

Introduction to particle physics: experimental part

Searches for New Physics

Exotic models

Dark Matter

Unconventional signatures

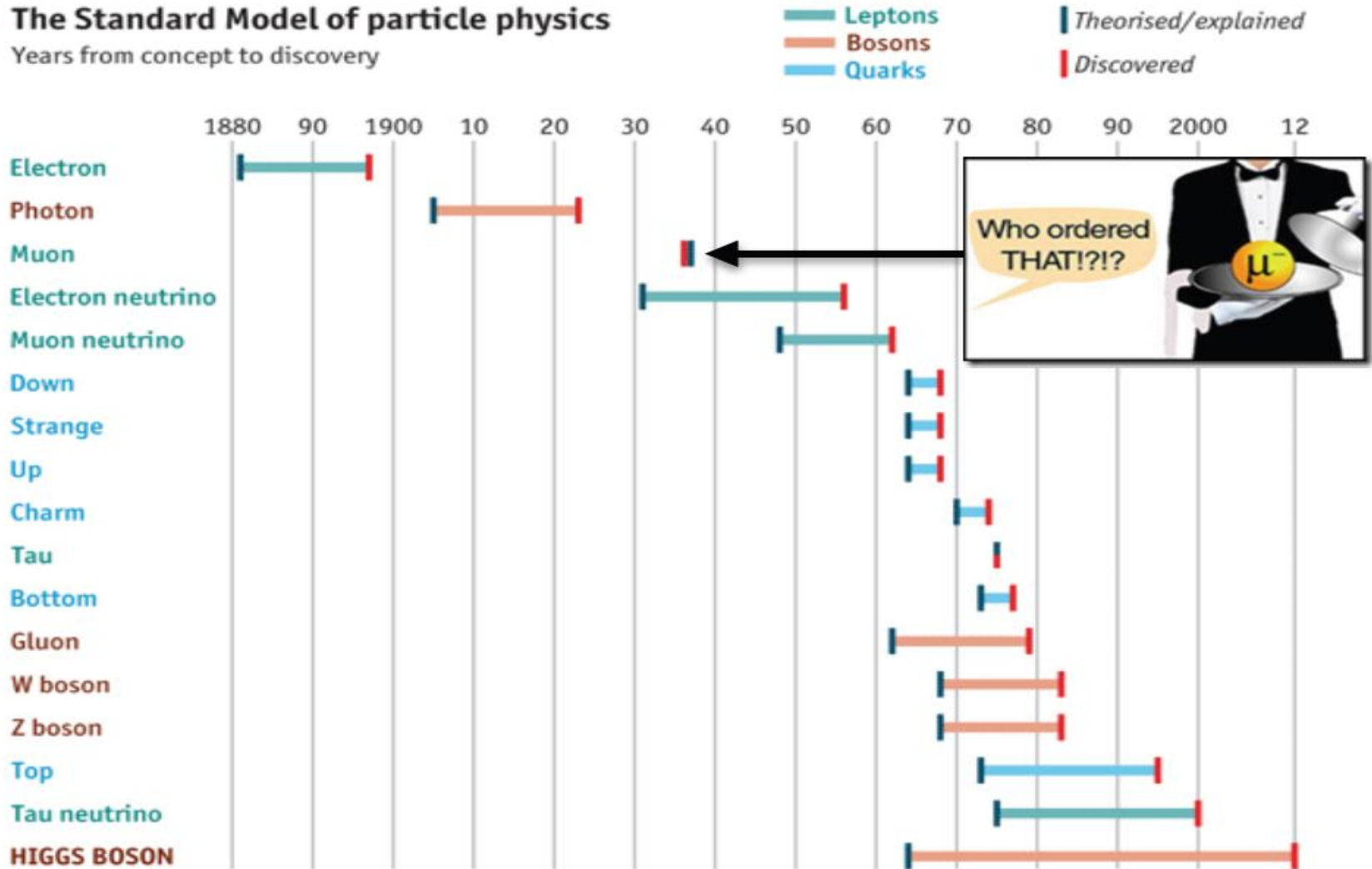
Sypersymmetry

ATLAS in statistics

Uncharted discoveries?

The Standard Model of particle physics

Years from concept to discovery



Source: *The Economist*

Many unanswered questions ...

Why there are 3 families of particles? Are there more?

Why is the top quark so heavy?

Why there's more matter than anti-matter?

How do neutrinos get mass?

1960: SLAC u up quark	1954: Drottningen & SLAC c charm quark	1980: Fermilab t top quark	1979: DESY g gluon
1960: SLAC d down quark	1947: Manchester University s strange quark	1977: Fermilab b bottom quark	1923: Washington University γ photon
1926: Savannah River Plant ν_e electron neutrino	1962: Brookhaven ν_μ muon neutrino	2000: Fermilab ν_τ tau neutrino	1963: CERN W W boson
1927: Cavendish Laboratory e electron	1937: Coflex and Harvard μ muon	1970: SLAC τ tau	1963: CERN Z Z boson
			2012: CERN H Higgs boson

Are there more forces?

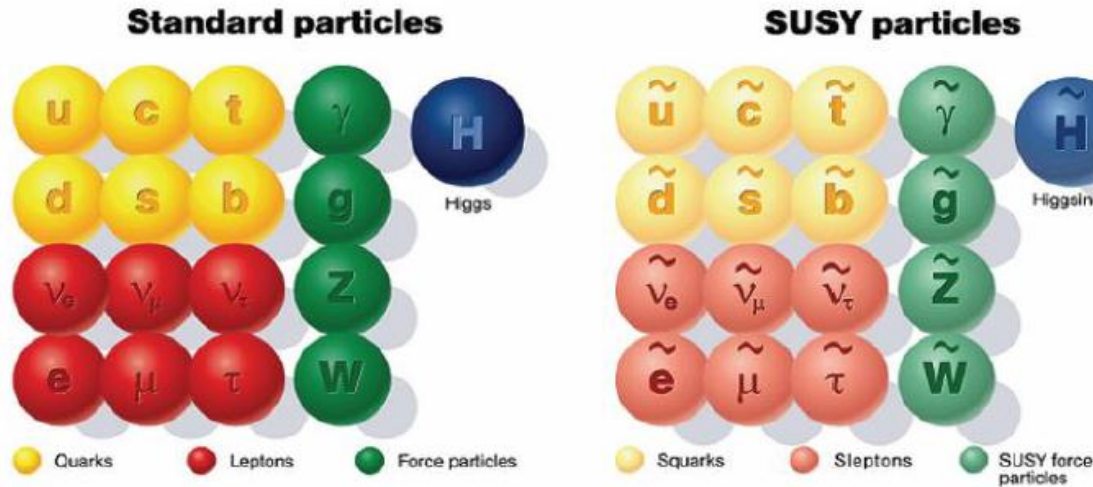
What keeps the Higgs mass so small?

How do we incorporate gravity?

What is Dark Matter?

... and as many possible answers to probe!

- Super-symmetry?



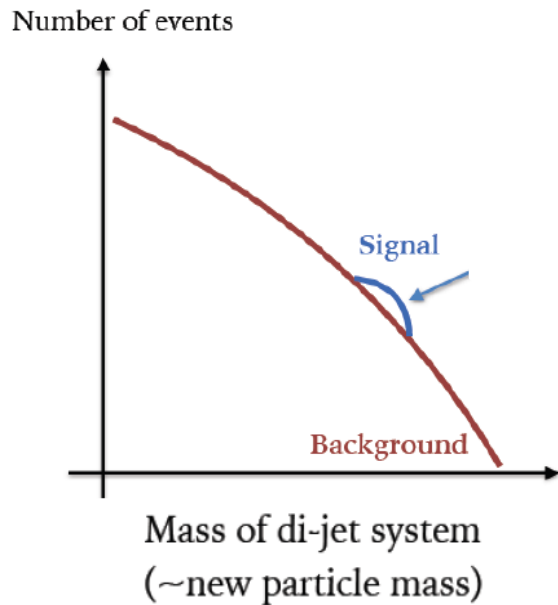
- Composite quark and/or leptons?
- New Heavy bosons?
- Gravitons?
- Dark Matter particles?
- ...



How would new phenomena manifest?

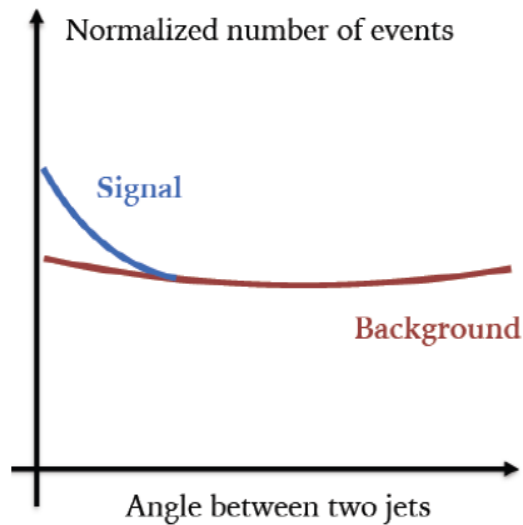
New particles:

resonant excess (bump) over Standard Model background



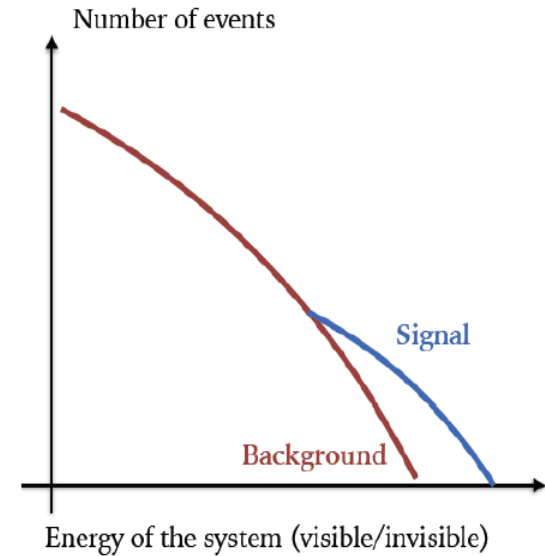
New interactions:

more central production (~Rutherford experiment)

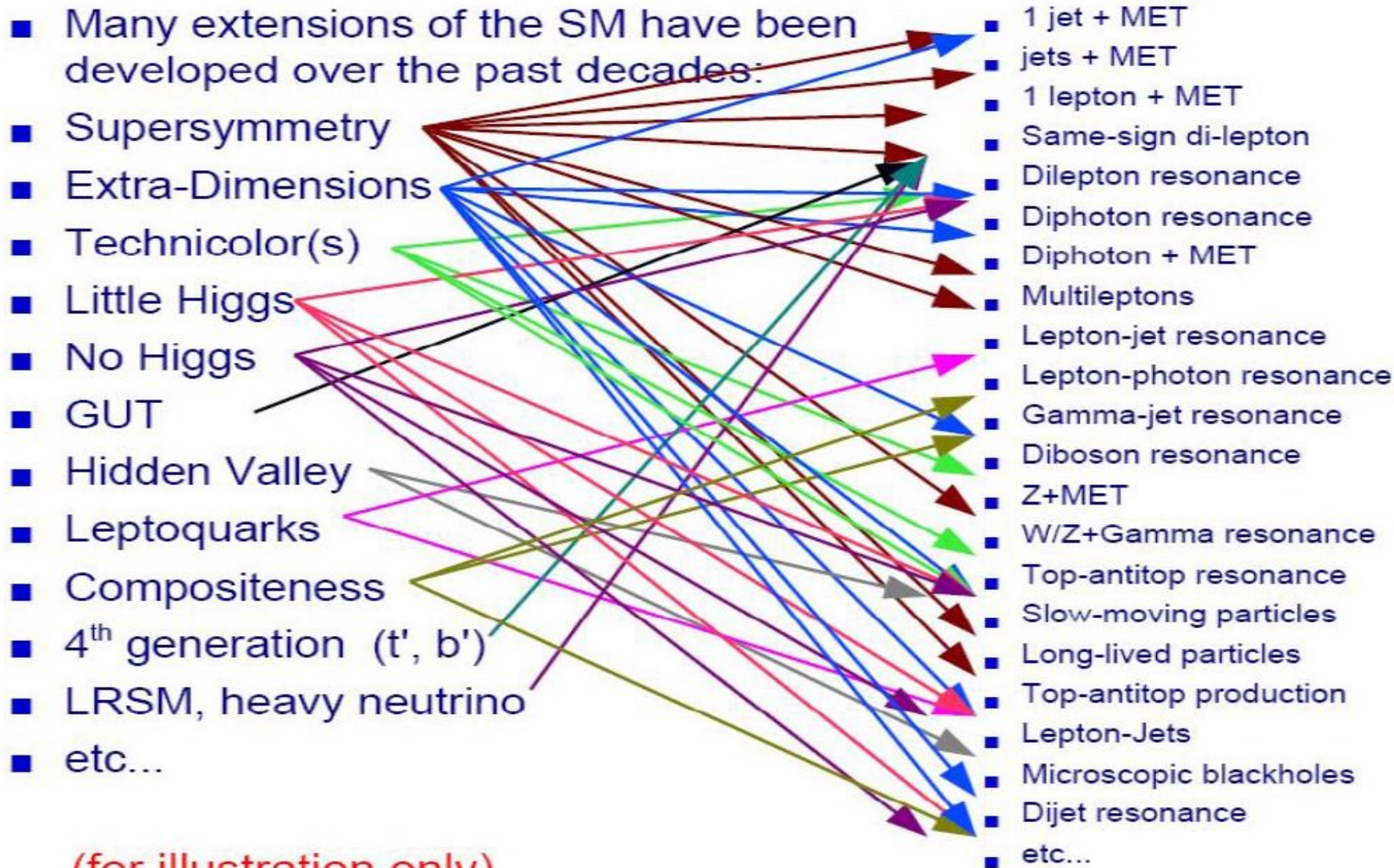


New particles and states:

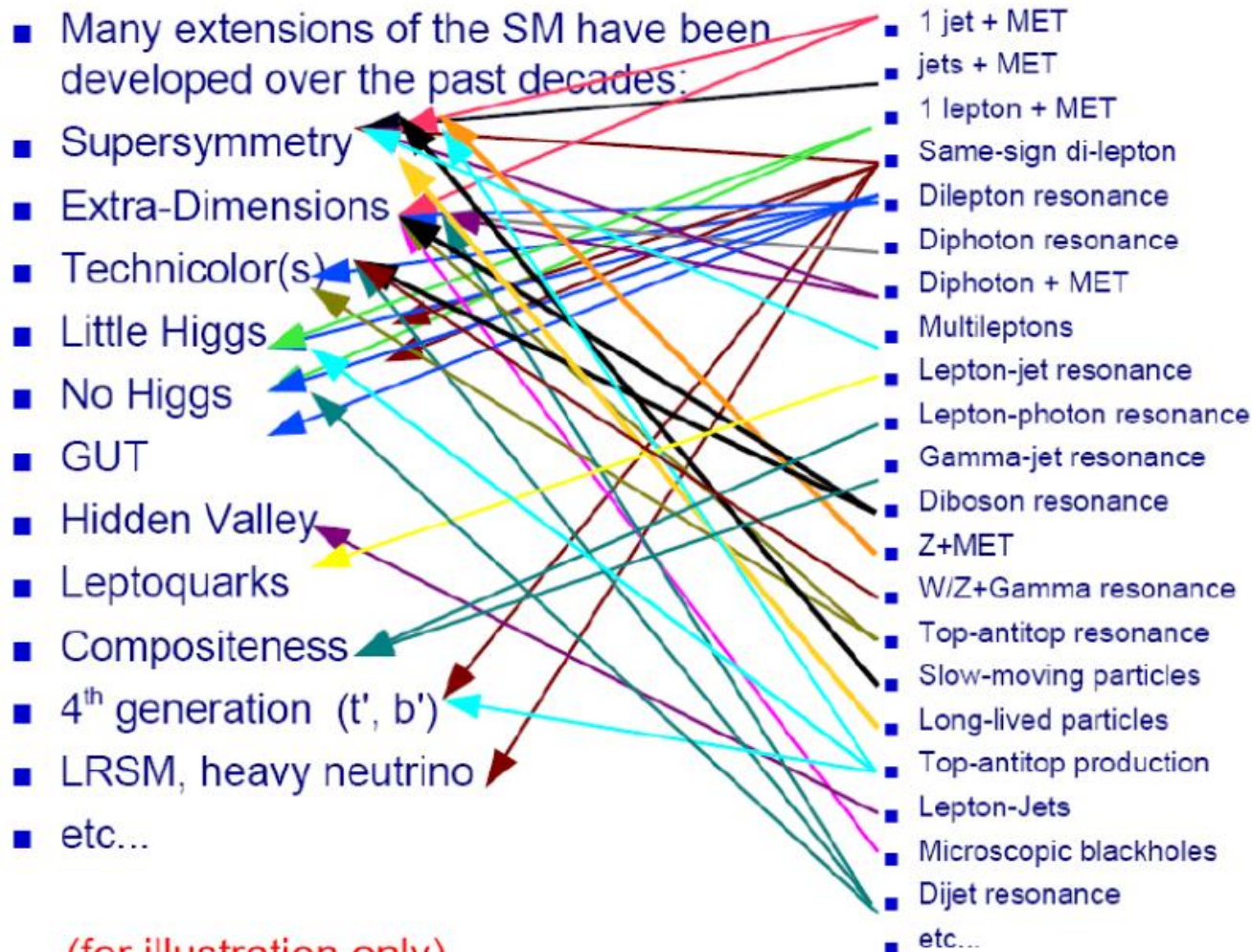
larger multiplicity of objects at high masses



Long list of models and signatures



Long list of models and signatures



A complex 2D problem

Experimentally, a **signature standpoint** makes a lot of sense:

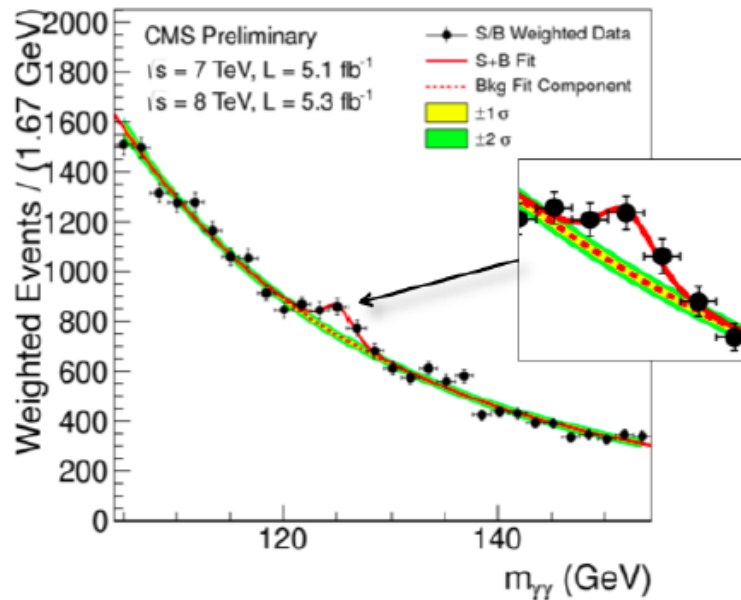
- Practical
- Less model-dependent
- **Important to cover every possible signature**

(for illustration only)

What characterizes Exotics Searches

No precise model to guide us

Standard Model:
Predicted Higgs boson

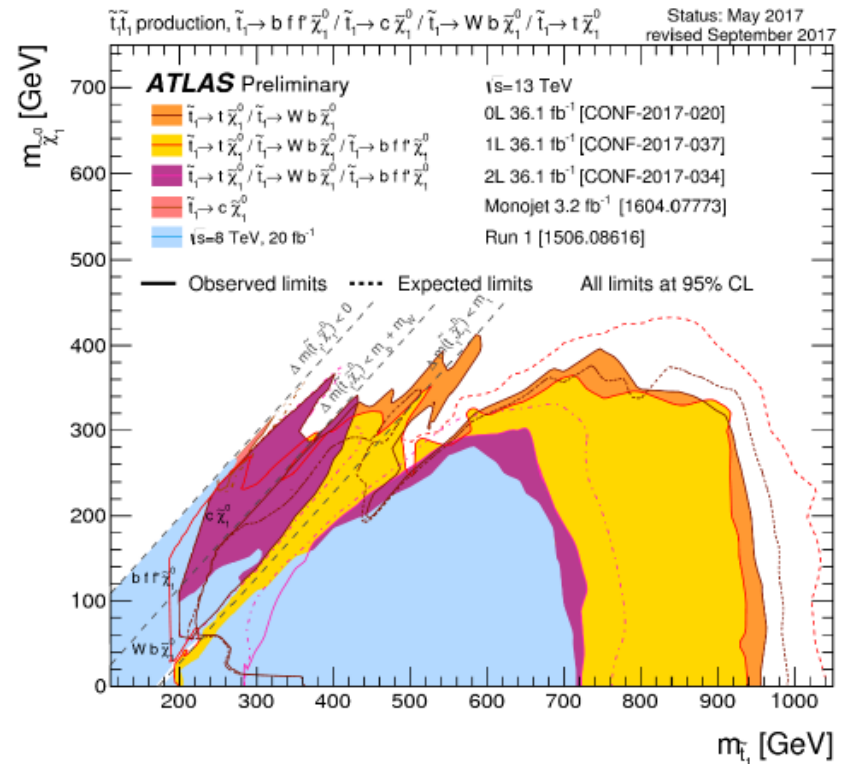


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No unified parameter phase space

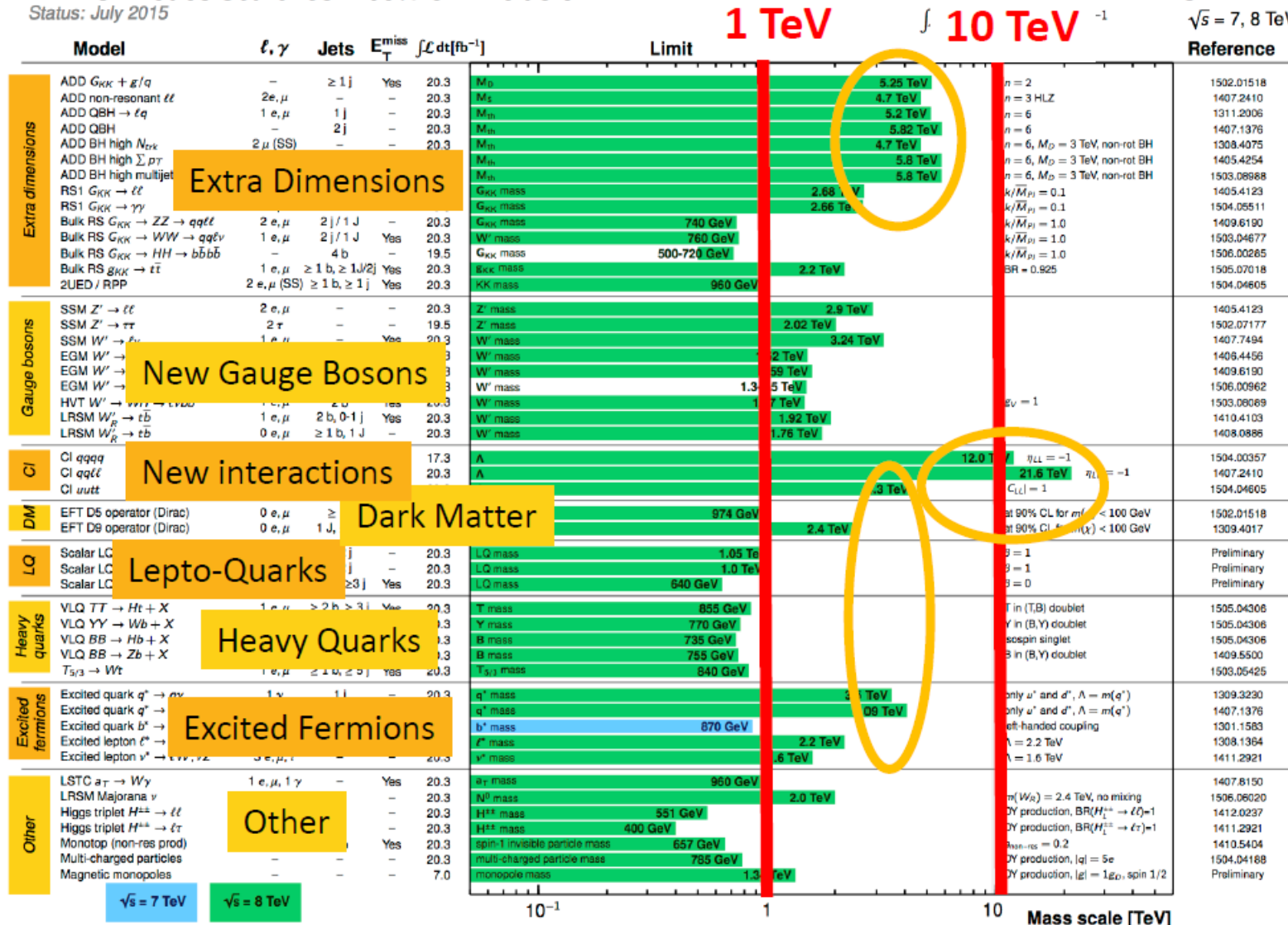
Supersymmetry Searches:



Exploration range of LHC by mid 2015

ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Exclusion
 Status: July 2015

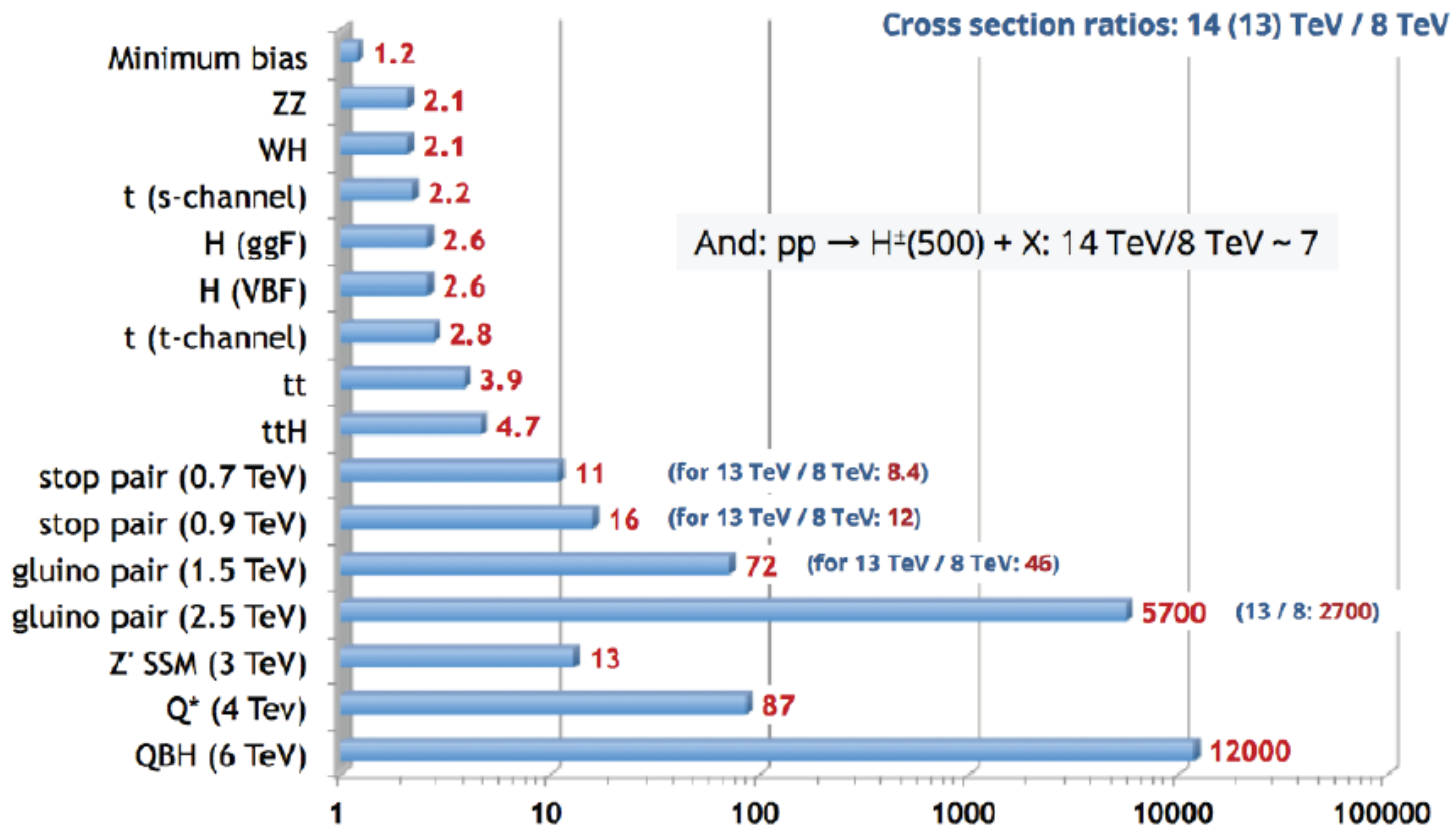
ATLAS Preliminary
 $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$



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LHC Run II

Hugely increased potential for discovery of heavy particles at 13 TeV
Perfect occasion for young motivated physicists: join the search!



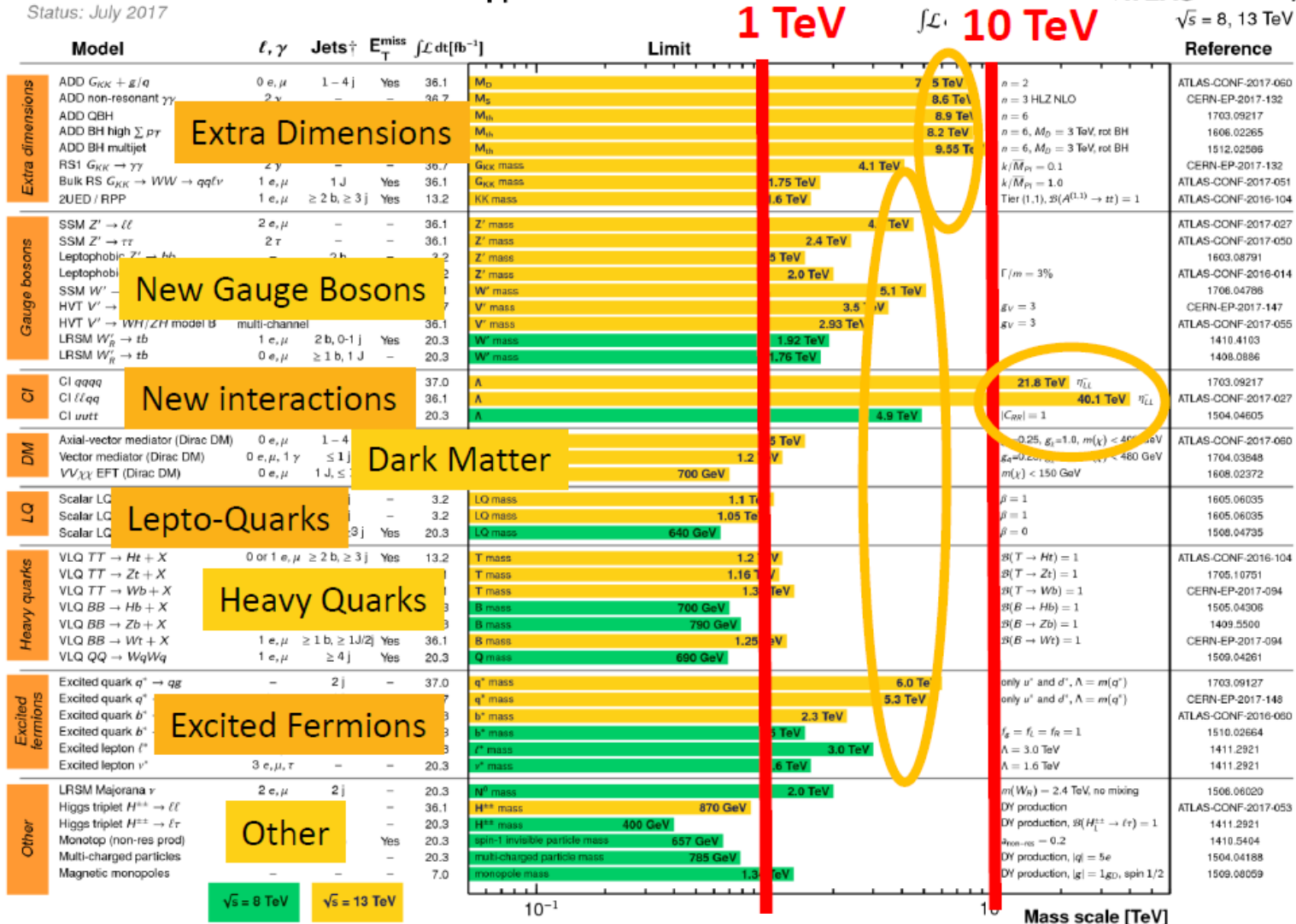
Exploration range of LHC by mid 2017

ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Upper Exclusion Limits

Status: July 2017

ATLAS Preliminary

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



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

Exploration range of LHC by mid 2019

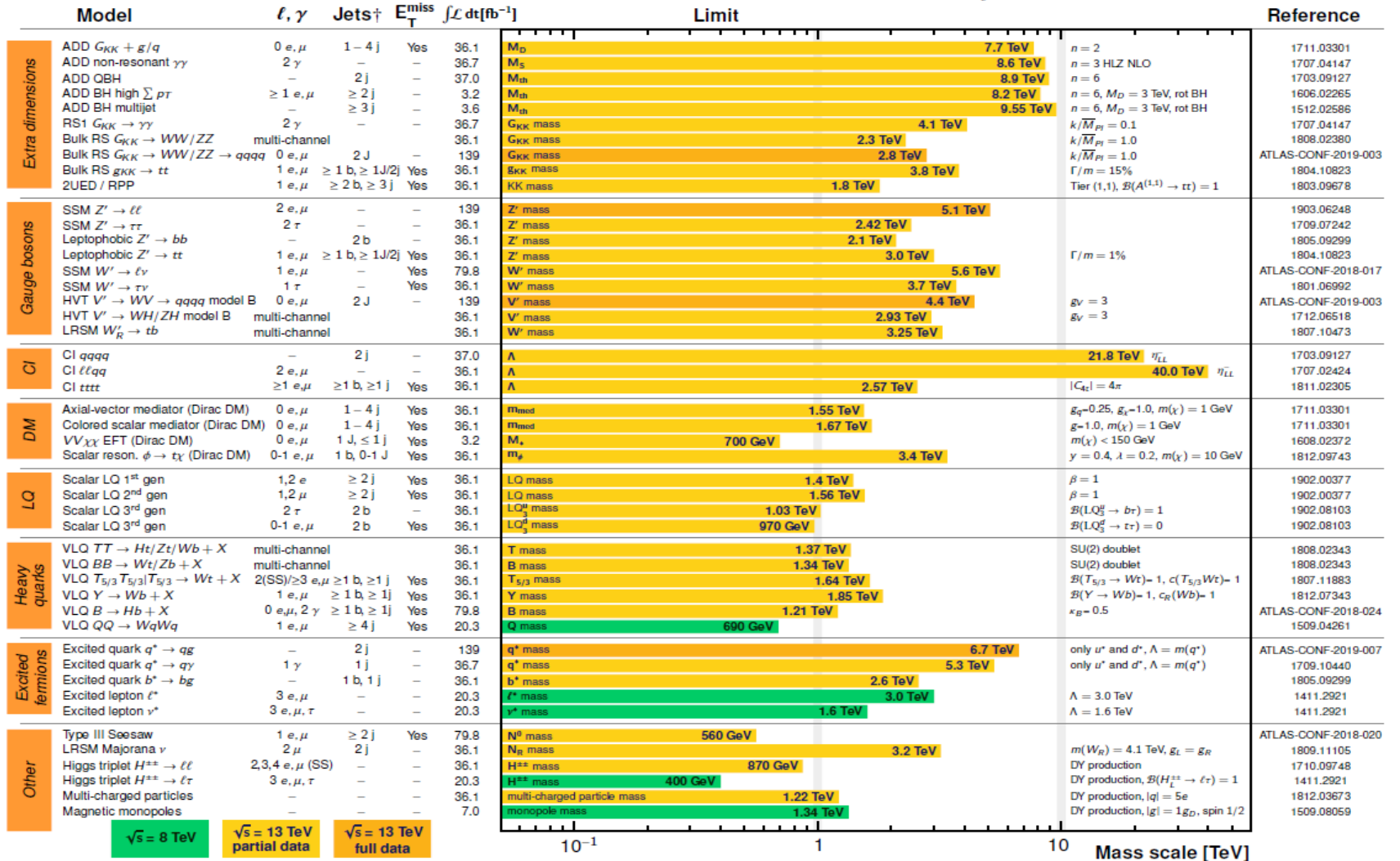
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ATLAS Preliminary

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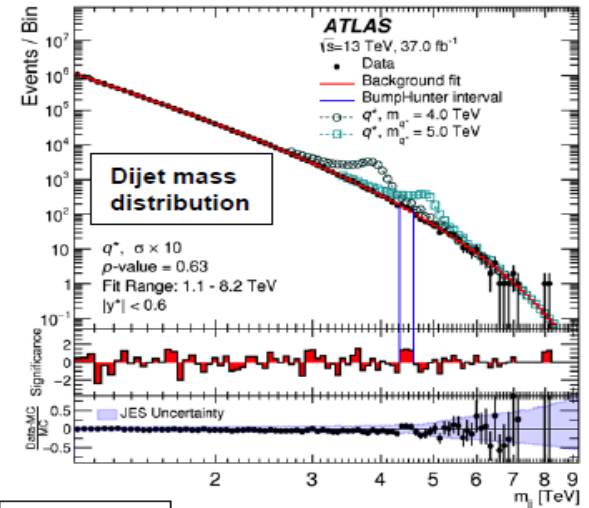
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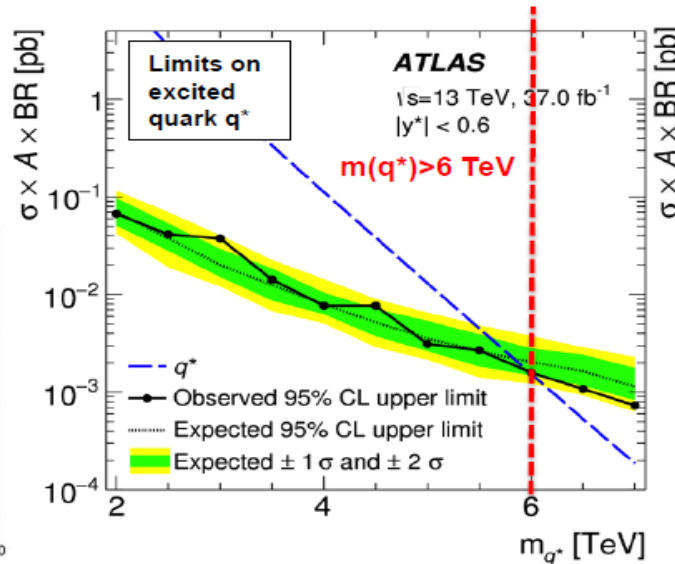
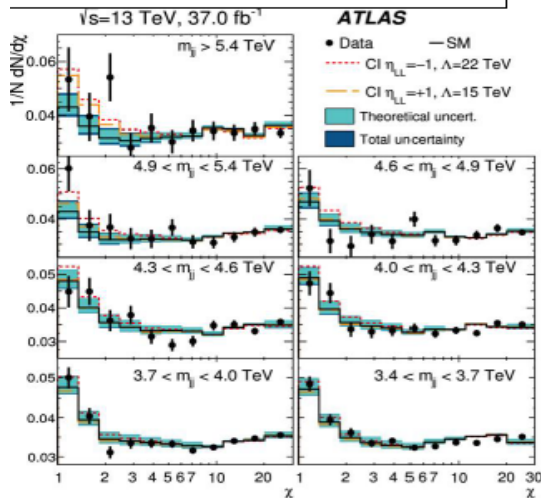
Searches with Dijets

arXiv:1703.09127

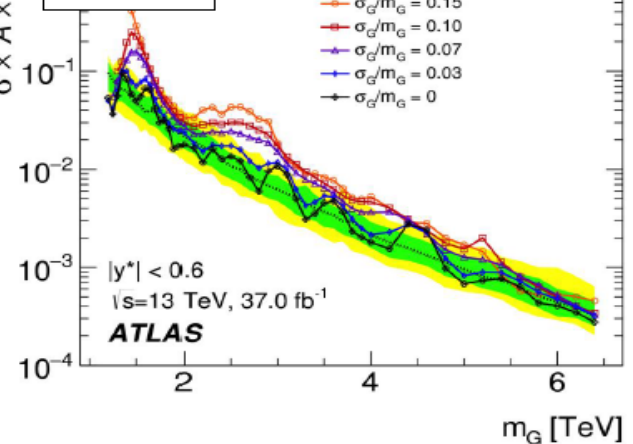
- Search for excess in dijet mass and angular distributions
- No significant excesses over SM expectation
- Extends limits significantly beyond 2015 results, on new gauge bosons and contact interactions, e.g.
 - Excited quarks: $m(q^*) > 6.0$ TeV (5.8 TeV exp.)
 - Add. gauge bosons: $m(W') > 3.6$ TeV (3.7 TeV exp.)
 - Quantum Black Holes: $m(\text{BH}) > 8.9$ TeV (8.9 TeV exp.)
 - Contact Interactions: $\Lambda > 13.1/21.8$ TeV ($\eta_{LL} = +1/-1$)
- Limits also set on generic Gaussian resonances



Dijet angular distributions $\chi = \exp(2|y^*|)$ for jet rapidity difference y^*



Limits on generic Gaussian resonance



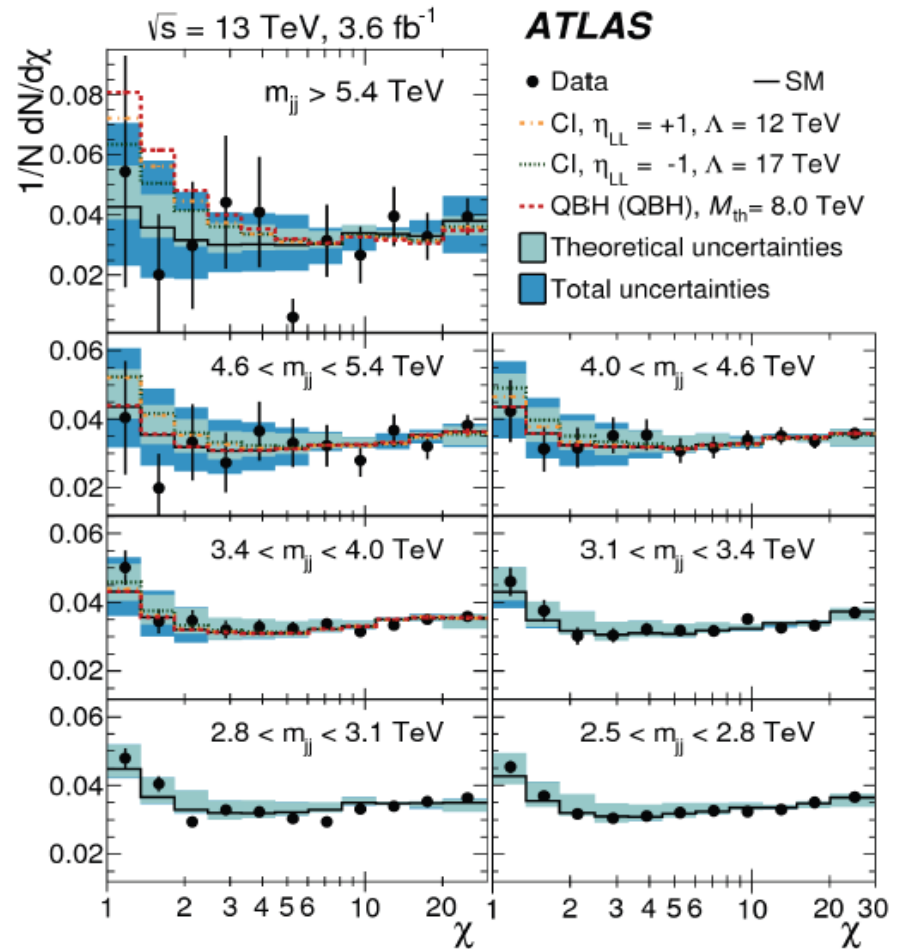
Dijet Angular Searches

Search in dijet mass bins using angular distribution

$$\chi = e^{2|y^*|} \sim \frac{1 + \cos\theta^*}{1 - \cos\theta^*}$$

[1512.01530](#)

Search for distortions of the dijet angular distribution from Contact Interactions of particles at much higher masses $O(\Lambda)$ with color-singlet left-handed chiral couplings (in 4-fermion effective field theory)



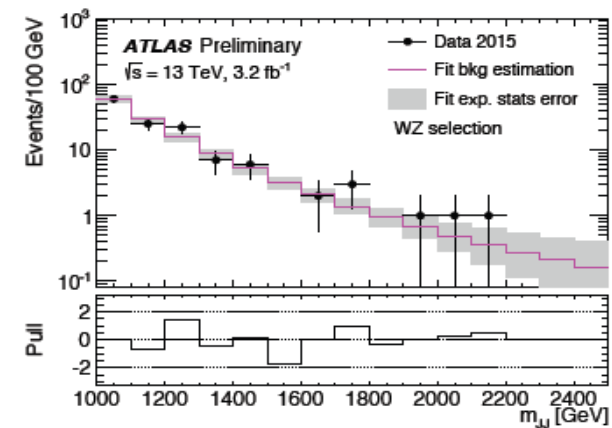
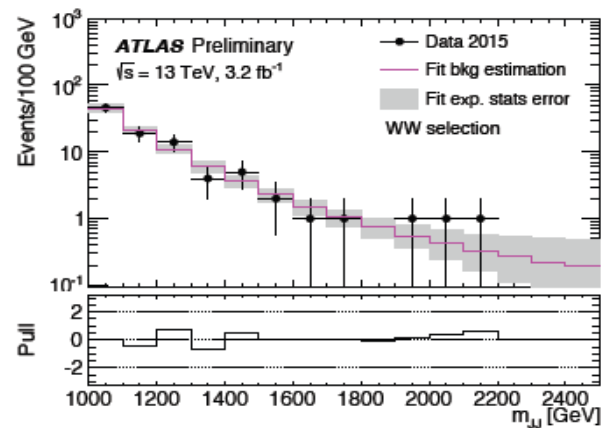
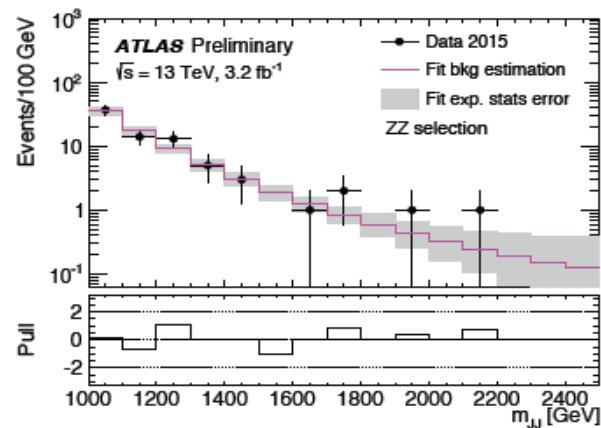
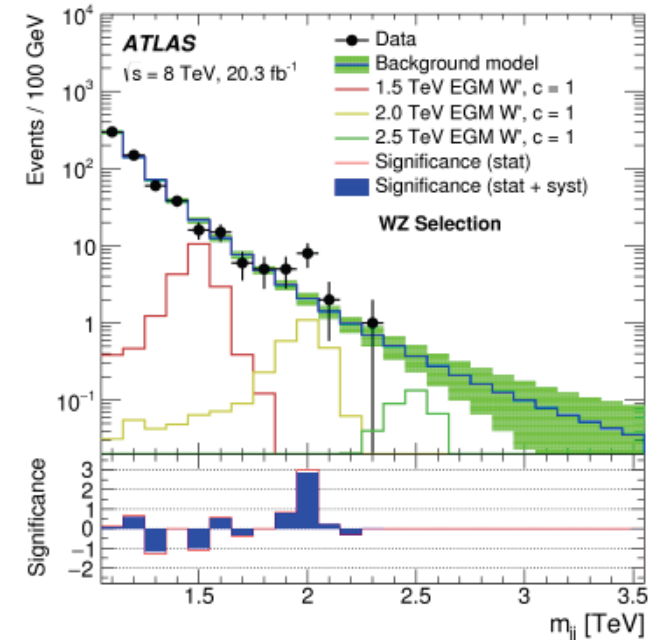
No deviations observed, limits set at 12 TeV on Λ (for $\eta_{LL} = 1$)

Fully hadronic JJ Diboson Searches

[ATLAS-CONF-2015-073](#)

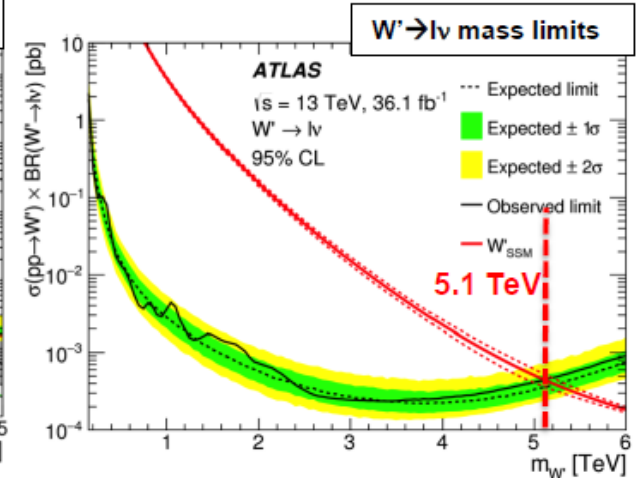
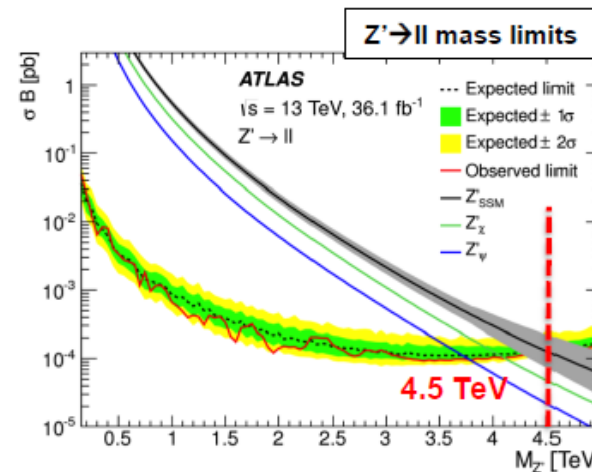
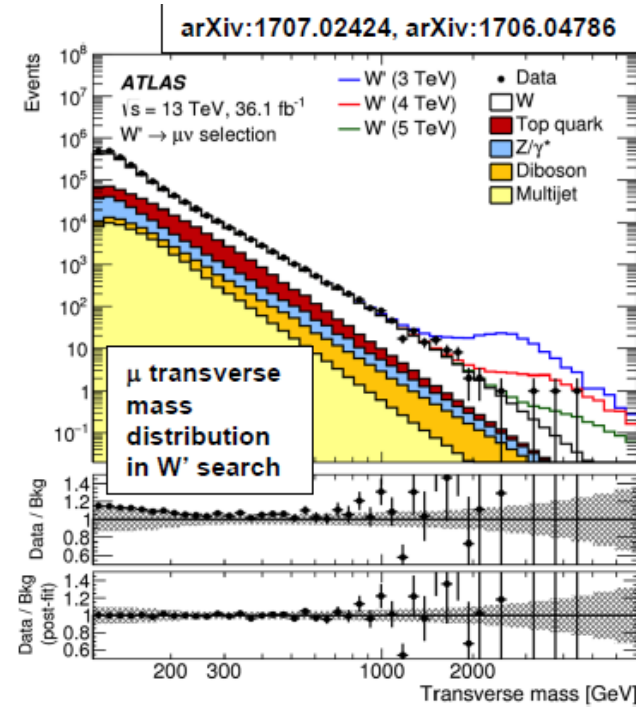
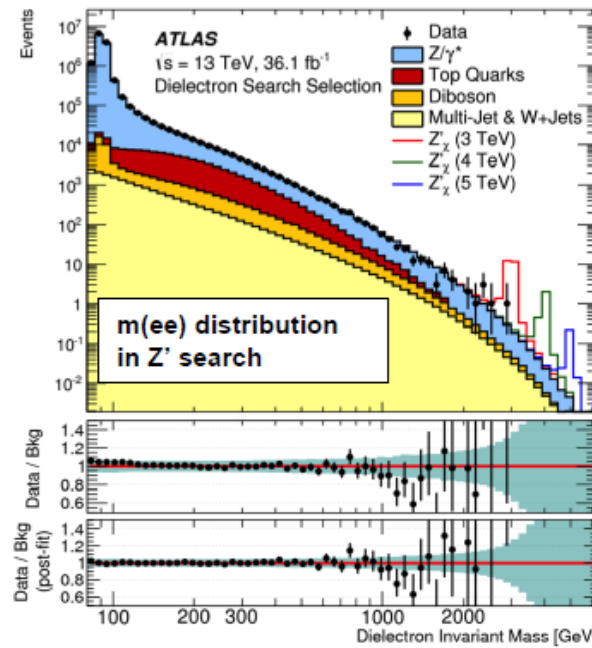
- **Modest excess at Run-1: 3.4σ local / 2.5σ global**
- **Analysis very similar to Run 1, with functional fit of the background**
- **No significant excess is observed**
however sensitivity not high enough for conclusive probe of the Run 1 excess

Run-1



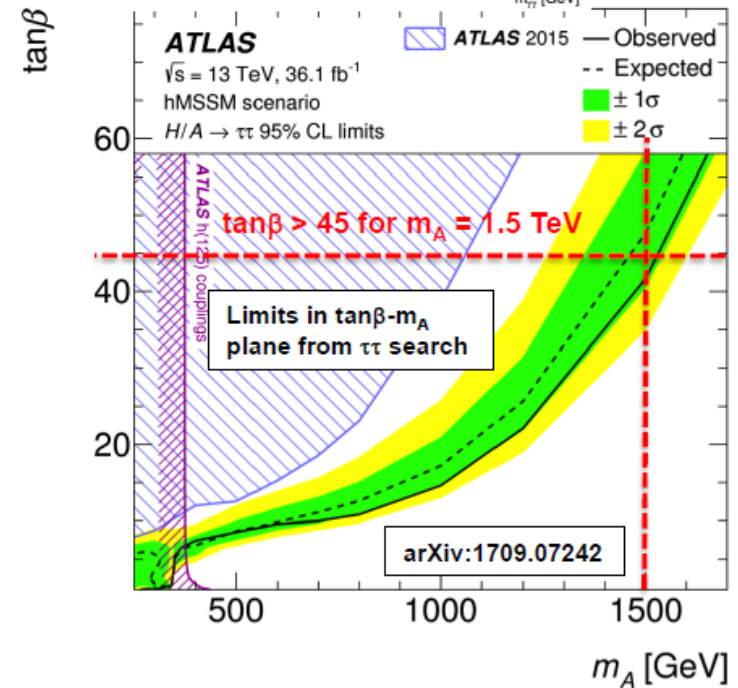
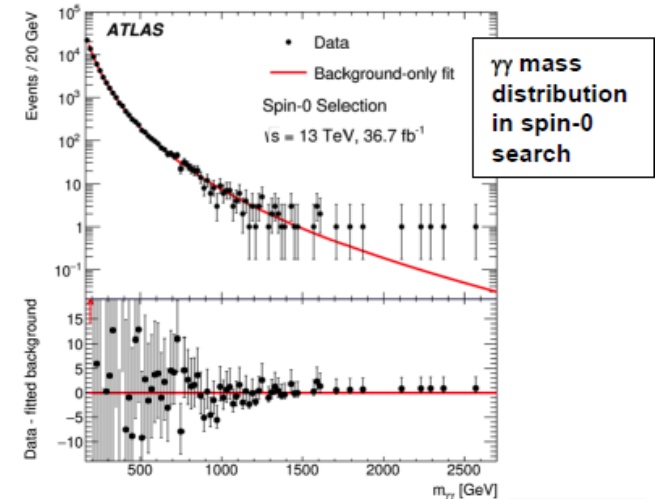
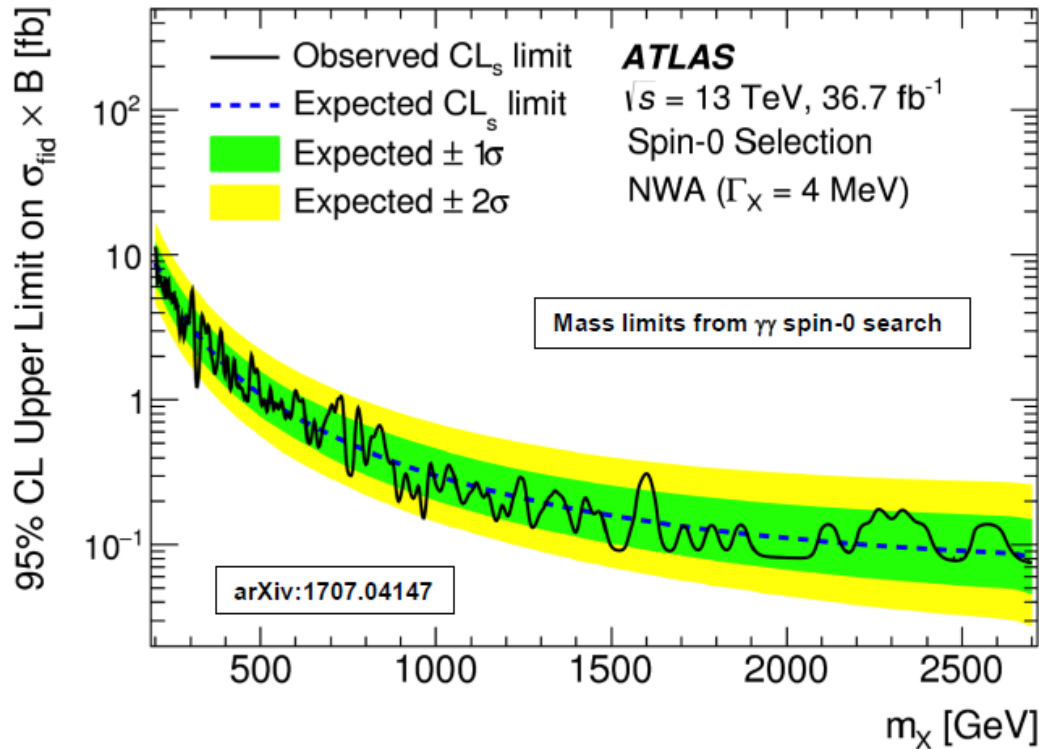
Resonance Searches (Dilepton, Lepton+ETmiss)

- Searches for new resonances decaying to lepton pairs (e.g. Z') or lepton+ E_T^{miss} (e.g. W')
- Signature is peak in invariant mass distribution (dilepton) or transverse mass distributions (lepton+ E_T^{miss})
- No significant excess over SM expectation
- 95% CL exclusion limits extracted in various new physics Z' and W' scenarios, e.g. the Sequential Standard Model (SSM)



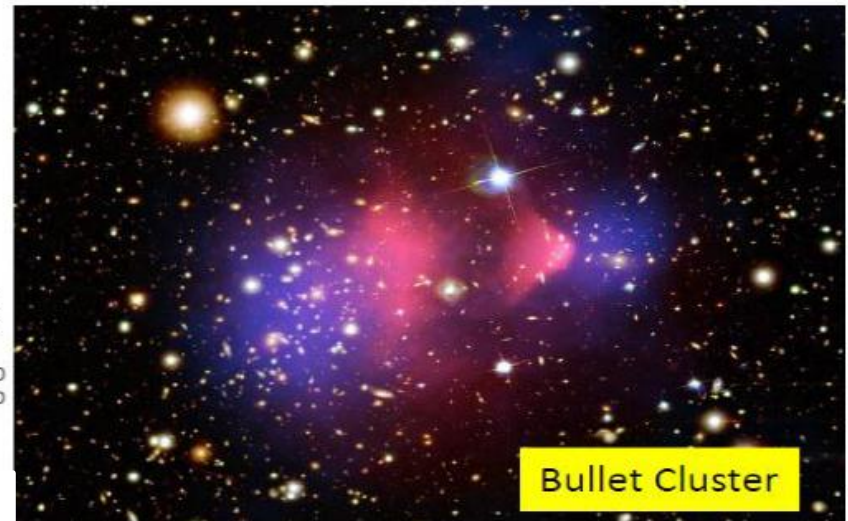
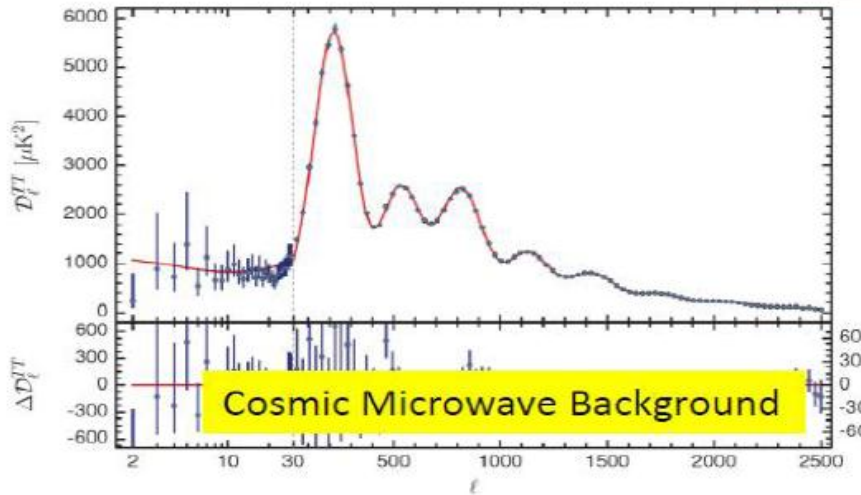
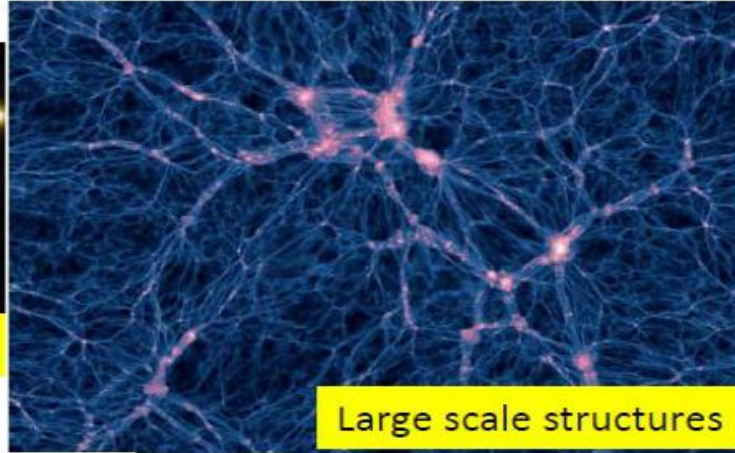
Resonance Searches ($\gamma\gamma$, $\tau\tau$)

- Diboson resonance searches also sensitive to new heavy scalars, e.g. Higgs bosons.
- Searches also conducted with $\gamma\gamma$ and $\tau\tau$ final states
- $\gamma\gamma$ search also targets spin-2 (graviton) production with a dedicated selection
- $\tau\tau$ searches sensitive to SUSY Higgs (H/A) models
- No significant excesses over SM expectation

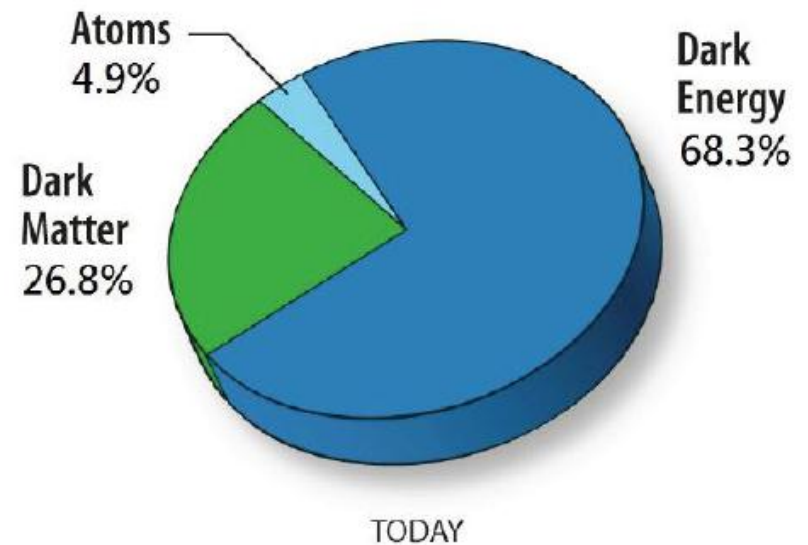
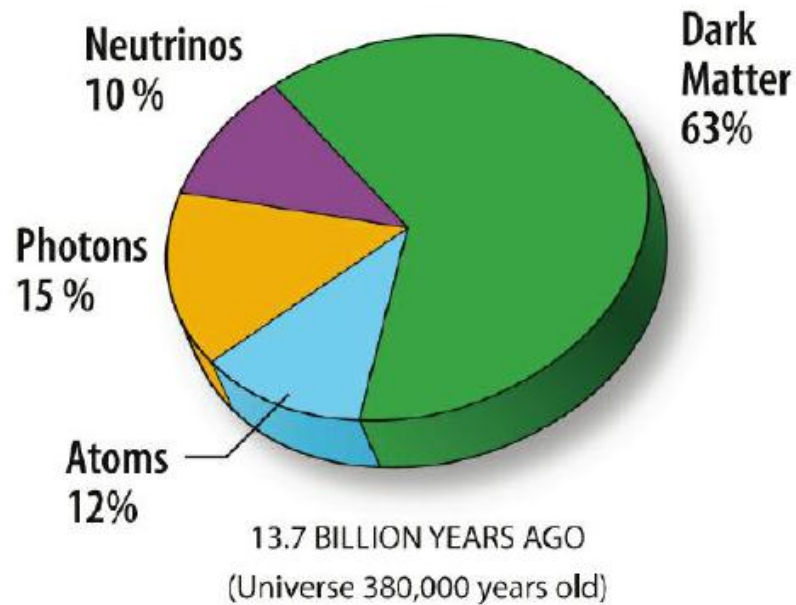


Why Dark Matter?

Evidence piling up...



What do we know about Dark Matter

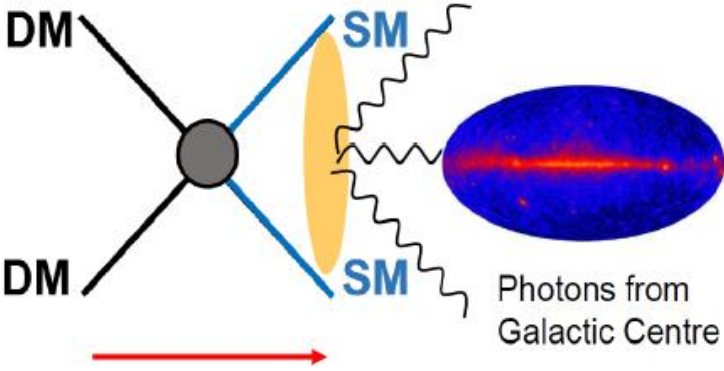


Strong astrophysical evidence for the existence of dark matter

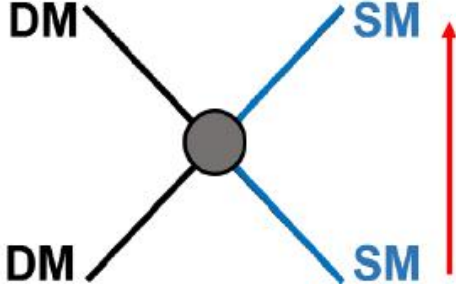
What do we know about Dark Matter

- **Massive**
- **Non-relativistic (slow)**
- **Long lived (old)**
- **No electric or colour charge**
- **Very weakly interacting with ordinary matter**
- **Subject to gravity interactions**

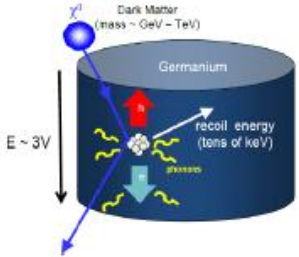
Experimental detection of Dark Matter



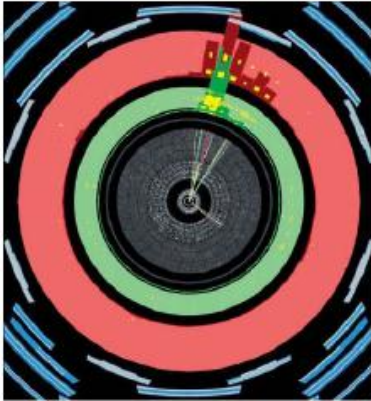
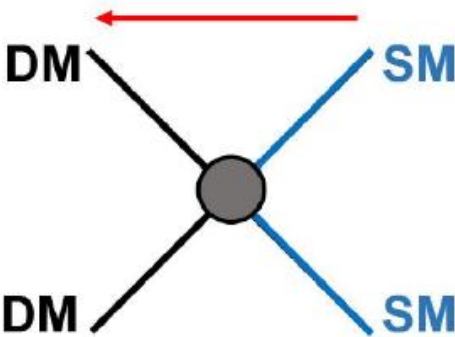
“break it”: indirect detection



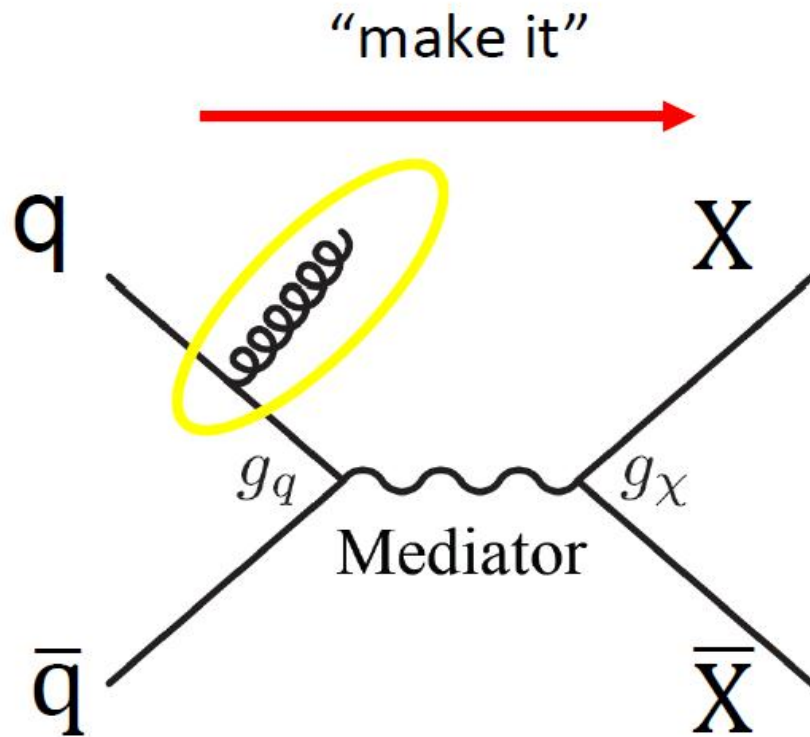
“shake it” direct detection



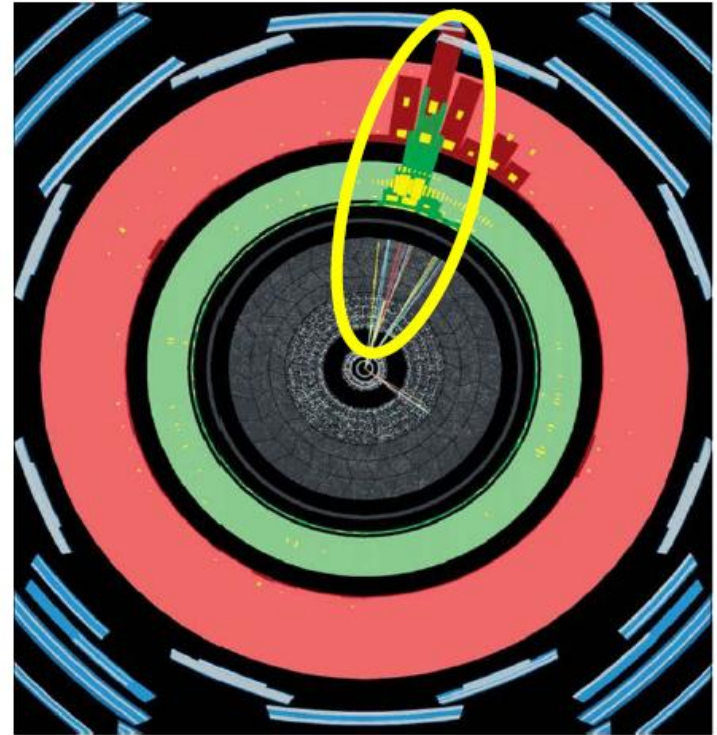
“make it”: Collider Production



Dark Matter searches at Colliders

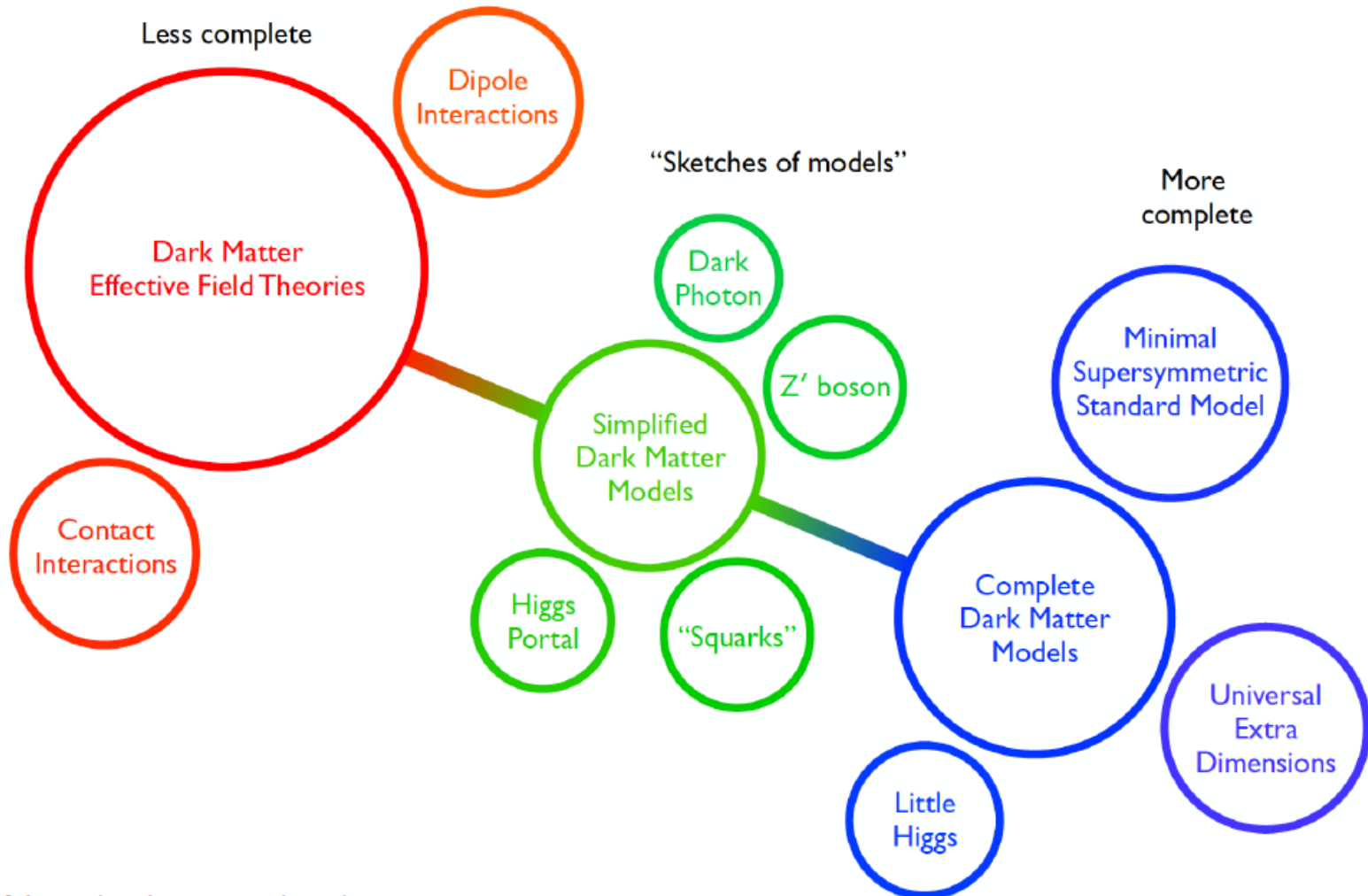


g_q and g_X coupling strengths

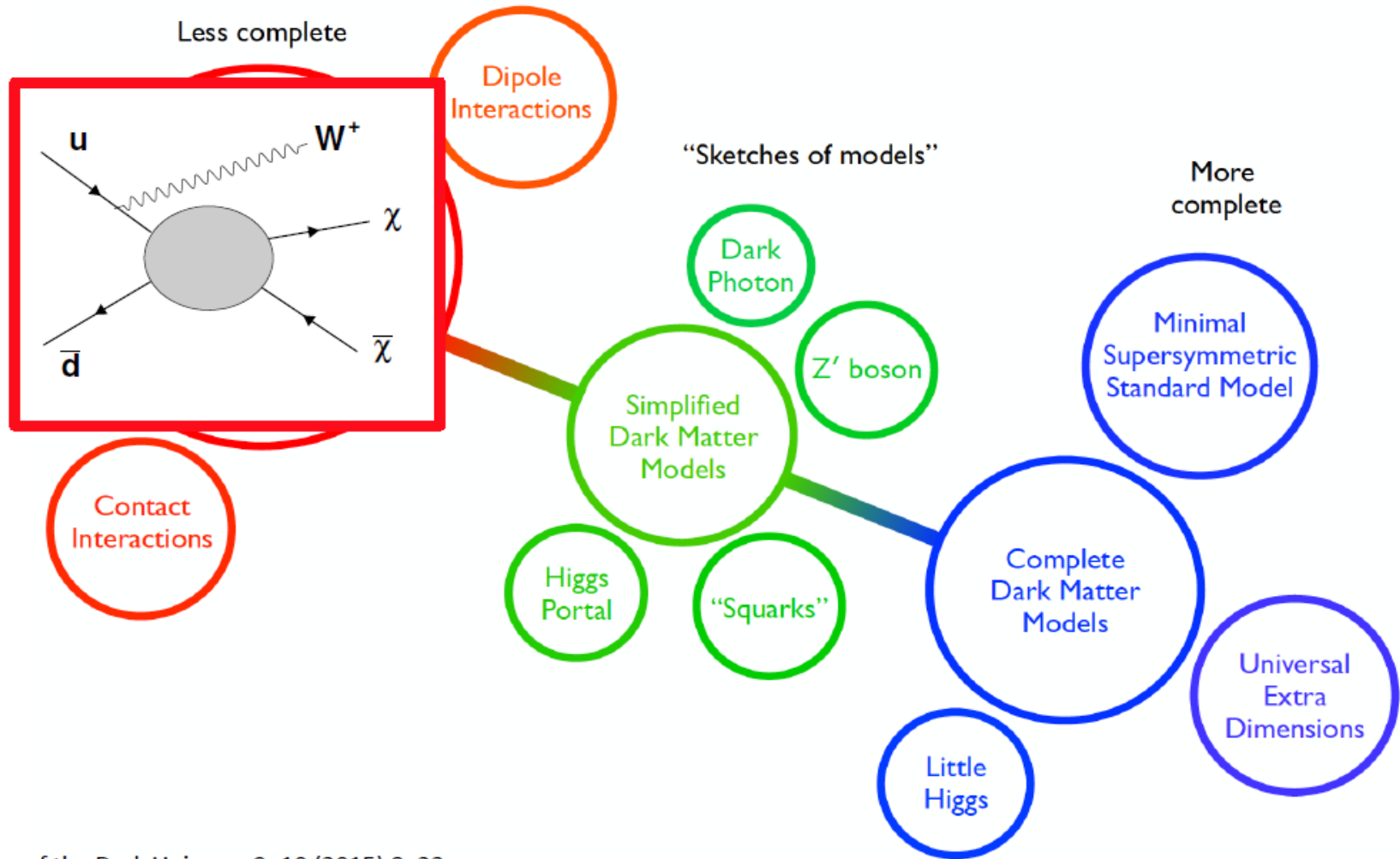


Empty detector + something

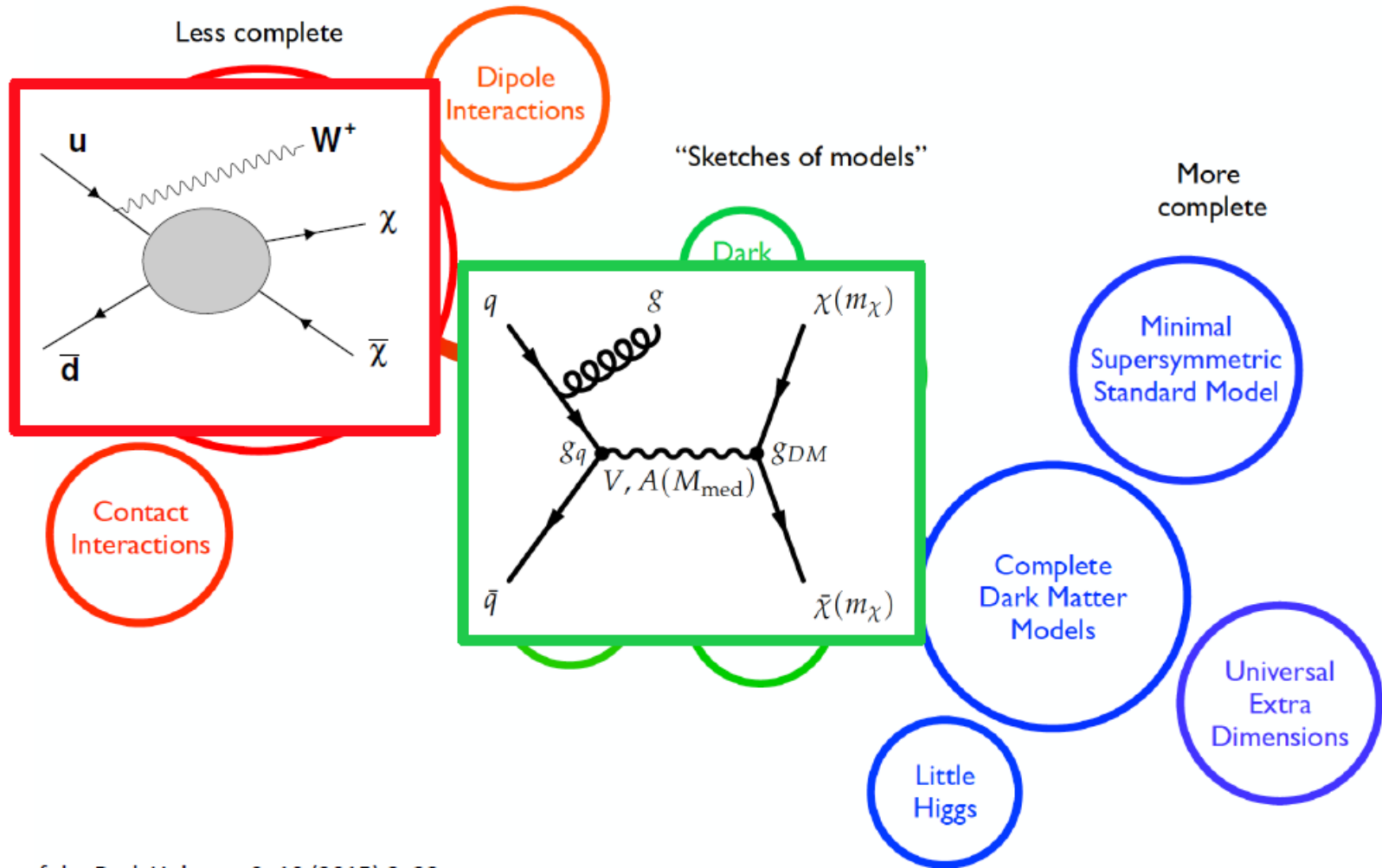
Dark Matter theory space



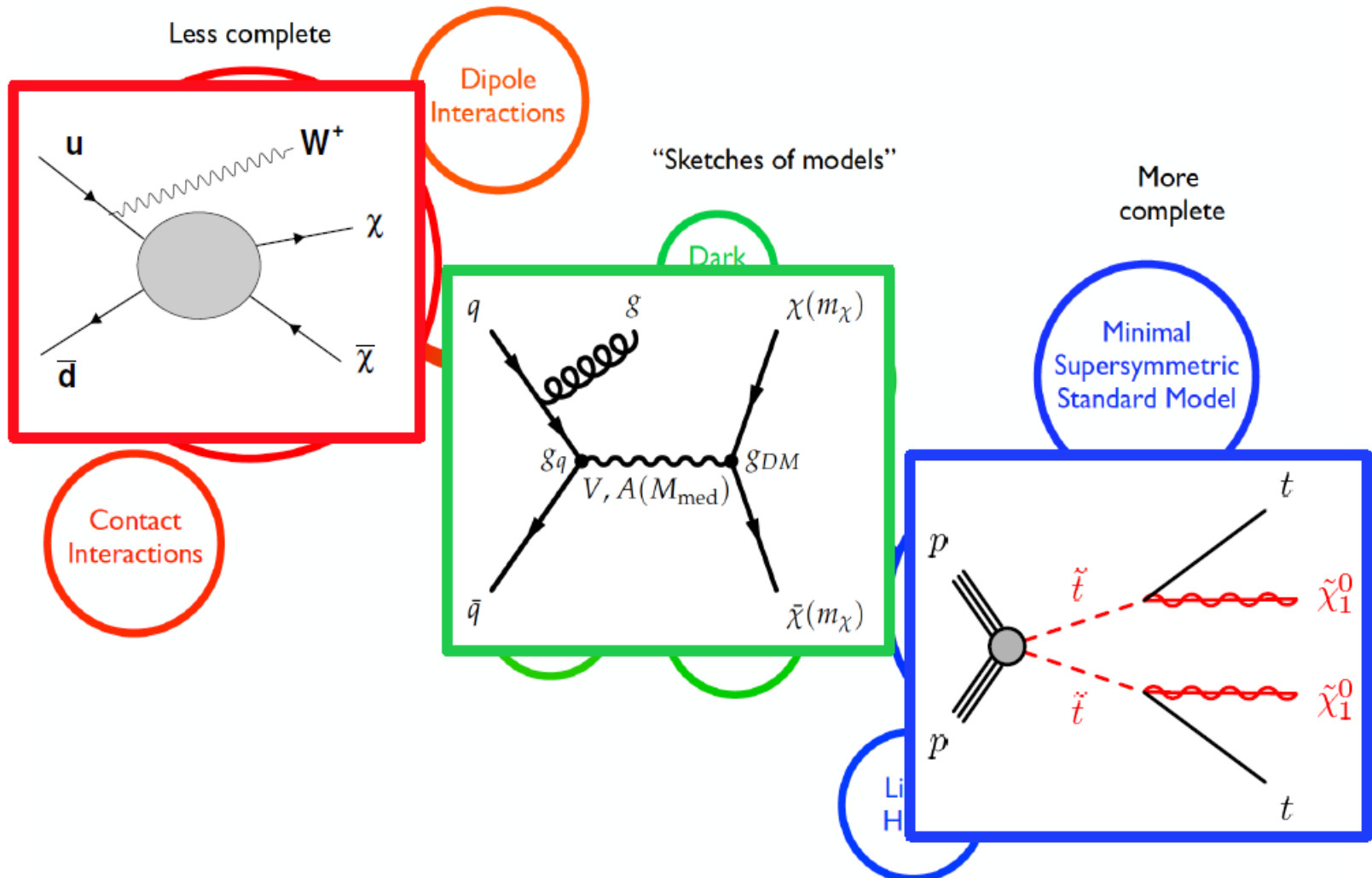
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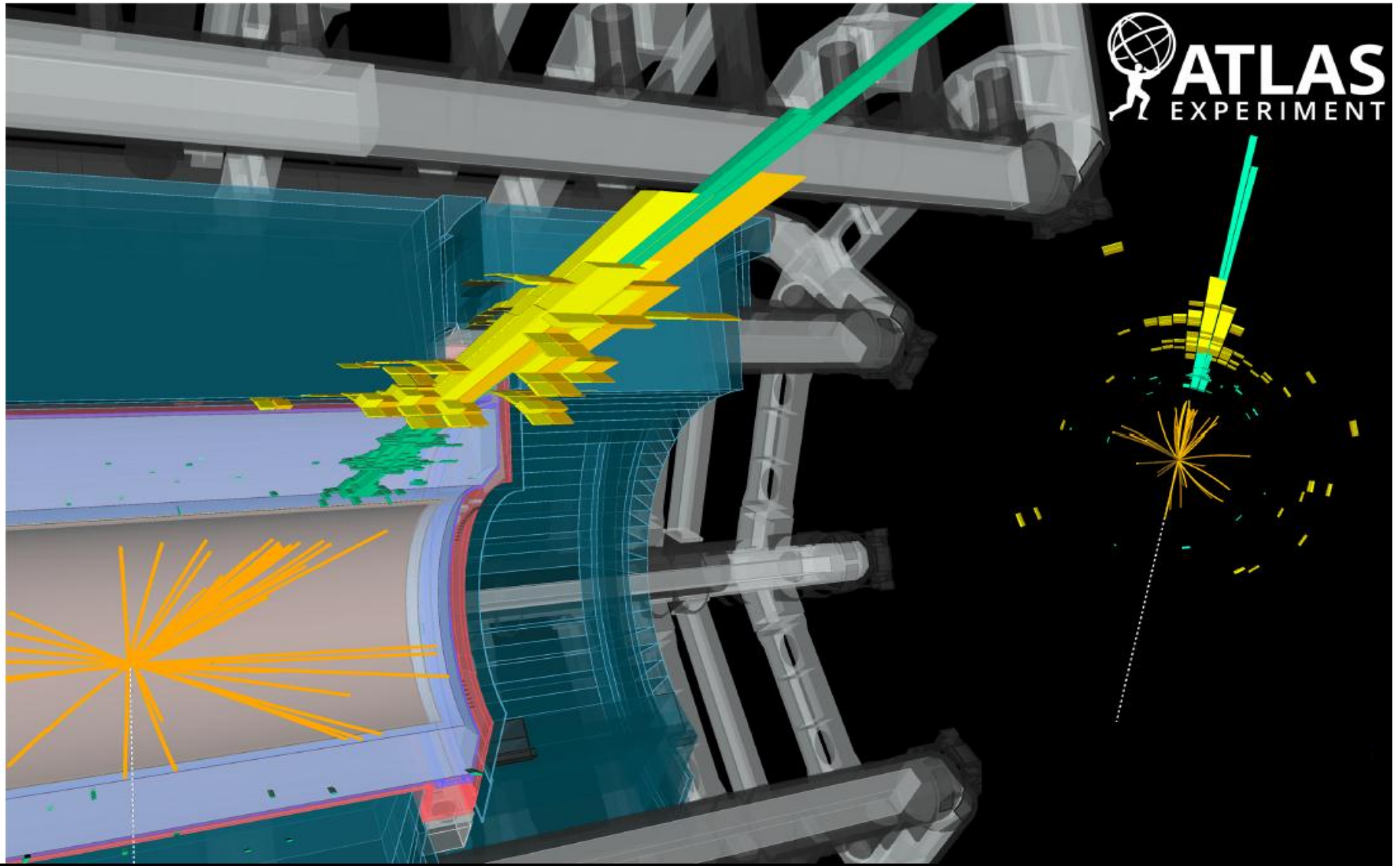
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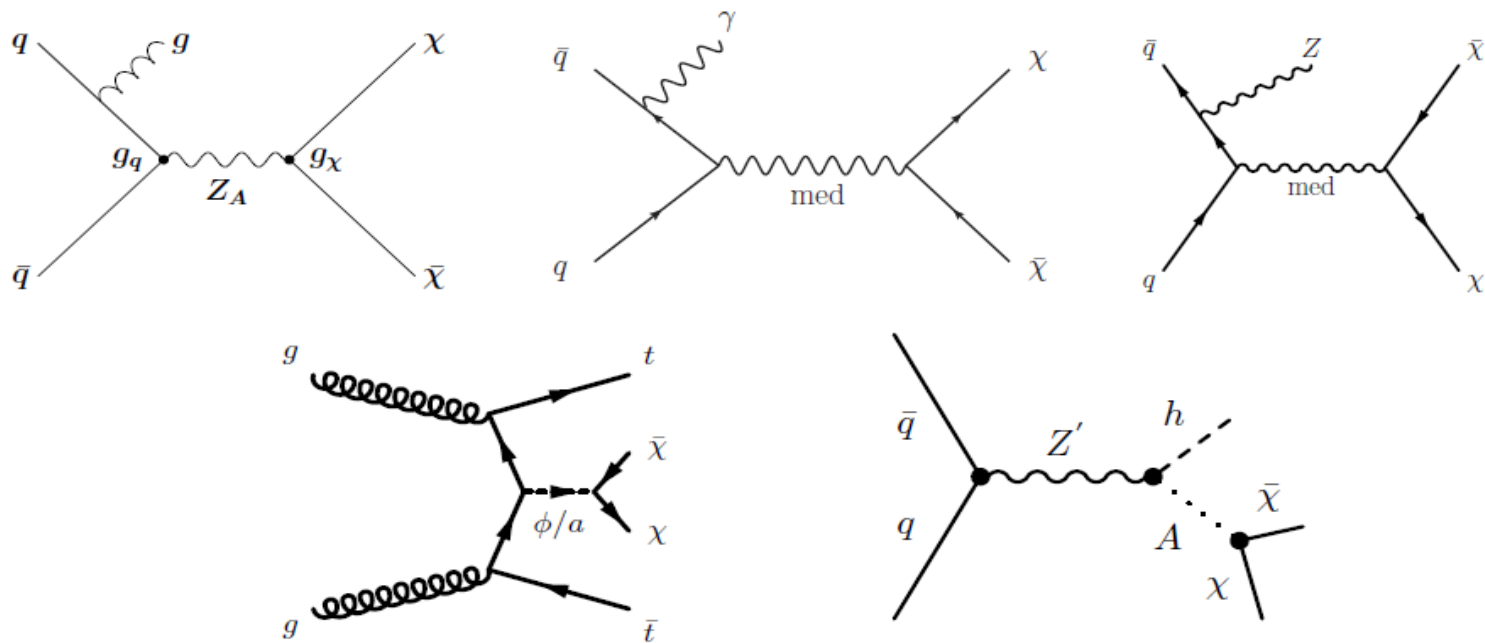


Searches for DM with $(E_T^{\text{miss}} + X)$ Signatures



$(E_T^{\text{miss}} + X)$ or Mono- X Signatures

SM-DM mediator decays to DM pairs $\chi\bar{\chi}$ when $M_{\text{med}}/2 > m_\chi$.
 DM escapes detection $\Rightarrow E_T^{\text{miss}} + X$ signature where
 $X = \text{SM particles that tag the event}, X = \text{jet}, \gamma, V, t, b, h \dots$



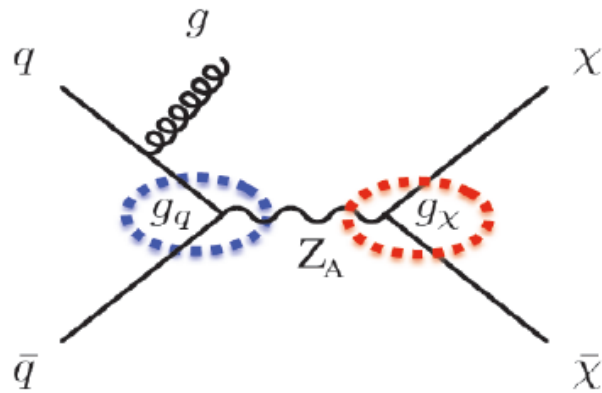
Mediators: vector, axial-vector, scalar, pseudoscalar

Parameters: $m_{\text{med}}, m_\chi, g_q, g_\chi$

Simplified Model

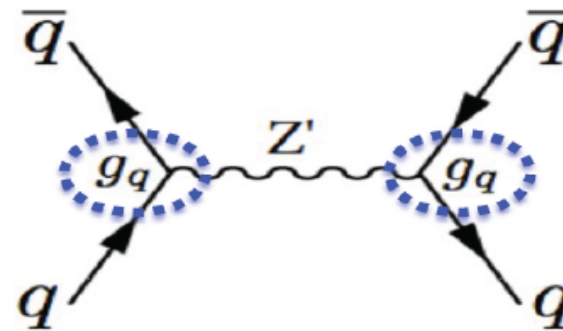
Simplified Model

$SM \rightarrow mediator \rightarrow DM$



\rightarrow Mono-X signature
 $E_T^{miss} + \text{jet, W/Z/H, } \gamma, \dots$

$SM \rightarrow mediator \rightarrow SM$



\rightarrow resonant production
 Dijet, ditop, dilepton.....

spin 0

spin 1

Charge

$Q=0$ for s-channel

Lorentz structure

Scalar $g_q \frac{\phi}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_f y_f \bar{f} f$
 Pseudoscalar $g_q \frac{iA}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_f y_f \bar{f} \gamma^5 f$

Vector $g_q \sum_q V_\mu \bar{q} \gamma^\mu q$
 Axial-vector $g_q \sum_q A_\mu \bar{q} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 q$

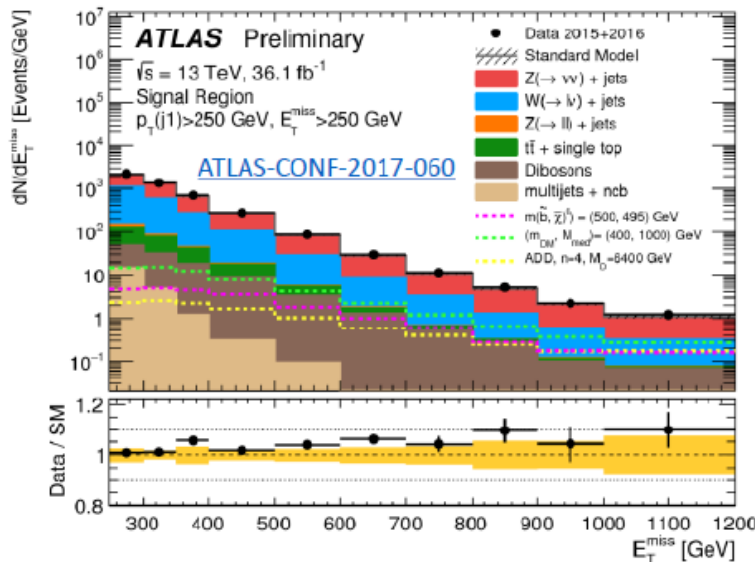
Coupling

\propto mass

\propto charge

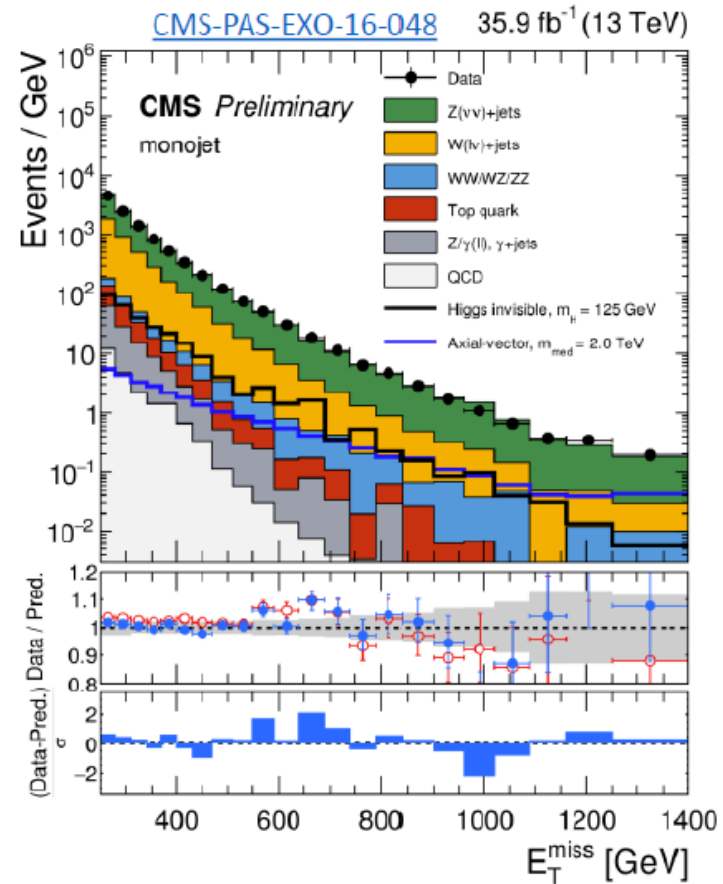
Mono-X searches

Mono-jet



ATLAS

- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 250 \text{ GeV}, \Delta\phi(\text{jet}, p_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$
- Jet $p_T > 250 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.4$
- $N_{\text{jets}} \leq 4$

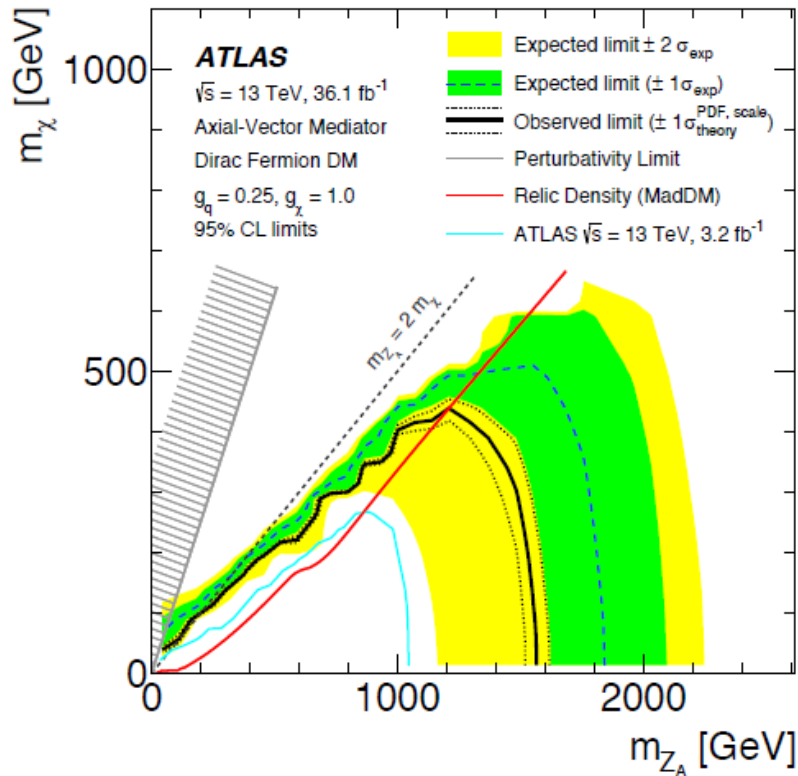


CMS

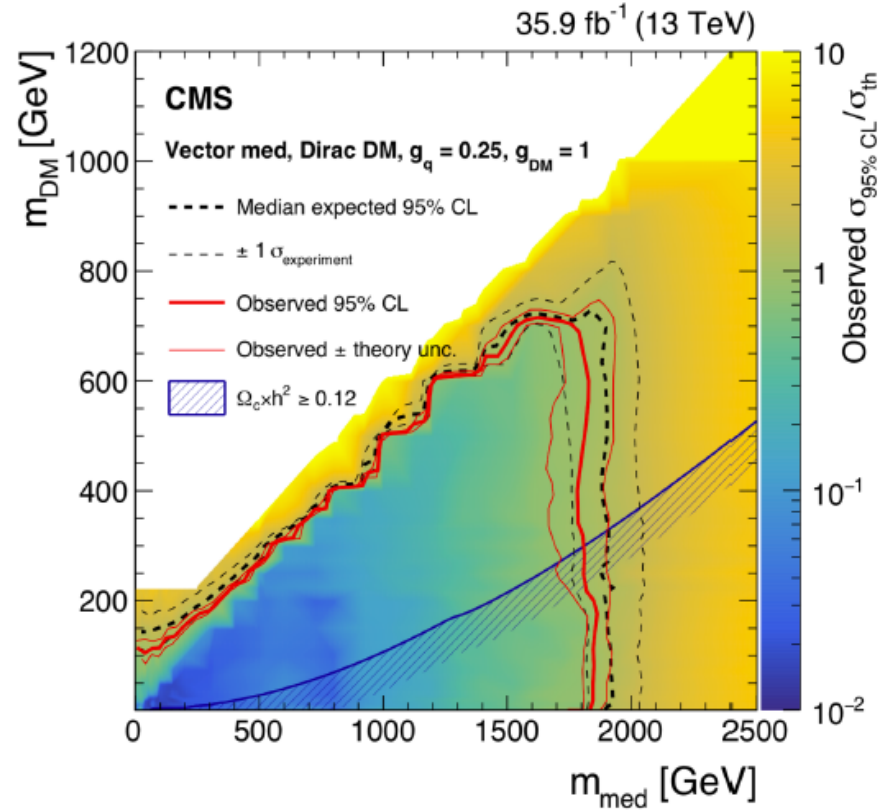
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 250 \text{ GeV}$
- Jet $p_T > 100 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2.5$

Mono-X searches

Axial-Vector Mediator



Vector Mediator

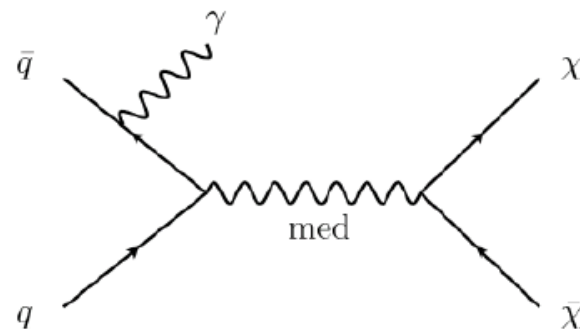
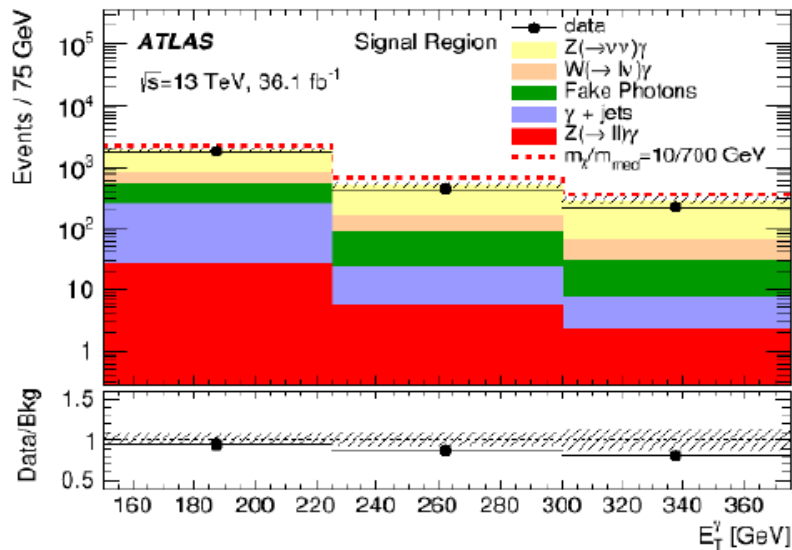


For couplings $g_q = 0.25$, $g_\chi = 1.0$, axial-vector and vector mediators excluded up to 1.8 TeV (1.55 TeV) by CMS (ATLAS) for $m_\chi \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$.

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Mono-X searches

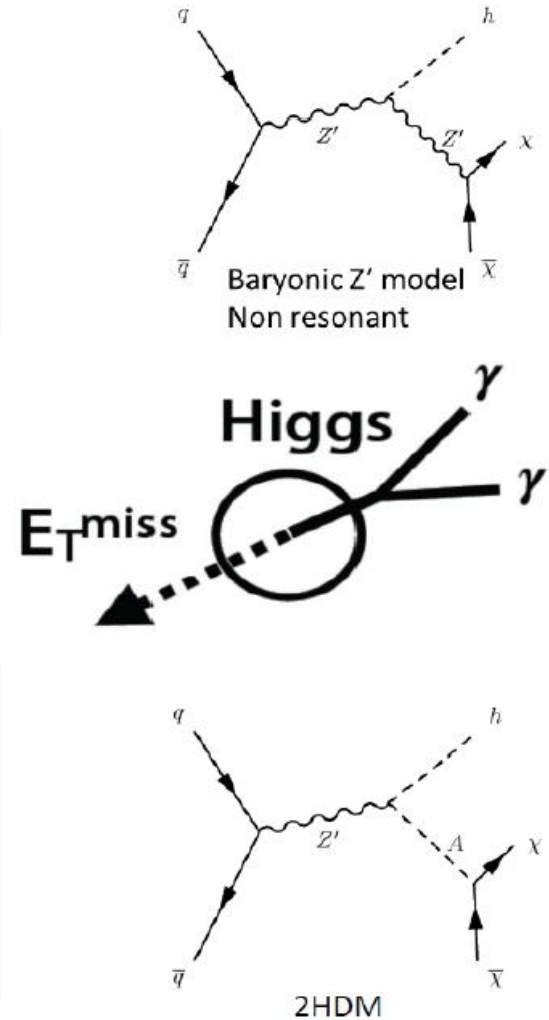
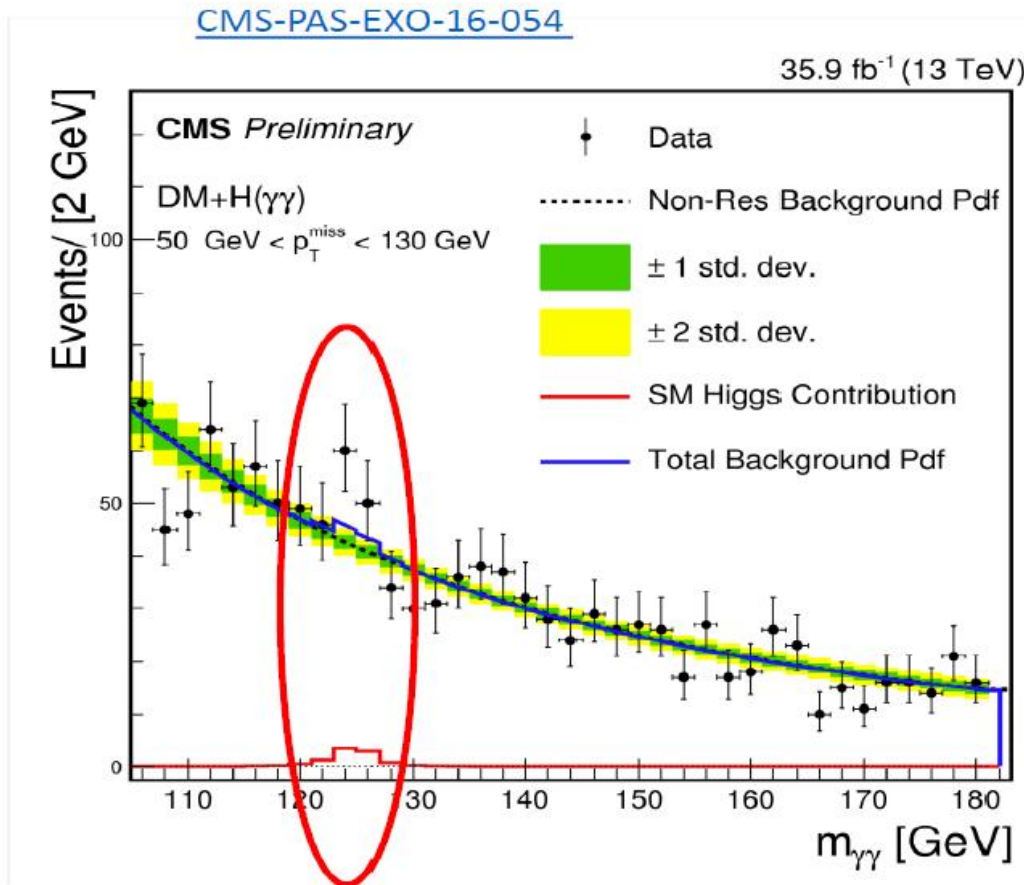
Mono-photon



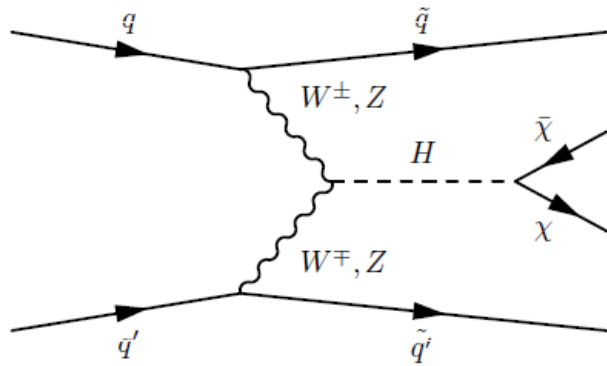
- Photon $E_T > 150$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.37$
- $E_T^{\text{miss}}/\sqrt{\sum E_T} > 8.5$ GeV $^{1/2}$
- $\Delta\phi(\text{photon}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) > 0.4$
- $N_{\text{jets}}(p_T > 30$ GeV, $|\eta| < 4.5) \leq 1$

Mono-X searches

Mono-Higgs

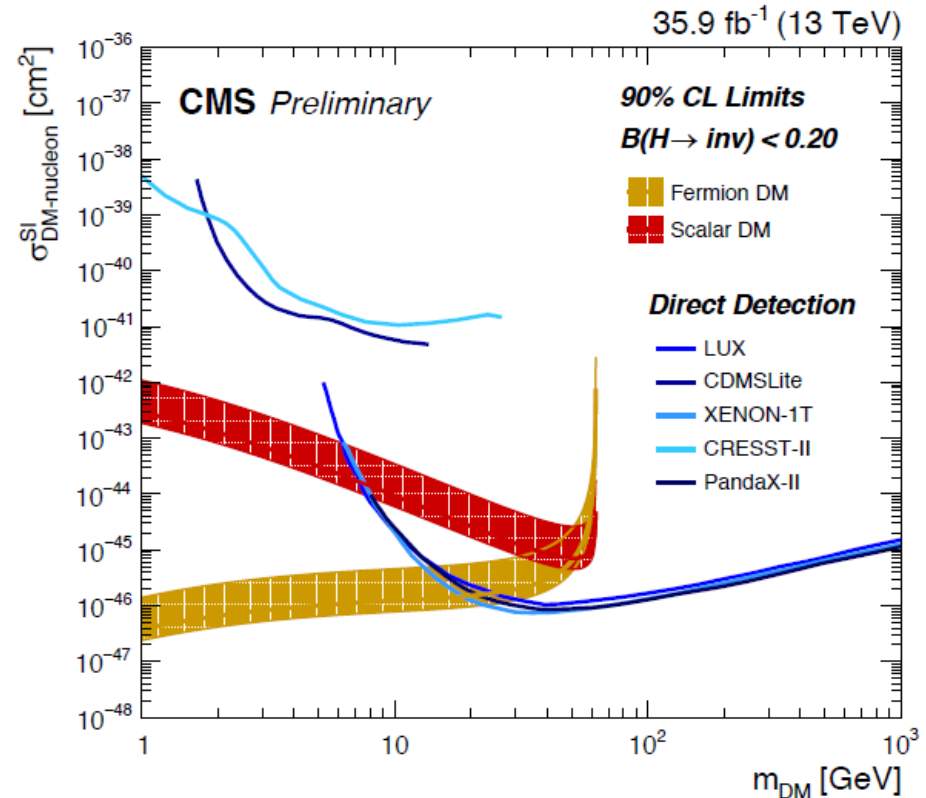


H → invisible: Comparison with DD



$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) < 0.2$ at 90% CL
 interpreted in context of
 Higgs-portal DM model.

Strongest limits for
 fermion (scalar) χ
 for $m_\chi < 20$ (7) GeV.



CMS-PAS-HIG-17-023 (14 March 2018)

Mono-Mania!!

- Hundreds of phenomenology papers
- Thousands of citations of collider DM
- “ISR tagging” established technique for all new particle searches (not just DM)

LHC DM Working Group

Cornell University Library

arXiv.org > hep-ex > arXiv:1507.00966

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High Energy Physics – Experiment

Dark Matter Benchmark Models for Early LHC Run-2 Searches: Report of the ATLAS/CMS Dark Matter Forum

Collection of DM models (simplified models, EFT), Model implementation

arXiv.org > hep-ex > arXiv:1603.04156

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High Energy Physics – Experiment

Recommendations on presenting LHC searches for missing transverse energy signals using simplified S -channel models of dark matter

Guidelines to compare LHC results with DD/ID experiments

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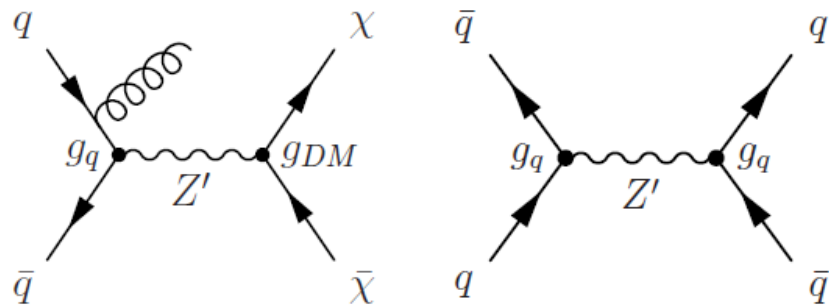
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High Energy Physics – Experiment

Recommendations of the LHC Dark Matter Working Group: Comparing LHC searches for heavy mediators of dark matter production in visible and invisible decay channels

Guidelines to present Mono-X and visible signatures for heavy mediators

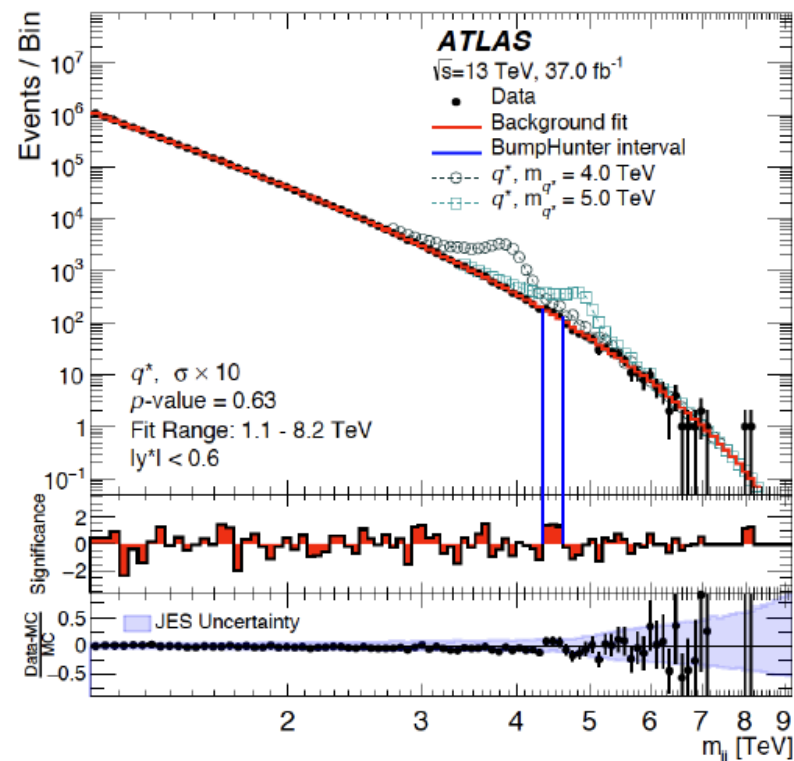
LHC is a mediator machine



Signature: 2 high p_T jets,
same as search for leptophobic Z' .

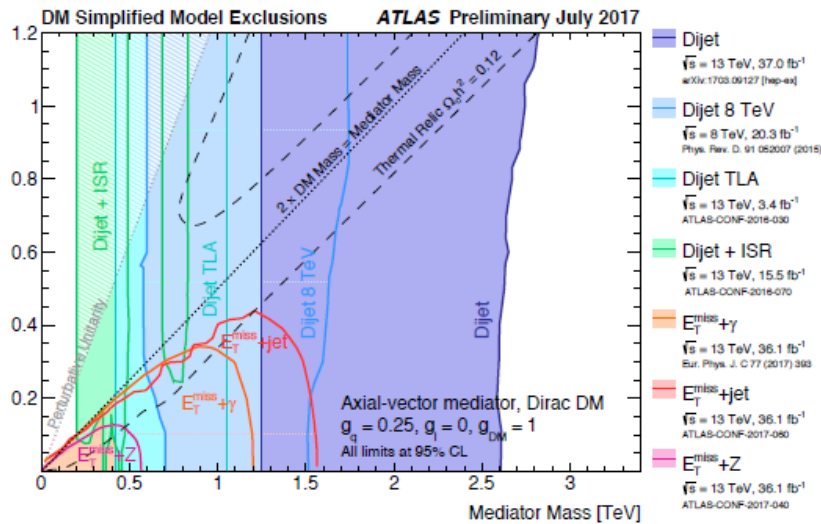
m_{jj} is the discriminant,
search for bump on a smooth,
falling background.

Background modeled by
a parameterized function.

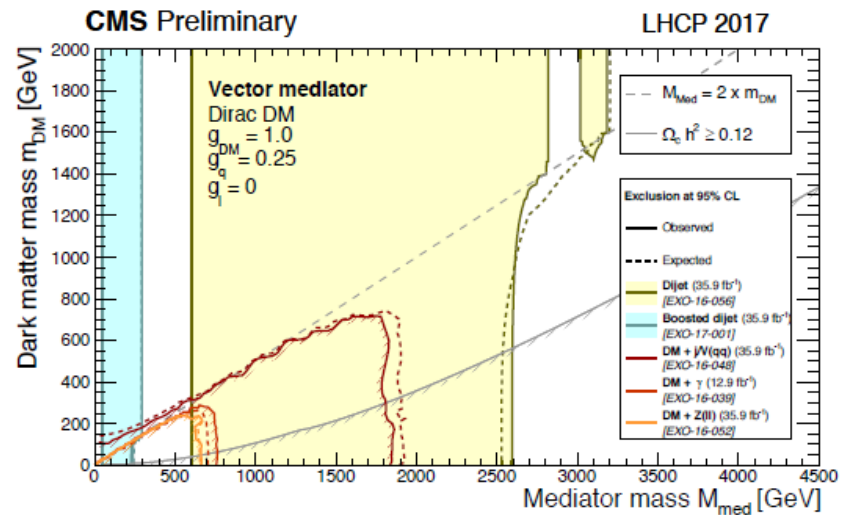


Limits on DM mass vs Mediator mass

Axial-Vector Mediator



Vector Mediator



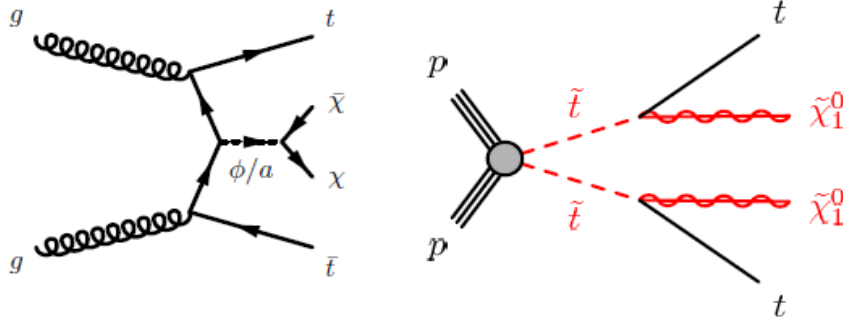
Couplings: $g_{\text{DM}} = 1, g_q = 0.25, g_l = 0$ (leptophobic)

Dijet searches significantly extend DM reach, particularly for $m_{\text{DM}} > M_{\text{med}}/2$. Limits are same as leptophobic Z' search.

Mediator masses excluded up to about 2.6 TeV for low m_χ .

Search for DM + Heavy Flavor

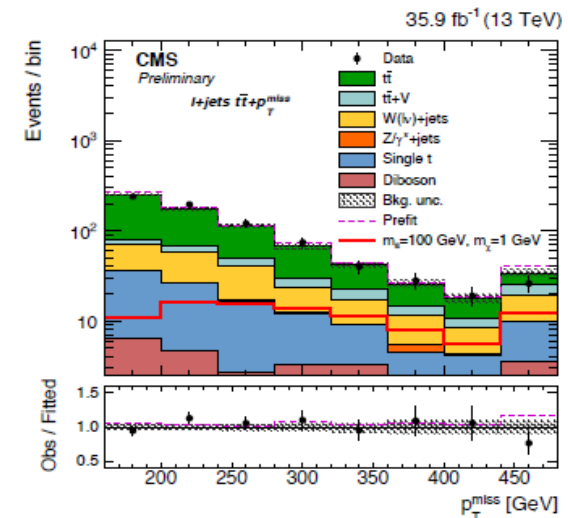
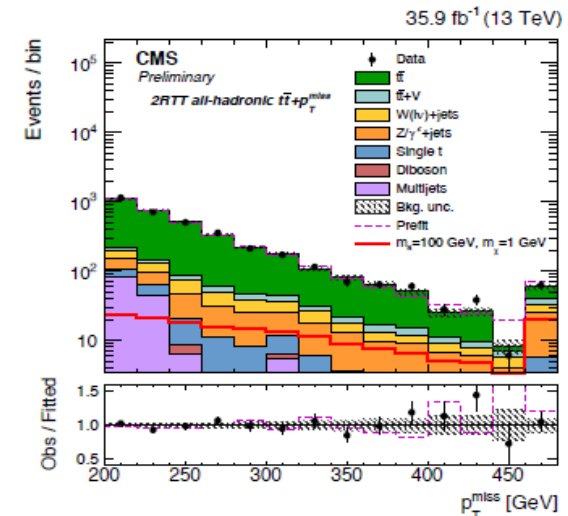
For spin-0 mediator ϕ or a ,
 MFV \Rightarrow Yukawa couplings
 ϕ and a couple strongly to t or b



$(t\bar{t} + \chi\bar{\chi})$ discriminant is p_T^{miss} .

SRs based on $t\bar{t}$ decays:
 all-hadronic, $\ell + \text{jets}$, dileptonic
 provide complementary sensitivity.

$t\bar{t}$, $W + \text{jets}$, $Z + \text{jets}$ backgrounds
 constrained by CRs.



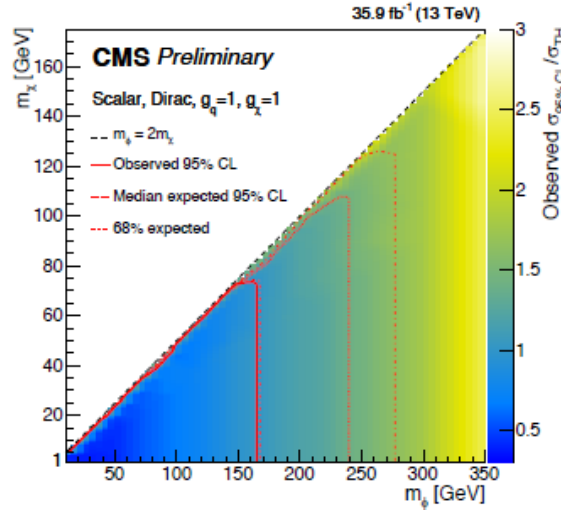
Search for DM + Heavy Flavor

For $g_q = 1$, $g_{DM} = 1$,
 $m_\chi = 1$ GeV: exclusion
 for $m_\phi < 165$ GeV and
 $m_a < 223$ GeV.

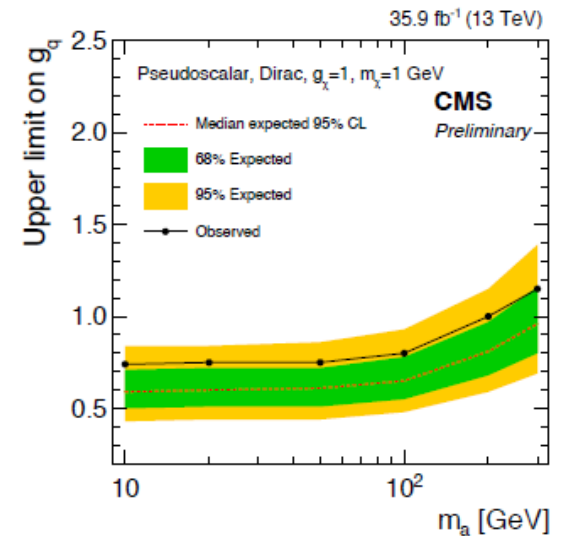
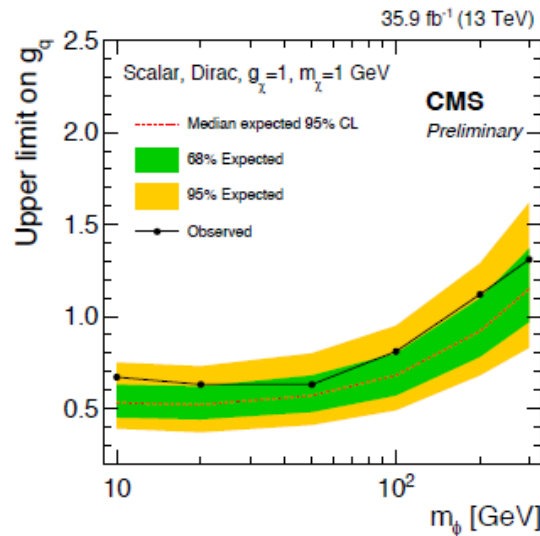
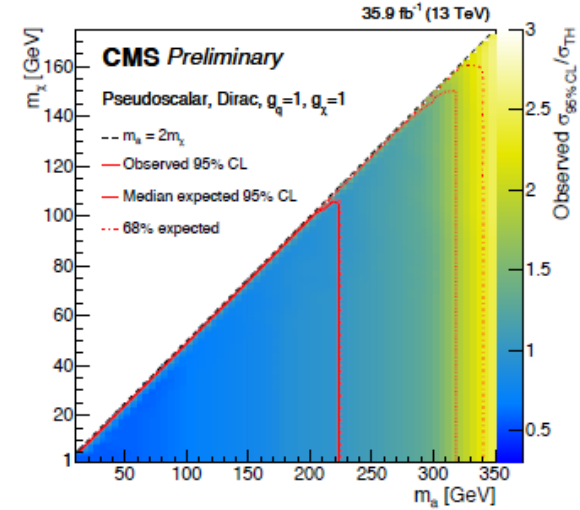
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For $g_{DM} = 1$, $m_\chi = 1$ GeV:
 limits on coupling of ϕ or a
 to SM quarks.

Scalar Mediator

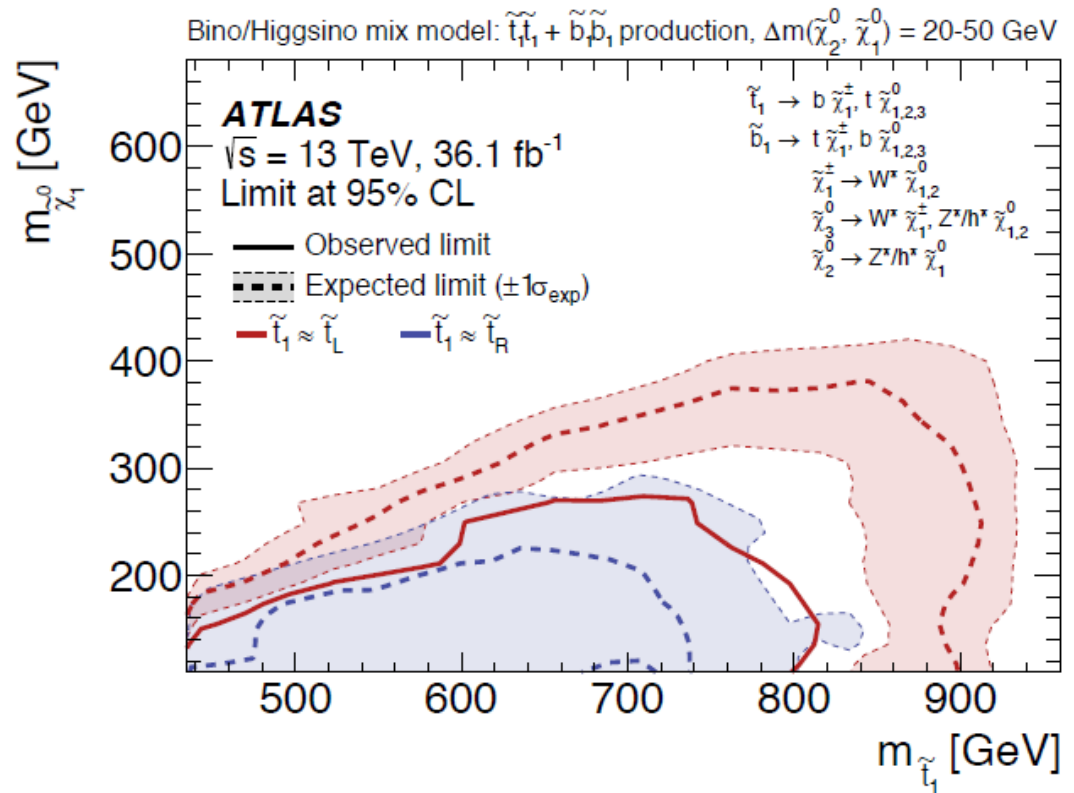
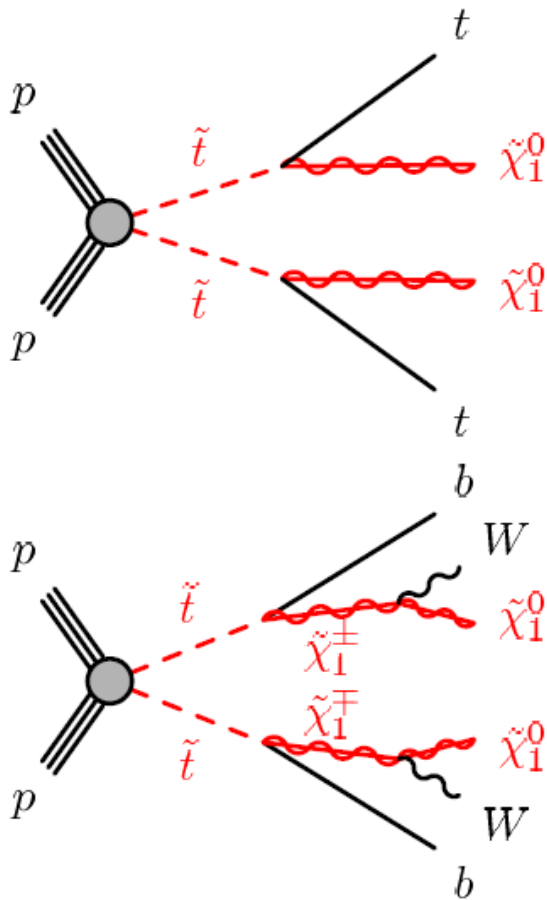


Pseudoscalar Mediator



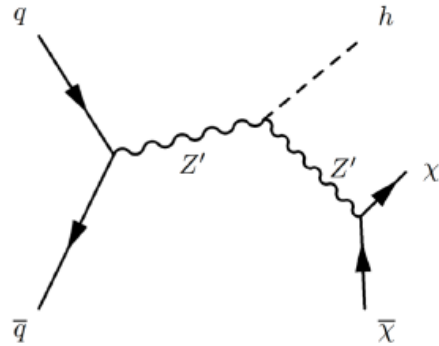
SUSY DM candidates

In many SUSY models the LSP is stable and weakly interacting \Rightarrow a DM candidate. Some models are tuned to reproduce the DM relic density, e.g. the “well tempered neutralino” scenario.



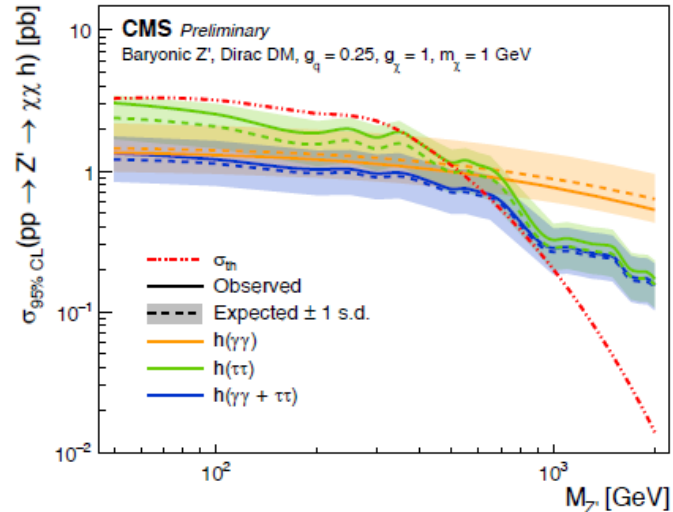
Search for DM + Higgs

$E_T^{\text{miss}} + h$ events tagged by Higgs boson.
 h not from ISR but couples to the mediator.



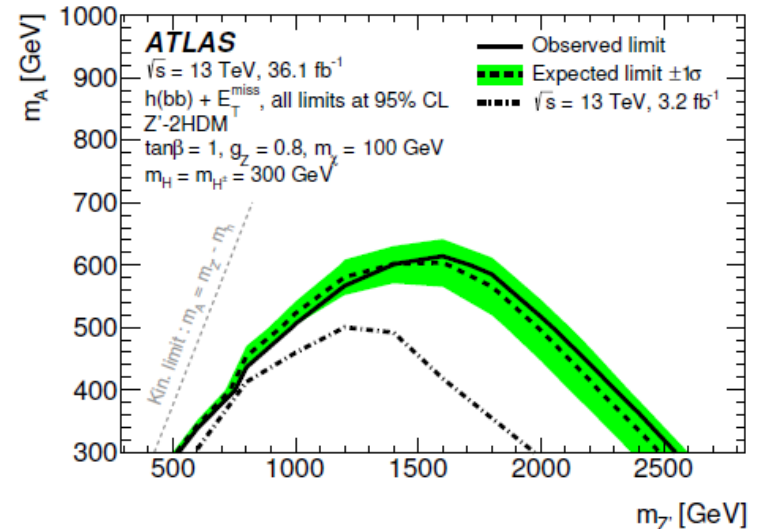
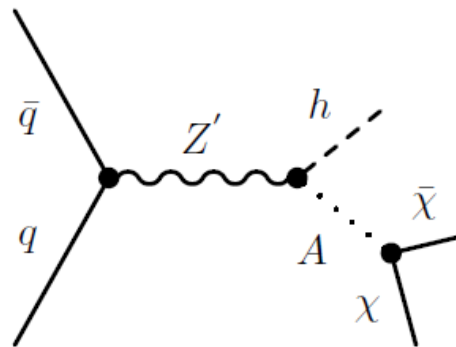
Baryonic Z' Model

$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $\tau^+\tau^-$
 Z' excluded up to
 815 GeV for low m_χ



Z' -2HDM Model

$h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ with resolved
 or merged jets.
 Z' excluded up to
 2.6 TeV and
 A up to 600 GeV.

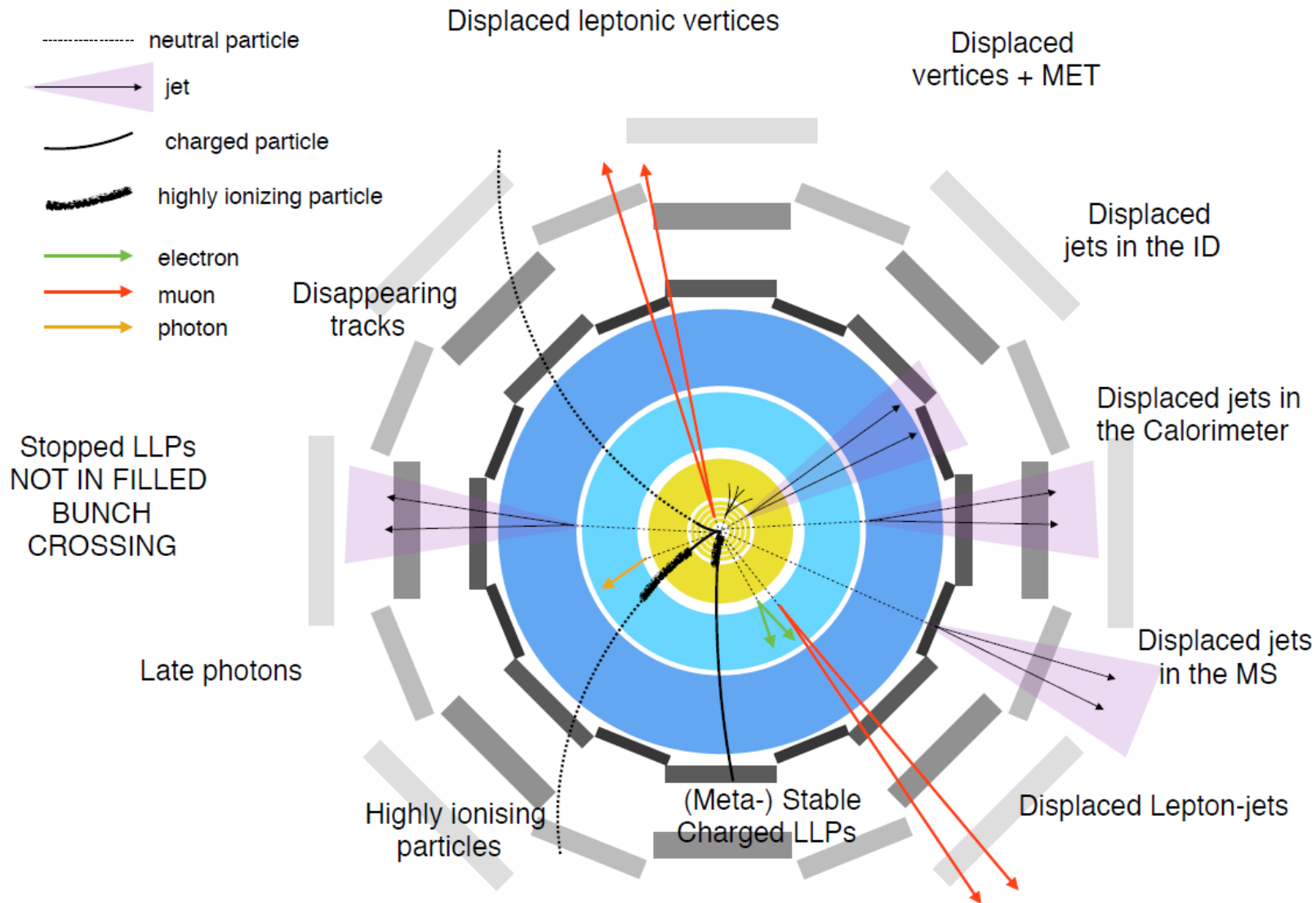


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Outlook for DM searches

- Experiments at the LHC are actively searching for DM
 - Sensitivity to DM under many model assumptions for the interaction and mediator
- No evidence for DM so far but there is much more phase space to be explored
- Outlook for DM Searches
 - Small fraction of total LHC data set in hand to date
 - New analysis techniques continuously being developed
 - New directions: models and signatures
- LHC is just getting started with DM searches

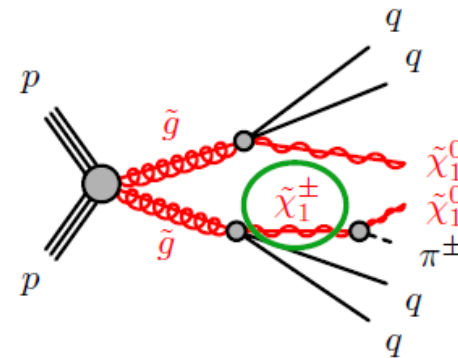
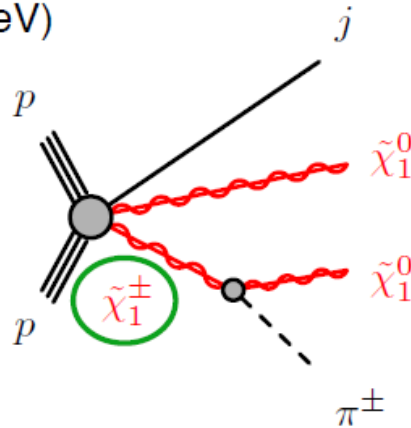
Unconventional signatures



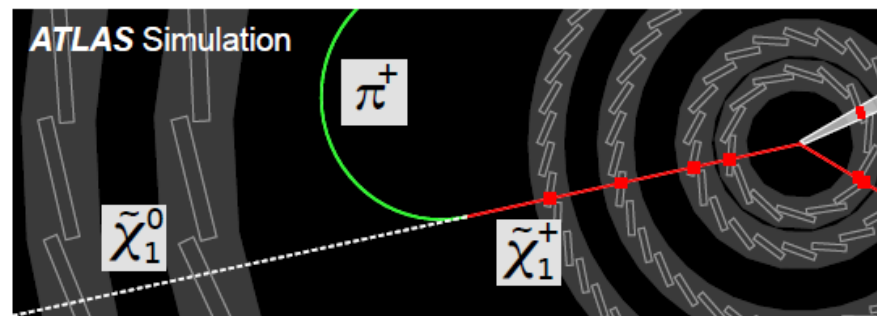
Unconventional signatures: disappearing tracks

LLP

- ▶ Search for **disappearing track + MET + jets**
- ▶ **Signature:** Chargino track “disappears” when it decays, into MET
 - ▶ Low momentum pion track (~ 0.1 GeV) is hard to reconstruct
 - ▶ Challenge to identify the legitimate real tracklets (non-fake) using only a few measurement tracks
- ▶ **Benchmark model:** AMSB model with almost degenerate neutralino and chargino $\Delta m \sim O(100$ MeV)



- ▶ Search sensitive to LLP lifetime of 10ps to 10 ns



Unconventional signatures: stopped particles

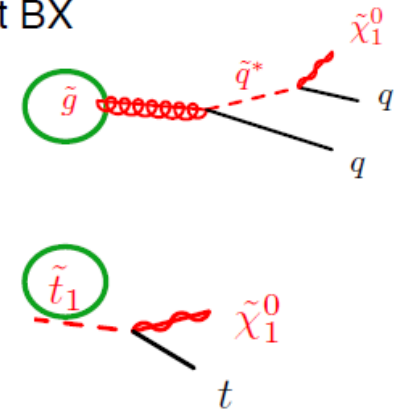
- ▶ Search for **stopped LLPs decaying during non-collision bunch crossings (BX)**

- ▶ **Signature:** LLPs come to rest in the detector and decays after the current BX

- ▶ most likely to stop in the densest detector materials:

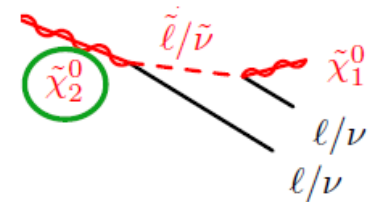
- ▶ **Calorimeters (ECAL, HCAL):**

- a) Split SUSY: two-body and three-body decays of a gluino
- b) top squark decay



- ▶ Steel yoke in the **muon system:**

- a) three-body decay of the gluino ($g \rightarrow qq\chi_2, \chi_2 \rightarrow \mu \mu \chi_1$)
- b) MCHAMPs, with charge $|Q| = 2e$ decays into two same-sign muons
(MCHAMP $\rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm$)

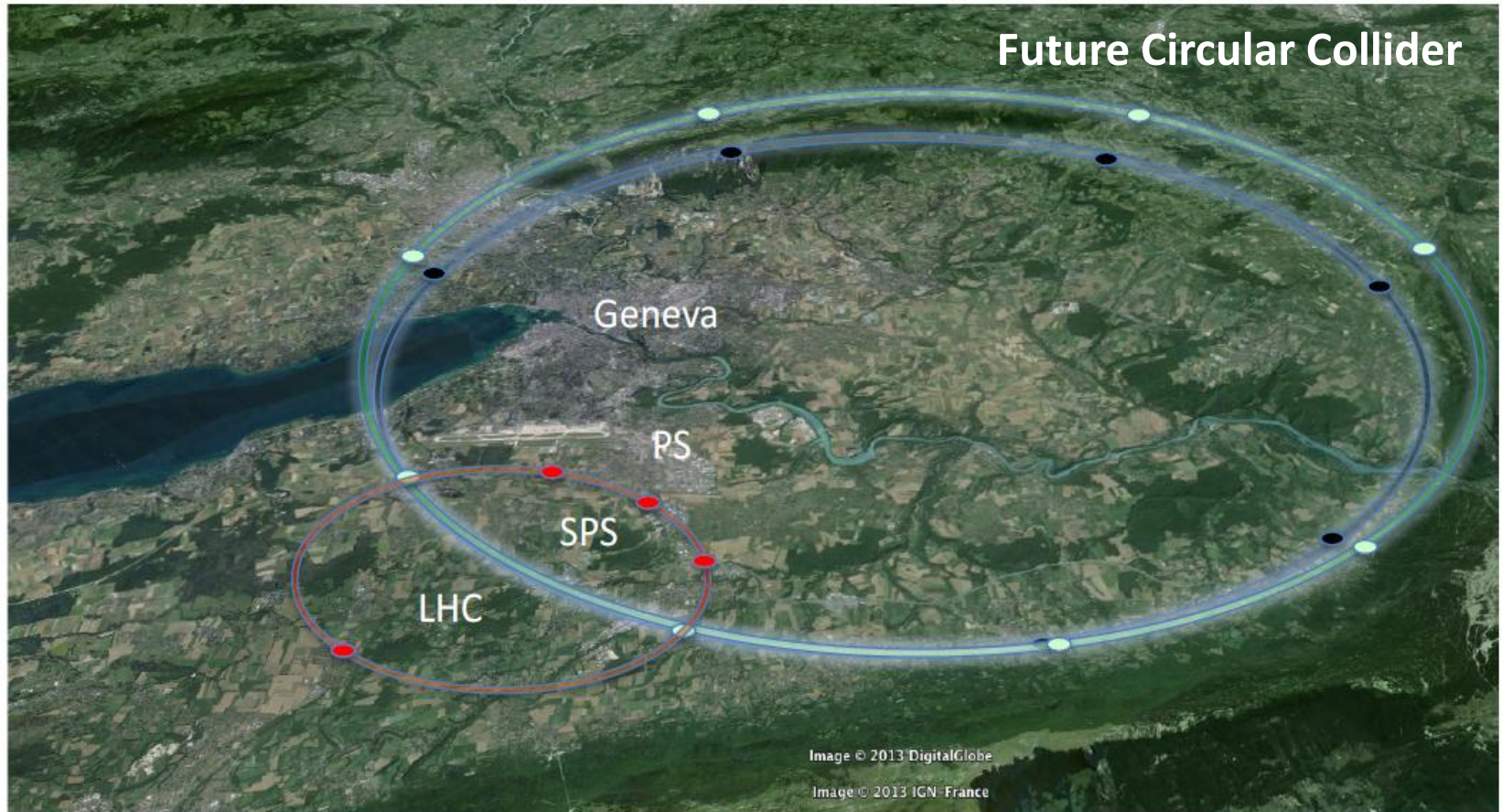


- ▶ Search sensitive to wide range of LLP **lifetime: 10^{-5} to 10^6 s**

Summary (Exotic Searches)

- Searches for Exotic searches
 - All major search channels reached 1 TeV scales
 - Quite a few at 10 TeV
 - New probe: Higgs boson → emerging field
- Dark Matter Searches are thriving at the LHC
- For vector and axial vector interactions
 - Dark Matter masses up 400 GeV – 700 GeV (mono-jet) excluded
 - Mediator mass up to 1.6 – 1.8 TeV (mono-jet) excluded
 - Mediator mass up to 1.2 TeV (mono-photon) excluded
 - Mediator mass up to 0.7 TeV (mono-Z) excluded
- LHC searches complement DD experiments
 - $m_{\text{DM}} < O(10 \text{ GeV})$

ECFA report 2016 (European Committee for Future Accelerators)



LHC
27 km, 8.33 T
14 TeV (c.o.m.)

HE-LHC
27 km, **20 T**
33 TeV (c.o.m.)

FCC-hh
80 km, **20 T**
100 TeV (c.o.m.)

FCC-hh
100 km, **16 T**
100 TeV (c.o.m.)



ATLAS Statistics

183 Institutions



166 Institutes (single)

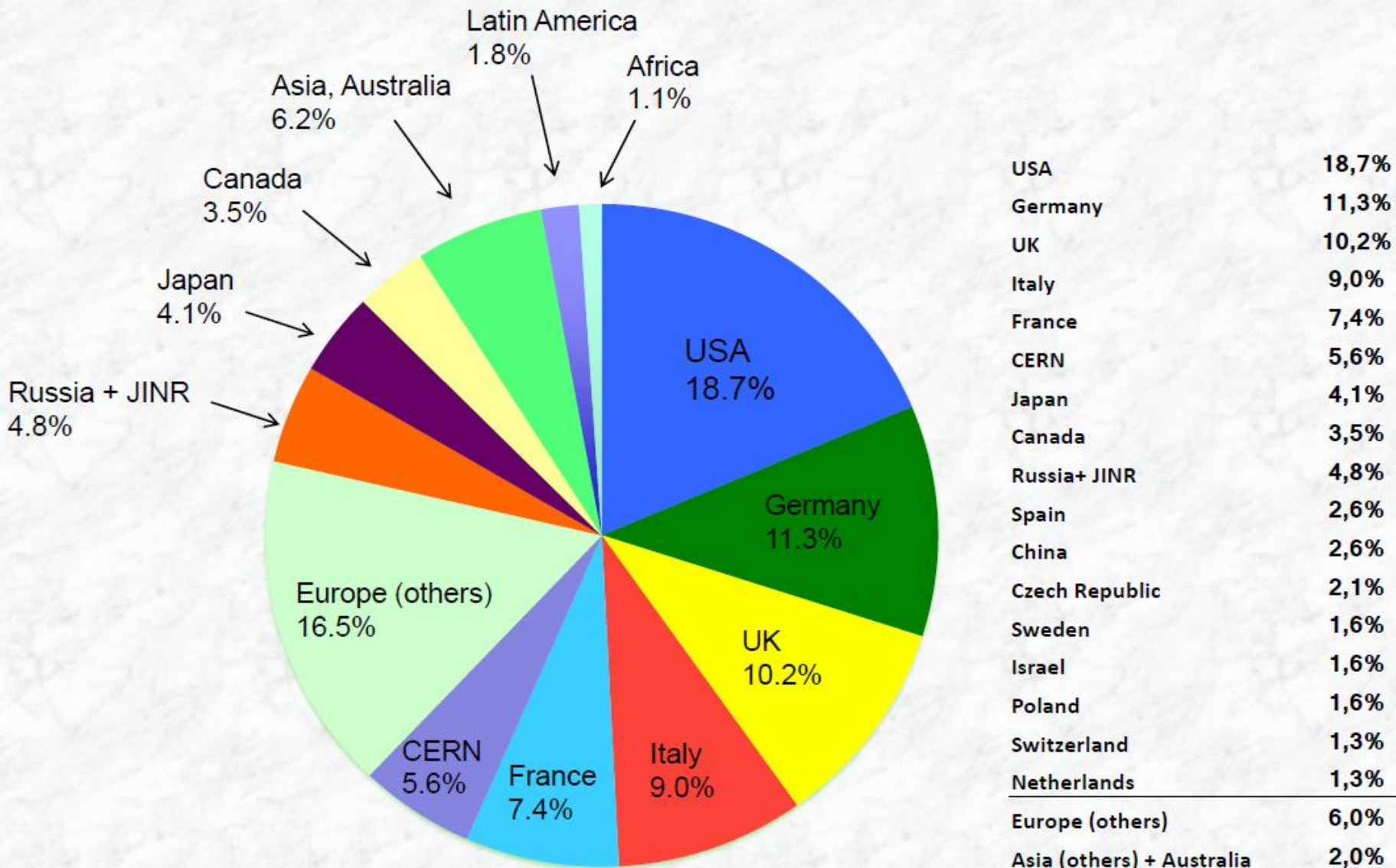
17 clusters (57 institutes in clusters)

14 associated institutes

→ 237 Institutes (preliminary, to be cross-checked)

from 38 Countries

- Active ATLAS members ~5'500
(Physicists, students, engineers, technicians, ...)
- Scientific authors ~2'900
- with PhD, contributing to M&O share ~1'900
- PhD students ~1'200
- Master / diploma students ~500



Fractions according to PhD physicists
(M&O share)