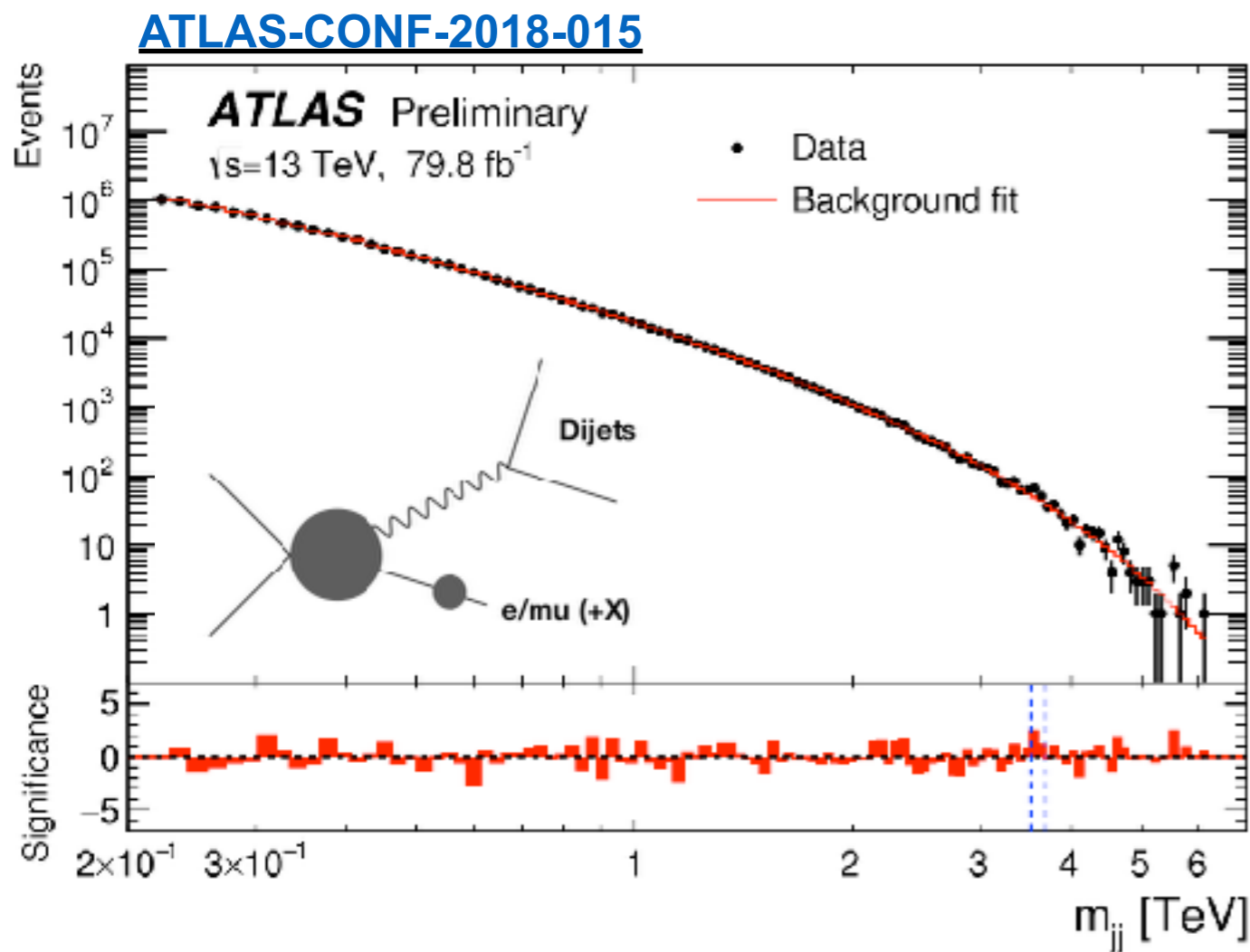
- **ATLAS and CMS limits on g_q ($\sigma \propto g_q^4$)**
 - covering the **whole range**. LHC now doing better than previous experiments everywhere



DIJET: BJETS, TAGS, WIDE RESONANCES

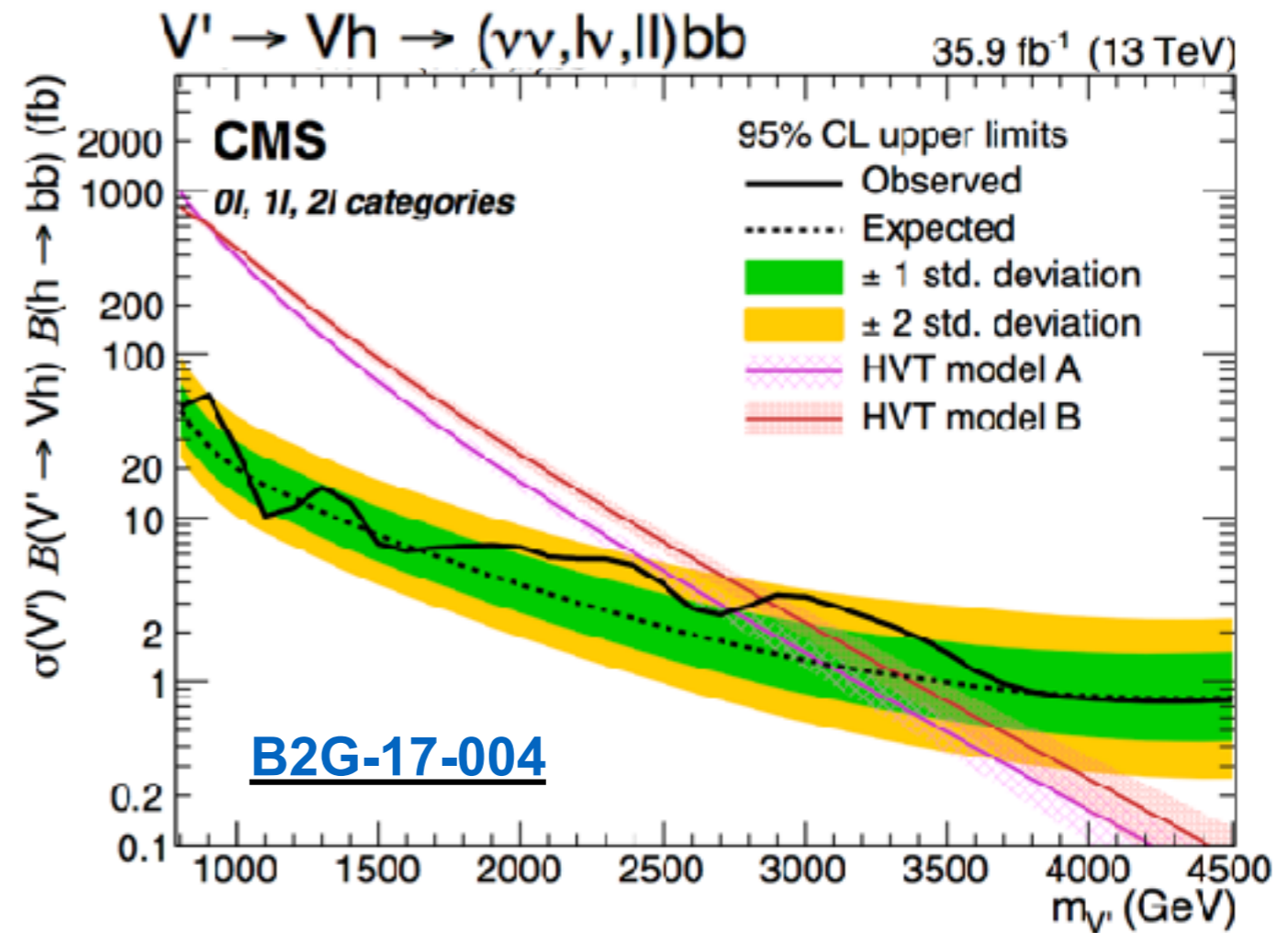
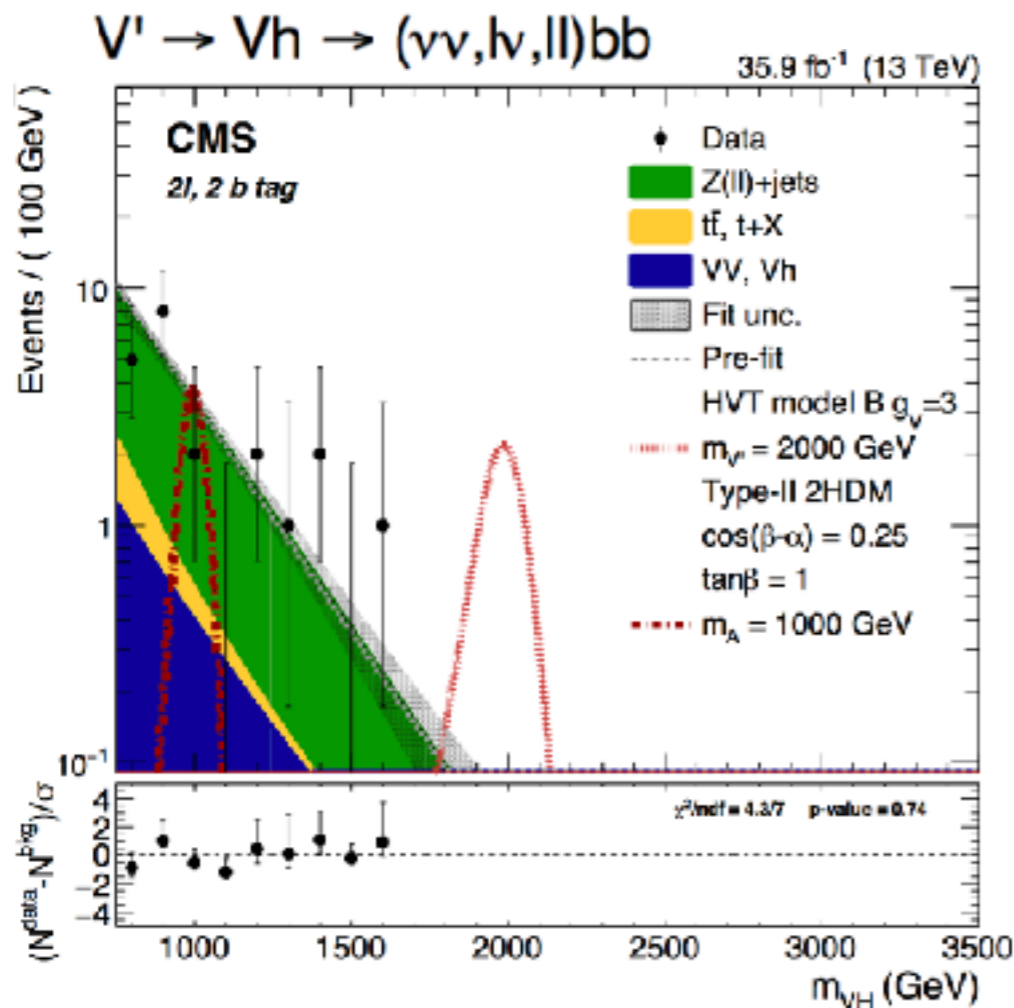
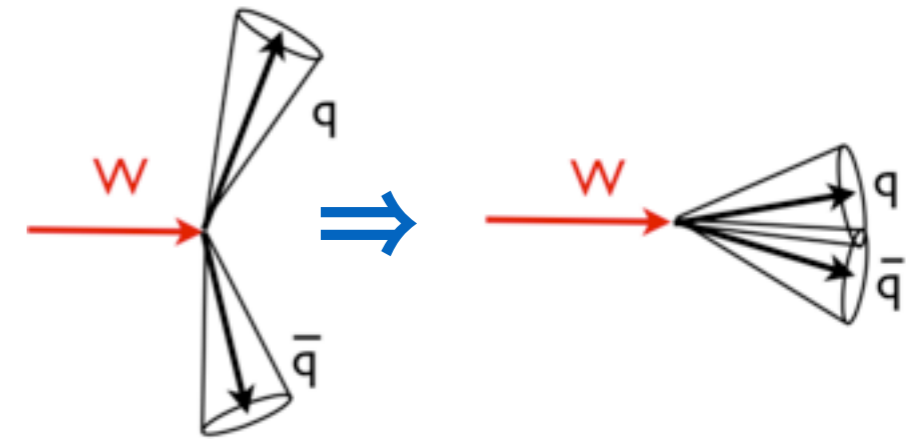
- **Extend dijet analysis**

- dijet in bb (ATLAS: [1805.09299](#), CMS: [EXO-17-024](#))
- extra event requirements (high p_T lepton) to reduce E thresholds
- wide resonances, important for dark matter reinterpretation



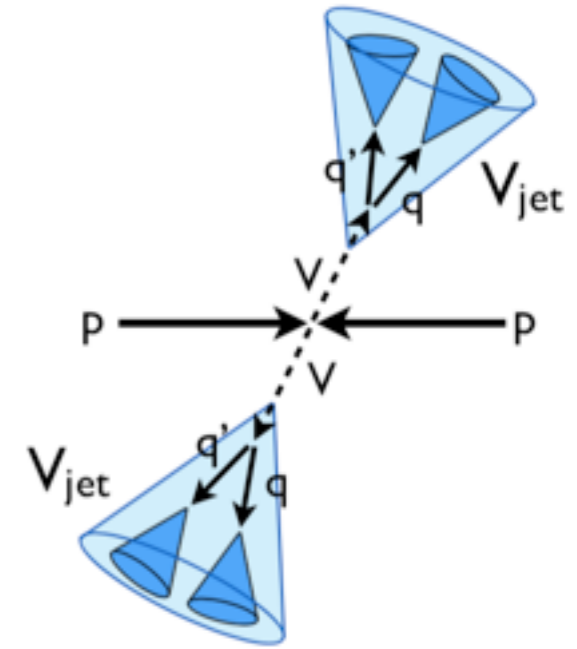
EXPLOITING SUBSTRUCTURES

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- At large boost **jets are merging**
- **Ad-hoc algorithms** to reconstruct mass, reject QCD jets and subtract pileup

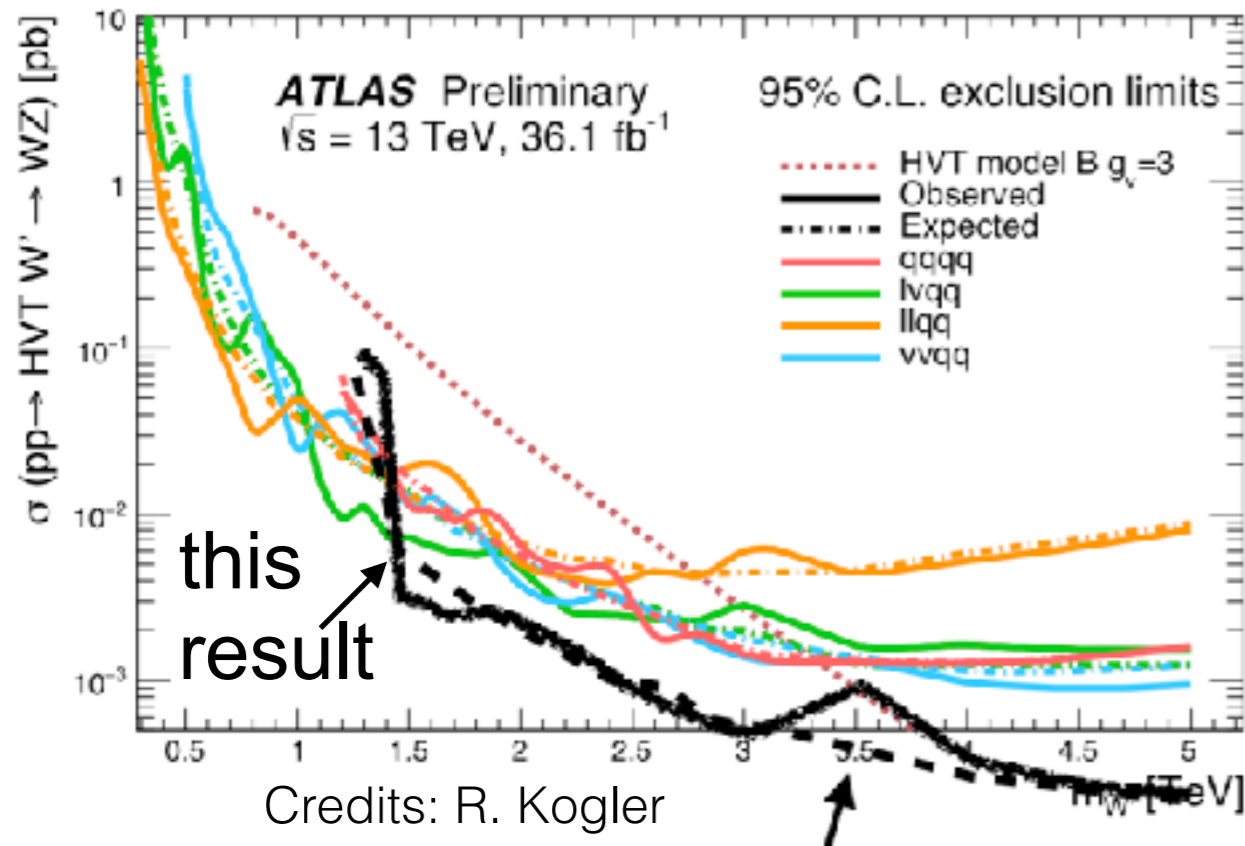


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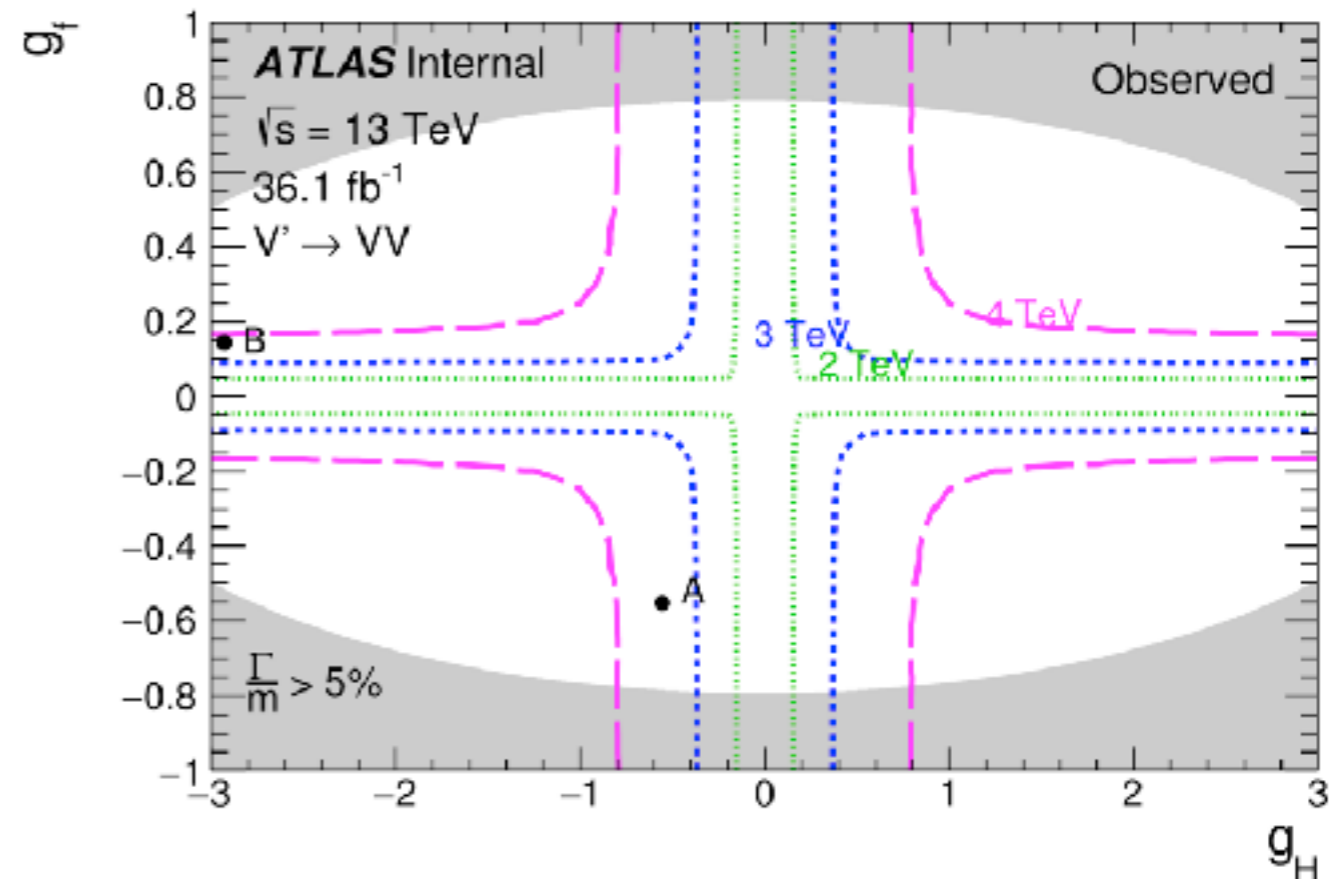
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[ATLAS-CONF-2018-016](#)

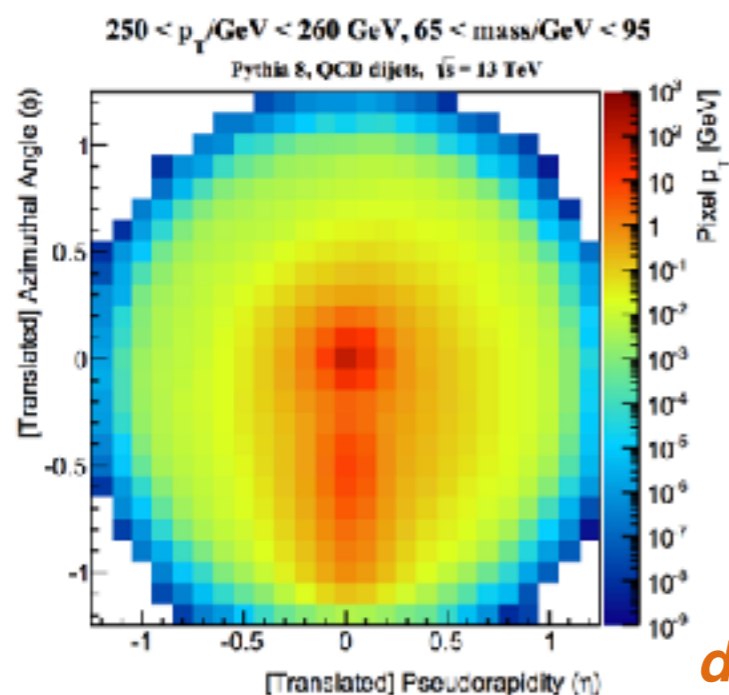
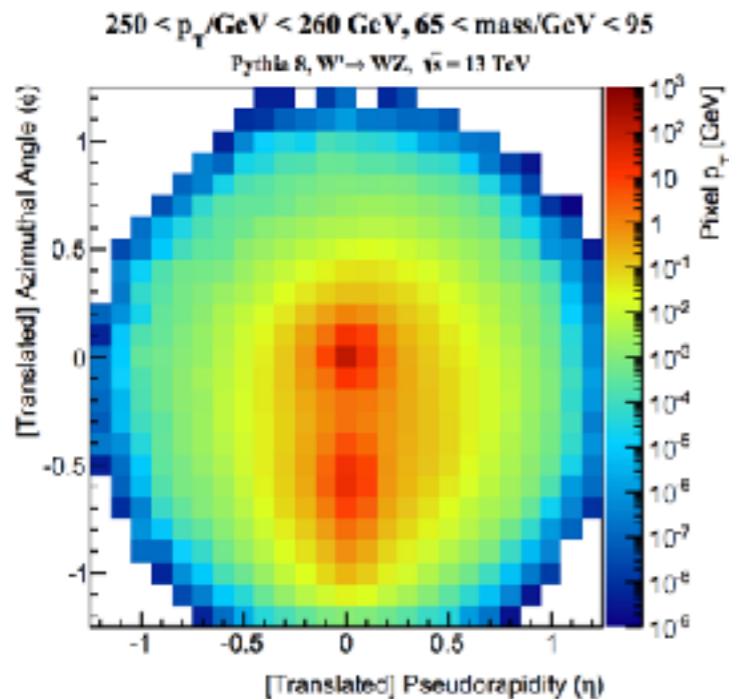


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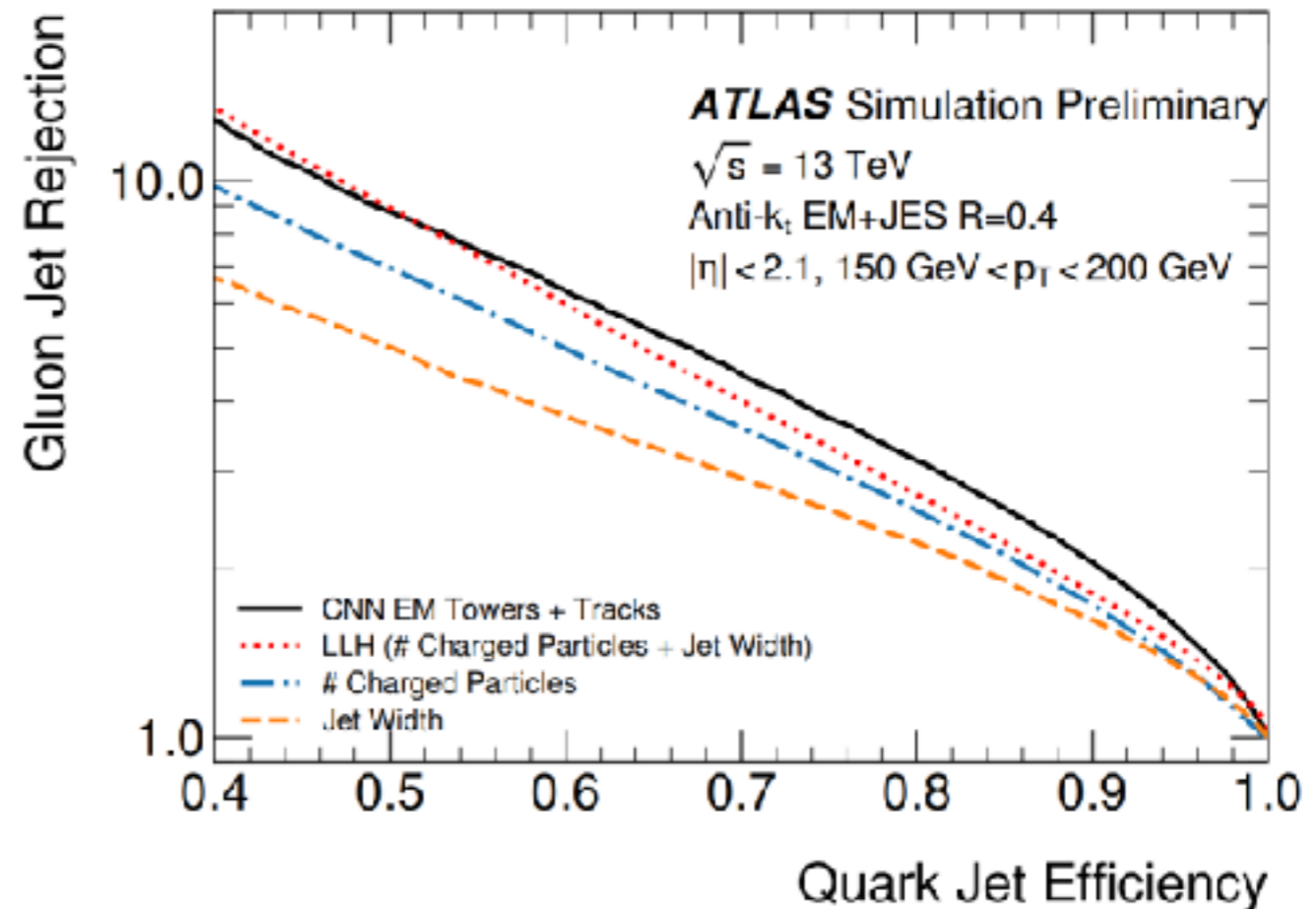
PERSPECTIVES AND IMAGES

- Boosted jet variables** (substructures and flavor tagging) with images, deep learning and more detailed algorithms



[CMS-DP-2017-027](#)

[ATLAS-PHYS-PUB-2017-017](#)



de Olivera, Kagan, Mackey, Nachman, Schwarzmann '15

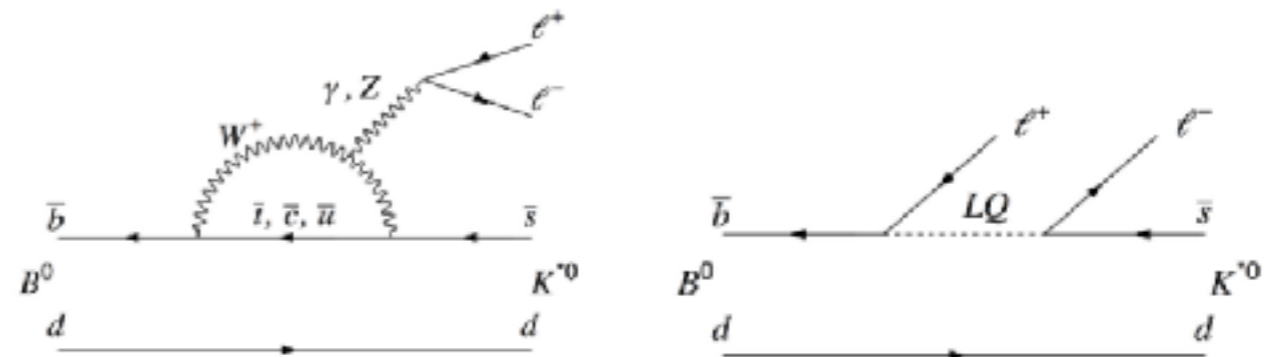
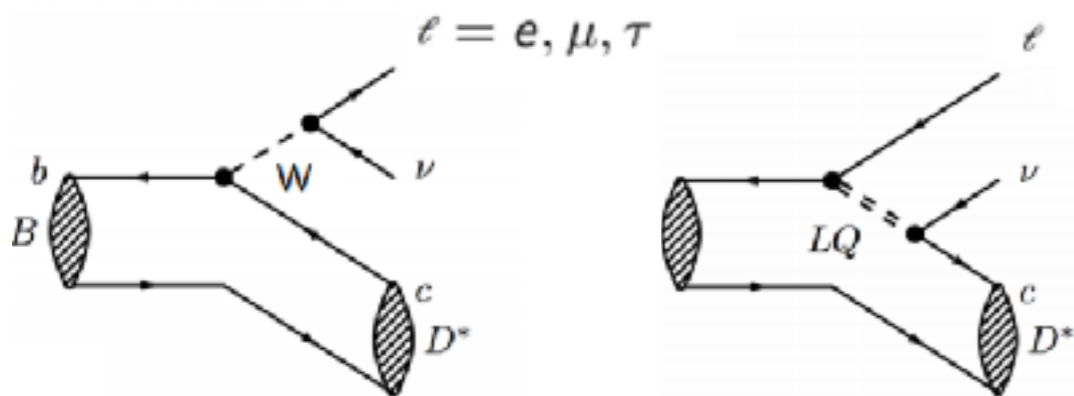
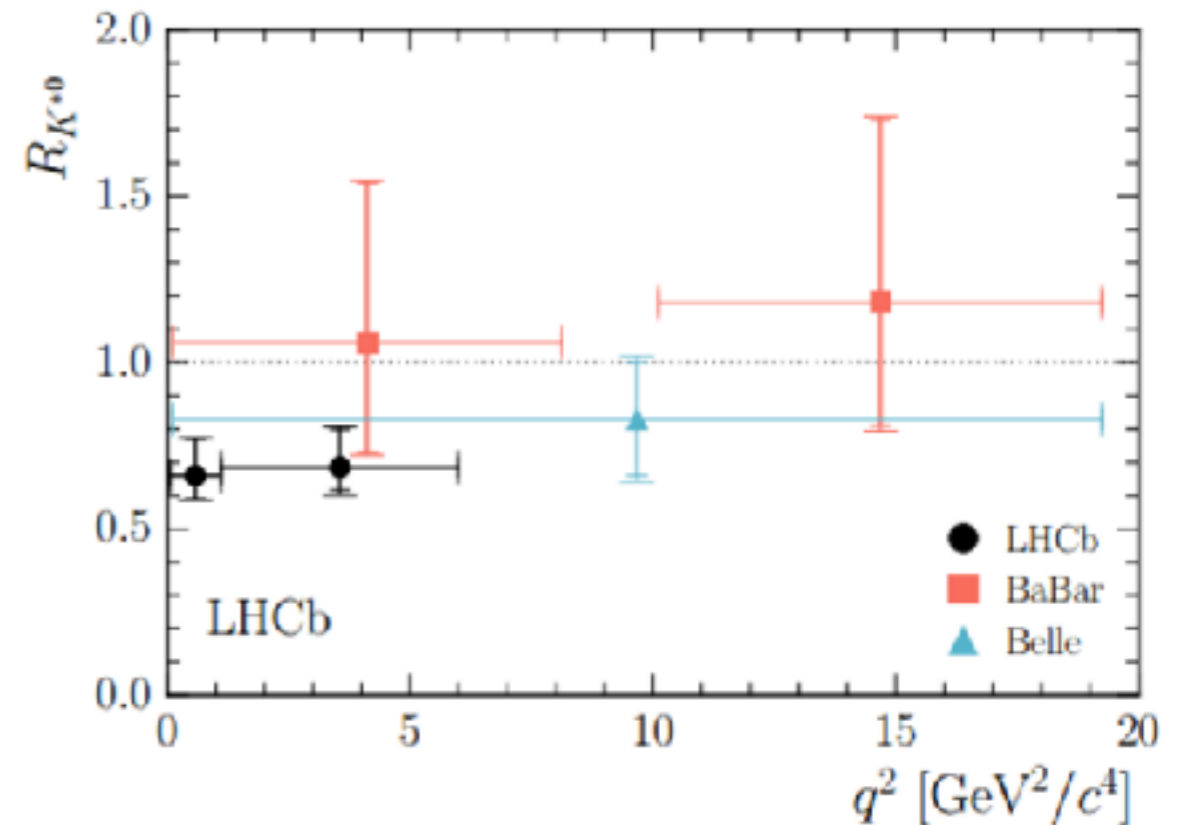
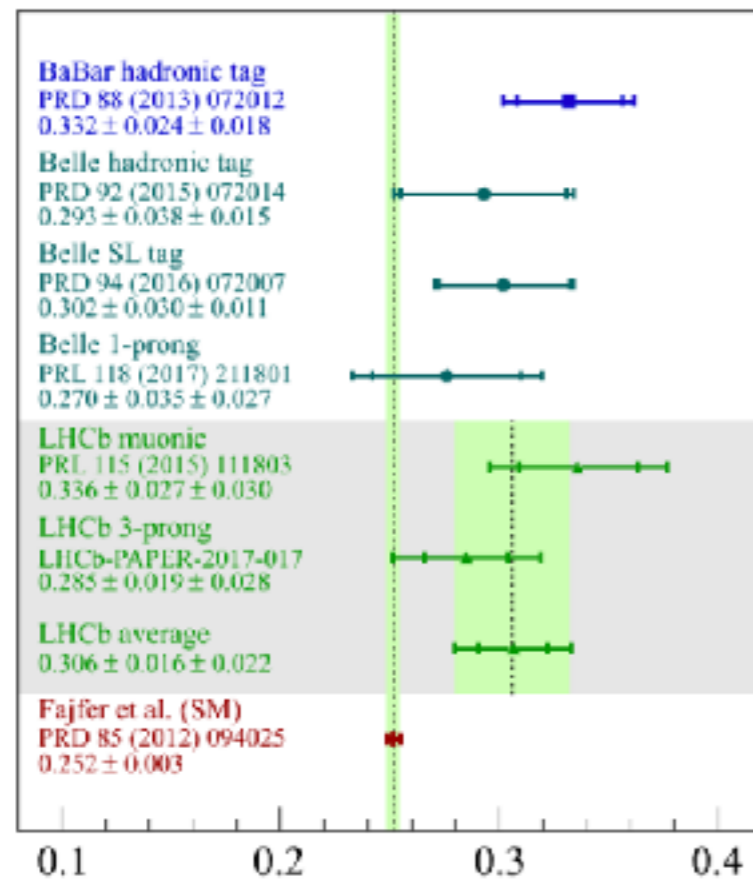
NEW LEPTONS, NEW QUARKS

LEPTOQUARKS AND ANOMALIES

Anomalies in B decays explained with leptoquark contributions

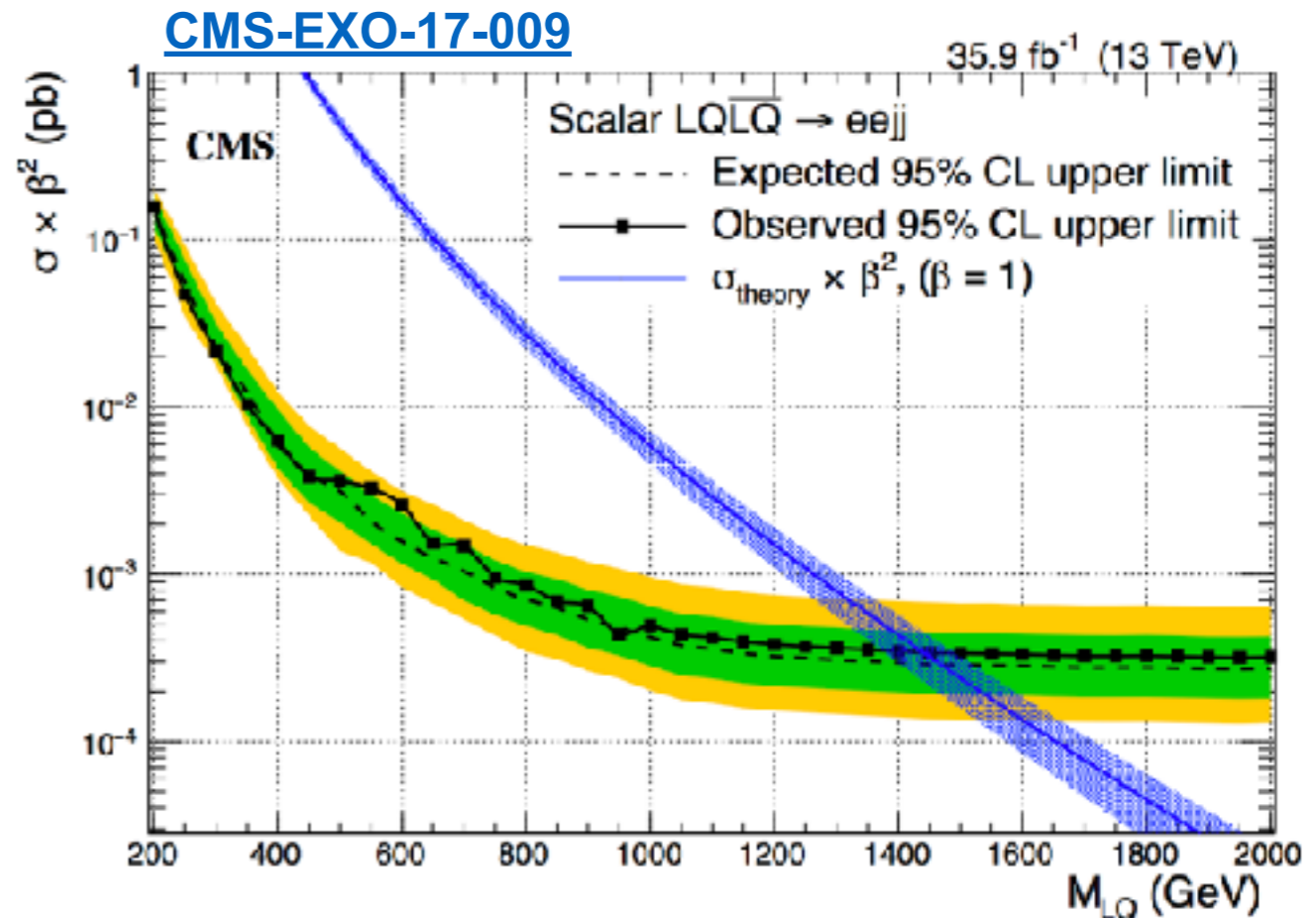
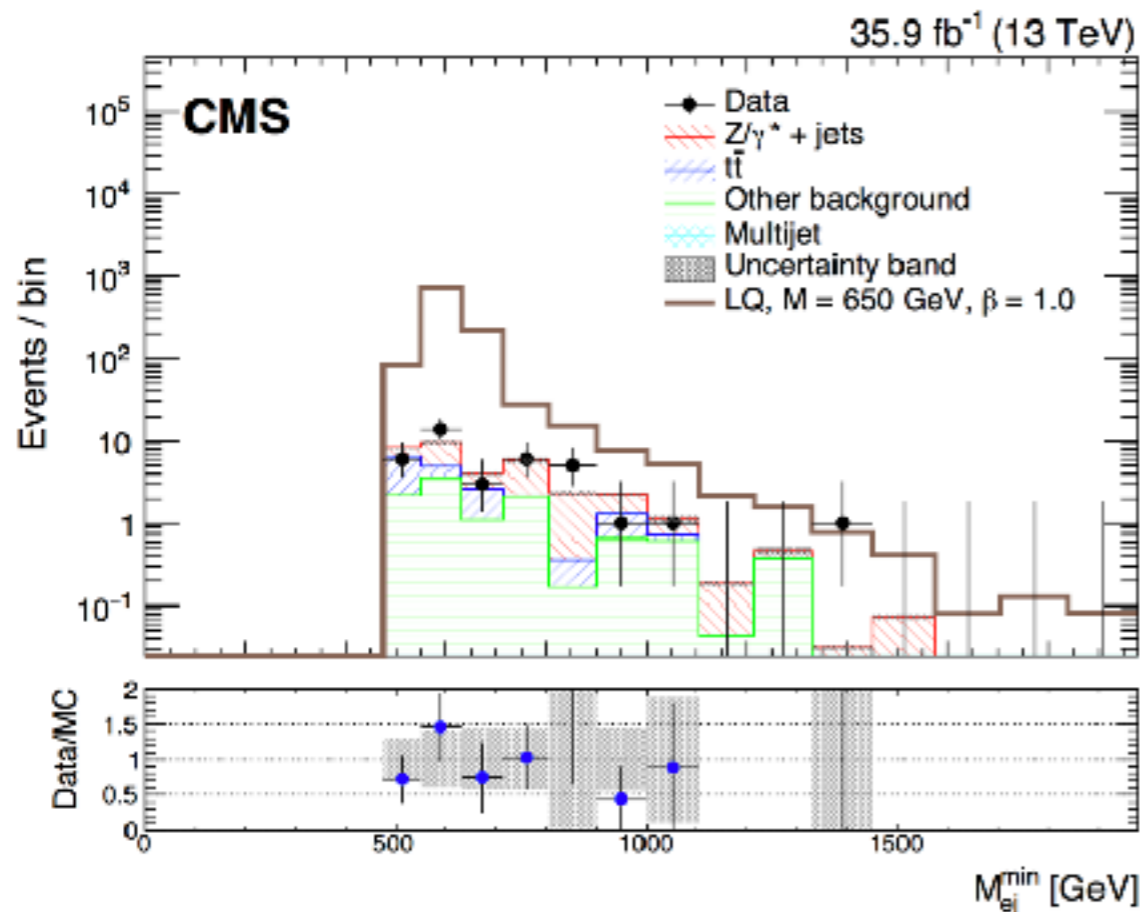
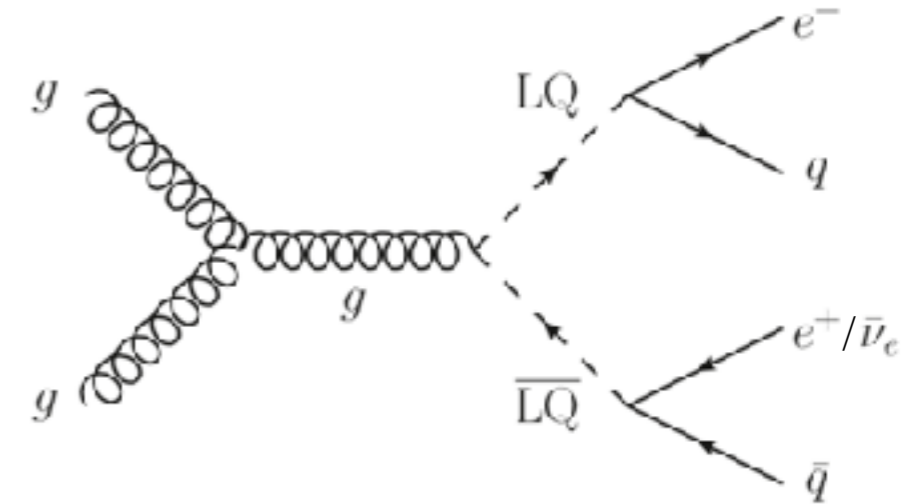
$$R_{D^{(*)}}^{\tau/\ell} = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \tau \bar{\nu})}{\Gamma(\bar{B} \rightarrow D^{(*)} \ell \bar{\nu})}$$

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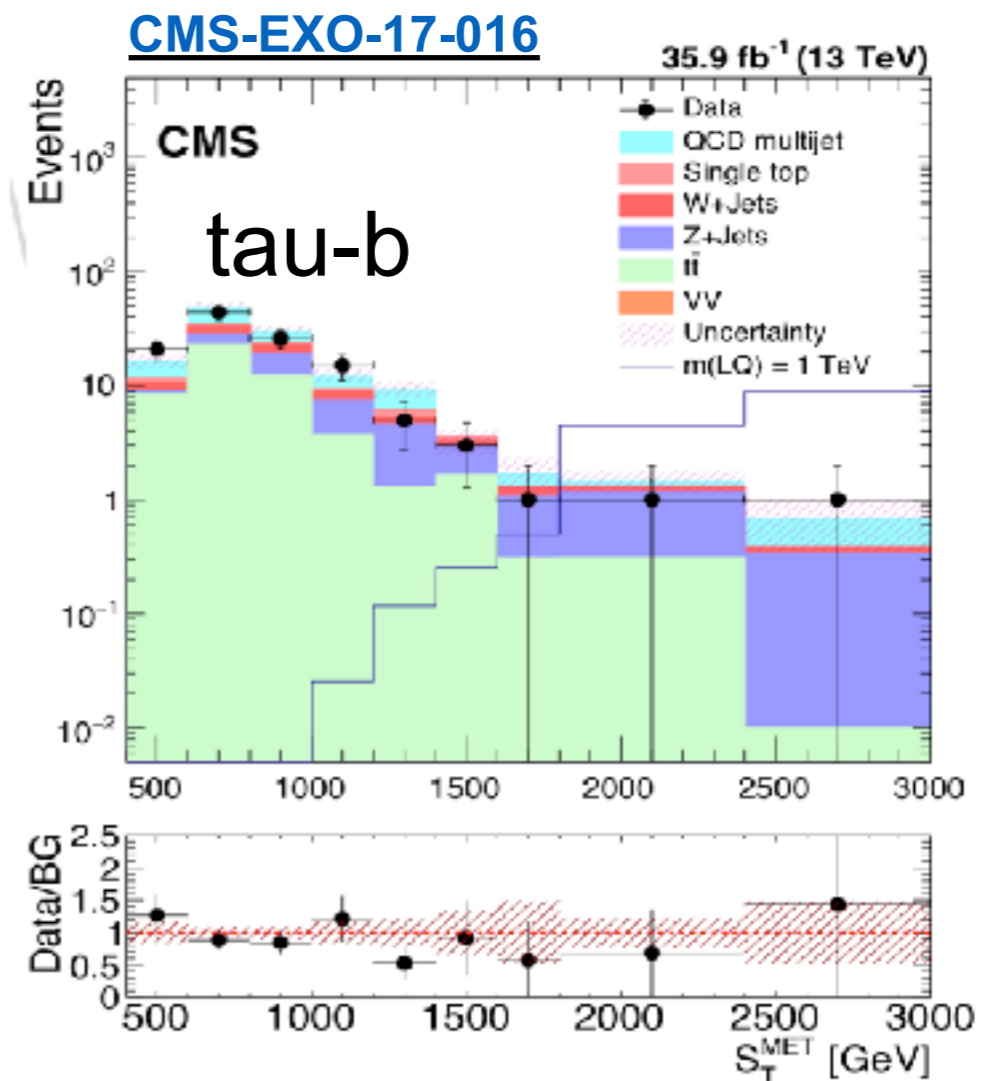
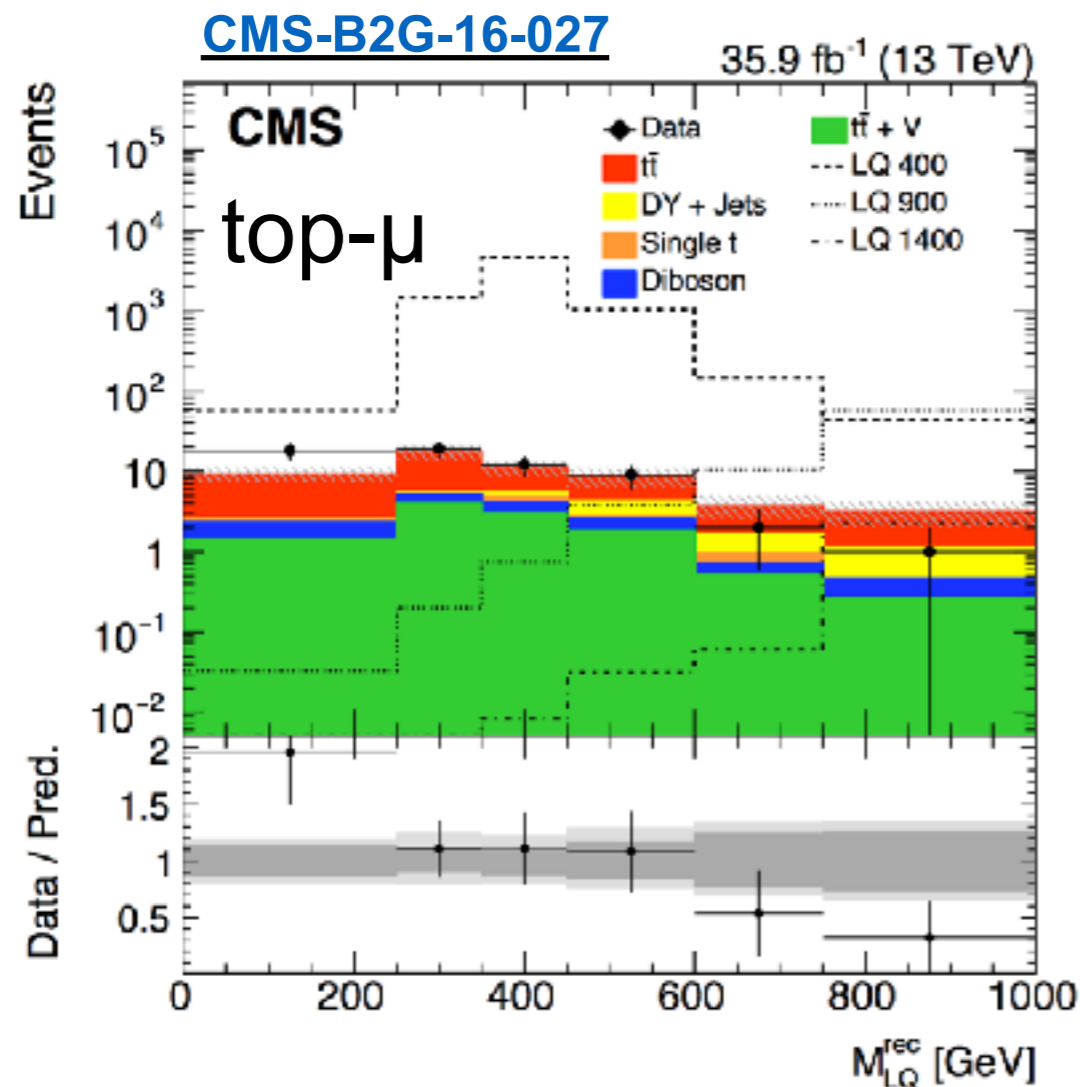
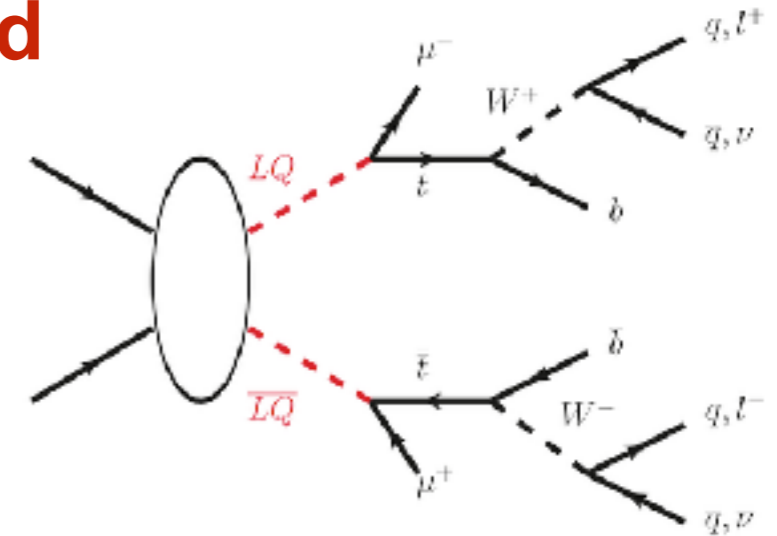
RECENT LQ RESULTS: LQ1 PAIRS

- Leptoquarks **produced in pairs**
- **2e - 2jets, ev - 2jets** final states
- Selection based on **visible momentum, minimum $m(e\text{-jet})$ and $m(ee)/m(ev)$, MET**
- mass **limits @ $\sim 1.2 - 1.45$ TeV**



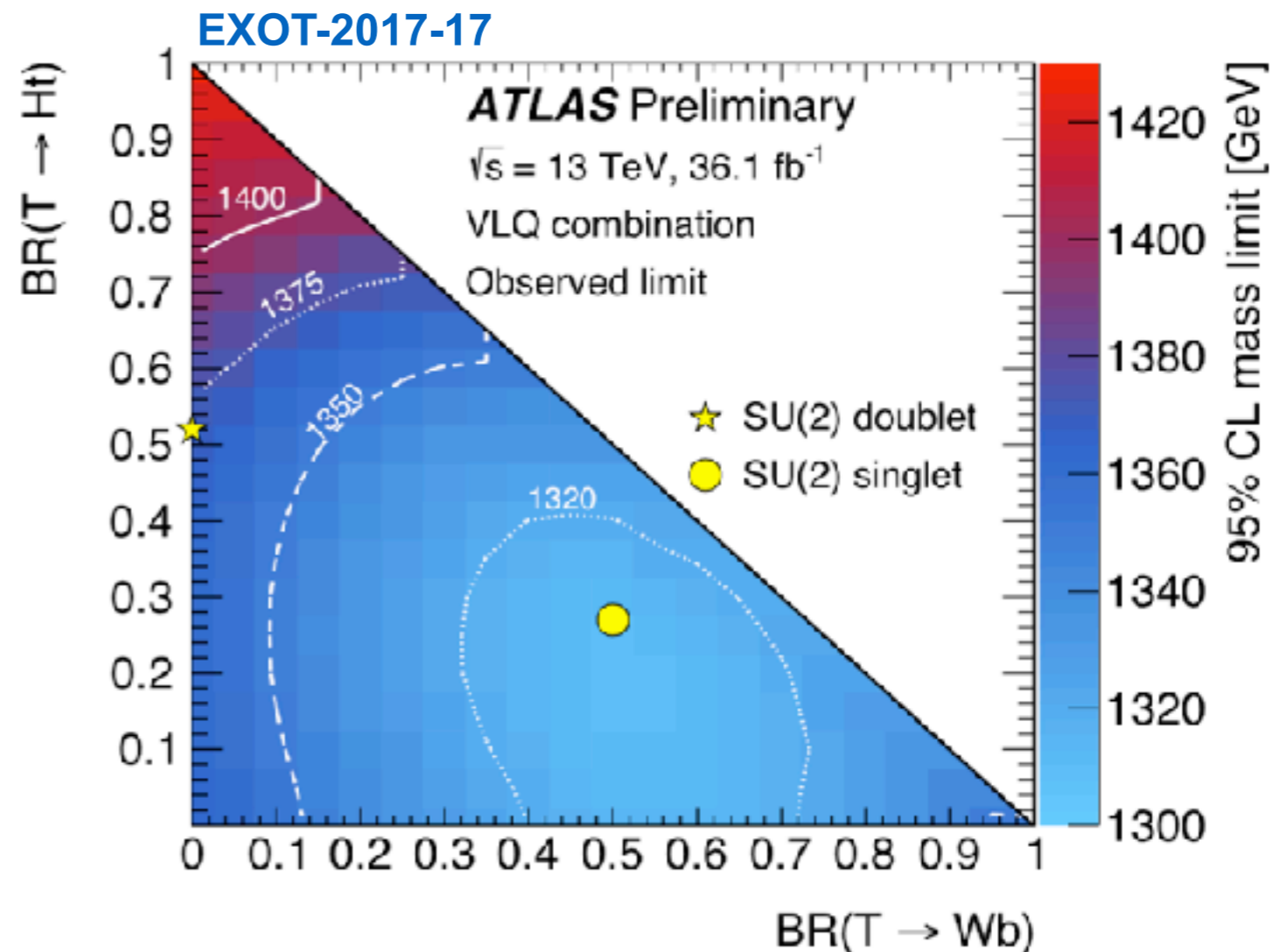
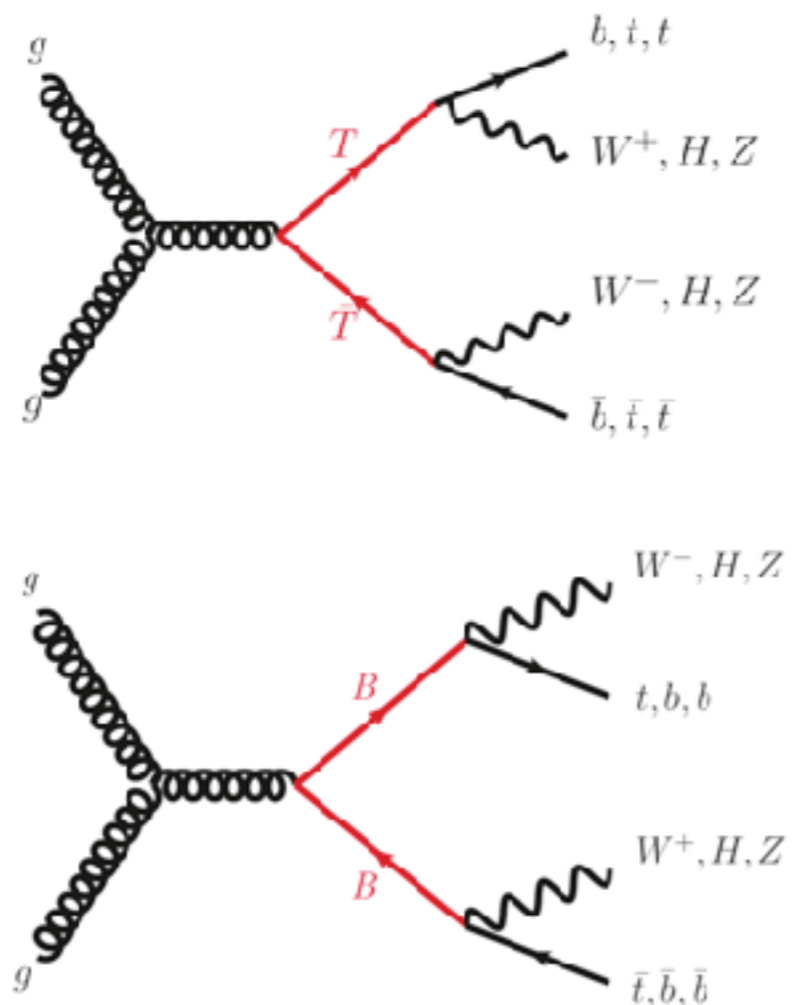
RECENT LQ RESULTS: LQ3 PAIRS

- Leptoquarks **decaying to top- μ and tau-b and produced in pairs**
- mass **limits**
 - top- μ : **1.45 TeV**
 - tau-b: **1.02 TeV**



VECTOR-LIKE QUARKS

- Search of **T (q=2/3)** and **B (q=-1/3)** VLQ with, decaying to **W,H,Z** and **t,b** produced in **pairs**
- Recent **combination of several final states**
- **Limits at the level of 1.3-1.4 TeV**



MASS REACH

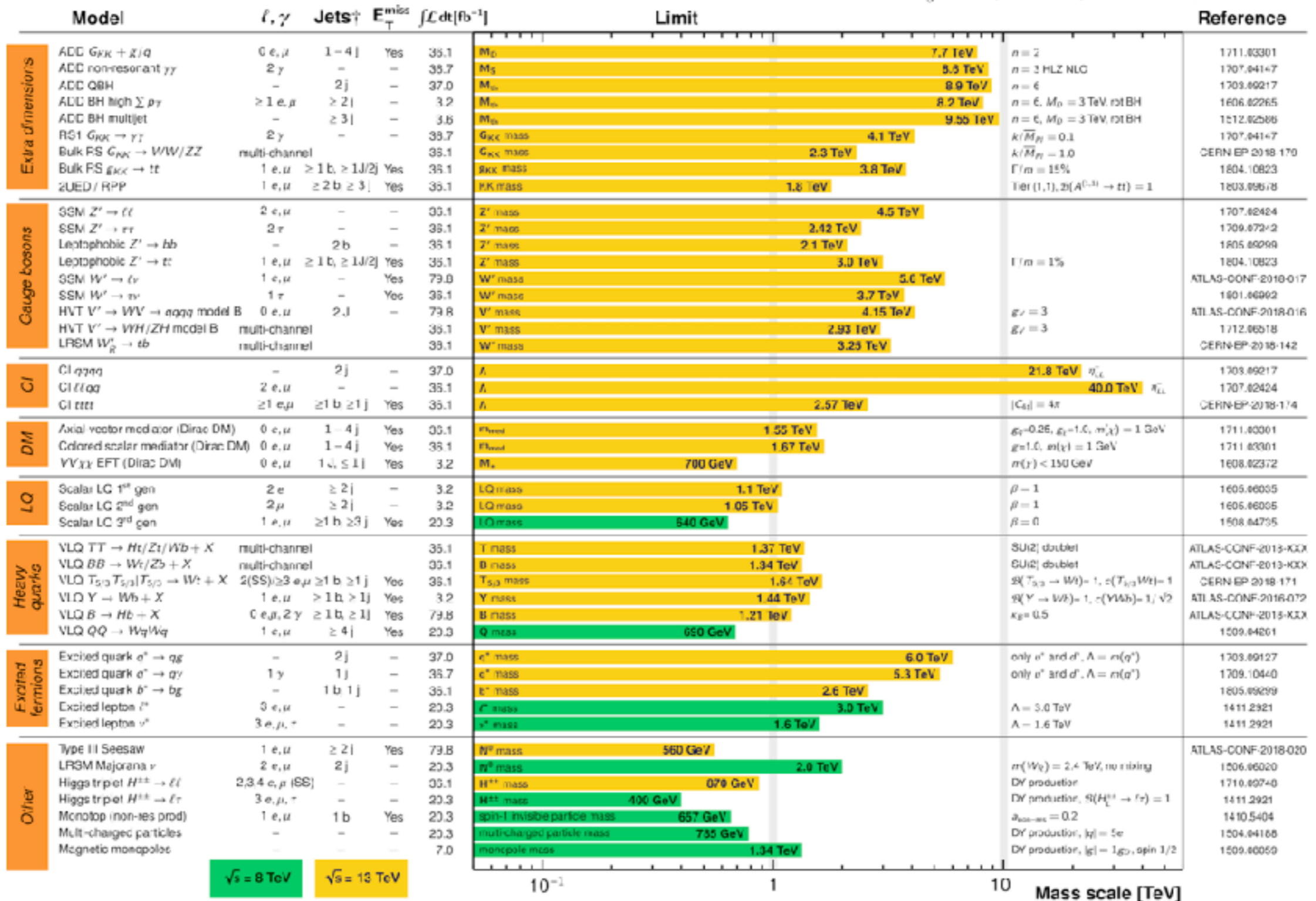
ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Upper Exclusion Limits

Status: July 2018

ATLAS Preliminary

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = (3.2 - 79.8) \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{s} = 8, 13 \text{ TeV}$$



*Only a selection of the available mass limits on new states or phenomena is shown.

† Small-radius (large-radius) jets are denoted by the letter j (J).

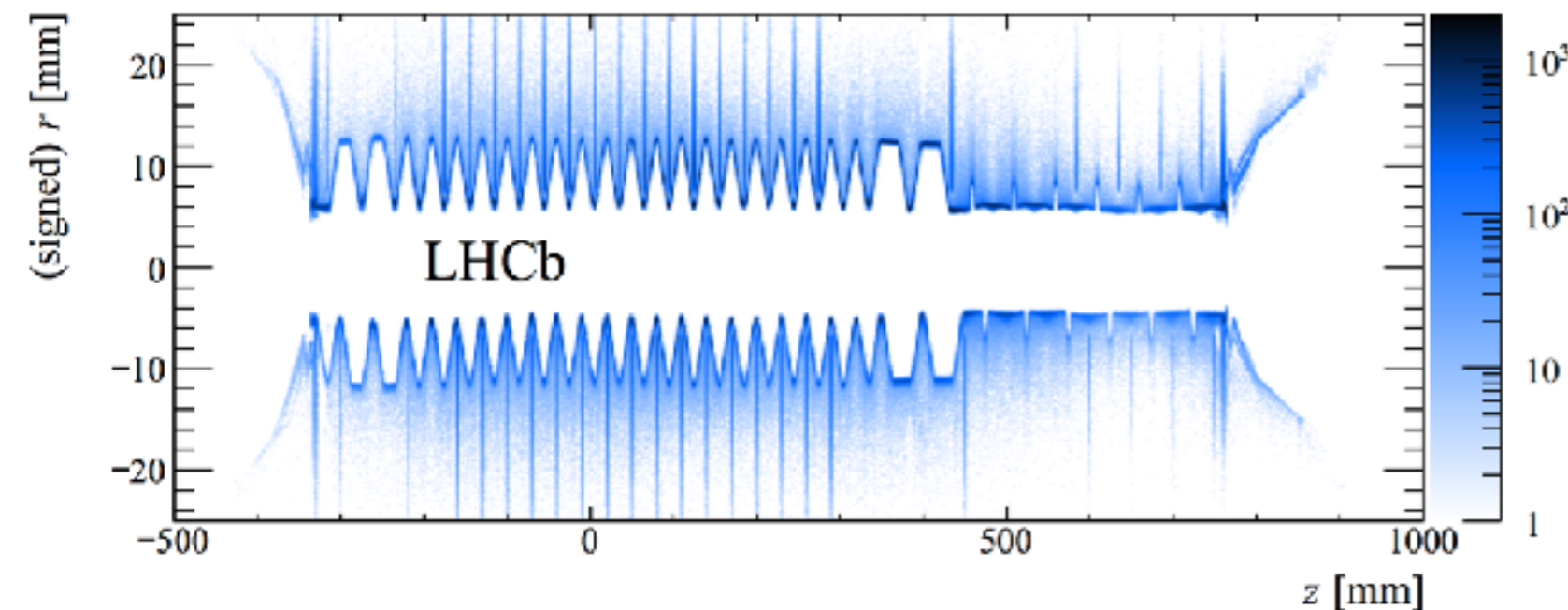
LONG-LIVED SIGNATURES

UNDERSTANDING DETECTORS

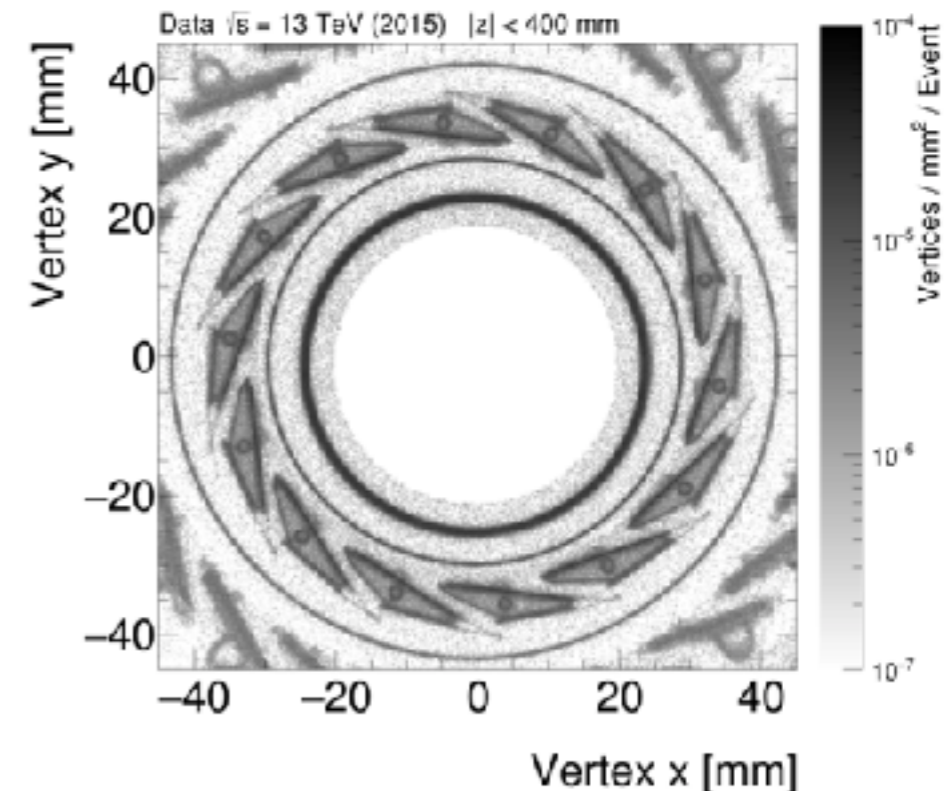
when the going gets tough, the tough get going

- **Detector-based exotic signatures require:**
 - dE/dx, TOF, displaced vertex, disappearing tracks, stopped particles
- **Specific control samples to model exotic signature in detector:**
 - LL signatures like detector noise. Deep knowledge of detector.

VELO

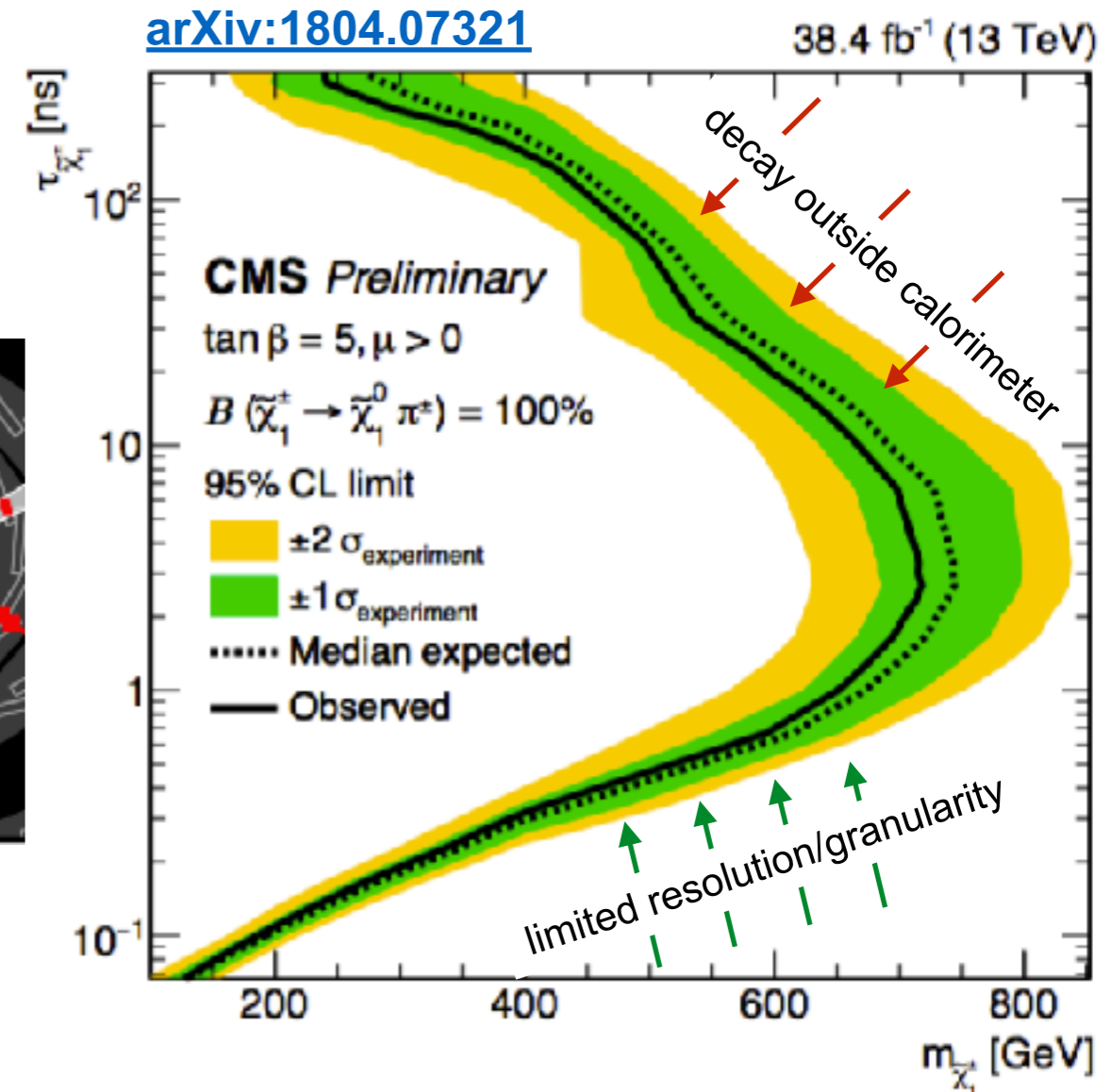
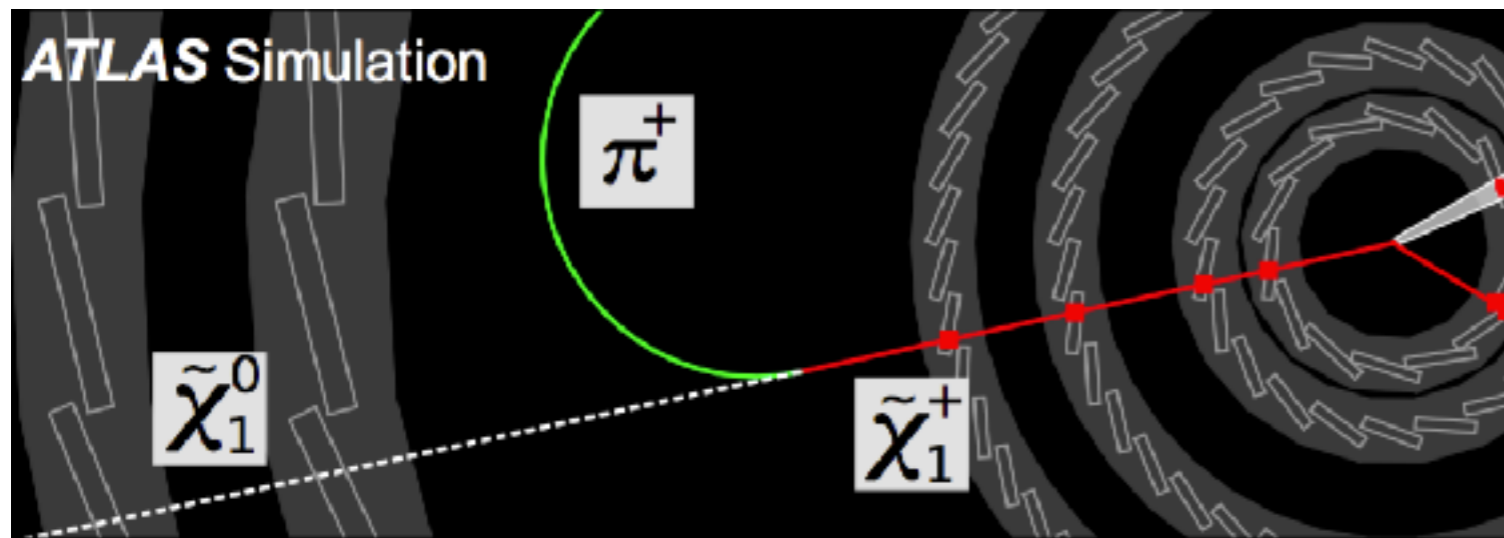


ATLAS inner detector



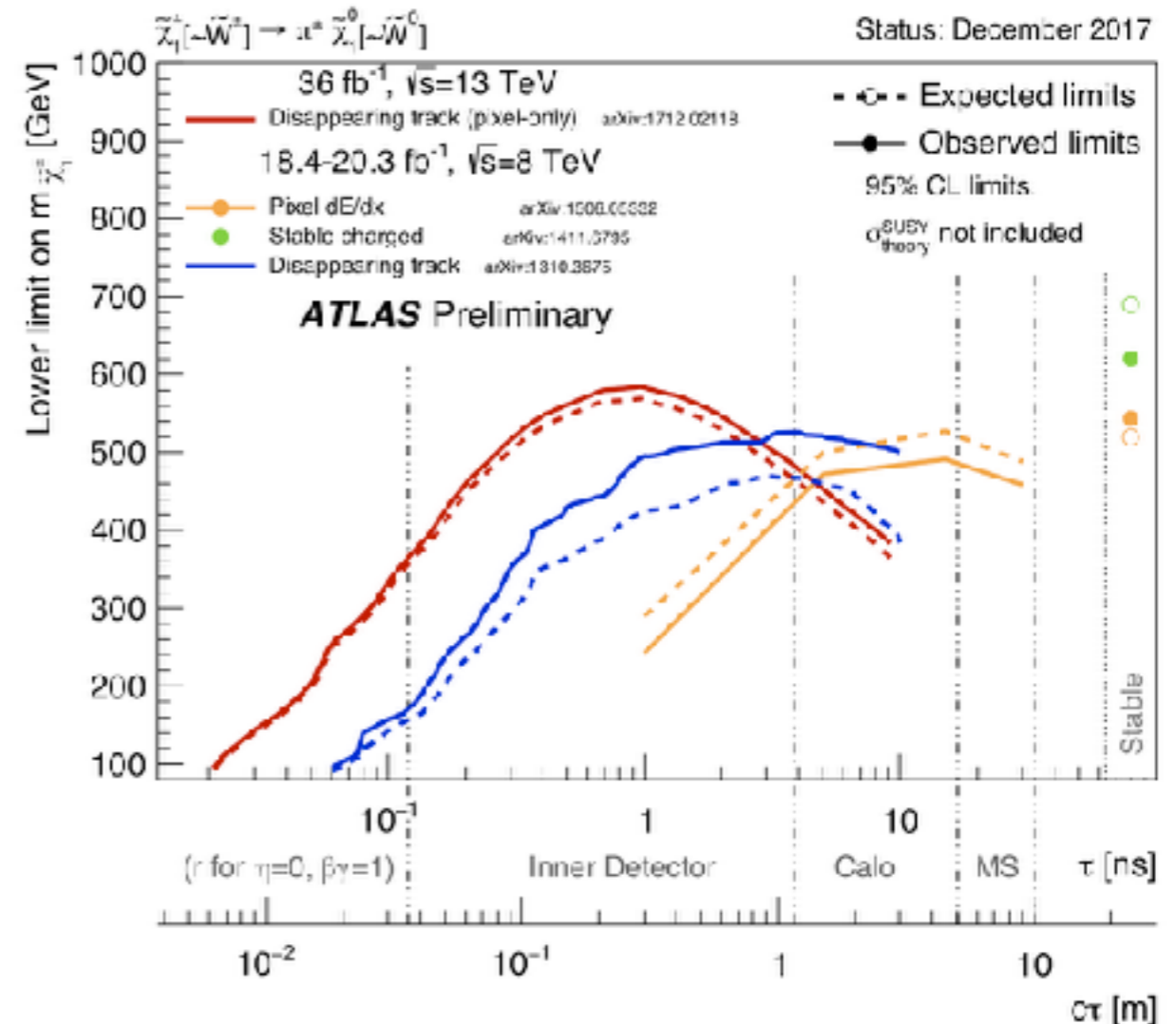
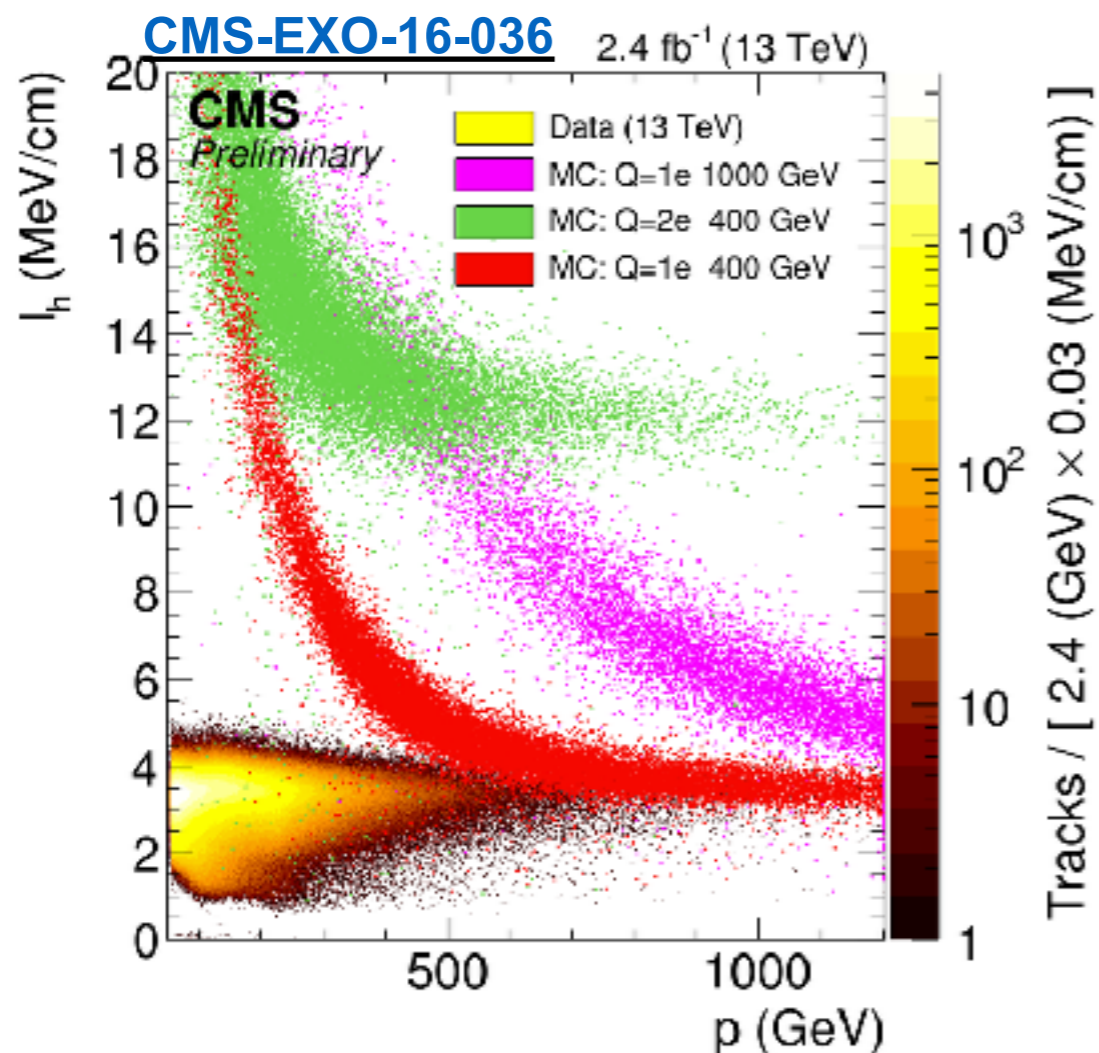
DISAPPEARING STUFF

- **Isolated track with**
 - missing hits in the outer layers of the tracker
 - little energy in associated calorimeter deposits
 - no associated hits in muon detectors.
- **Require Missing ET**
 - typical of SUSY events



STABLE STUFF

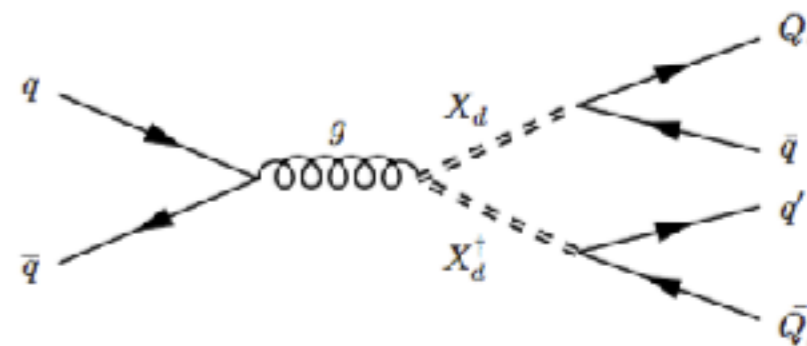
- **Heavy Stable Charged Particles, e.g. slepton (slow moving muon-like particle)**
 - ▶ **dE/dx**: large ionization left in tracker detectors by high mass R-hadrons or sleptons (enhanced if charge $\neq 1$)
 - ▶ **slow moving** high mass stable charged particles identified using **timing measured in muon system**



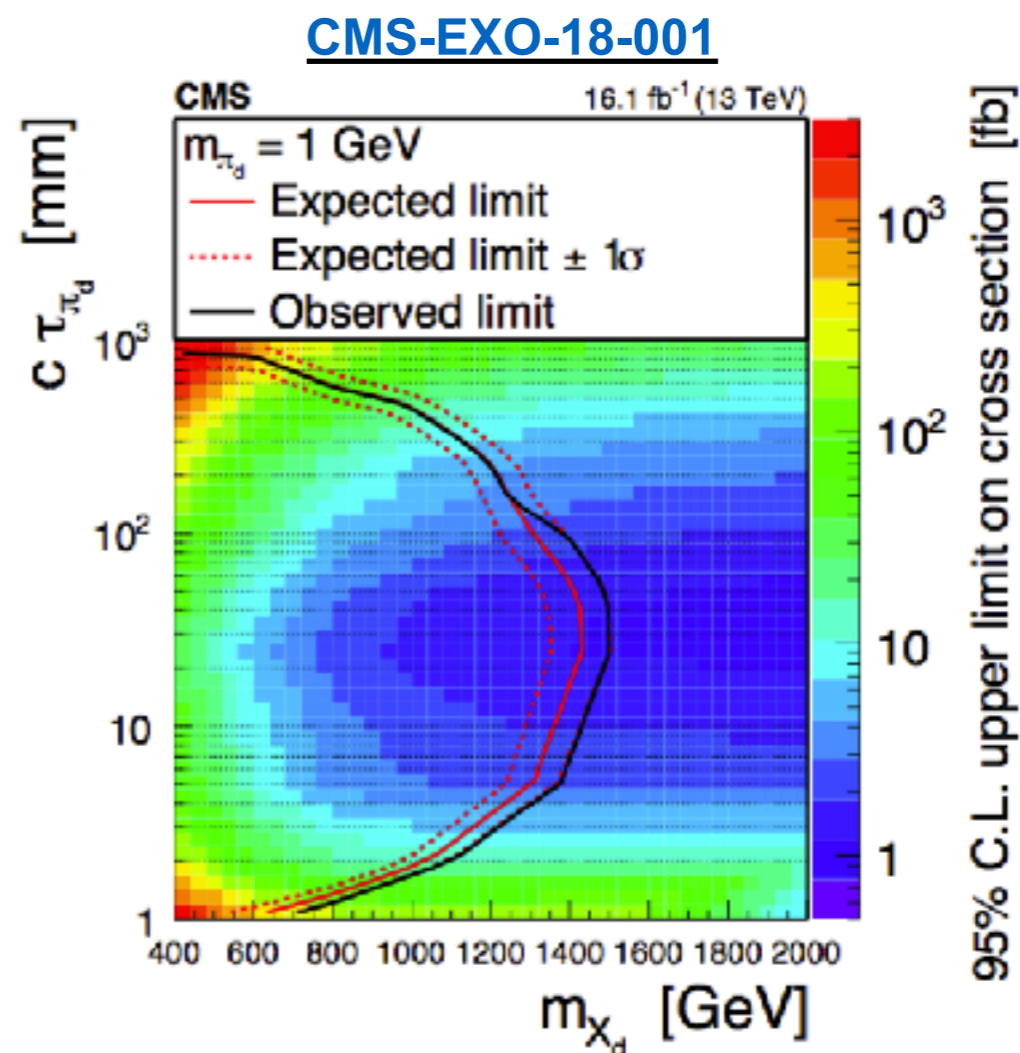
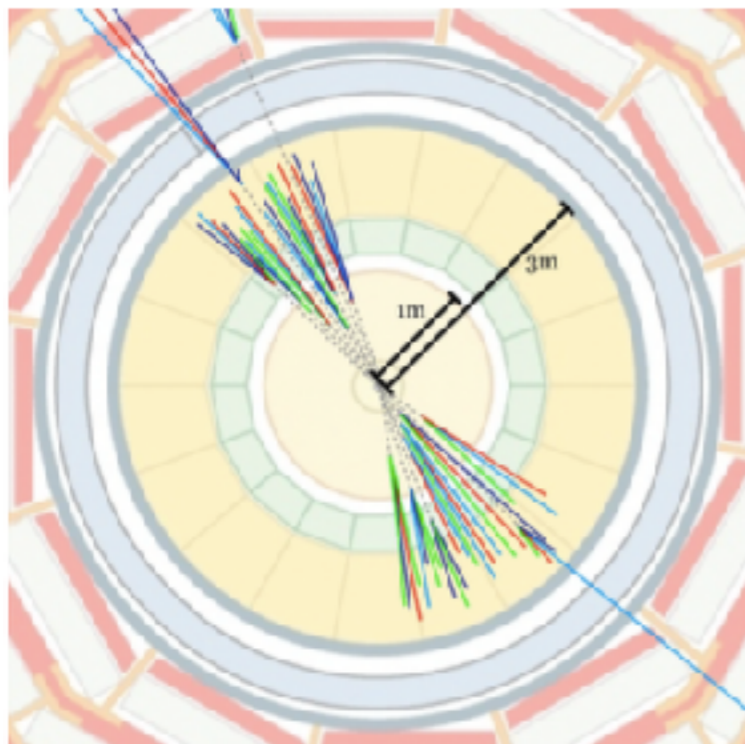
EMERGING STUFF

Dark QCD (dark matter candidate)

- **O(TeV) heavy mediators** in **dark pion** (mass \sim GeV), lifetime 1 to 1000 mm
- **Signature**: 2 SM jets and 2 emerging jet
 - emerging jet **selected by exploiting the displacement of tracks in jet**



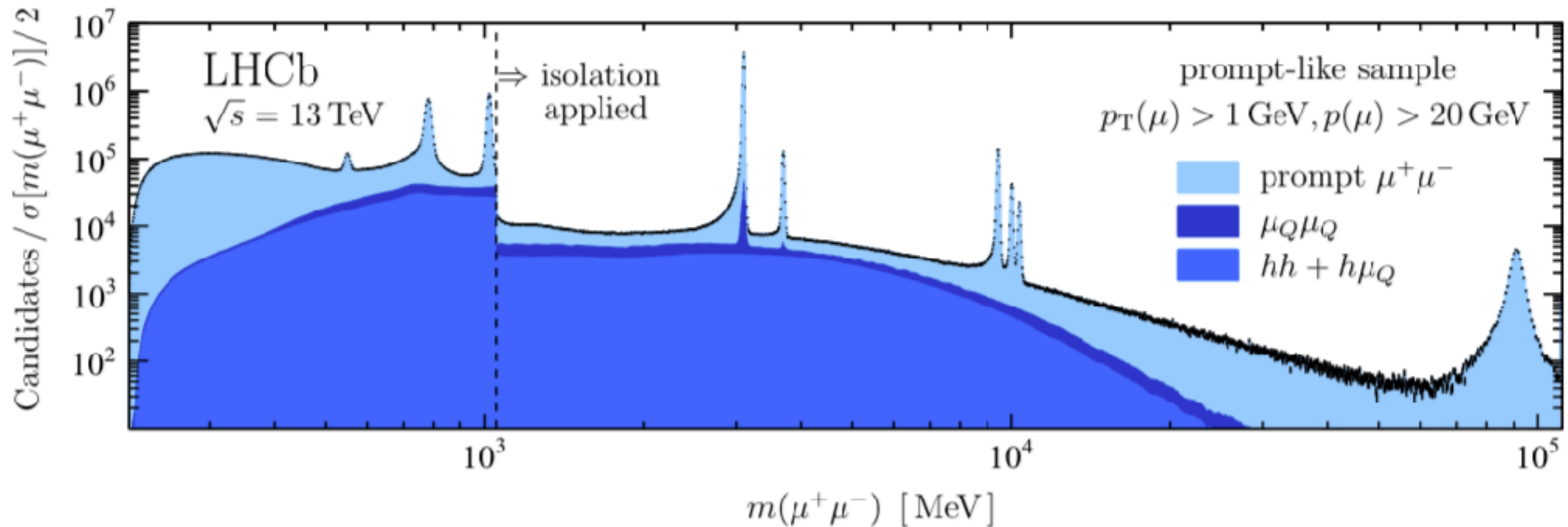
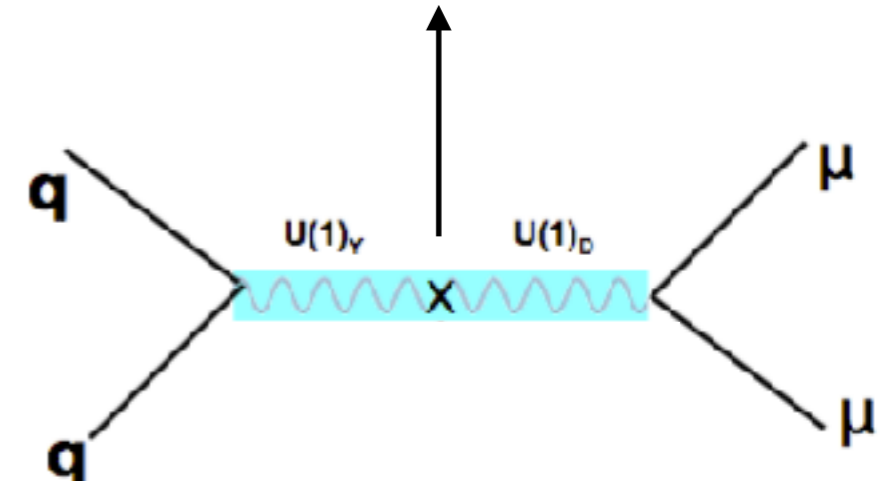
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DARK PHOTON (LHCb)

- **Dark matter** may interact **via a new dark force**
- **Dark photon couples to SM via kinetic mixing:**
- Depending on ϵ **A' prompt or long-lived**
- **Search for dimuon resonance:**
 - prompt or displaced events

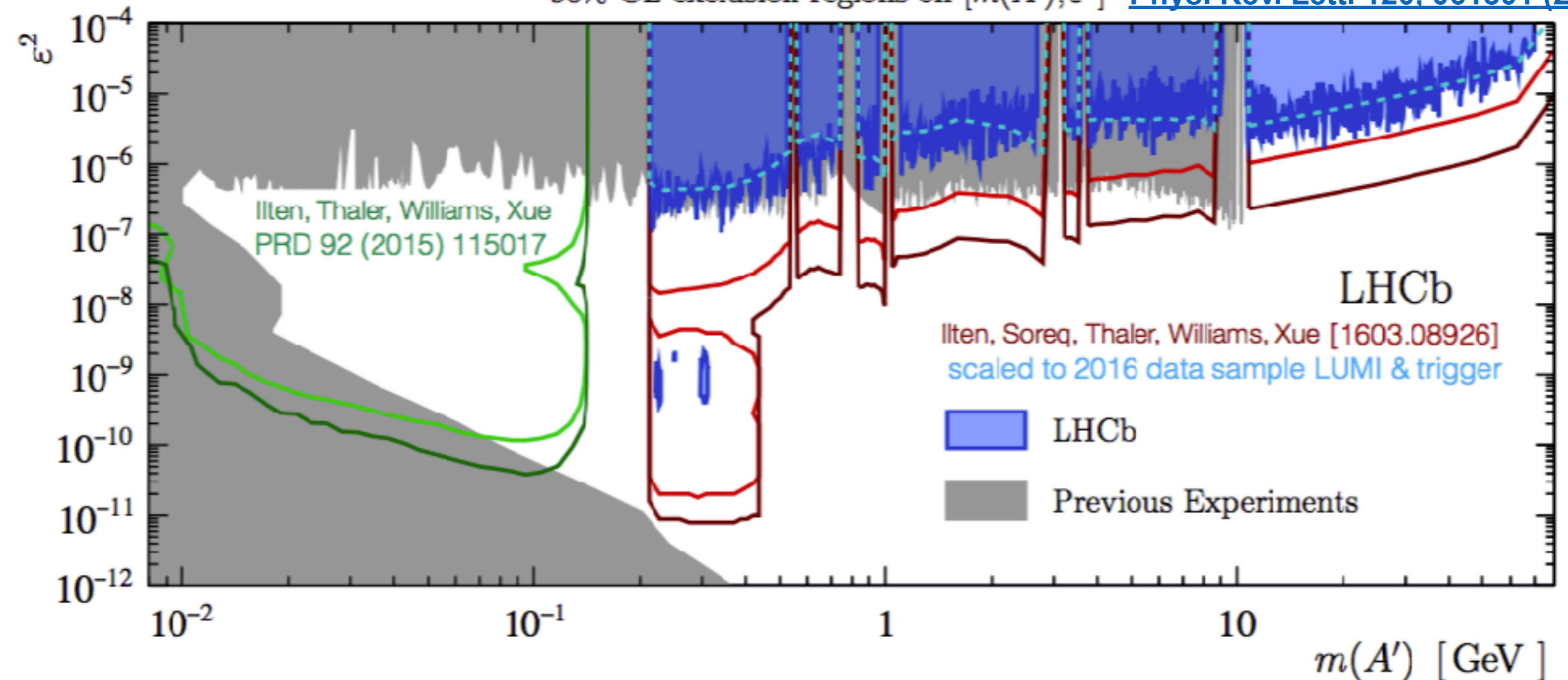
$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\epsilon}{\cos \theta} \hat{Z}_{D\mu\nu} \hat{B}^{\mu\nu}$$



DARK PHOTON (LHCb)

- Limits **competitive to B factories**
- **Only** experiments to put constraint **above 10 GeV**
- Red and green curves show the **predictions from LHC Run 3**

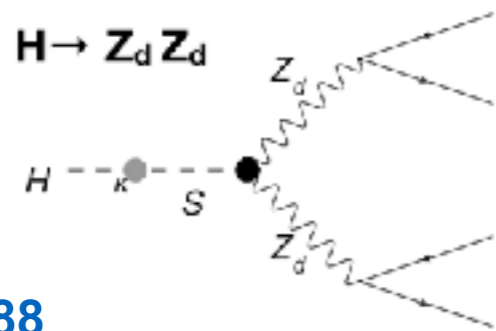
90% CL exclusion regions on $[m(A'), \epsilon^2]$ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 061801 \(2018\)](#)



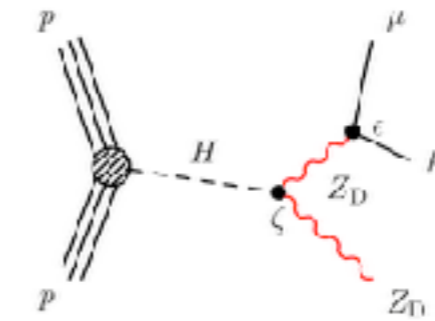
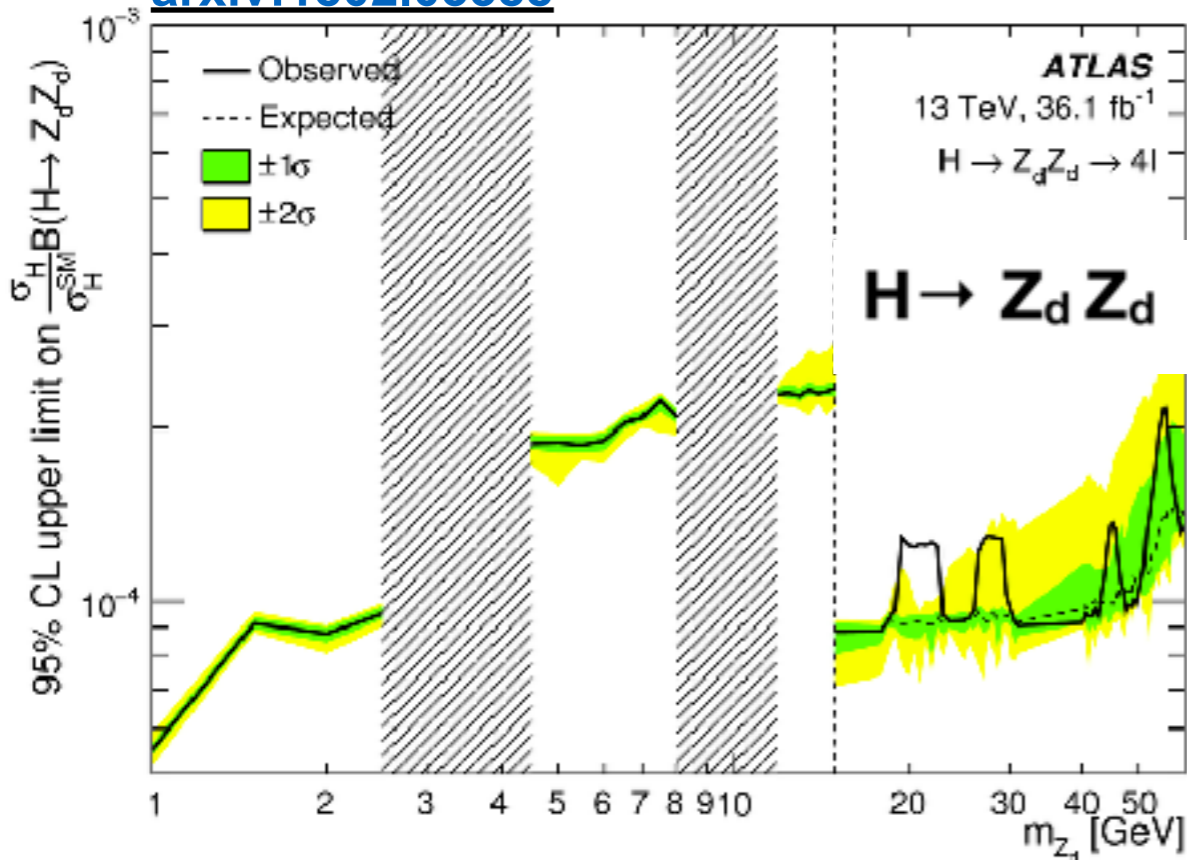
DARK PHOTON (ATLAS)

Two recent analyses:

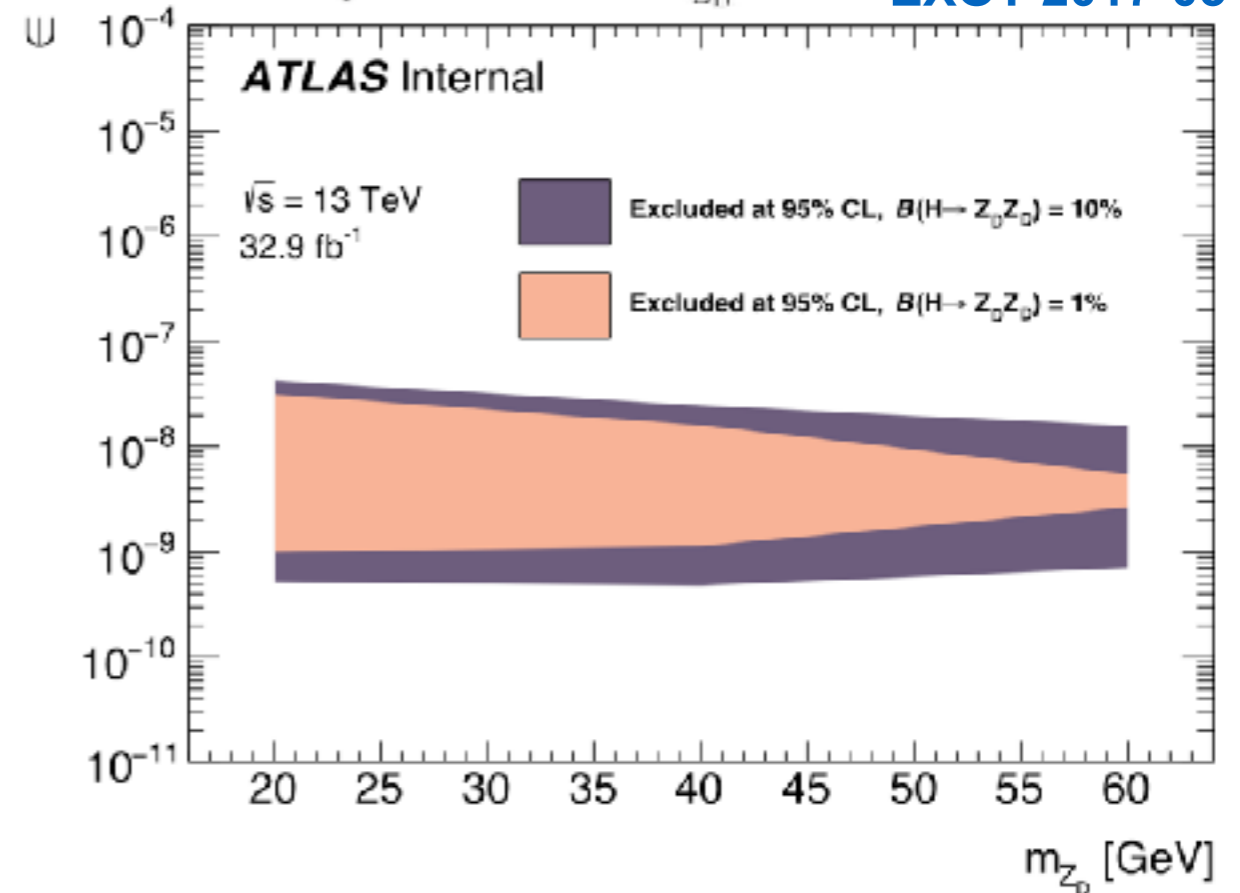
- 1) **Four prompt leptons.** Require Higgs mass and use of $m(\ell\ell)$.
- 2) **Two displaced muons.** Displaced vertex and use of $m(\mu\mu)$



[arxiv:1802.03388](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.03388)



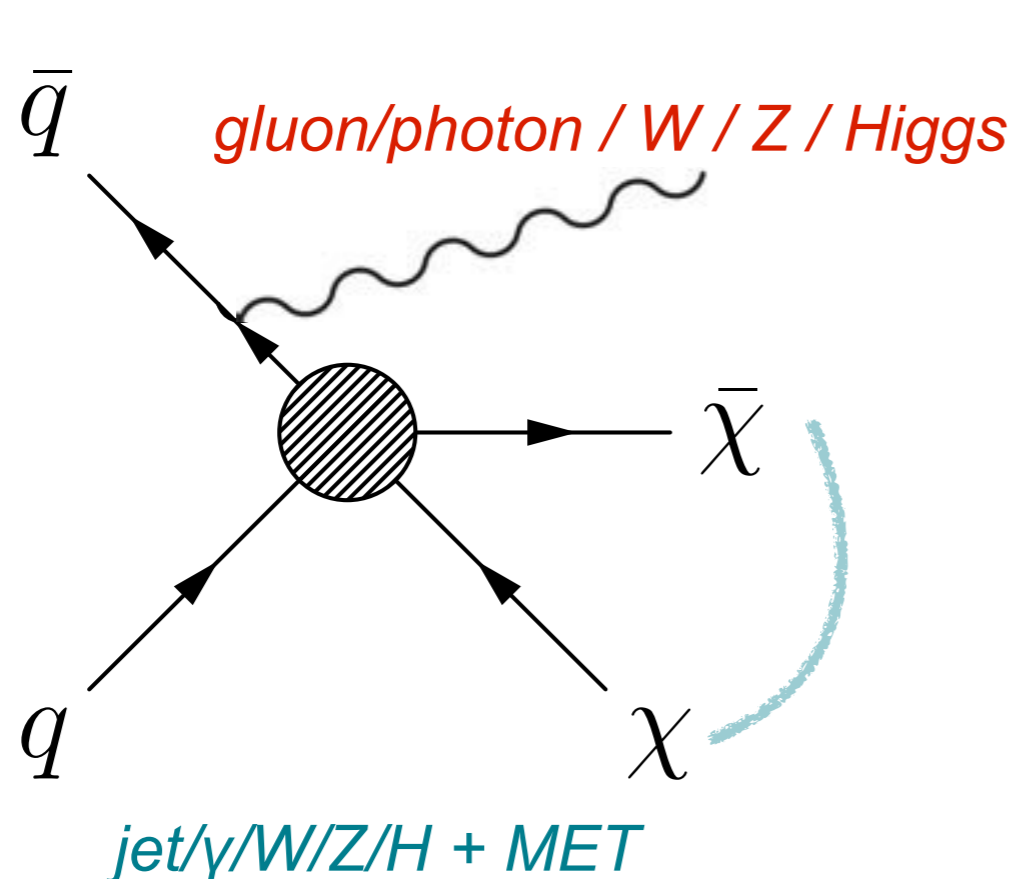
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DARK MATTER

DARK MATTER SEARCH AT LHC

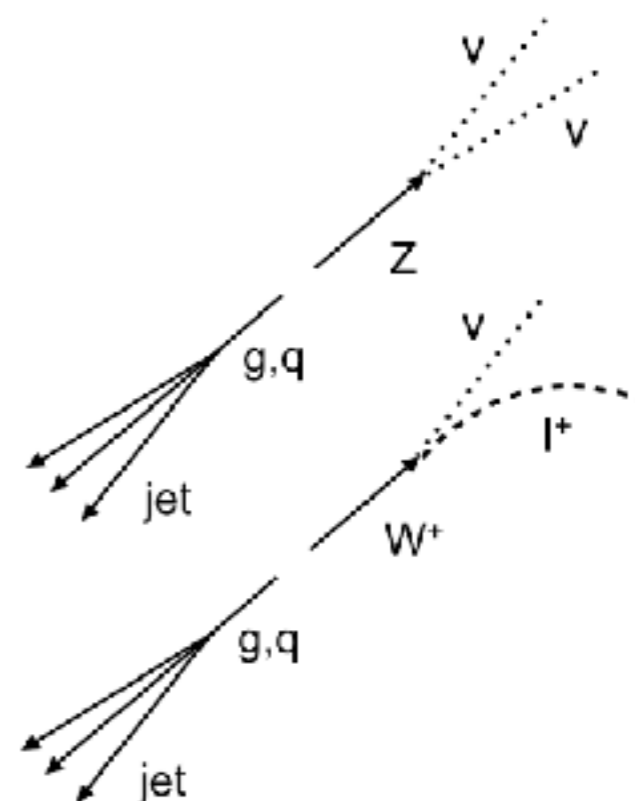
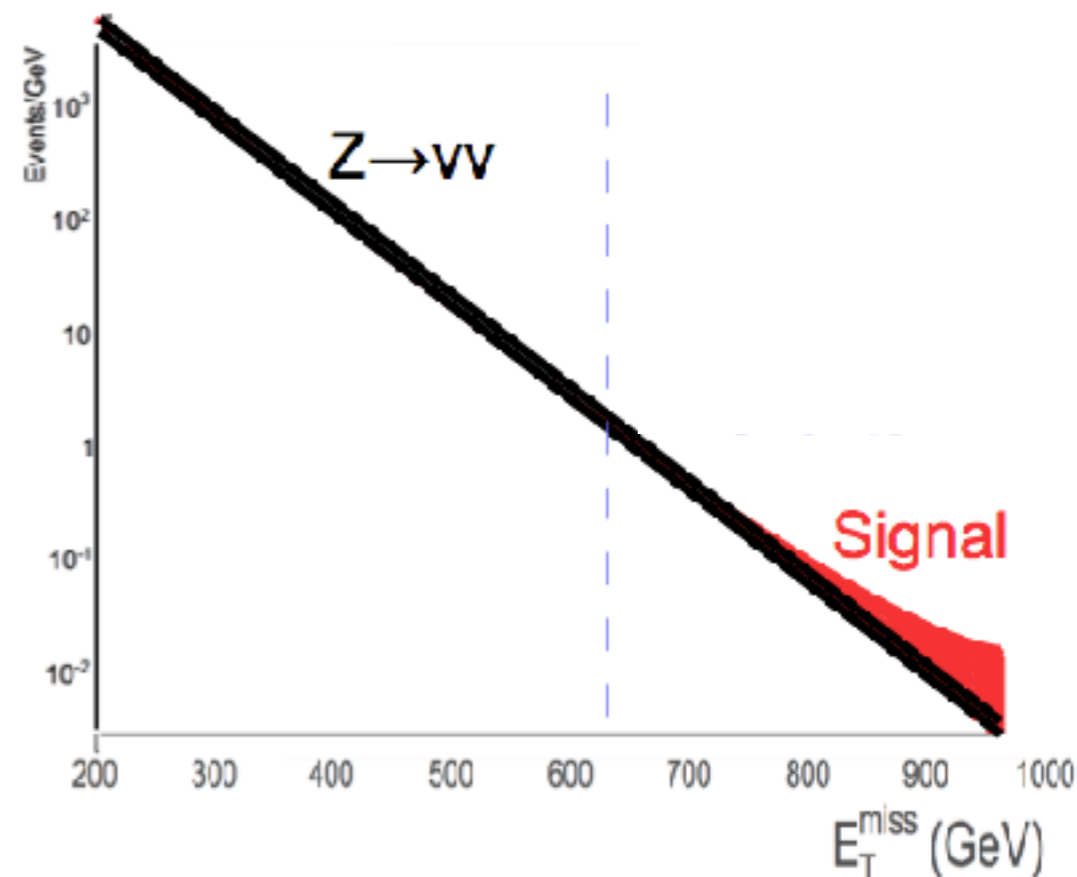
- **EW bosons and gluons can be radiated by initial partons**
- **Presence of high energy photon/W/Z/Higgs or jet(s) *in addition* to large missing transverse energy**
- **Gluon radiation at higher rate than EW bosons**
 - strong interaction vs. electromagnetic



- **mono-jet**
 - strongest constraints
- **mono-photon**
 - more challenging for background estimation
 - less powerful: EW vs. strong interaction
- **mono-W/Z leptonic**
 - clean signature and simple trigger
 - penalized by W/Z branching fraction
- **mono-W/Z hadronic**
 - larger statistics with larger background
- **tt+MET/bb+MET and mono-top**
 - more complicated experimentally
 - powerful in some scenarios
- **mono-Higgs**

DM @ LHC: ANALYSIS STRATEGY

- **Use MET shape to extract signal contribution**
- **Similar shape for signal and background**
 - Signal harder
- **Background modeling very important**
- **Main contributions (monojet example)**
 - **Z(vv)+jet**
 - **W(lv)+jet**, where charged lepton is not reconstructed



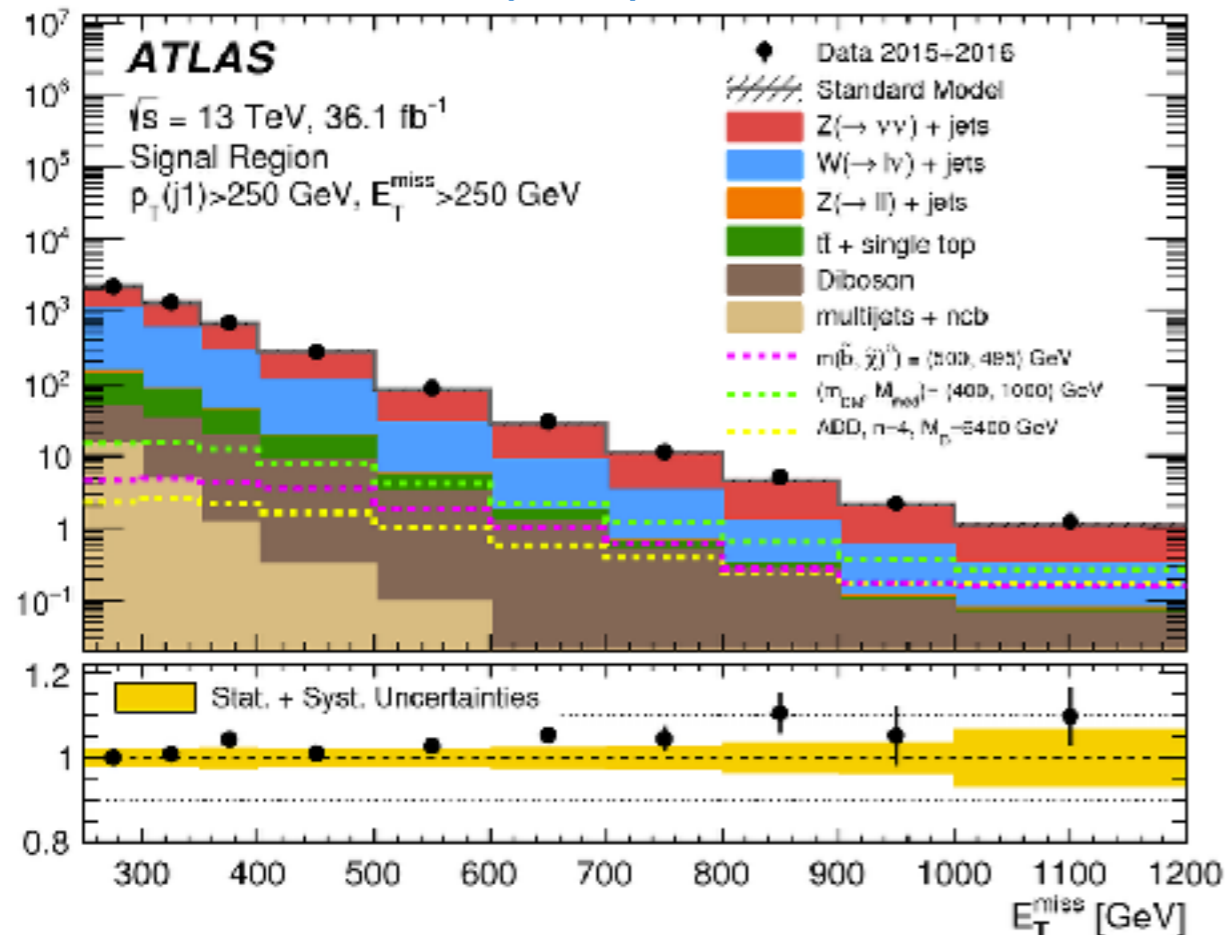
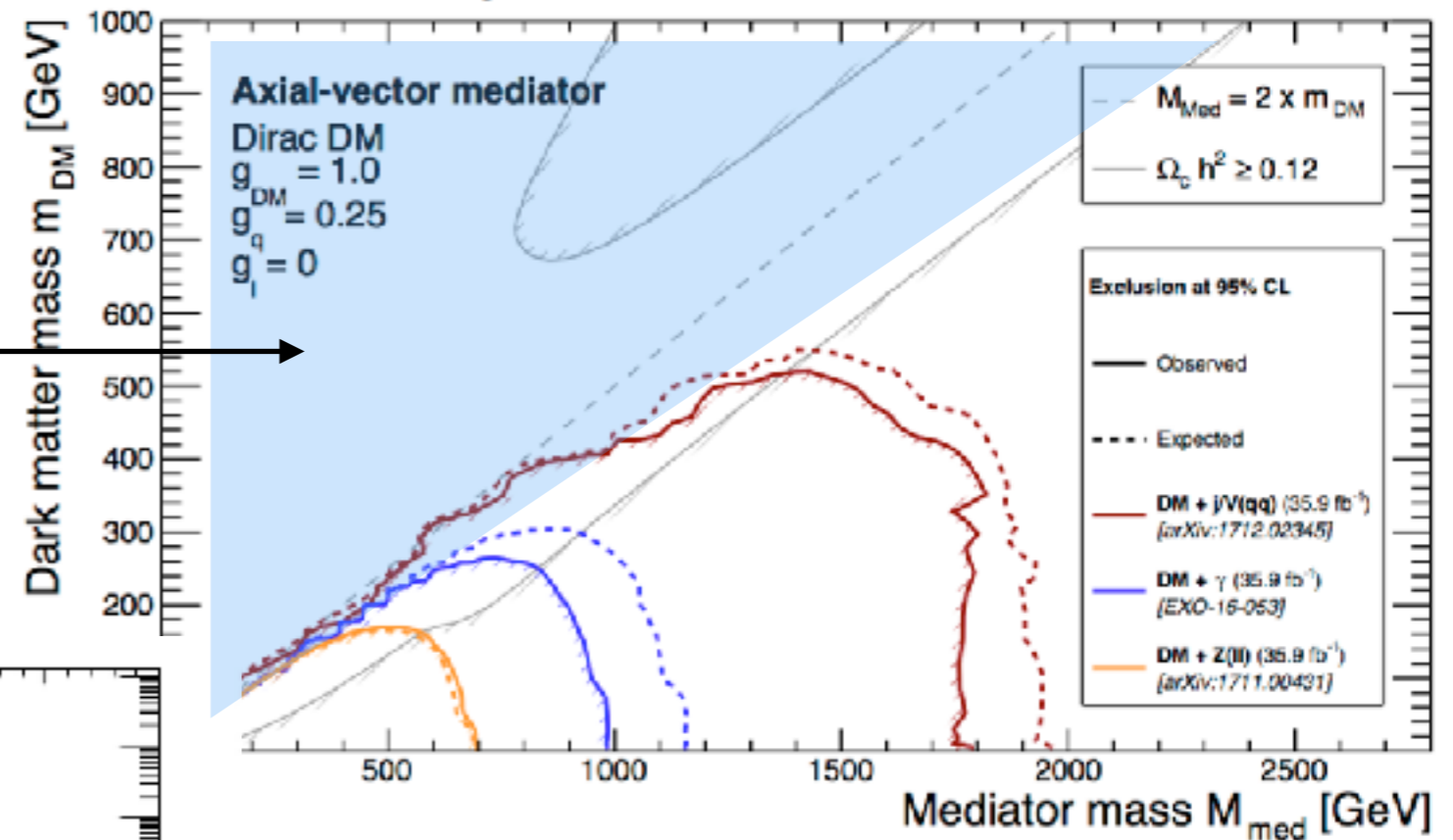
SPIN-1: MONOJET, MONOPHOTON, MONOZ

no sensitivity
for off-shell mediator

ATLAS : JHEP 01 (2018) 126

CMS Preliminary

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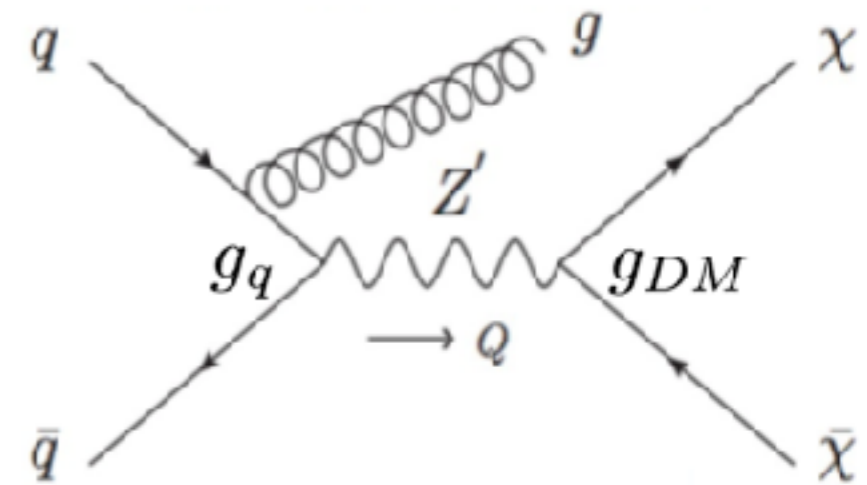
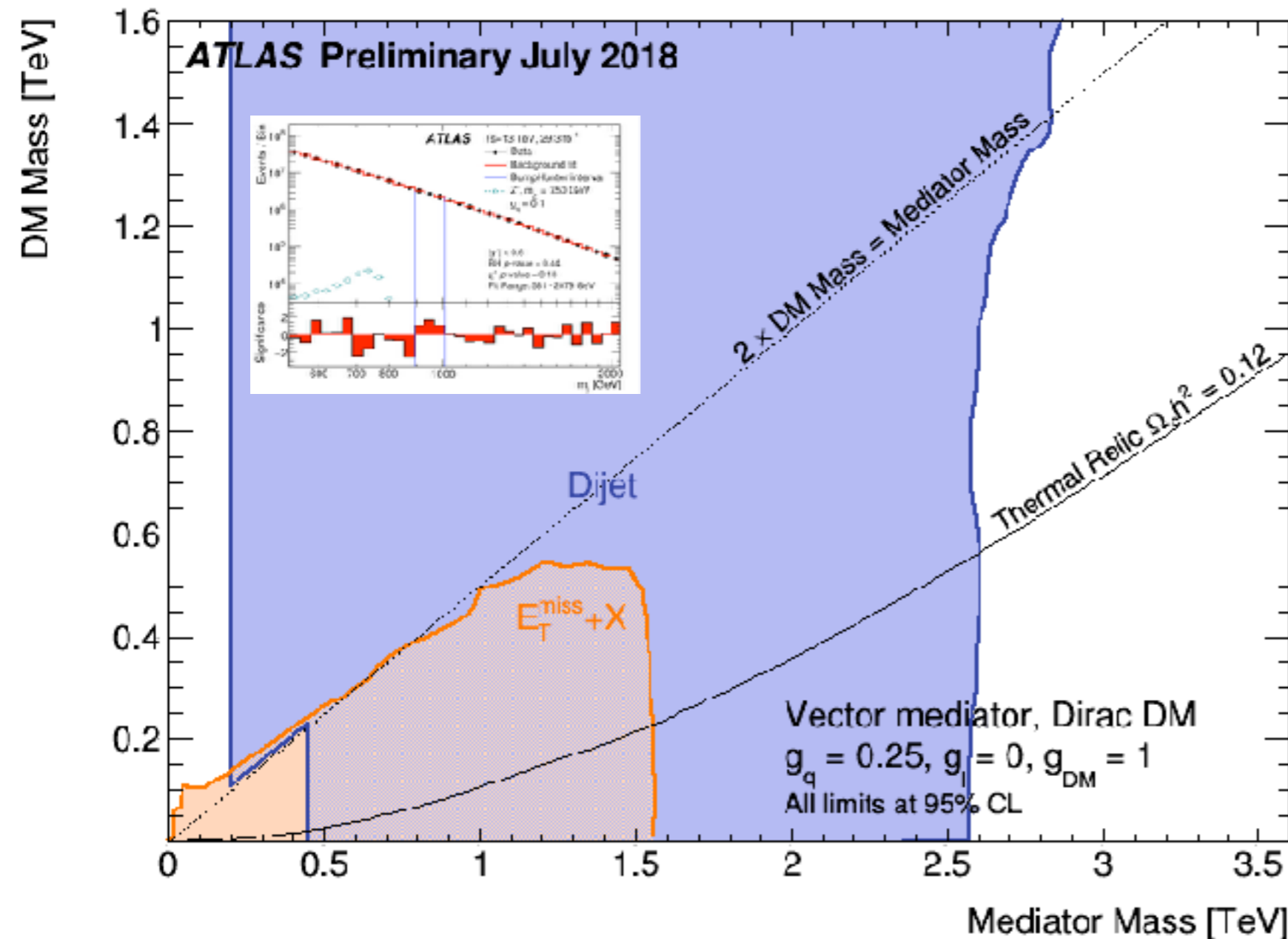
Background extraction:

- Use of Z(ll)+jet, W(lv)+jet, γ +jet control samples (see [1705.04664](#))

Uncertainty on bkg estimate
from 2 to 10%

MEDIATOR SEARCHES AND DM: SPIN-1

- By fixing couplings limits on mediators cross section **translated into DM production cross section**



$$\sigma = K' \frac{g_q^2 g_{DM}^2}{M^4 \Gamma_{med}}$$

$g_q =$ coupling to SM

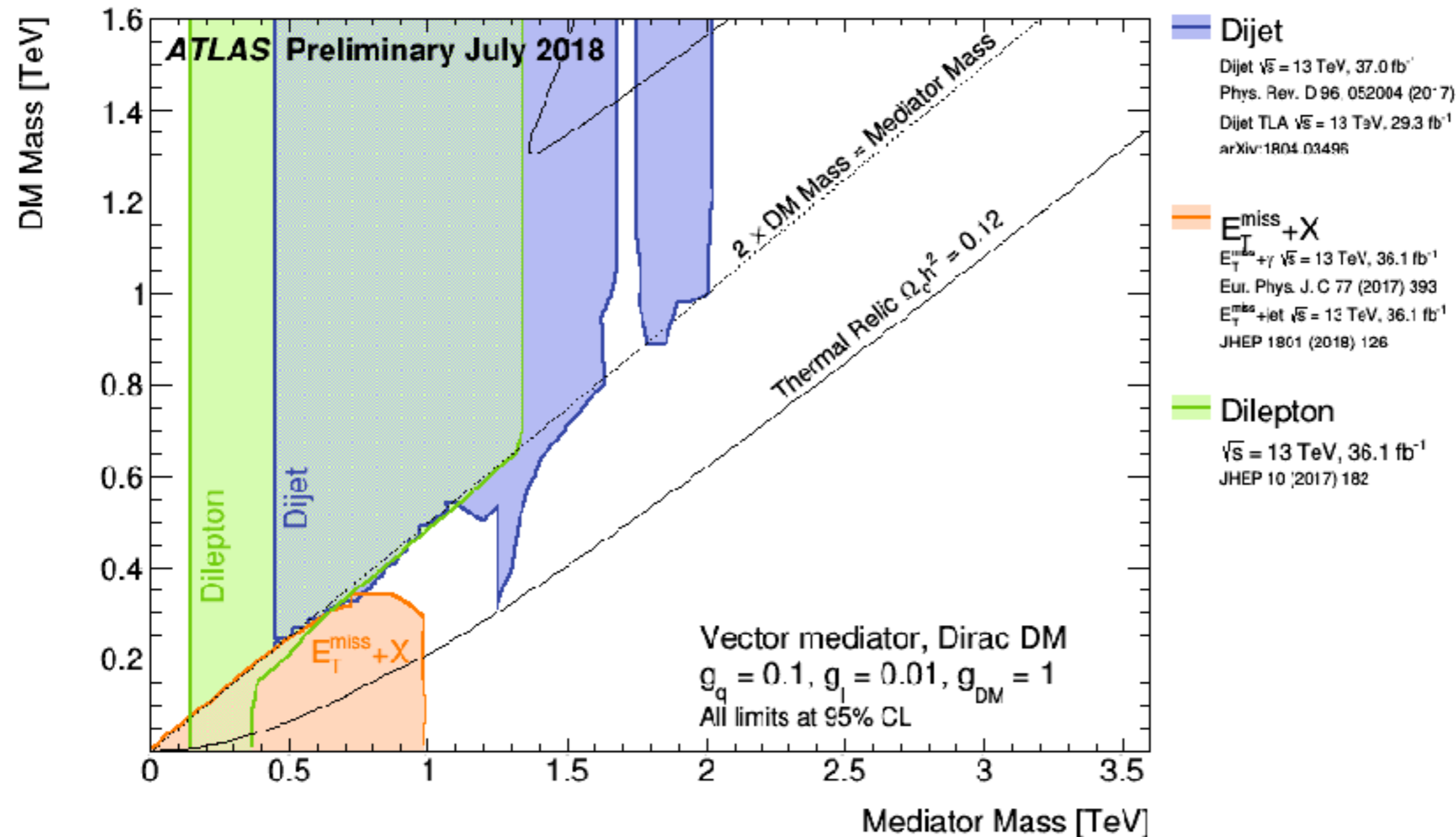
$g_{DM} =$ coupling to DM

$M =$ mediator mass

$\Gamma_{med} =$ mediator width

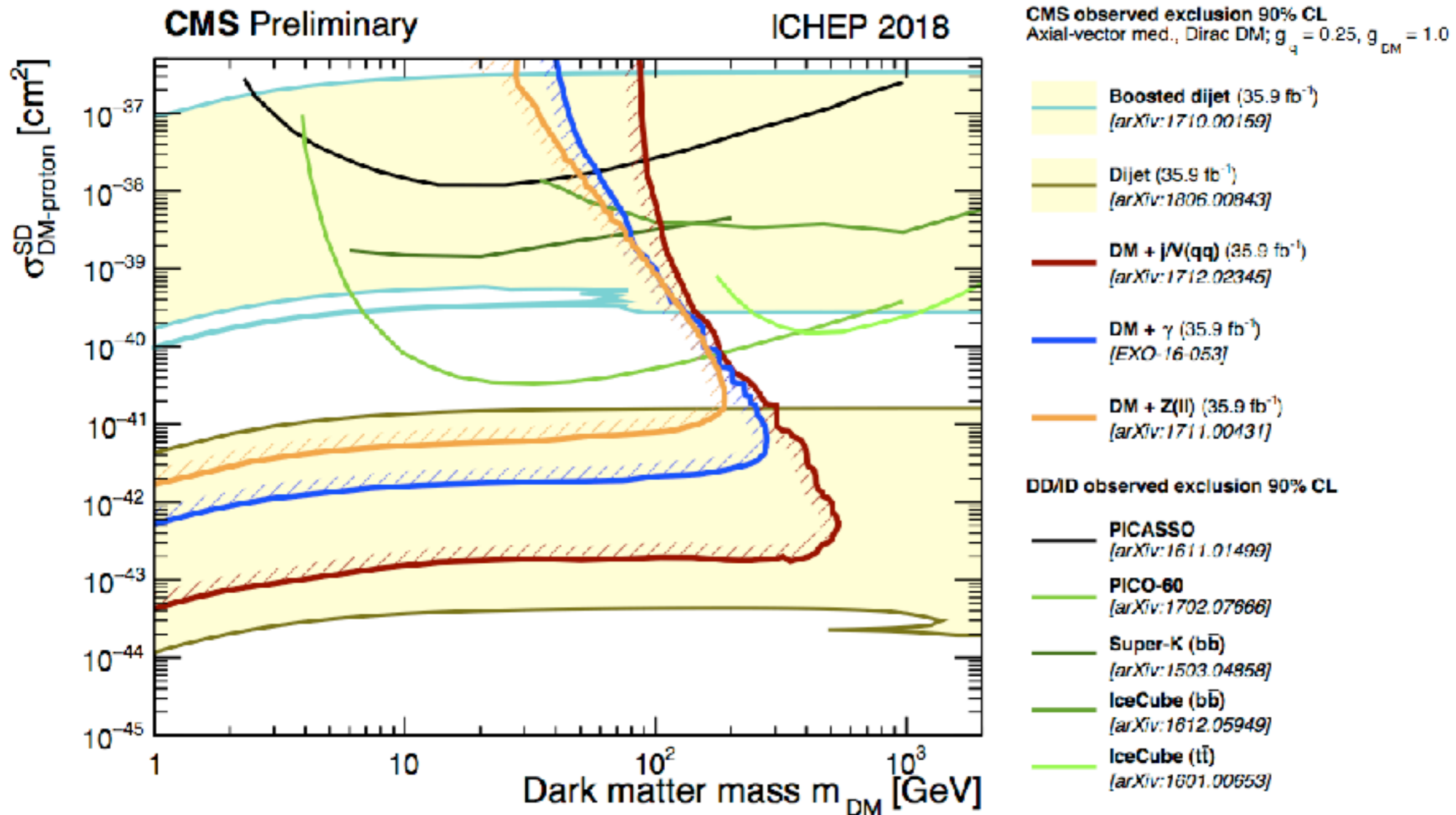
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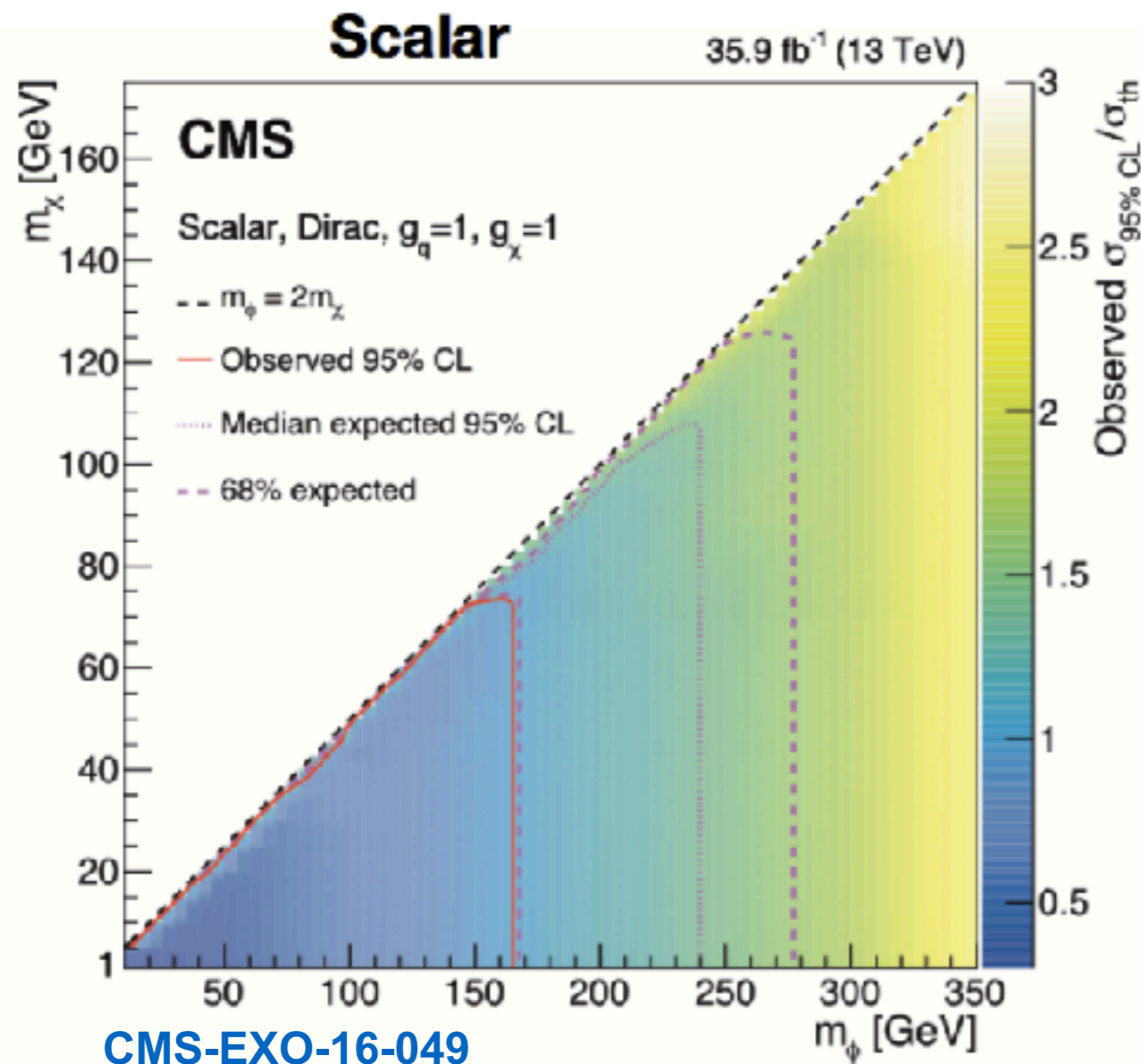
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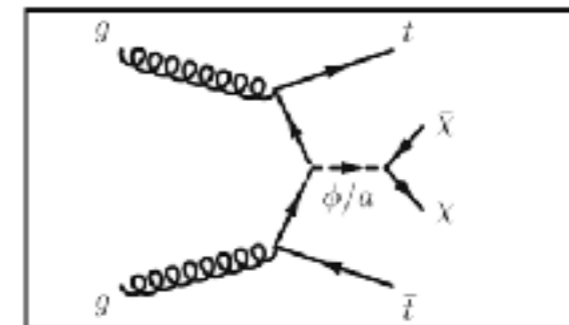


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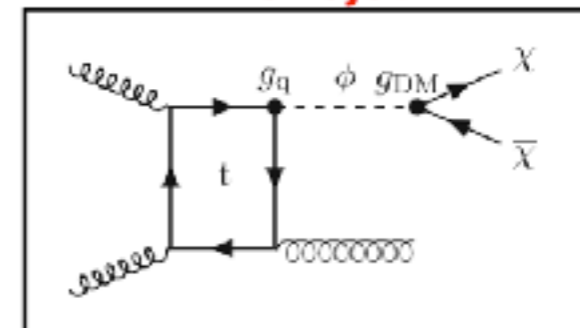
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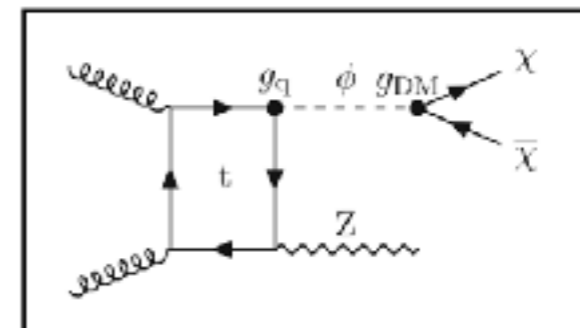
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Monojet



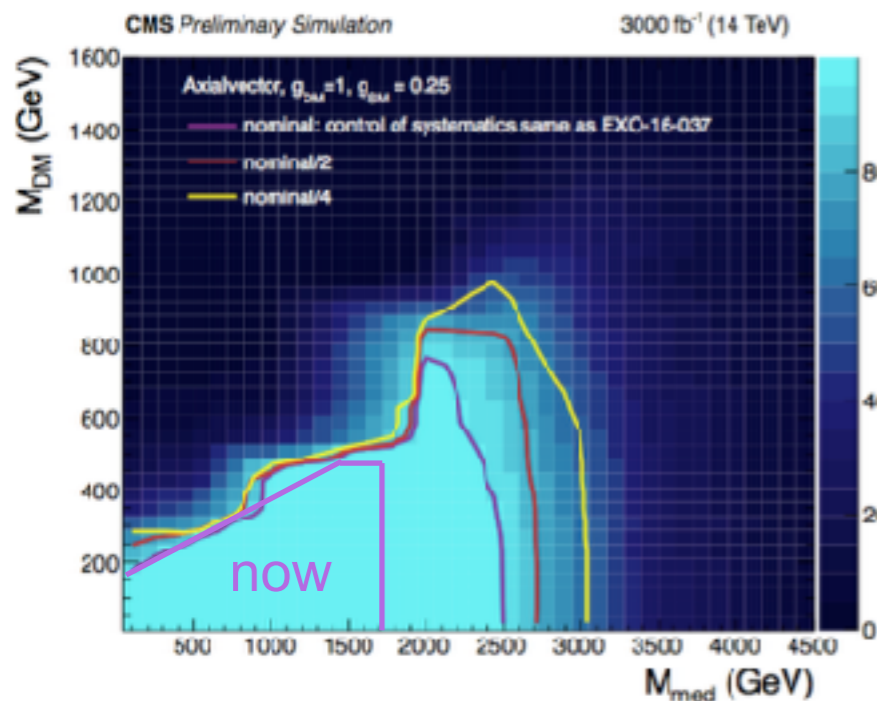
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LONGER TERM

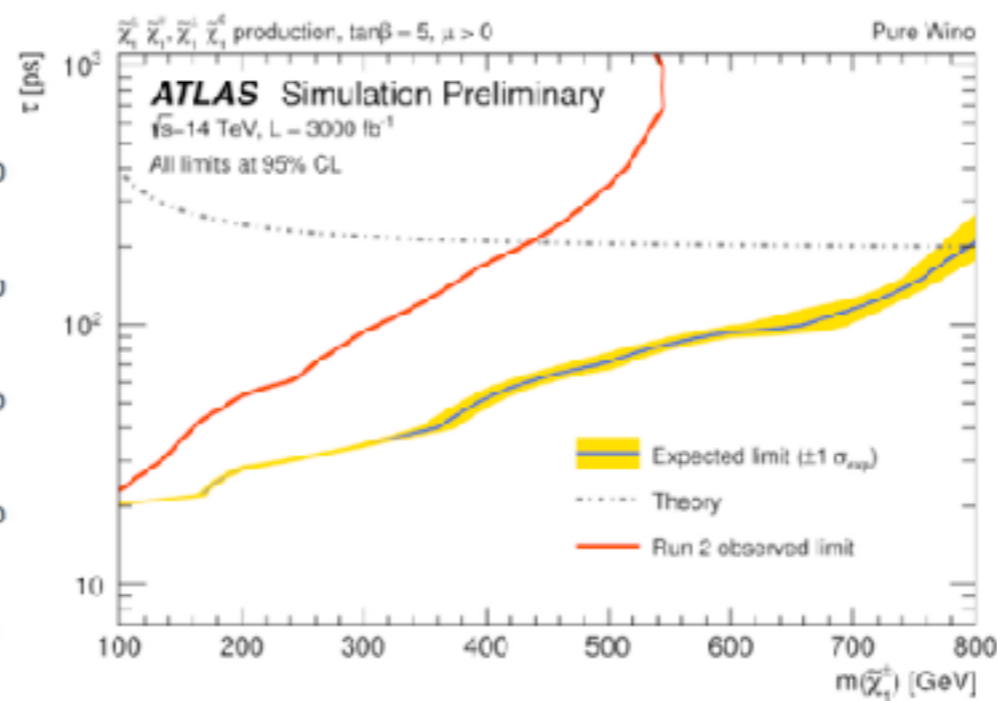
- **Many searches** (in particular intermediate masses and long lived) **largely improve with larger luminosities**
- **HL-LHC with 3 ab^{-1} will extend discovery potential**

Dark Matter



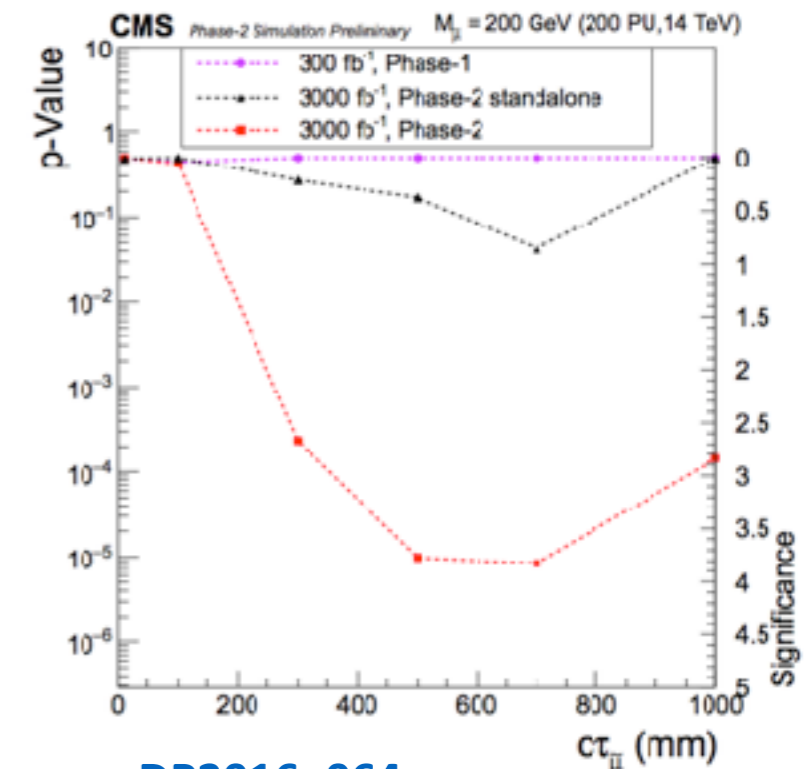
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Disappearing tracks



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Displaced μ



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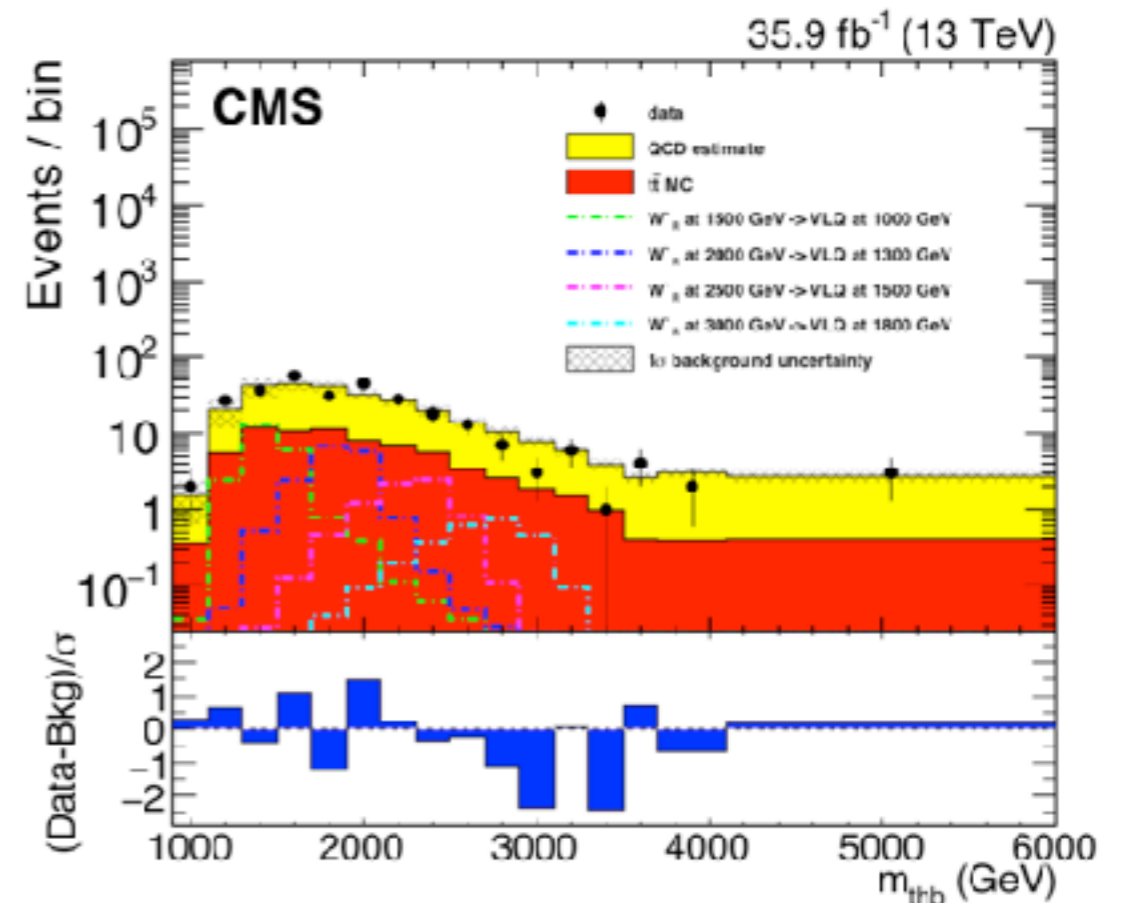
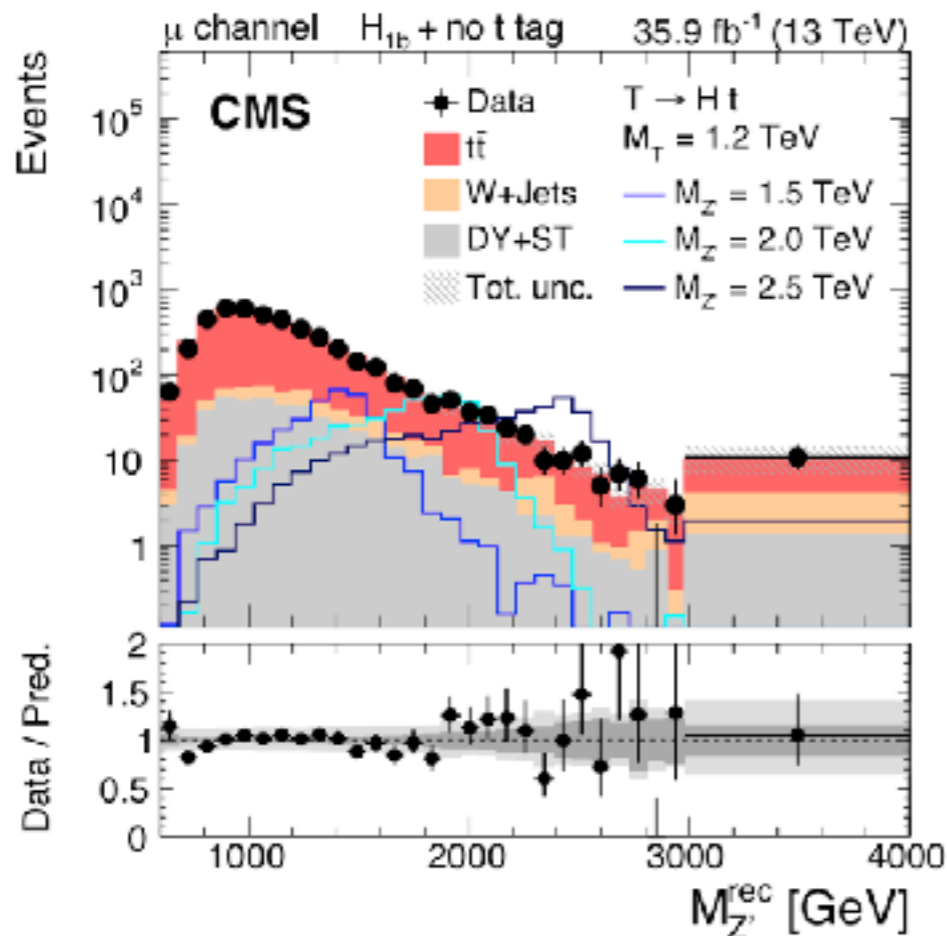
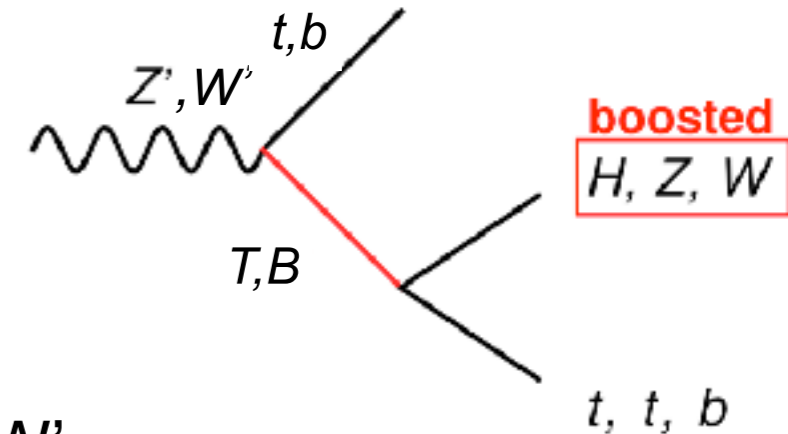
CONCLUSIONS

- **Coherent and rich program of Exotics searches at LHC**
- **Several different signatures and models** are tested, e.g.
 - High mass resonances
 - Long-lived
 - Dark Matter
- **No sign of new physics yet**
- Expect **moderate improvements for extremely high mass** searches in future
- **Several new approaches and analysis techniques** target low/intermediate mass region and new signatures
- **There is still plenty of room to search for new physics in the Exotics land at the LHC**

BACKUP

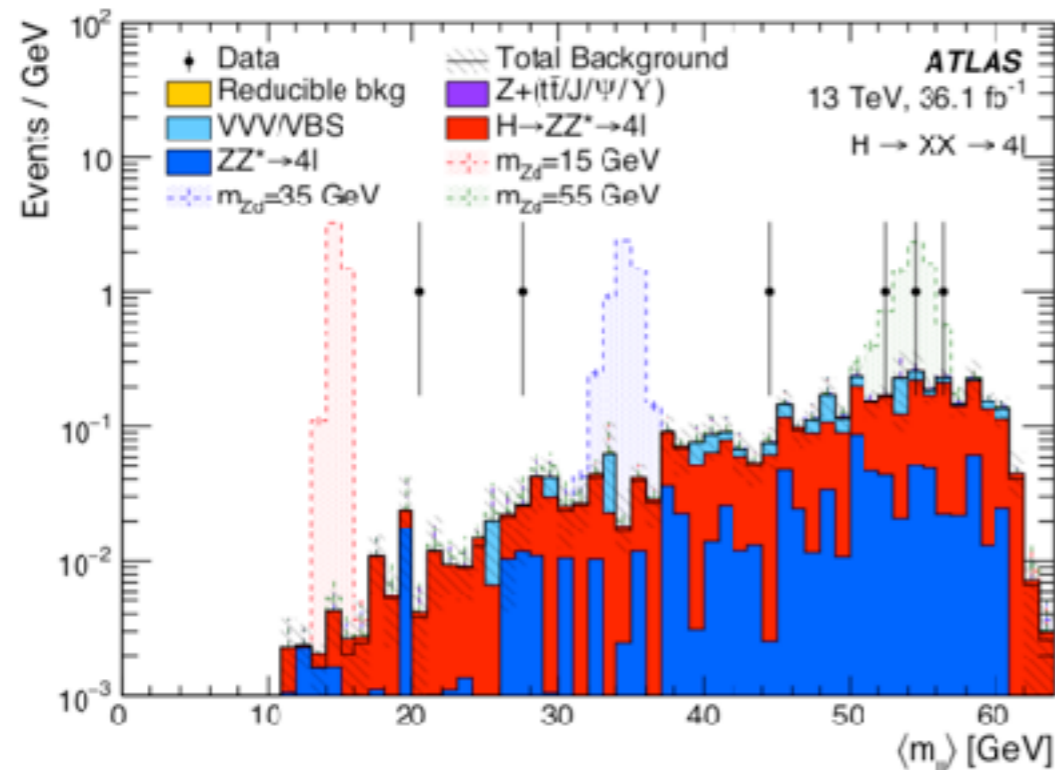
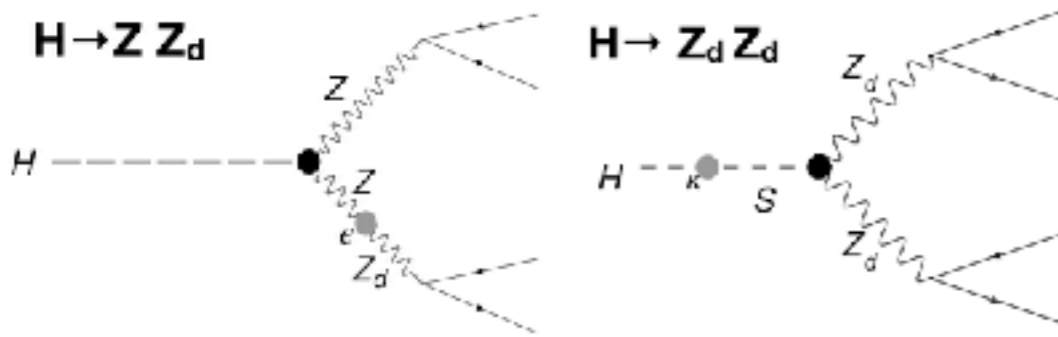
RESONANCES IN VECTOR LIKE QUARKS

- **Vector-like T quark models solve hierarchy problem:** new heavy partner of top in loop
- Search of **resonances in T/B + t/b with VLQ decaying to H(bb)t, H(bb)b or Z(bb)t**
 - substructures to reconstruct H, Z and top
- **Limits on Z'/W' depend on m(T) and m(B)**
 - @ 1.5 -2.5 TeV level for Z', cross section vs mass for W'

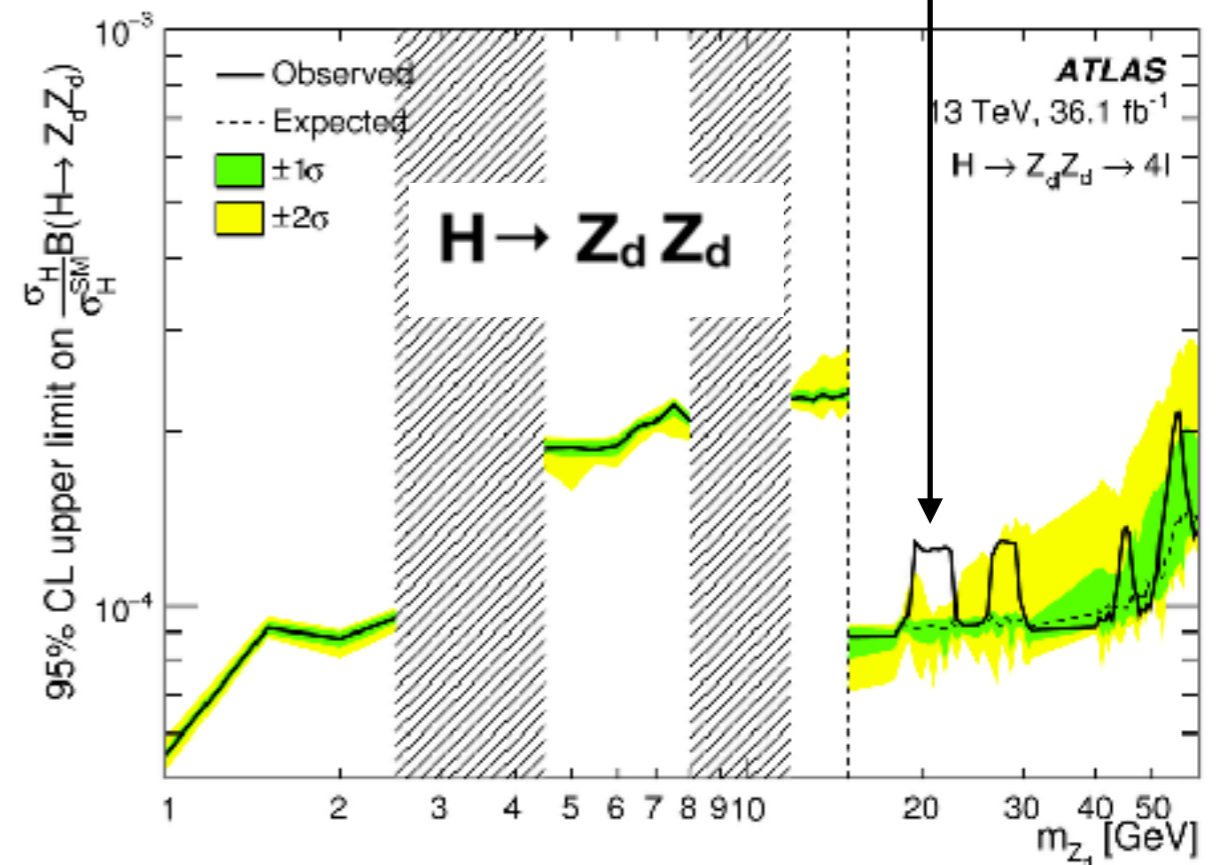


DARK PHOTON (ATLAS)

- Here **1) Z mixes with dark Z** and **2) H mixes with dark Higgs**
- **Reconstruct four leptons**, $m(4l) = m(H)$
 - for **1)** require $m(l\bar{l}) = m(Z)$, search for peak in other $l\bar{l}$ combination
 - for **2)** search for peak in **average mass** of two $l\bar{l}$ combinations



3.2 σ excess



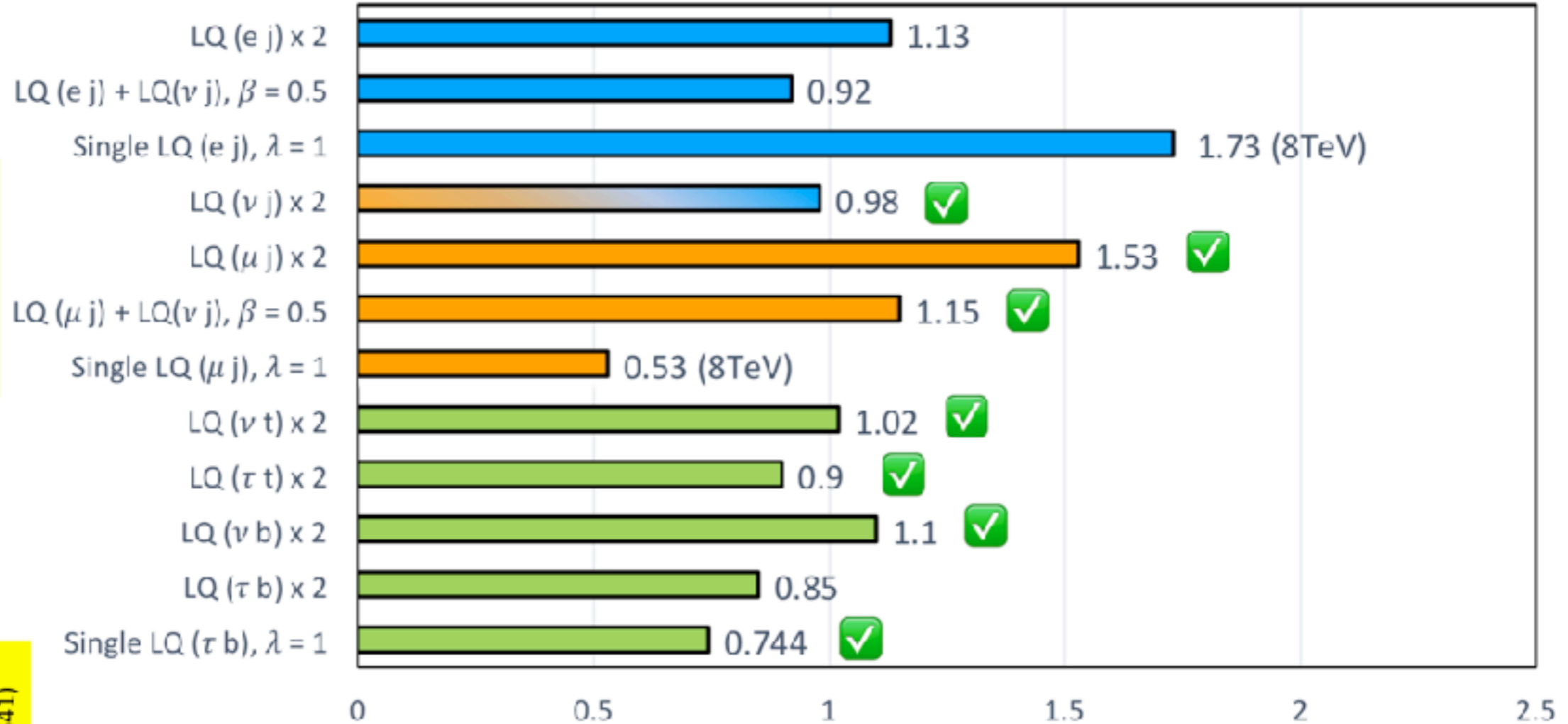
LQ SUMMARY

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LQ \rightarrow 1st gen. 2nd. gen. 3rd gen.

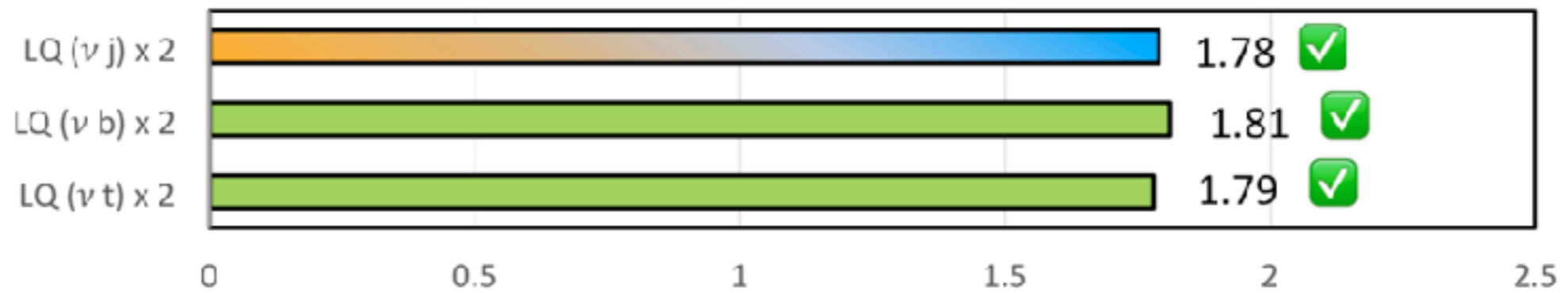
✓ Full 2016 dataset

Scalar LQ



Vector LQ

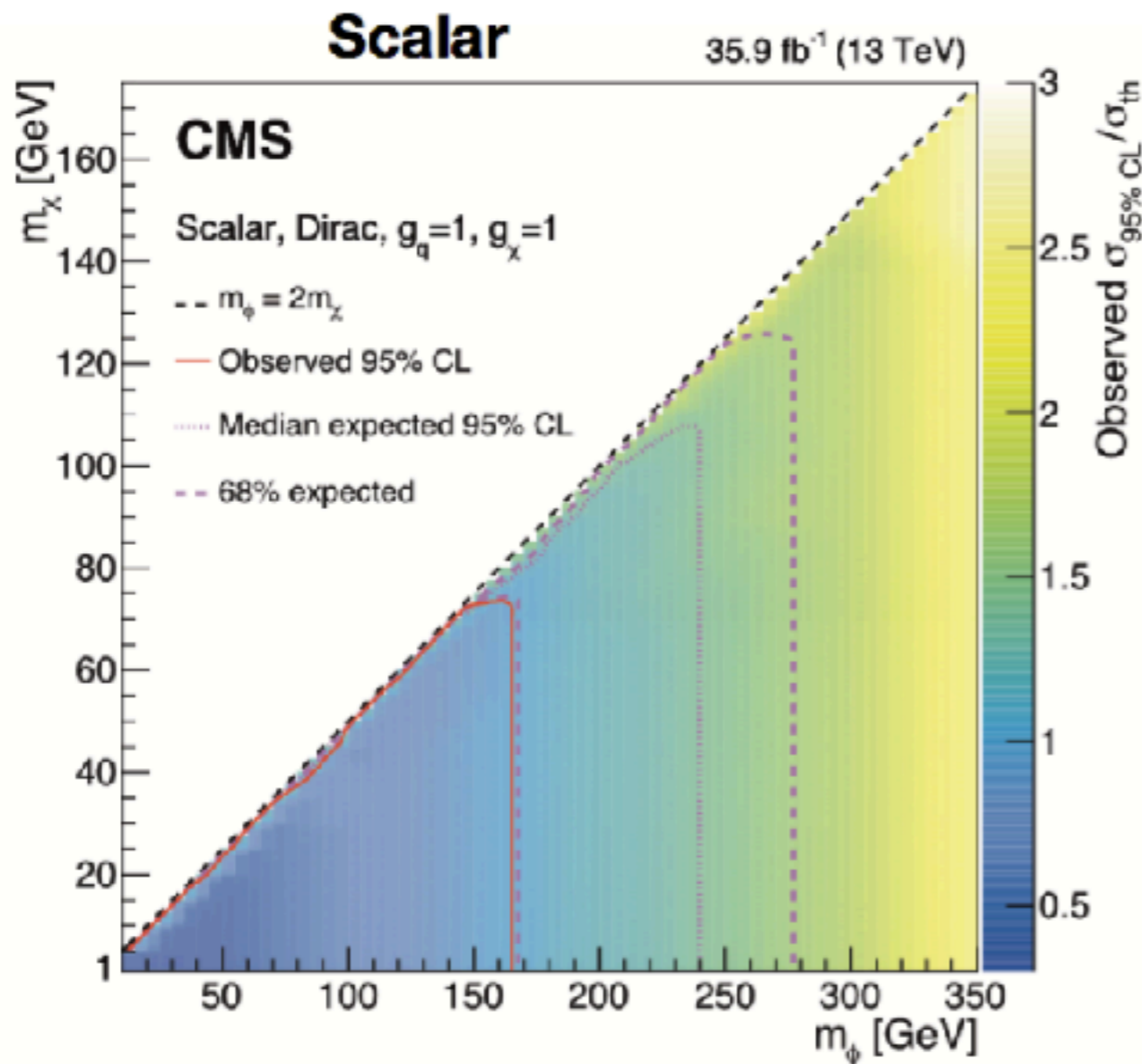
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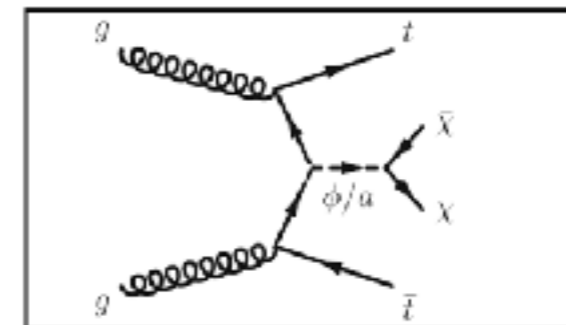
LeptoQuark mass (TeV)

SPIN-0

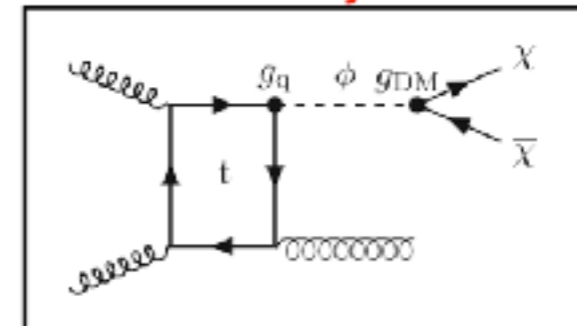
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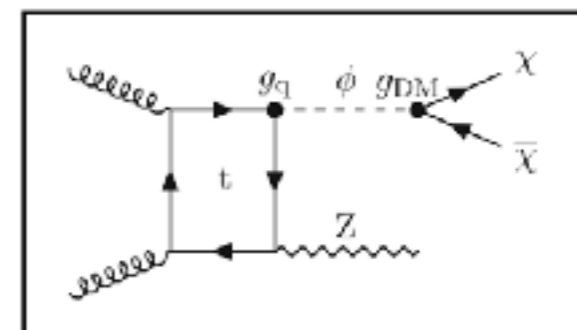
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Monojet



Mono-Z



DIJET: GO WIDER

- **Dijet data reinterpreted considering wide resonances**
 - makes the background fits and possible biases more critical
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