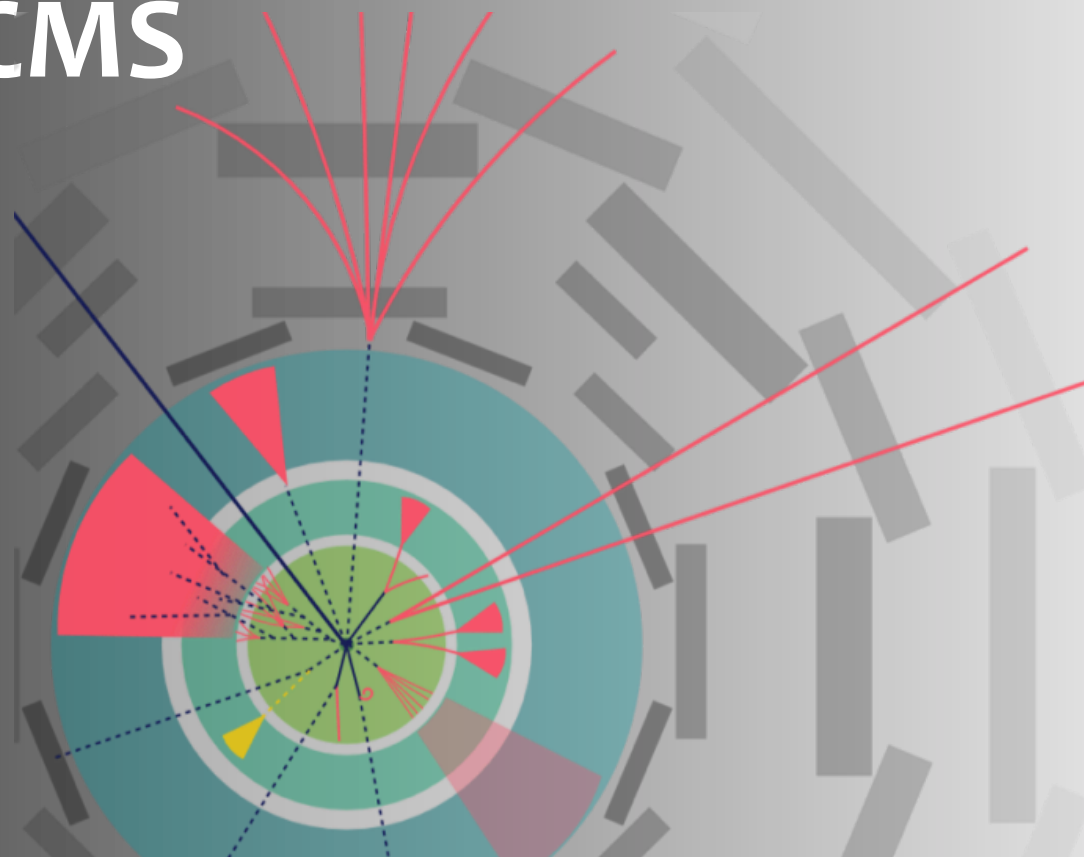


# Searches for long-lived particles at CMS

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experiment at the CERN's LHC

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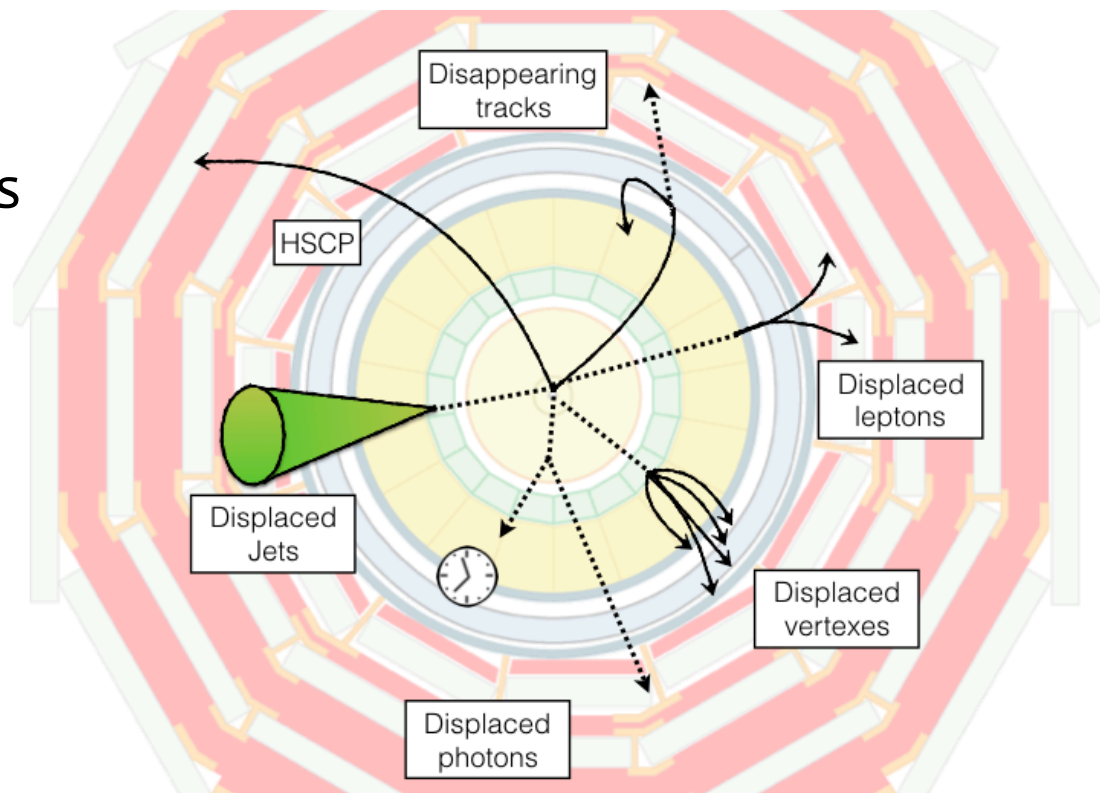
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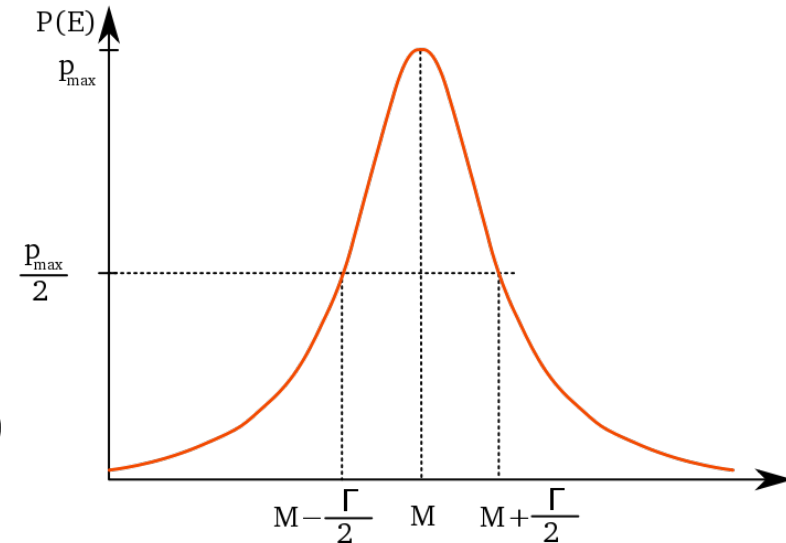
- Wide array of possible exotic **signatures** and search **strategies**
- In this talk, the focus is on recently published analyses for **long lived particles**
- CMS data collected at pp collisions at 13 TeV in **Run 2 up to 137/fb:**
  - 2016 – 36/fb,
  - 2017 – 41/fb,
  - 2018 – 60/fb





# Long Lived Particles (LLPs)

- Particles with a **macroscopic lifetime**,  $c\tau \gtrsim 1 \text{ mm}$  ( $\tau \gtrsim \sim 3 \text{ pico sec}$ )
- Particles have: **mass (M)** and **width ( $\Gamma$ )**
- $\Gamma$  is determined by how the particle decays
  - **proper lifetime:  $\tau \sim 1/\Gamma$**
- Particles can gain a large lifetime (small  $\Gamma$ ) whenever a particle decays via:
  - **small couplings ( $\epsilon$ )**,
  - **high scale operators ( $\Lambda$ )**  
(heavy mediator)
  - **small phase space ( $\Phi$ )**  
(compressed spectra)

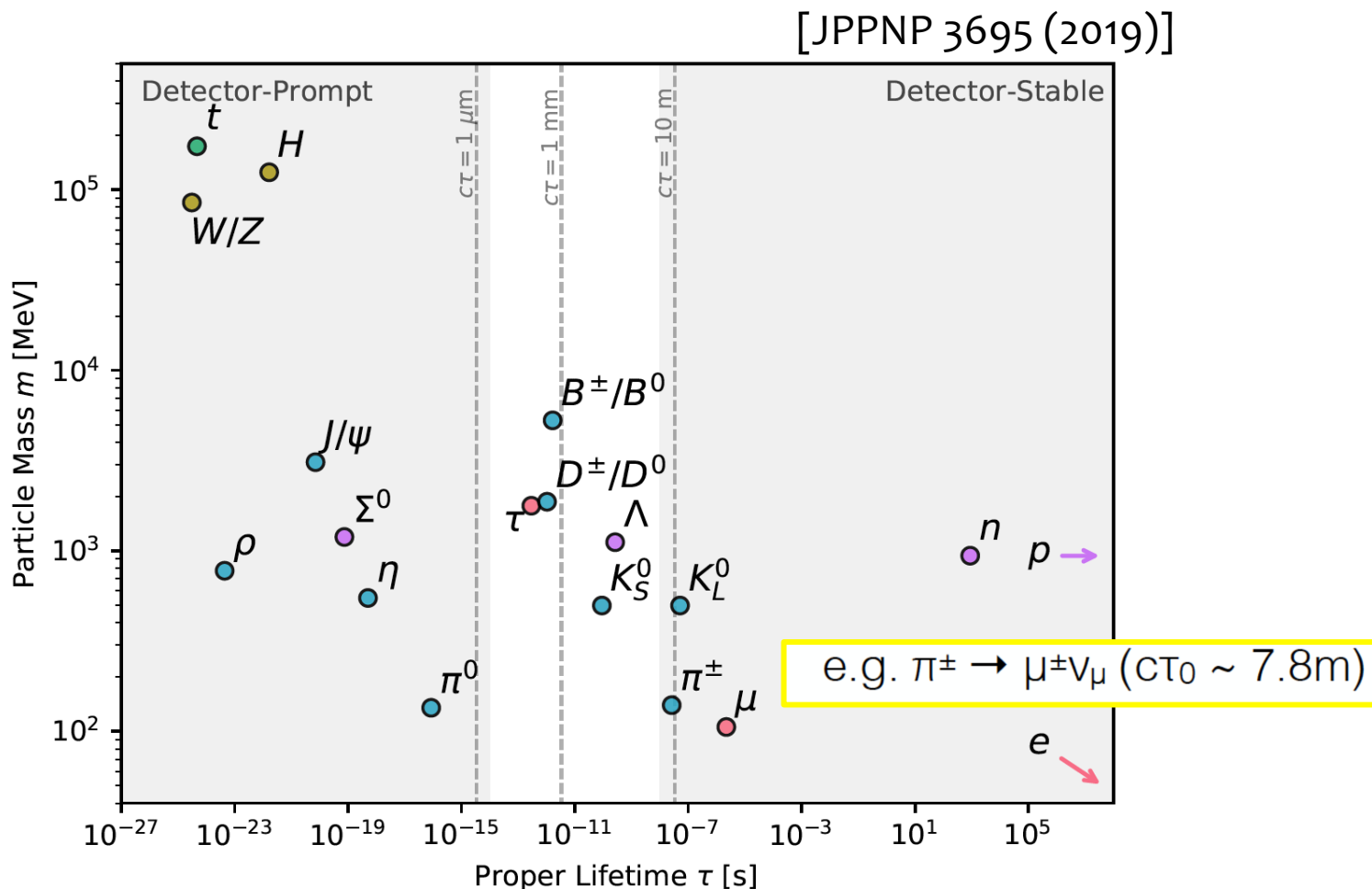


$$\Gamma \sim \epsilon^2 \left( \frac{M}{\Lambda} \right)^{2n} \Phi$$



# LLPs in SM

- The SM contains a large number of metastable particles





# Decade of the LHC exlcusions

## ■ $m_H \approx 125$ GeV

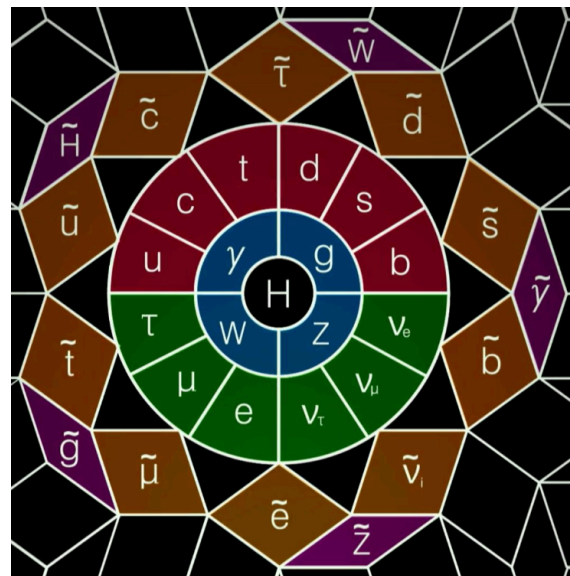
*Higgs Naturalness problem in SM:*  
quantum corrections suggest  $m_H$  should be many orders of magnitude larger

## ■ Nature is quite unkind!

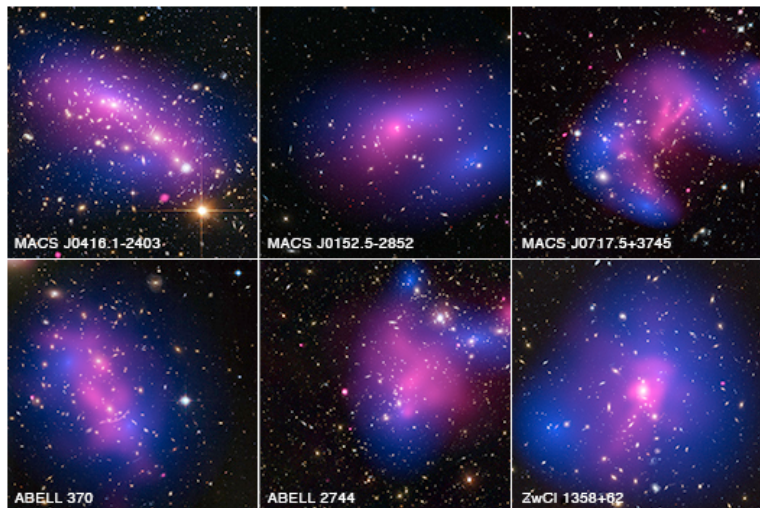
## ■ LHC has been looking intensively to find new particles:

- Supersymmetry
- Leptoquarks
- Heavy Bosons
- Multijet Resonances
- Exited Fermions
- Extra Dimensions
- And much more...

■ BUT, the only competition is which experiment (ATLAS or CMS) put the exclusion limits higher...



# New physics

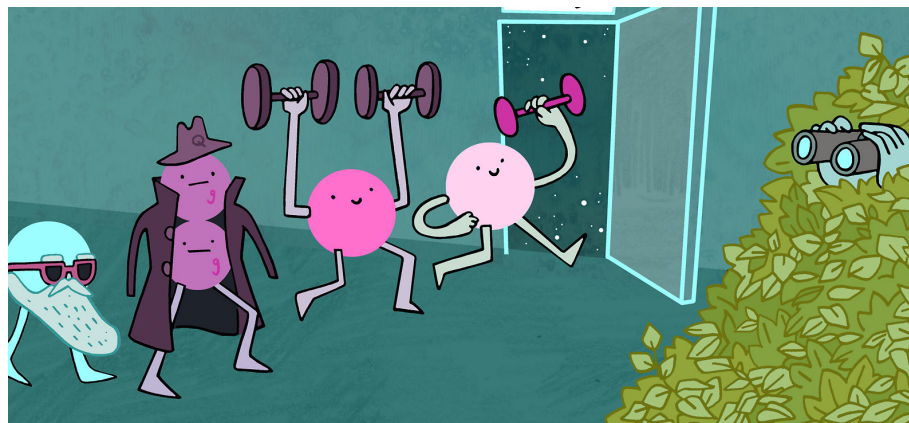


Galaxy cluster collisions (by Hubble and Chandra)

- **Dark Matter: no candidate in SM**

X-ray observations of revealed the **hot X-ray gas** within the galaxy clusters — gas that would have drifted away if it weren't for the **cluster's dark matter**, which **gravitationally holds it in place**

- **Are we looking well enough?**

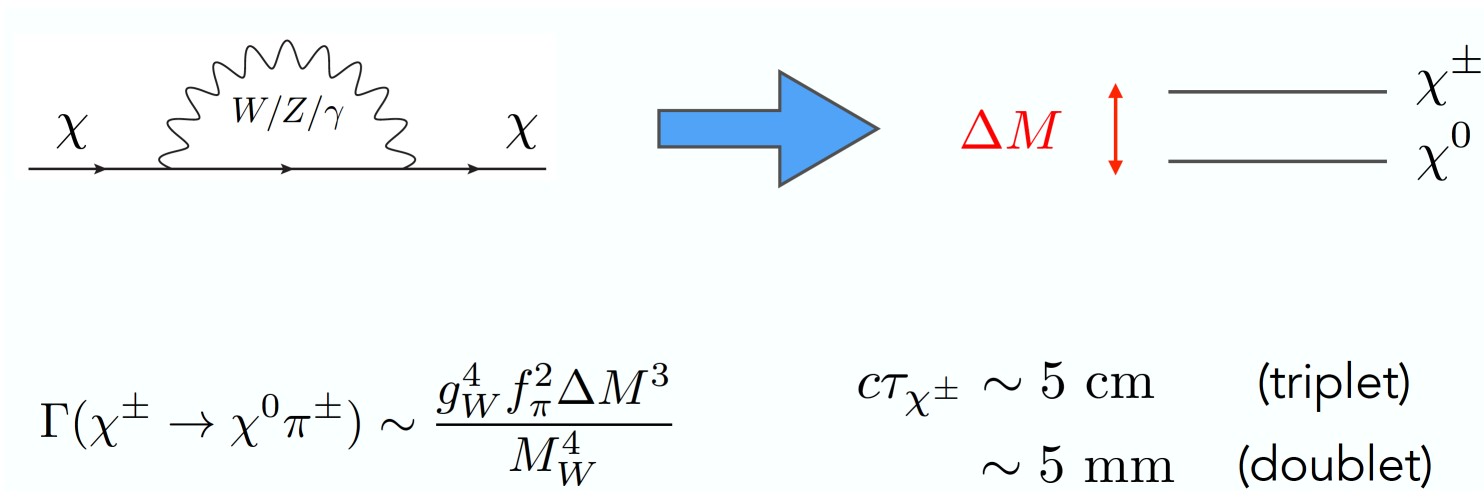


- **Long lived particles** produce **unique signatures** which may have been **overlooked by more traditional searches** for new physics



# Why LLPs in BSM?

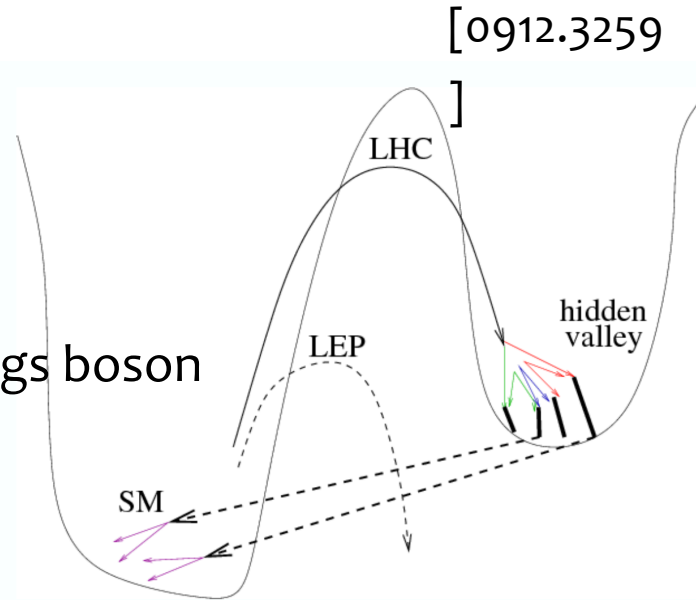
- Small phase space in **Supersymmetry**
- *Example:* new electroweak multiplets (doublets, triplets, etc)
- **Mass splitting** set by electroweak **radiative corrections**





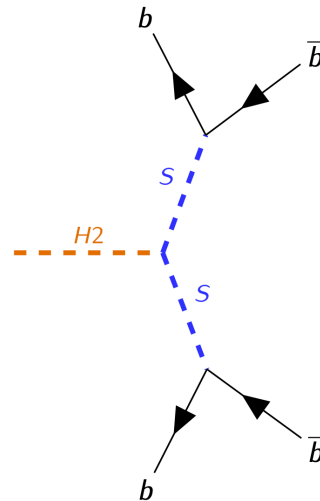
# Why LLPs in BSM?

- Hierarchies in **Hidden Valleys**
- Present in any multi-component hidden sector, whether weakly or strongly interacting
- **Dark sectors** communicates with SM only via Higgs boson  
→ solves the Higgs mass divergences!
- Decay rate suppressed by ratios of masses



- **Example:** Hidden SU(3) glueball (twin Higgs, etc)

$$c\tau \sim 18 \text{ m} \left( \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{M} \right)^7$$



- **Example:**

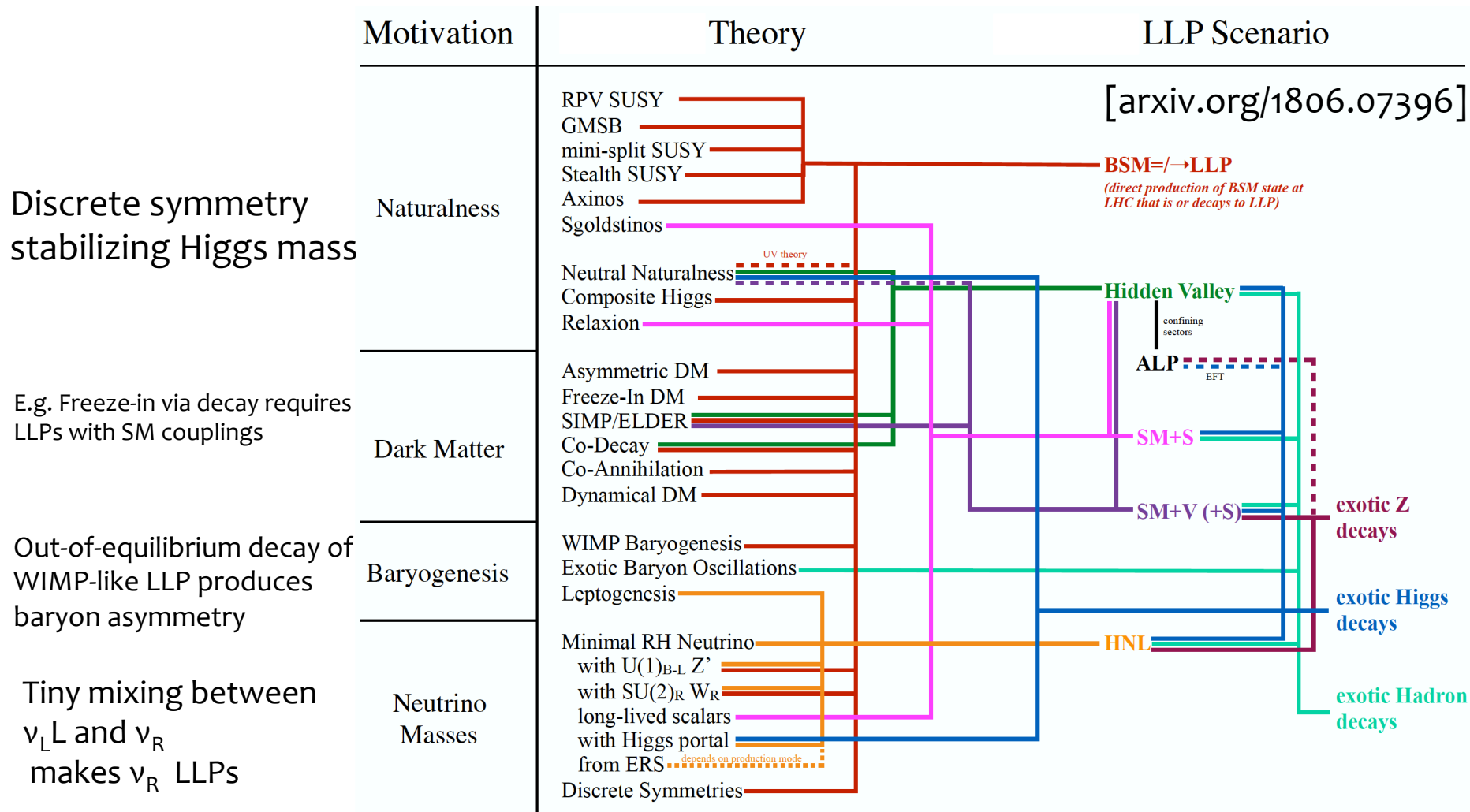
**BSM Higgs:**  
 $H_2 \rightarrow SS \rightarrow bbbb$   
**S** is long lived  
**H<sub>2</sub>** can also be the SM Higgs





# Bunch of LLPs in BSM

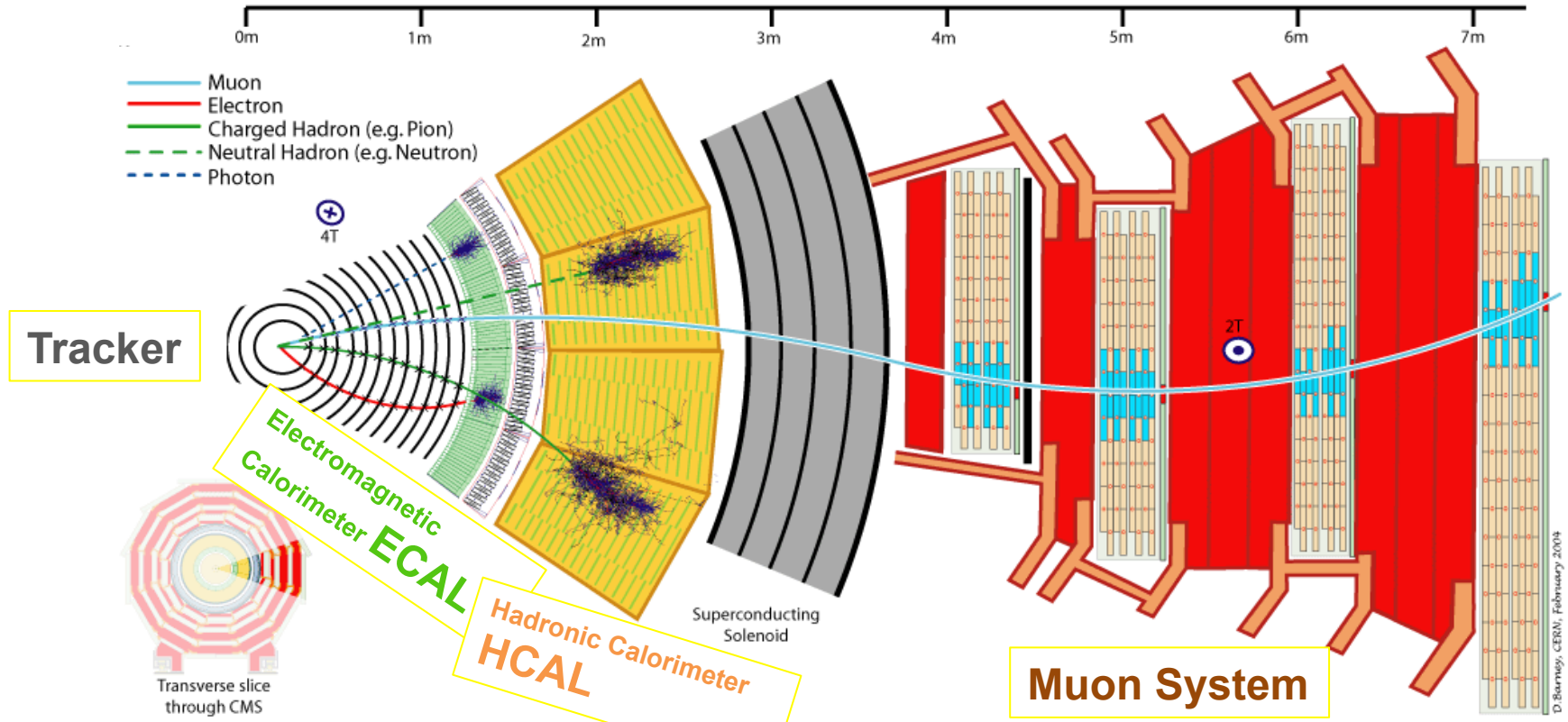
- The **long lifetime** is quite a common feature in new physics models





# Detector design vs LLPs

- **CMS:** reconstruction algorithms, cylindrical geometry, trigger all designed assuming *particles emerge from the collision point*
- **LLPs signature** depend on the lifetime  $c\tau$ :
  - **Decay inside various regions** of the detector: *meta-stable LLP*
  - **Cross the detector:** *quasi-stable LLP*





# Signatures of LLPs

- LLPs have **unusual** final states that require **innovative** techniques

- **Challenging** from the experimental point of view:

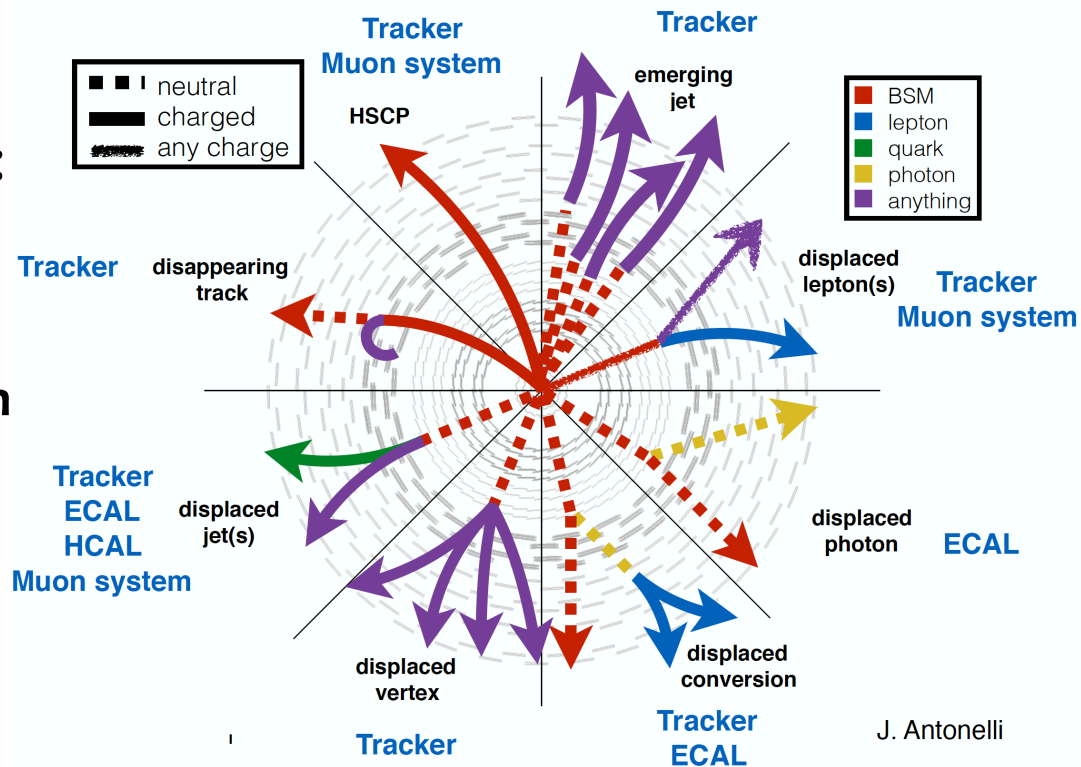
- **Dedicated physics object identification and reconstruction**

- **Displacements**
- **Short tracks**
- **Jet structure**
- **Timing**
- **Ionization**

- Triggering weird/low energy signatures

- **Atypical (non collisional) backgrounds**

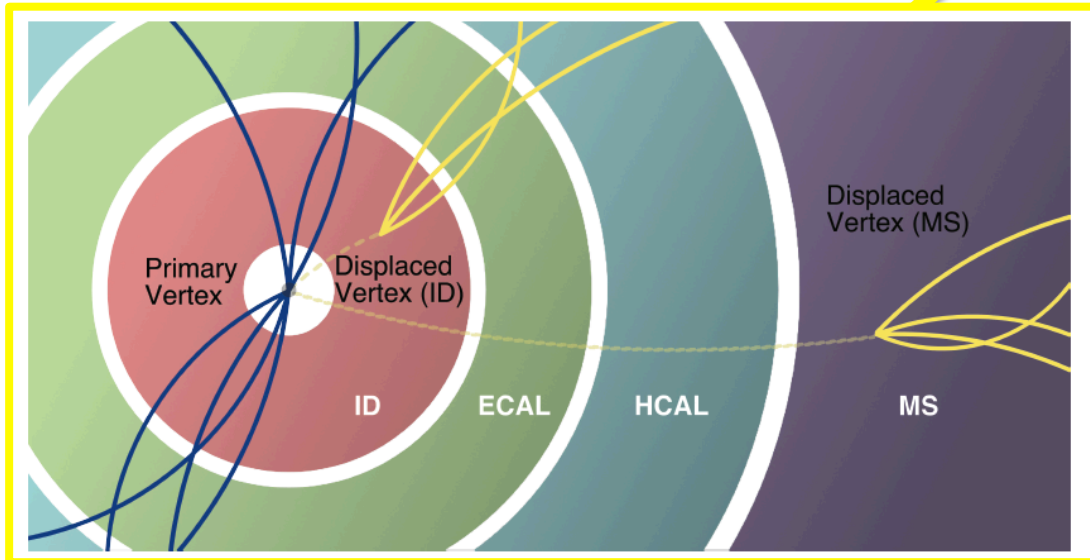
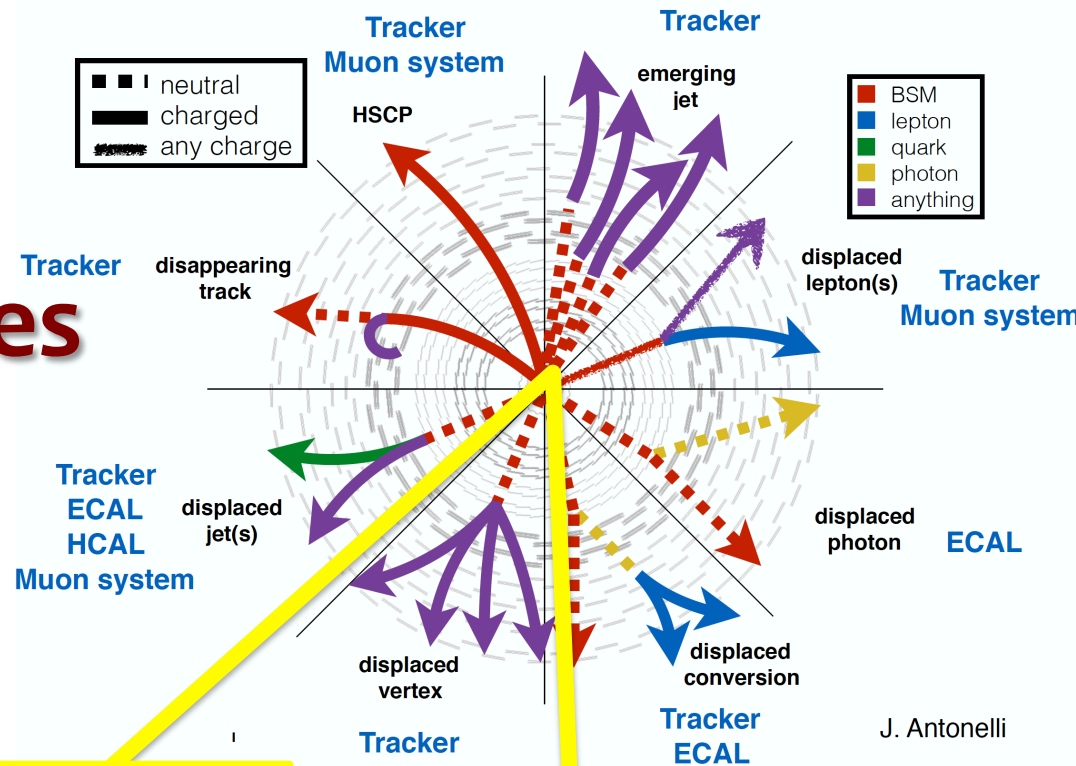
detector noise, cosmic rays, reco failures – can be estimated from data



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# Displaced Vertices



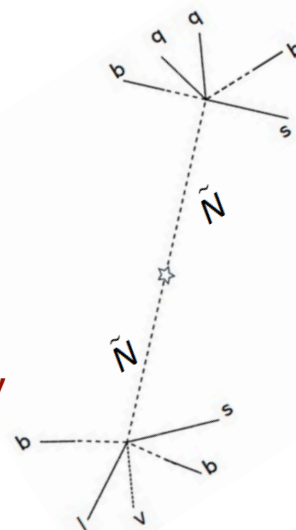
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# Displaced vertices in multijet events

- **Signature:** displaced jets in the region of a beam pipe

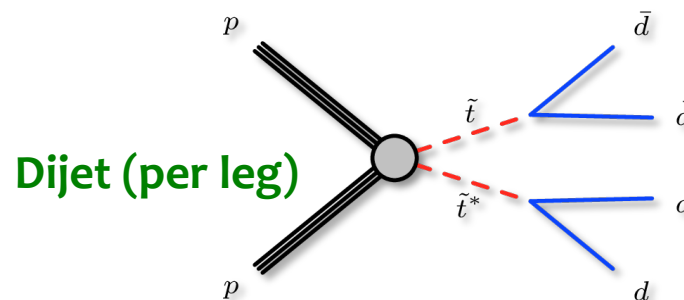
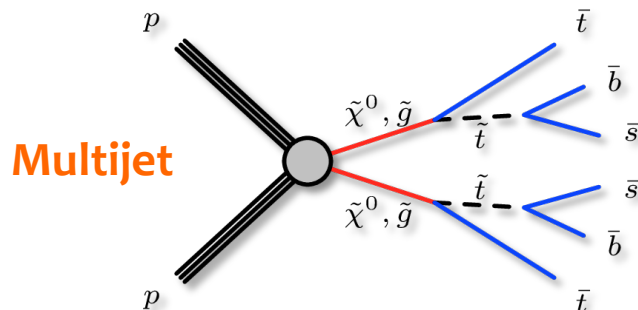
- **Analysis strategy:**

- reconstruct displaced vertices from tracks in events with jets
- focus on intermediate lifetimes  $c\tau$  (100  $\mu\text{m}$  to 10 cm)
  - first tracking (pixel) layer: 4.4 cm radius
- distinguish **signal in two-vertex events** using **the distance  $d_{vv}$**  between vertices
- SM background: prompt vertices in events with lots of jets



- **Benchmark:**

- Pair-produced long-lived neutralinos/gluinos or stops in RPV SUSY



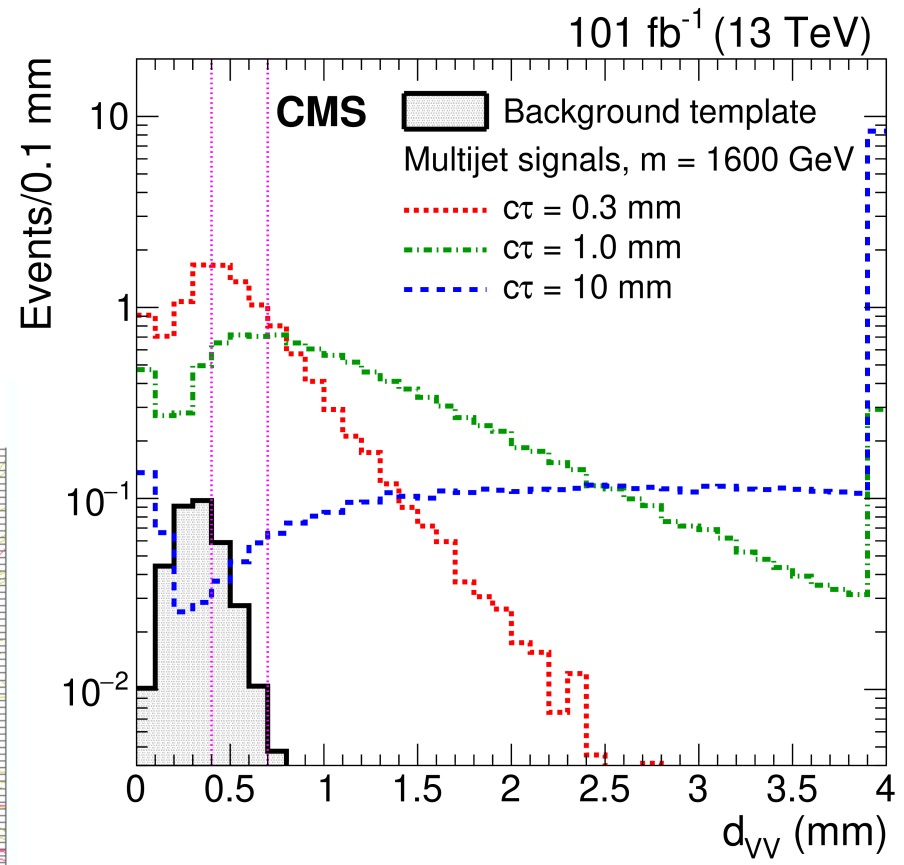
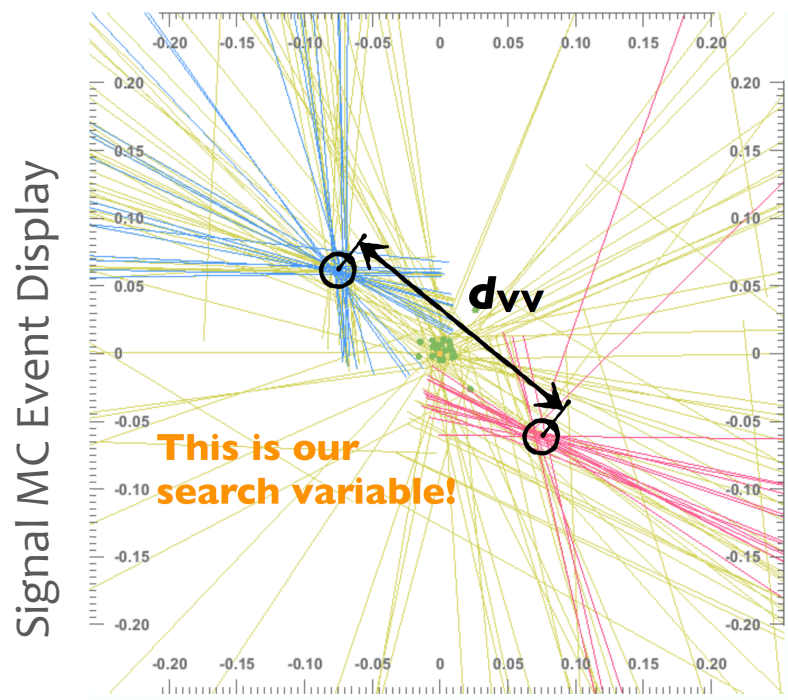


# Displaced vertices - variable

- Search variable:  $d_{VV}$  – xy distance between vertices

- Search regions: 3 bins

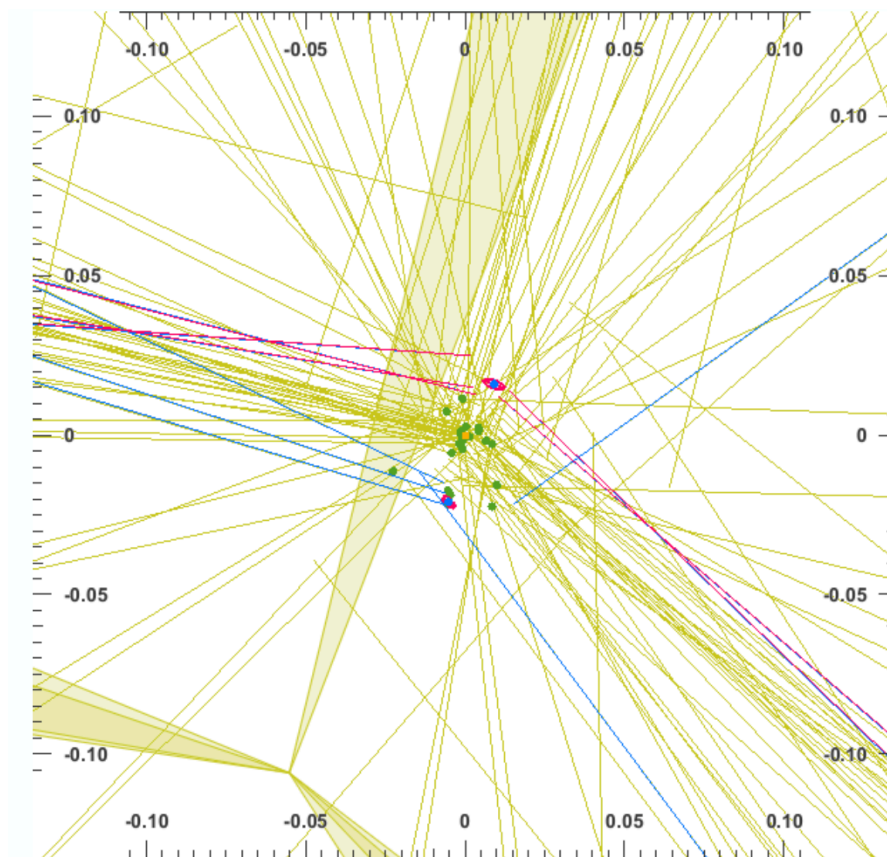
- 0.0 – 0.4 mm
- 0.4 – 0.7 mm
- 0.7 – 40 mm





# Displaced vertices - bkg

- **Background vertices** arise due to misreconstructed tracks with non-negligible transverse impact parameters
- Two-vertex background events are independent rare coincidences of two background vertices from separate misreconstructions in one event
- No guarantee that MC can faithfully reproduce such effects
- **Use data-driven method** to construct background template that models two-vertex background shape

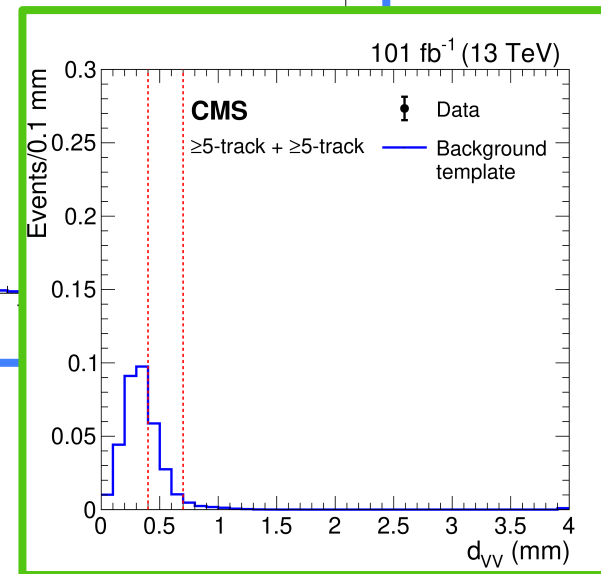
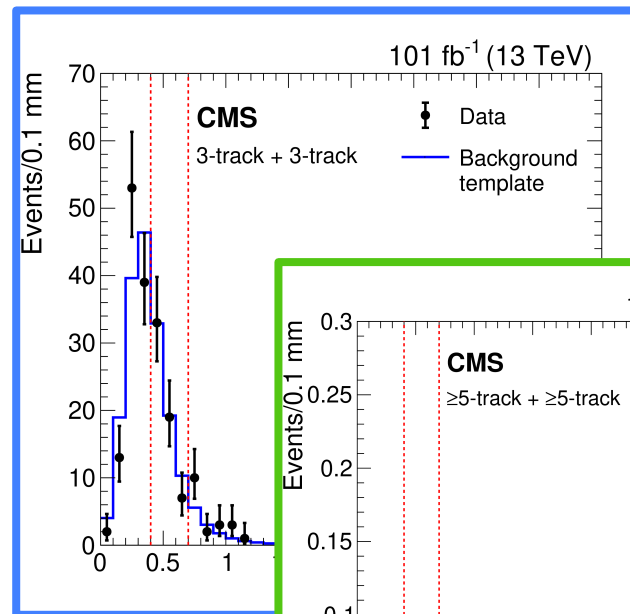


2016 DATA event observed  
( $\geq 5$ -track two-vertex) with  $d_{VV} = 396 \mu\text{m}$



# Displaced vertices - results

- **Trigger:** on events with large jet activity  
standard  $HT = \sum^{N_{\text{jets}}} E_T > 1050 \text{ GeV}$
- **Selection:**  $\geq 4$  jets
- **Control samples:**
  - events with 3-track & 4-track vertices
- **Background:**
  - estimated from  $\geq 5$ -track one-vertex
- **Signal region:**
  - $\geq 5$ -track two-vertex events



- **Results:** 0 event observed ( $\geq 5$ -track two-vertex)

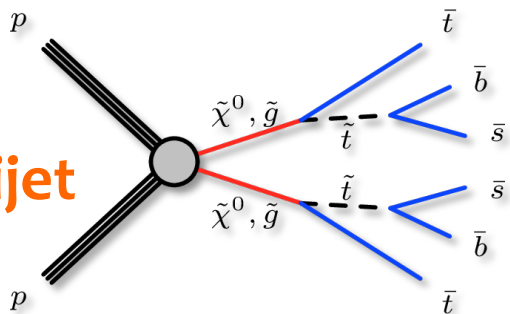
| $d_{VV}$ range | Predicted background yield                  | Predicted multijet signal yields |               |                 | Observed |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------|
|                |                                             | 0.3 mm                           | 1.0 mm        | 10 mm           |          |
| 0–0.4 mm       | $0.243 \pm 0.003$ (stat) $\pm 0.061$ (syst) | $4.4 \pm 0.5$                    | $1.5 \pm 0.1$ | $0.26 \pm 0.02$ | 0        |
| 0.4–0.7 mm     | $0.097 \pm 0.003$ (stat) $\pm 0.032$ (syst) | $4.1 \pm 0.5$                    | $2.1 \pm 0.2$ | $0.14 \pm 0.01$ | 0        |
| 0.7–40 mm      | $0.012 \pm 0.001$ (stat) $\pm 0.006$ (syst) | $3.0 \pm 0.3$                    | $7.6 \pm 0.7$ | $12 \pm 1$      | 0        |



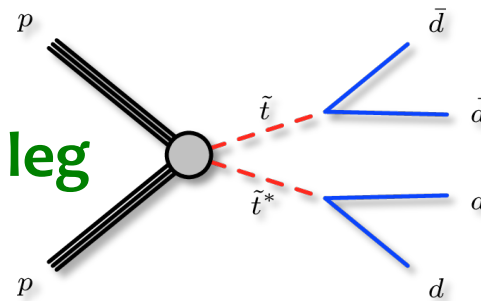


# Displaced vertices - interpretation

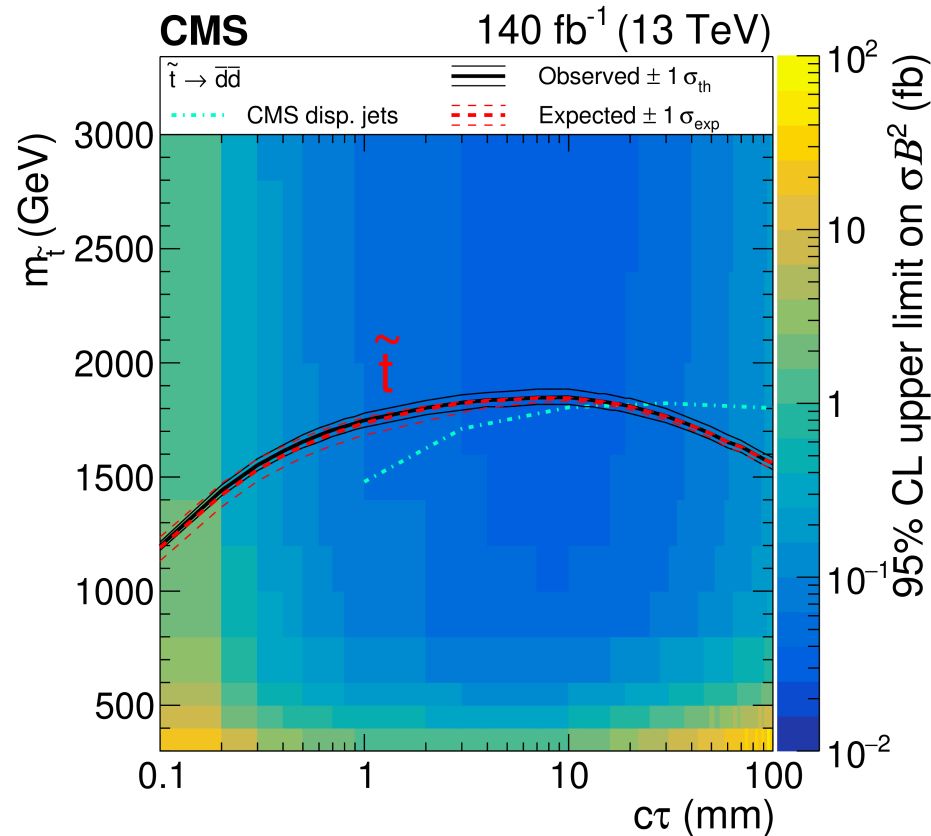
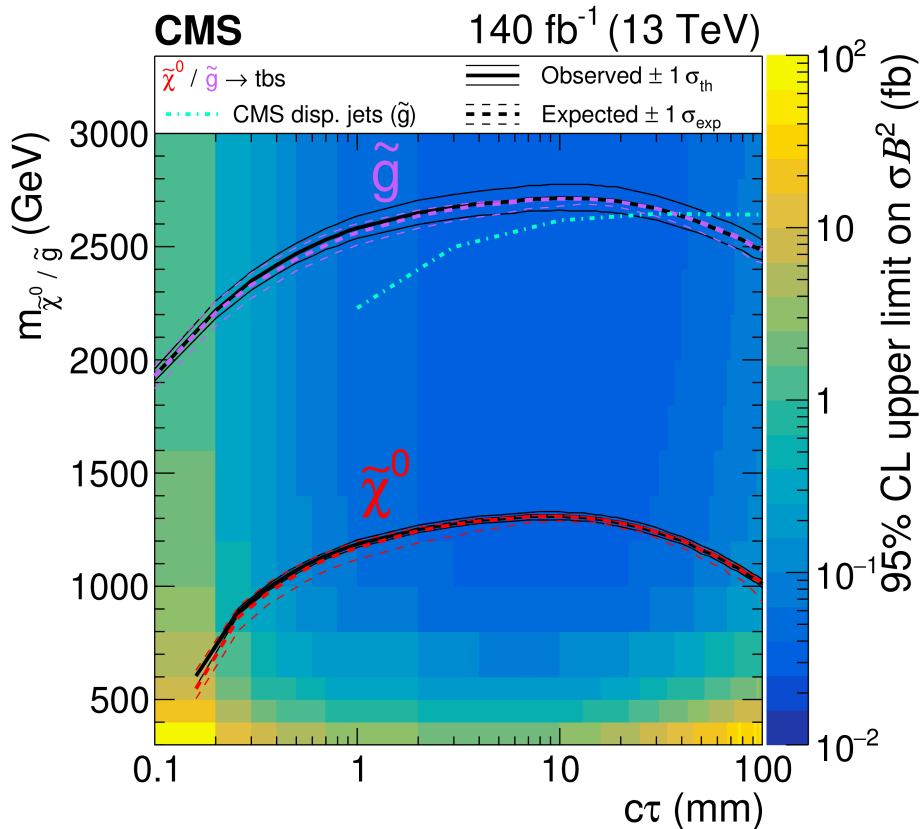
Multijet



Dijet per leg

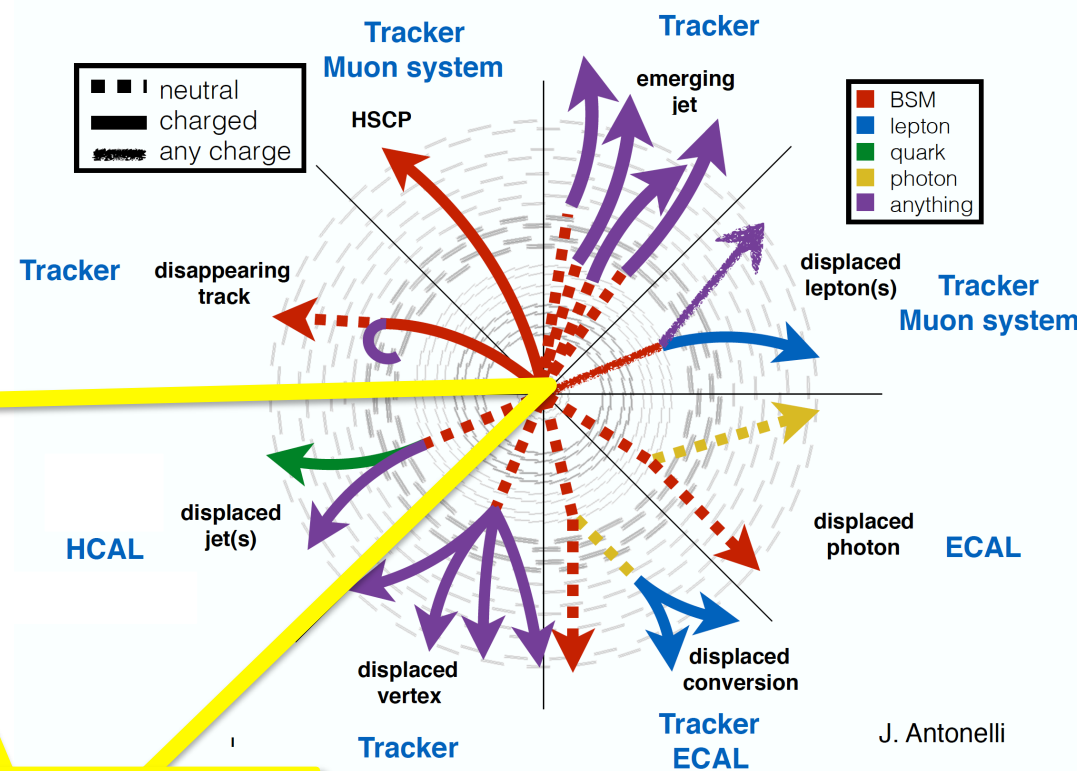


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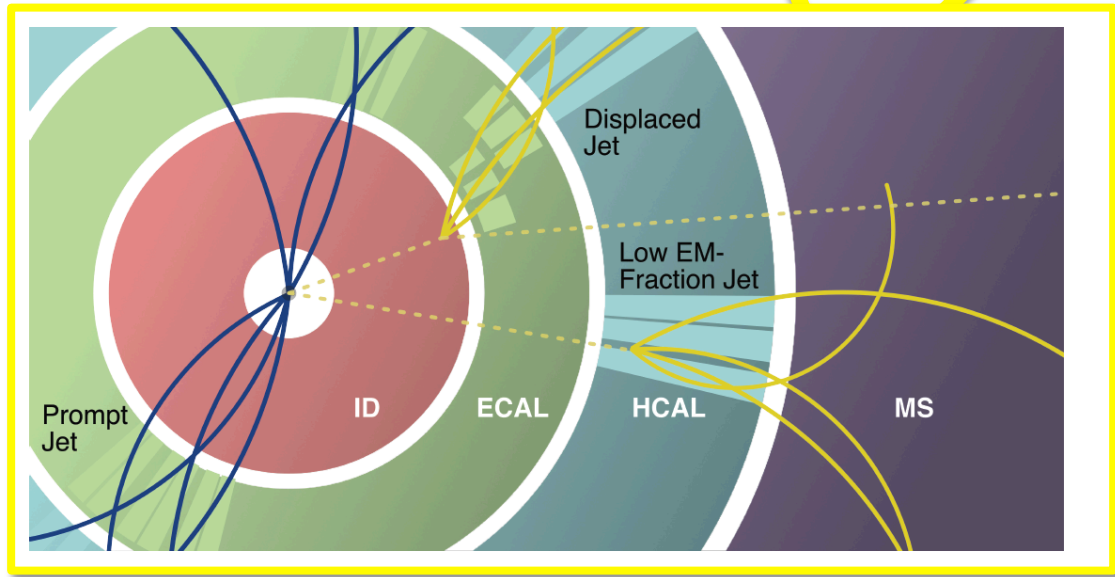




# Displaced Jets



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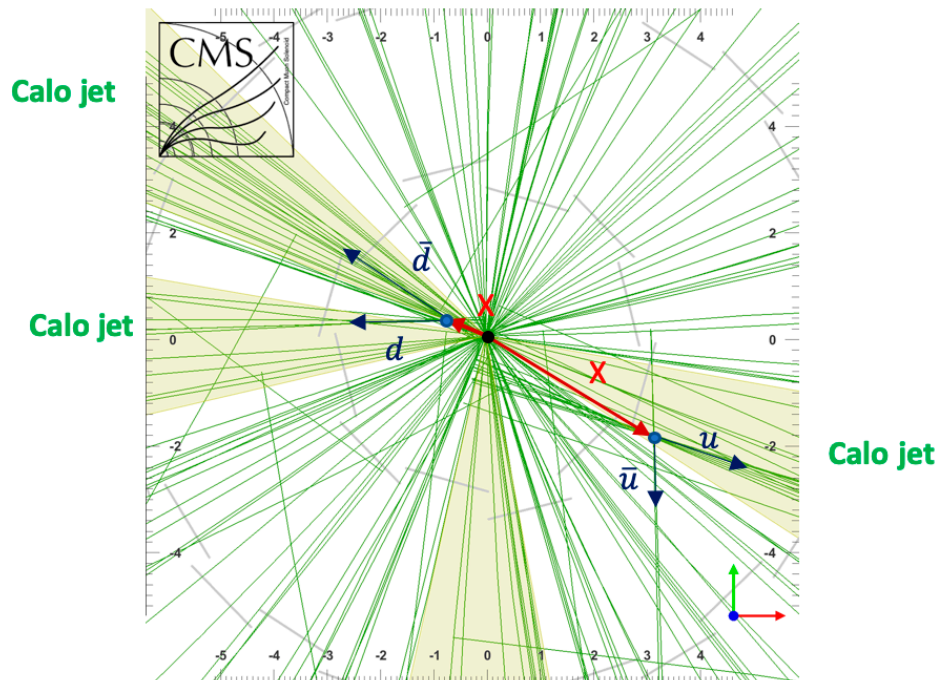




# Displaced Jets

- Distinctive **topology**: **pair of jets** originating at a **secondary vertex displaced** from the production vertex by up to around 55 cm in the transverse plane
- inclusive search for LLPs decaying into jets, with **at least one displaced vertex**

*Reconstructed tracks (and CALO jets) in a simulated LLP event*



## Full Run 2

■ 2017/2018: **95.9/fb**

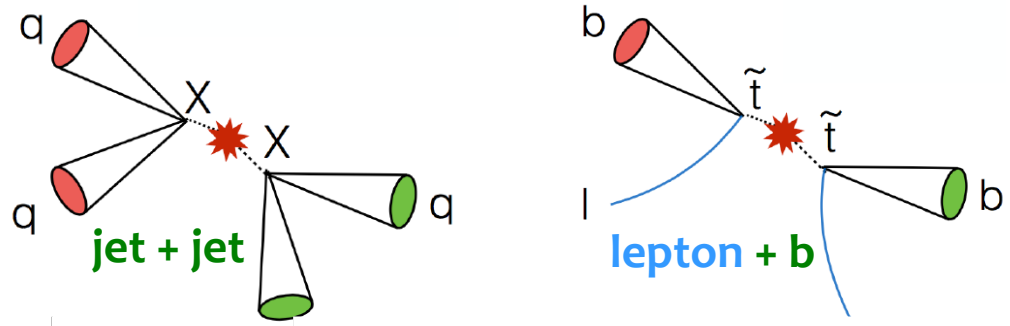
■ 2016: **36/fb**

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**Calo jet** is formed from energy deposits in the calorimeters

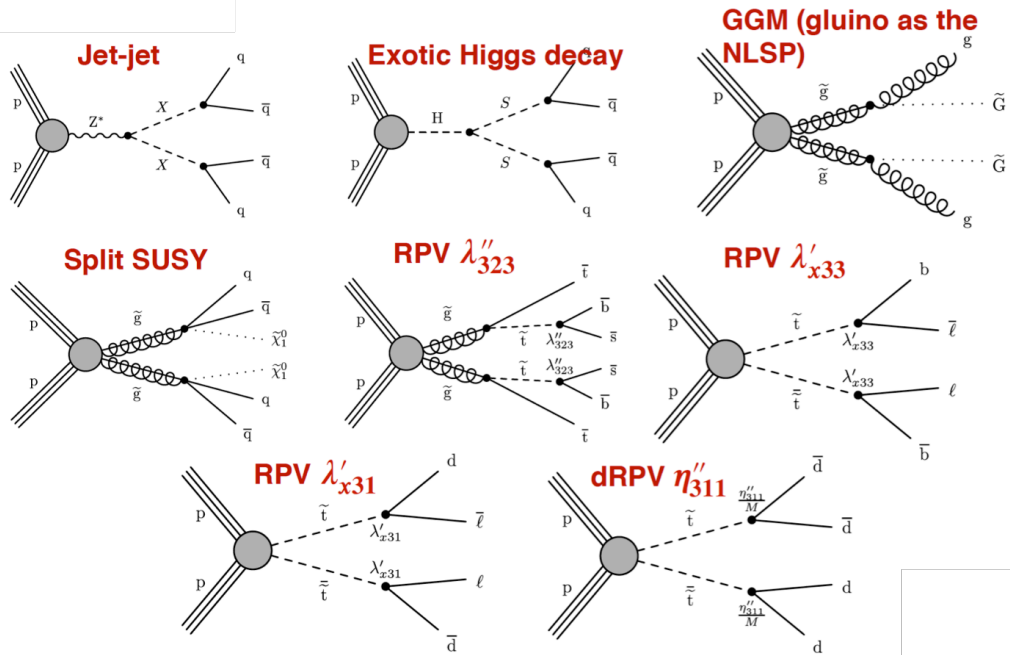
# Displaced Jets - signal

- Distinctive **topology**: **pair of jets** originating at a **displaced vertex**



## Hypothetical **SIGNAL**:

- Long-lived massive neutral particles decaying to quark-antiquark pairs
- **Jet-jet** benchmark model:  $gg \rightarrow (\text{non-SM}) H \rightarrow 2X, X \rightarrow qq$  where  $c\tau_X \sim 1\text{mm to } 10\text{m}$
- **BMS models**: Hidden Valley Higgs, Split SUSY, General Gauge Mediated SUSY, RPV SUSY





# Displaced Jets – pre-selection

- Two **triggers**:

the **displaced trigger** has better efficiency for low-mass LLPs, while the **inclusive trigger** recovers efficiency for high mass LLPs with small  $c\tau$  ( $< \sim 3\text{mm}$ ) and large  $c\tau$  ( $> \sim 300\text{mm}$ )

- with algo for **jet displacement tagging**

- $H_T > 430$  (**650**) GeV
- $\geq 2$  jets with  $p_T > 40$  (**60**) GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.0$
- $\geq 1$  displaced track (**no requirement on the number of displaced tracks**)
- $\leq 2$  (**associated**) prompt tracks

$H_T$  – a scalar sum of  $p_T$  of all jets with  $p_T > 40\text{GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 2.5$  in the event

- Basic event selections:

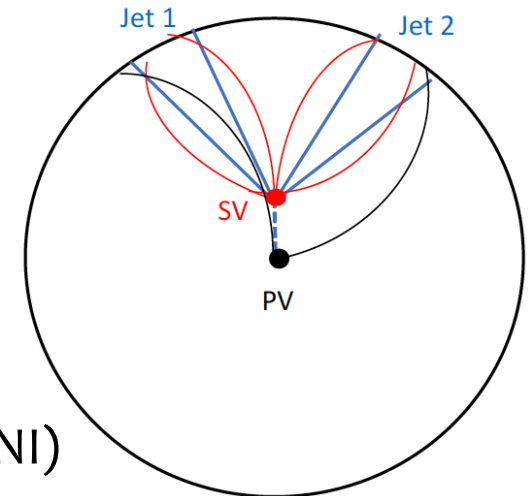
- If passes the **displaced (inclusive)** trigger:  
Calo  $H_T > 500$  (**700**) GeV, Calo jets  $p_T > 50$  (**80**) GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.0$
- Track-jet association, tracks are matched to jets within  $R < 0.5$
- Tracks are required to high-purity and have  $p_T > 1\text{GeV}$



# Displaced Jets – SV reco

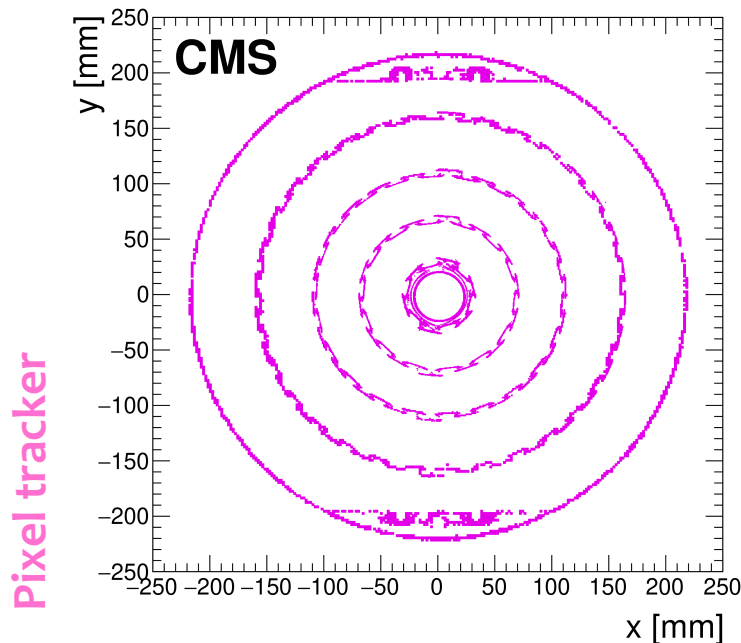
## Secondary vertex reconstruction

- For all possible pairs of jets
- Tracks associated with the dijet candidate
- Fit a **SV position**
- Vertex  $\text{Mass}_{\text{inv}} > 4 \text{ GeV}$  and vertex  $p_T > 8 \text{ GeV}$



Background events arise from nuclear interactions (NI)

with the **inner pixel tracker** material



- NI vertex candidates reflect a structure of the pixel tracking system and beam pipe
- **Any secondary vertex candidate that overlaps with the NI-veto map is rejected**



# Displaced Jets – background

- QCD multijet process dominates the background

given the large cross section ( $\sim 4 \times 10^4$  pb for  $H_T > 500$  GeV)

- Gradient Boosted Decision Tree (GBDT) as the discriminant

on four variables:

1. vertex track multiplicity
2. cluster RMS
3. vertex  $L_{xy}$  significance

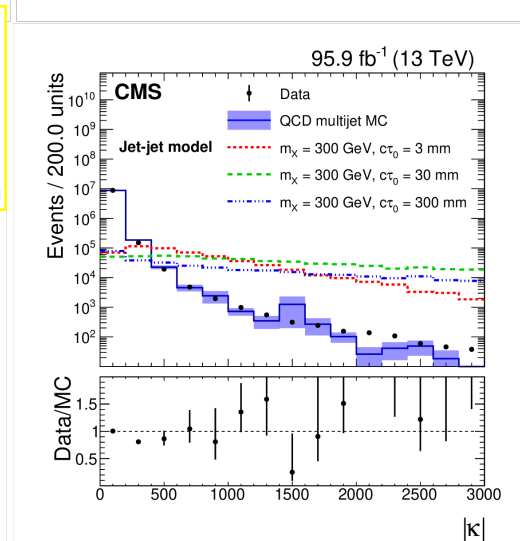
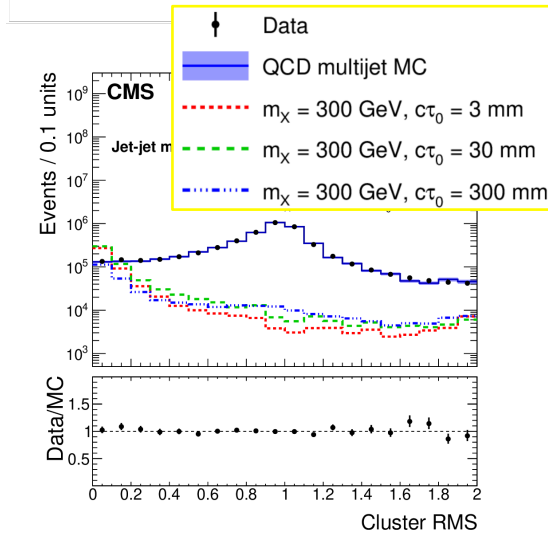
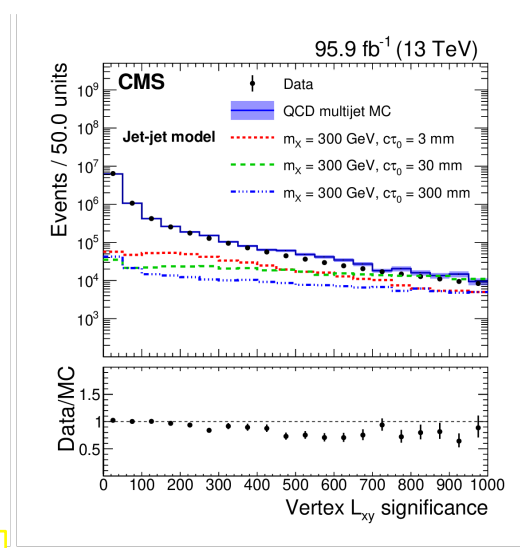
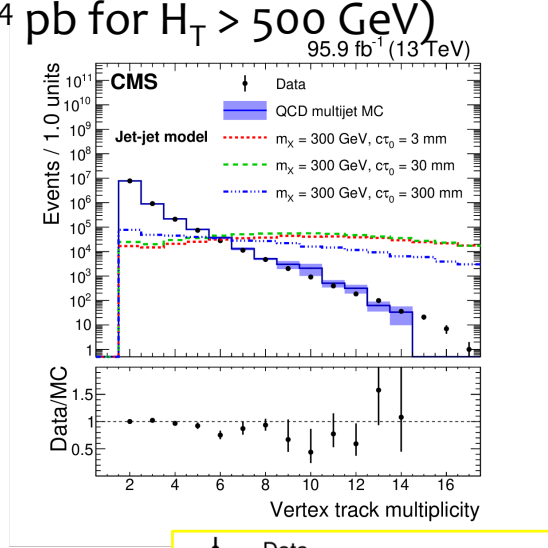
4.  $|\kappa|$

$$\kappa = \sum_{i=1}^6 \text{Sig}[IP_{2D}(\text{track}_i)]$$

- Control region for GBDT training:

- selection on the SV track energy fraction inverted
- NI-veto removed

- Signal distributions almost do not depend on mass and ctau





# Displaced Jets – bckg. prediction

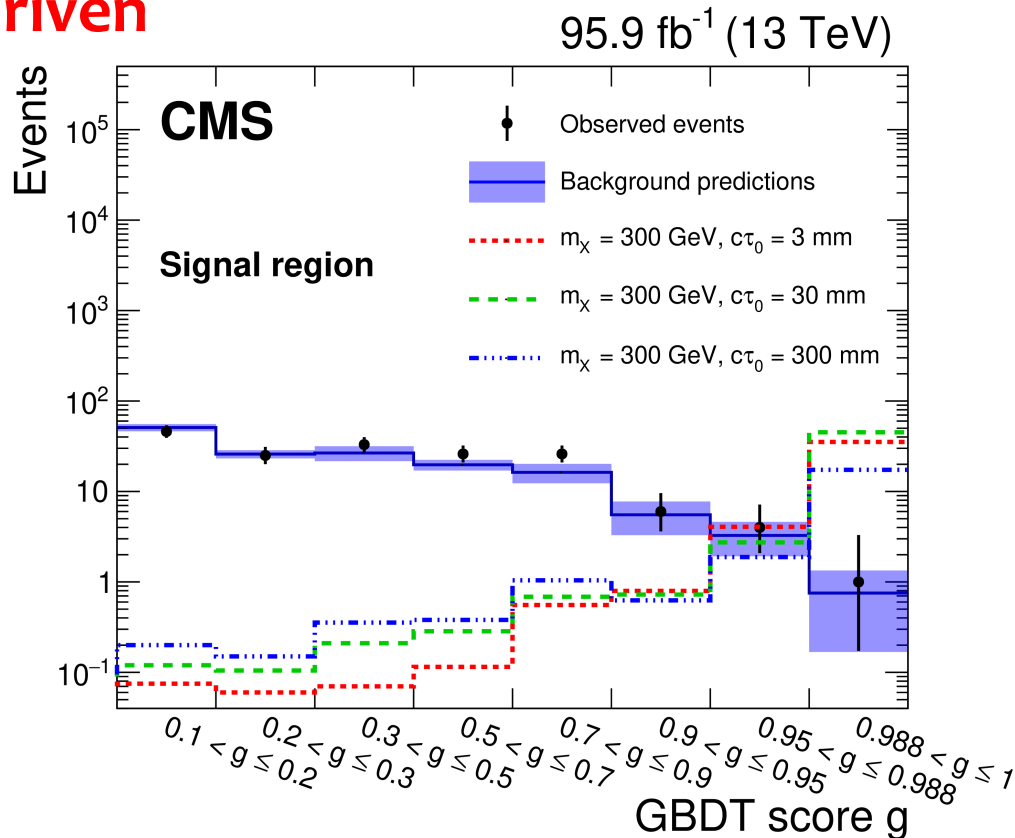
- Background is **purely data-driven**

- with extended ABCD method predictions in 8 regions for 3 selection options:

- no of prompt tracks for 1<sup>st</sup> jet  $\leq 2$
- no of prompt tracks for 2<sup>nd</sup> jet  $\leq 2$
- GBDT  $> 0.988$

- Signal region:**

- all selection criteria applied
- no of prompt tracks for both jets  $\leq 2$
- GBDT  $> 0.988$



- Predicted background in the final signal region:  **$0.75 \pm 0.44(\text{stat}) \pm 0.39(\text{syst})$**

- Number of **observed events: 1 event** ( $H_T = 570$  GeV, SV with  $L_{xy} \sim 26$  cm and 8 assigned tracks)

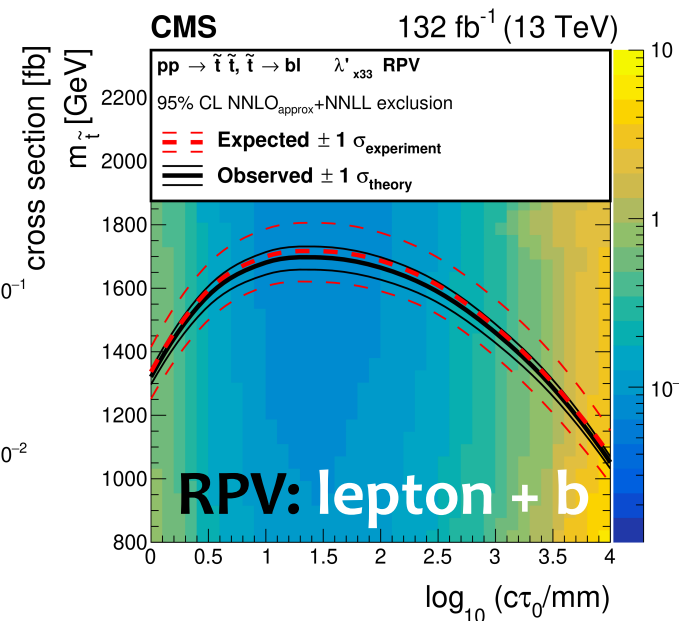
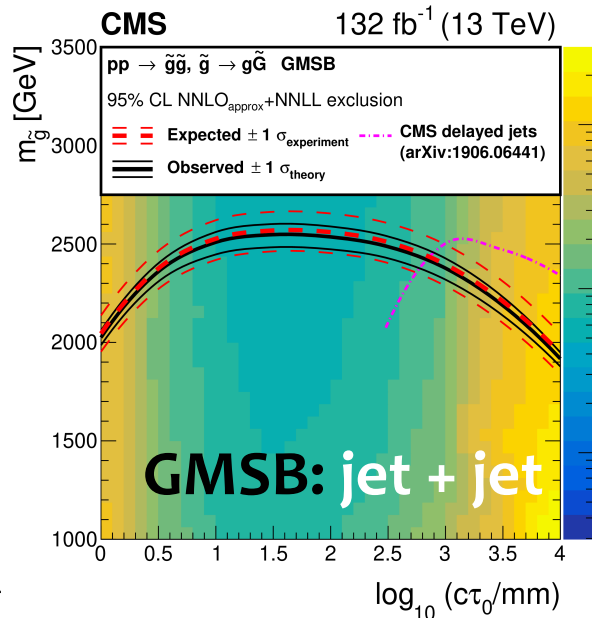
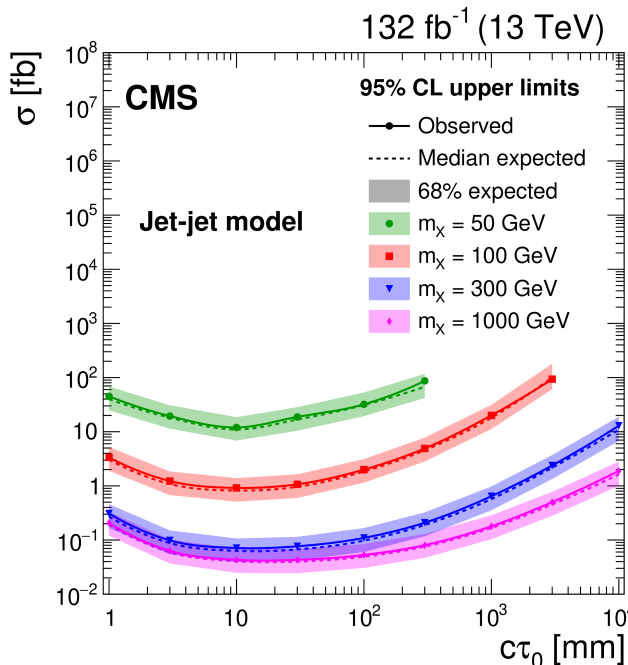




# New limits with displaced jets

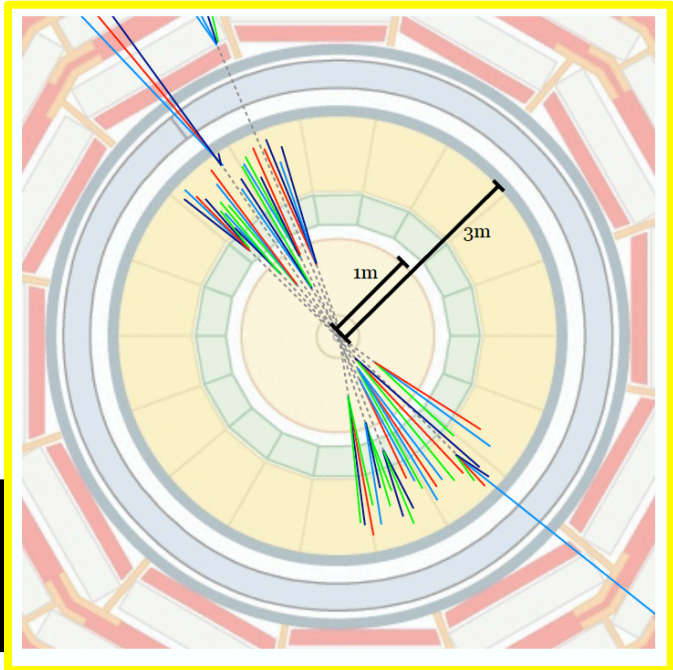
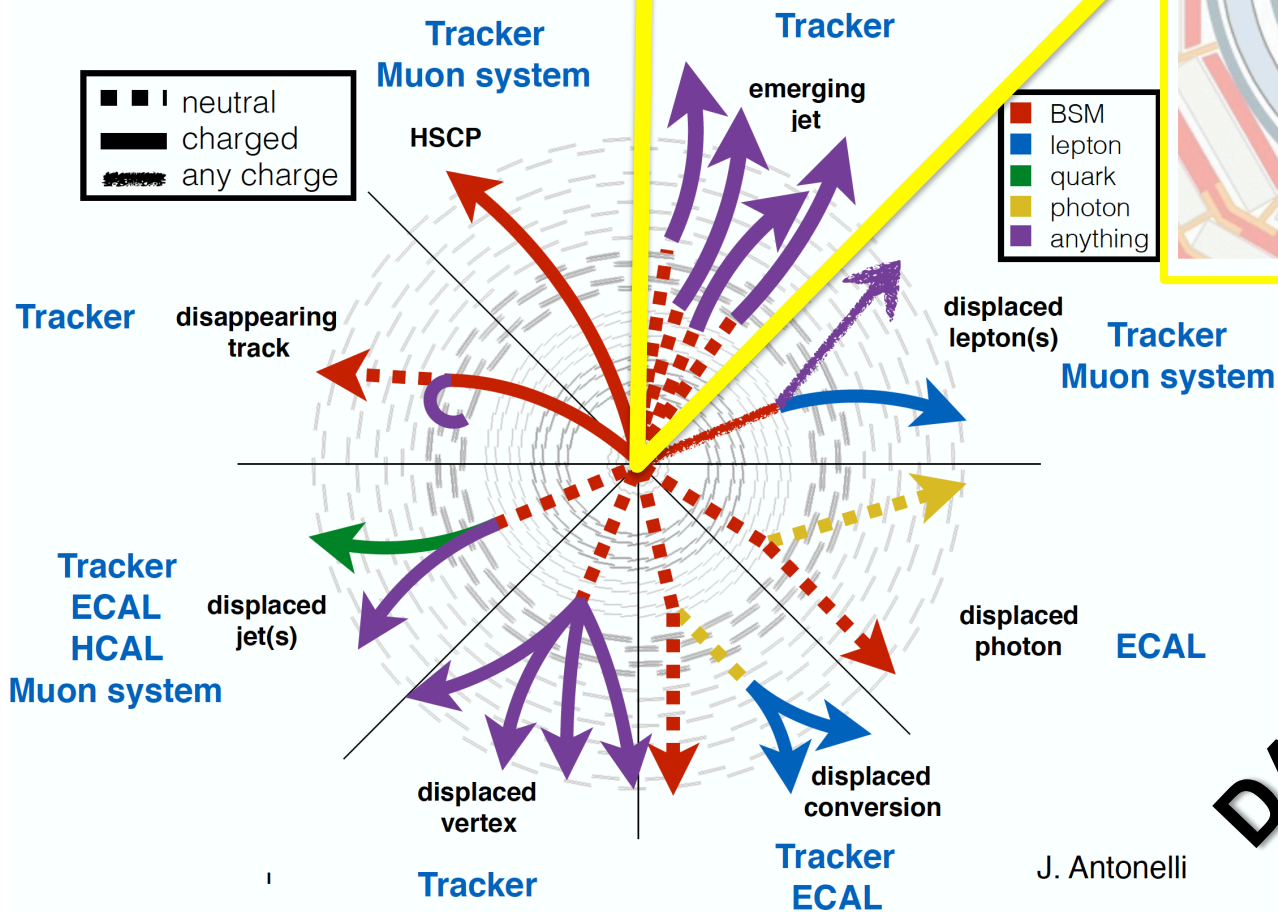
## Combined results for Full Run 2 data (2016 + 2017/18):

- Exclusion limits on the cross-section on **new neutral LLPs** decaying to two jets, 0.04 fb at high mass ( $m_x > 1000$  GeV) for  $c\tau_0 = 30$  mm
- **GMSB**: pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **2450 GeV** are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 6 and 550 mm
- **RPV SUSY**: pair-produced **LL top squarks** lighter than **~1600 GeV** are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 2 and 1320 mm





# Emerging Jets

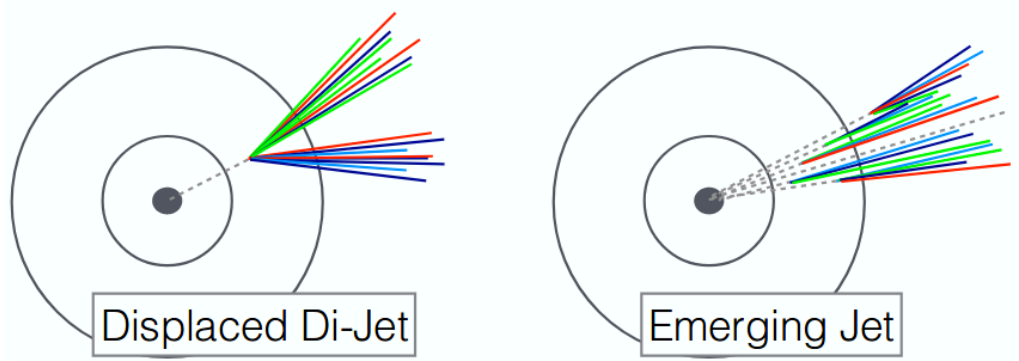
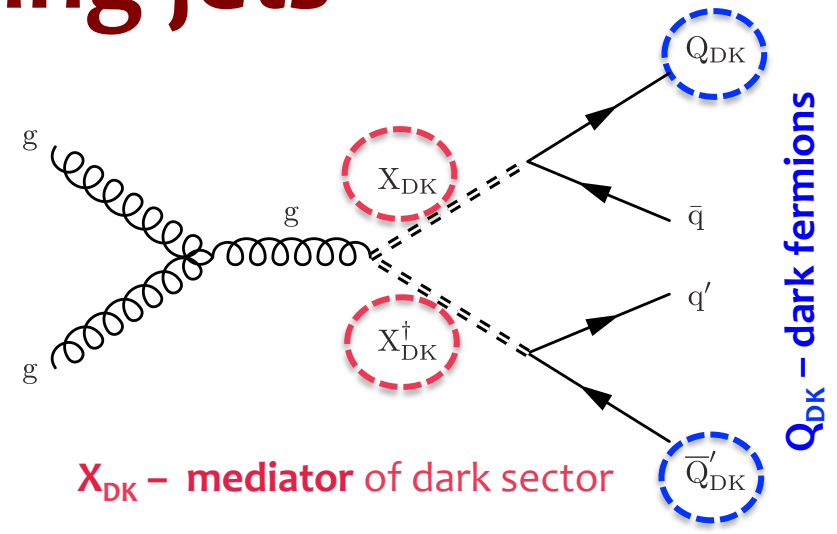


**DARK SHOWERS**  
of Hidden Valley  
[Knapen et al., arXiv:1612.00850]

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# Emerging jets

- The **Dark QCD** model with long-lived dark-pions, which can decay to SM particles
- **Signal:** 2 prompt jets and **2 emerging jets**



**Emerging jets** are produced in the hadronization of  $Q_{DK}$  to dark hadrons ( $\pi_{DK}$ ) which form dark jets, and contain **multiple displaced vertices** from the decay of dark-pions

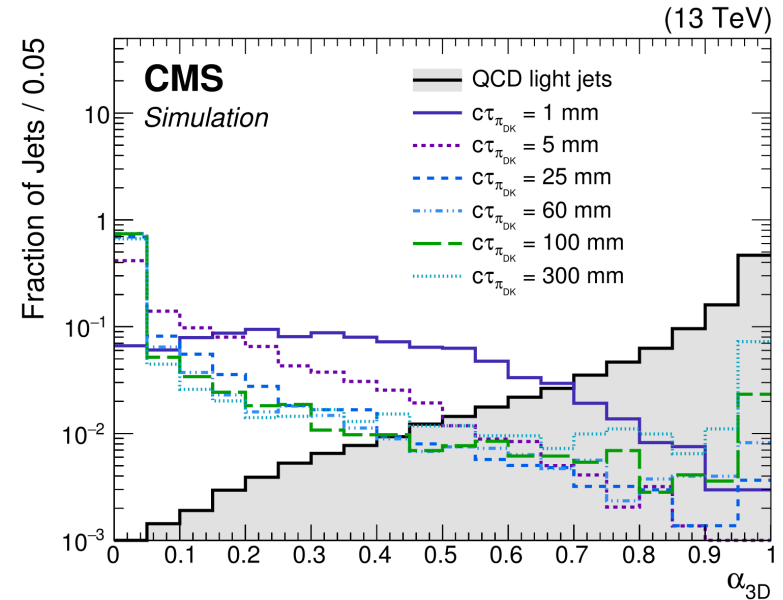
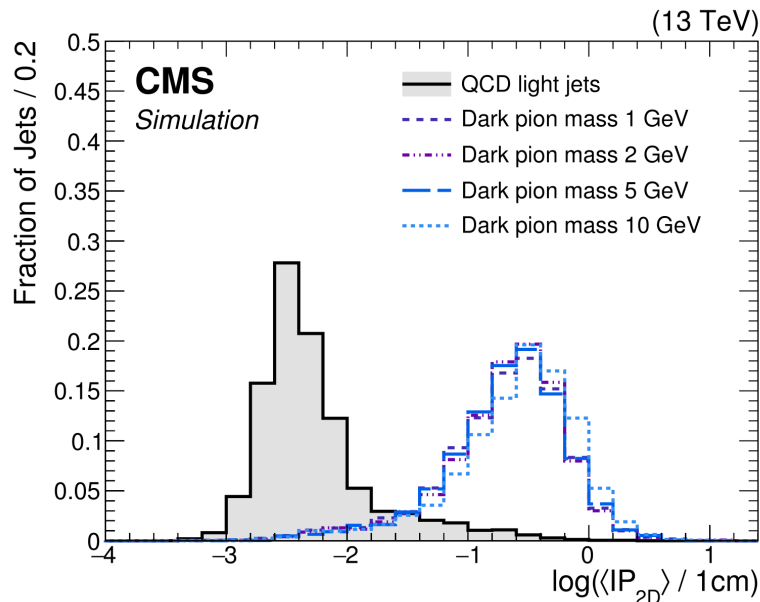
focus on lifetimes of **1 mm < cτ < 1 m**

| Signal model parameters                        | List of values                                     |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Dark mediator mass $m_{X_{DK}}$ [GeV]          | 400, 600, 800, 1000, 1250, 1500, 2000              |
| Dark pion mass $m_{\pi_{DK}}$ [GeV]            | 1, 2, 5, 10                                        |
| Dark pion decay length $c\tau_{\pi_{DK}}$ [mm] | 1, 2, 5, 25, 45, 60, 100, 150, 225, 300, 500, 1000 |

336 signal hypotheses

# Emerging jets – strategy

- **Data: 16/fb** – part of 2016  
due to saturation-induced dead time present in the readout of the silicon strip tracker
- **HLT Trigger: HT > 900 GeV**
- **Strategy:** extension of the displaced jet search and tagger for emerging jets – *emerging jets identification:*



- **7 Different selections sets** are used with:
  - optimized kinematic cuts on HT,  $p_T$  of jets, MET
  - optimized emerging jet tag cuts

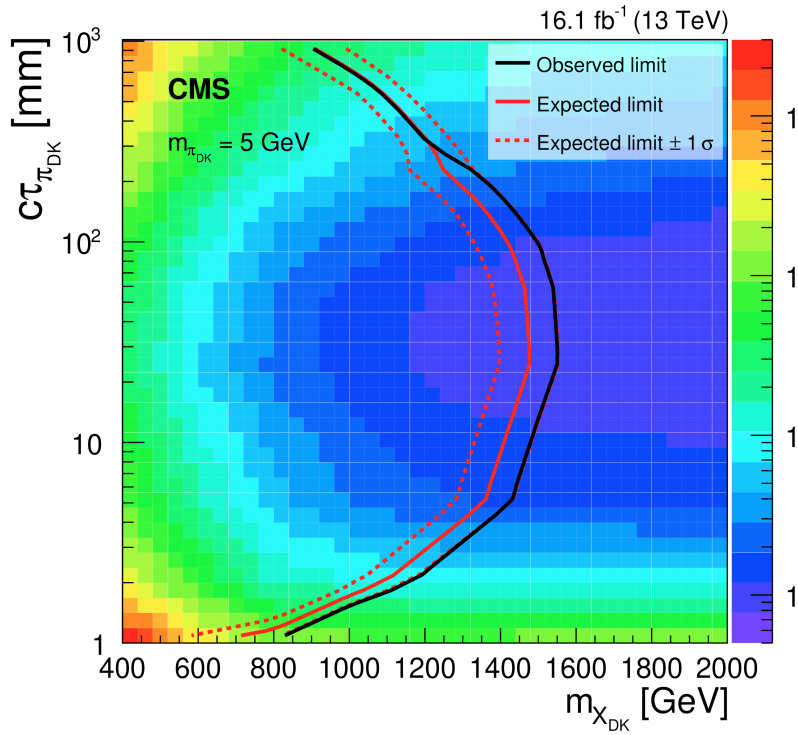


# Emerging jets - limits

- Results:** Observed events agree with bkg. expectation in all 7 selection sets

| Set number     | Expected              |                          |                         | Observed                     | Signal | Model parameters |     |  |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------|------------------|-----|--|
|                | $m_{\chi_{DK}}$ [GeV] | $m_{\pi_{DK}}$ [GeV]     | $c\tau_{\pi_{DK}}$ [mm] |                              |        |                  |     |  |
| Signal Regions | 1                     | $168 \pm 15 \pm 5$       | $131$                   | $36.7 \pm 4.0$               | 600    | 5                | 1   |  |
|                | 2                     | $31.8 \pm 5.0 \pm 1.4$   | 47                      | $(14.6 \pm 2.6) \times 10^2$ | 400    | 1                | 60  |  |
|                | 3                     | $19.4 \pm 7.0 \pm 5.5$   | 20                      | $15.6 \pm 1.6$               | 1250   | 1                | 150 |  |
|                | 4                     | $22.5 \pm 2.5 \pm 1.5$   | 16                      | $15.1 \pm 2.0$               | 1000   | 1                | 2   |  |
|                | 5                     | $13.9 \pm 1.9 \pm 0.6$   | 14                      | $35.3 \pm 4.0$               | 1000   | 2                | 150 |  |
|                | 6                     | $9.4 \pm 2.0 \pm 0.3$    | 11                      | $20.7 \pm 2.5$               | 1000   | 10               | 300 |  |
|                | 7                     | $4.40 \pm 0.84 \pm 0.28$ | 2                       | $5.61 \pm 0.64$              | 1250   | 5                | 225 |  |

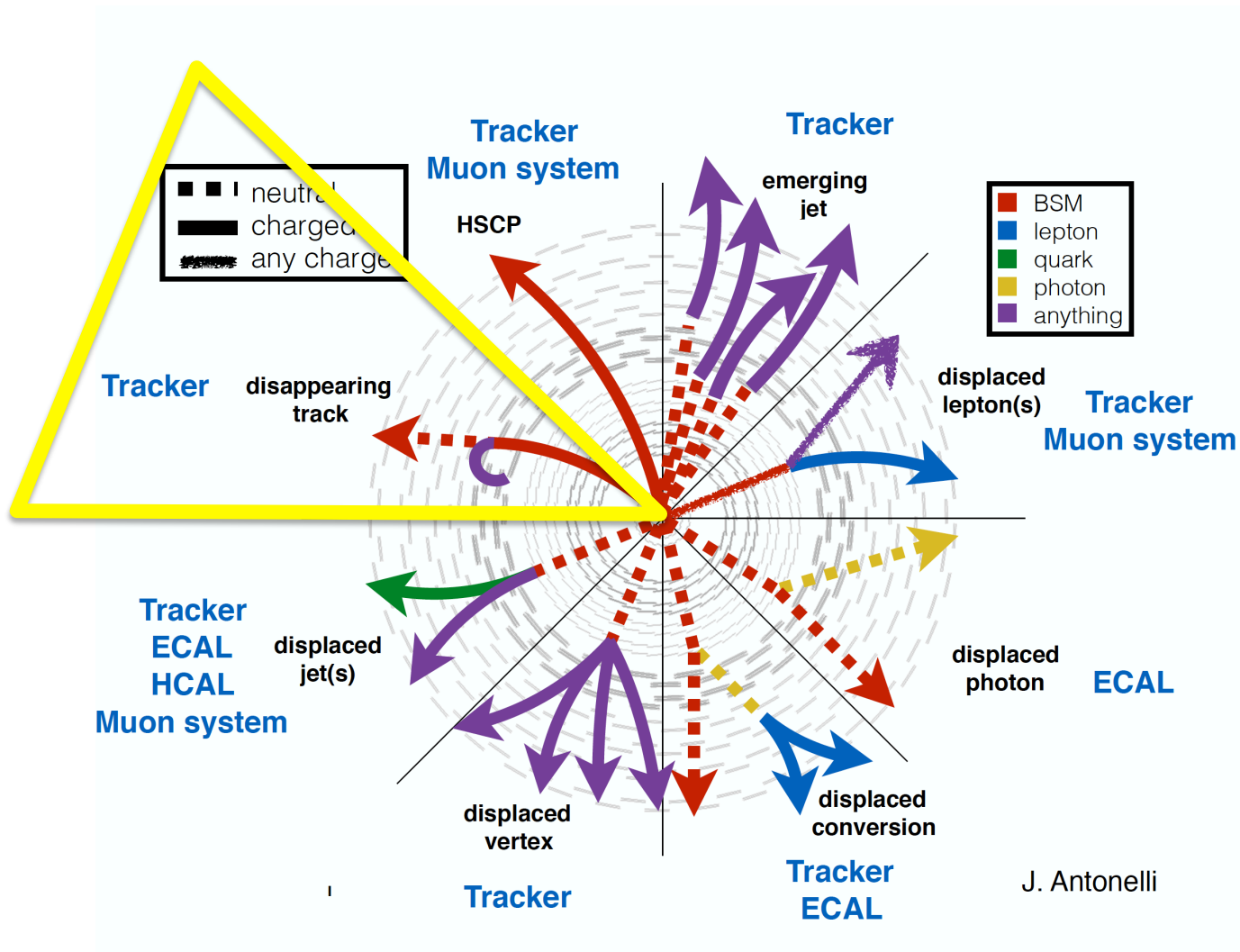
Weaker constraints for  $c\tau \geq 10$  cm due more decays outside pixel tracker



- First emerging jets search at colliders!
- First Dark QCD results
- Limits do not depend strongly on mass of dark pion  $\pi_{DK}$
- Exclude dark-mass mediator  $\chi_{DK}$  mass between 400 and 1250 GeV for  $c\tau(\pi_{DK})$  between 5 and 225 mm



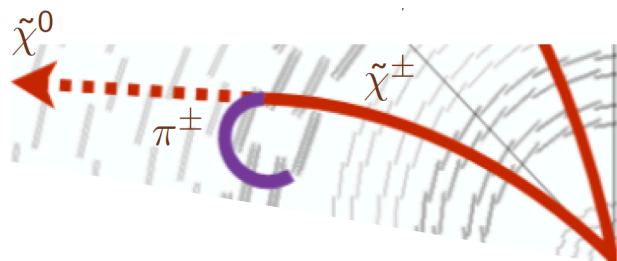
# Disappearing track



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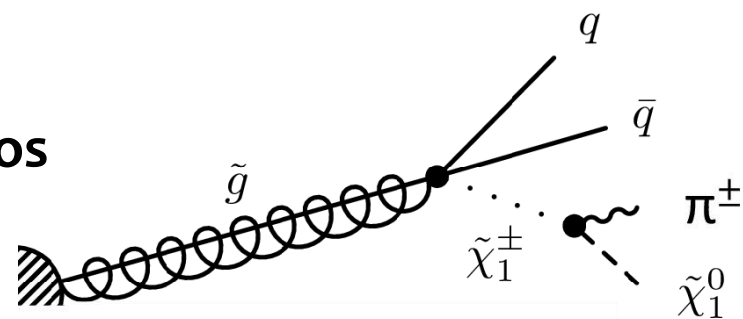


# Disappearing tracks



- **Signature** of short track (ST) in the tracker  
→ charged soft pion hard to be reconstructed

- **Benchmark: compressed SUSY**  
where in a decay chain **long-lived charginos**  
will be seen as **STs** in the tracker  
because of small mass splitting with the LSP  
neutralino,  $\Delta m(\tilde{\chi}^{\pm 1}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0) \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$ ,  $c\tau(\tilde{\chi}^{\pm 1}) \sim 50 \text{ cm}$

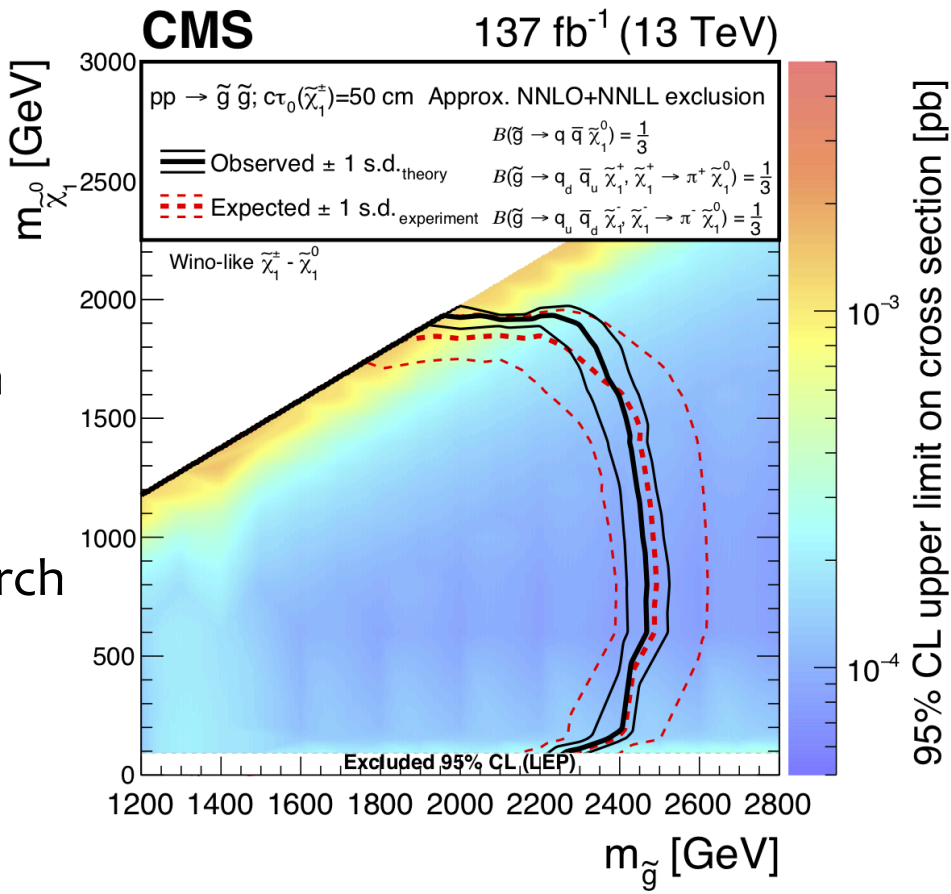


- **Analysis strategy:** classic SUSY inclusive  $M_{T2}$  search adopted to disappearing track search for events with at least 2 jets
- **Profit:** SM background is significantly further suppressed by presence of disappearing tracks



# Disappearing tracks - results

- **Short Track:** high quality track with missing outer hits w/o associated calo or muon hits
- **Selection:**  $\geq 2$  jets, events converted to 2 pseudo-jets with  $M_{T2} > 200$  GeV and at least 1 ST
- **Trigger:** identical to inclusive  $M_{T2}$  search based on  $p_T$ , MET, HT and HTM
- **Background:** Data-driven estimation for main backgrounds: fake rate applied to ST events from poorly reconstructed charged pions and leptons
- **Search regions:** 68 regions in Njet, HT, the ST length, the ST  $p_T$



**Results (compressed SUSY)  
for  $c\tau = 50$  cm**

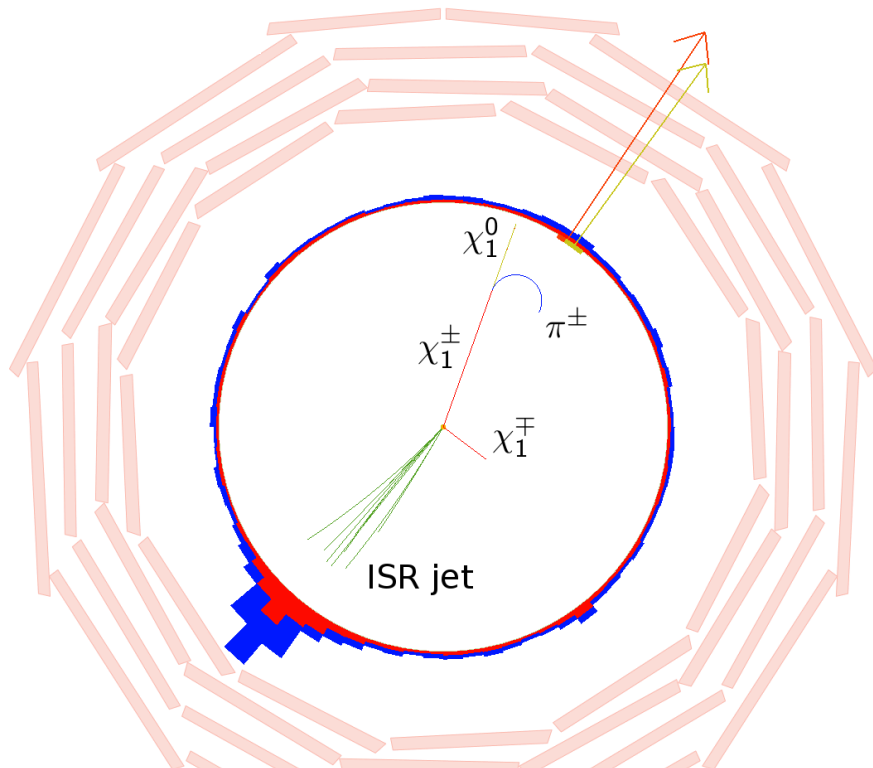
**Exclude  $m_{\tilde{g}} < 2.46$  TeV and  $m_{\tilde{\chi}_0} < 2.0$  TeV**





# Disappearing tracks II

- **Complementary search** for LLP decay within the tracker
- **Benchmark: AMSB** (anomaly mediated SUSY)
- **Dedicated Trigger:** on MET from ISR jets and isolated track and other inclusive MET paths



Signal MC Event Display

- **Disappearing track selection:**
- Candidate track that disappears:
  - $E_{\text{calo}} < 10$  GeV within  $\Delta R < 0.5$
  - $\geq 3$  missing outer hits
  - Number of tracker layers  $n_{\text{lay}} = 4, 5, \geq 6$ , that have hits associated to the track which correspond to track lengths of  $> 20, 30, 40$  cm
- **Background** data driven: lepton can appear as a disappearing track or **fake tracks**

$$47.8_{-2.3}^{+2.7} \text{ (stat)} \pm 8.1 \text{ (syst)}$$

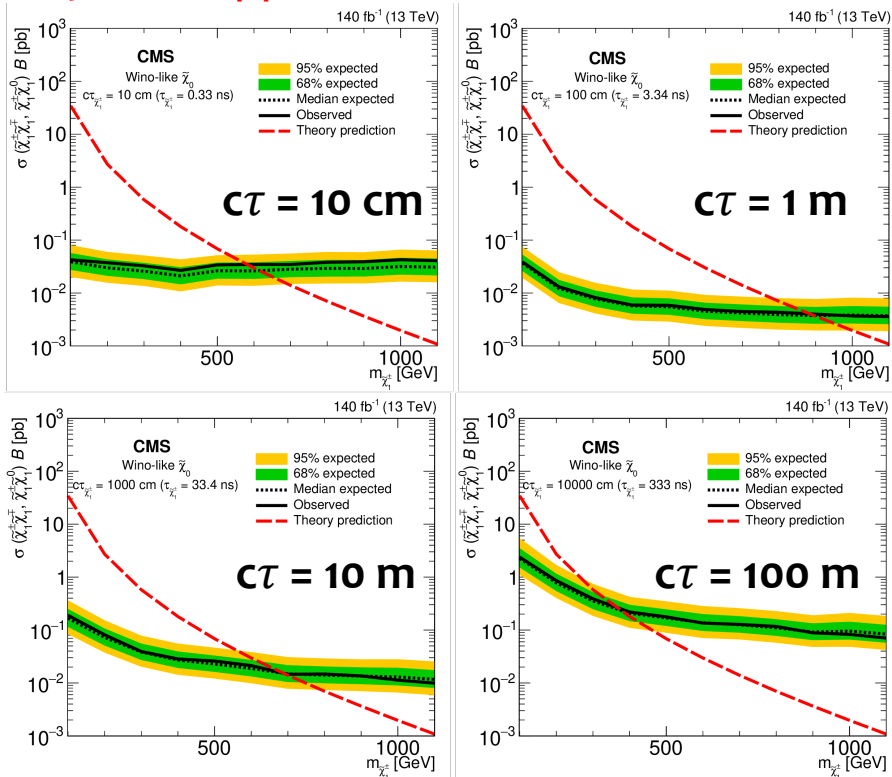
- **Observed 48 events**



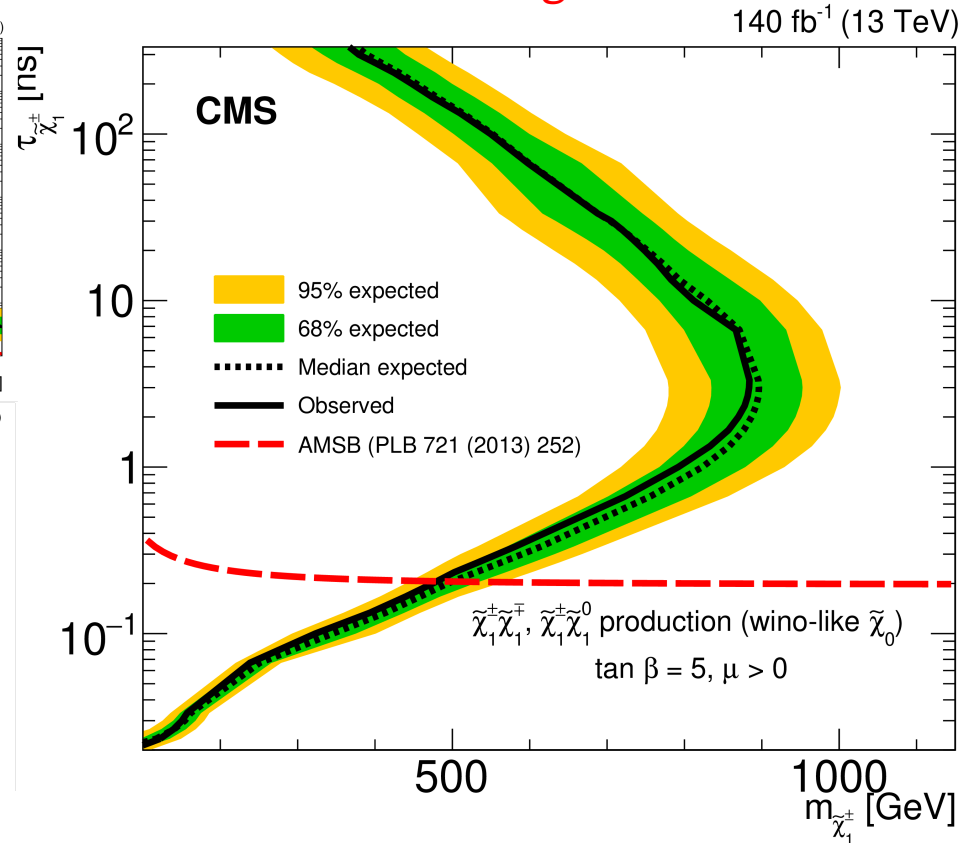
# Disappearing tracks II - interpretation

- **AMSB:** Chargino masses for a purely wino-like neutralino:
  - Excluded below **884 GeV** for  $\tau = 3$  ns
  - Excluded below **474 GeV** for  $\tau = 0.2$  ns

## 95% CL upper limits on cross section x BR

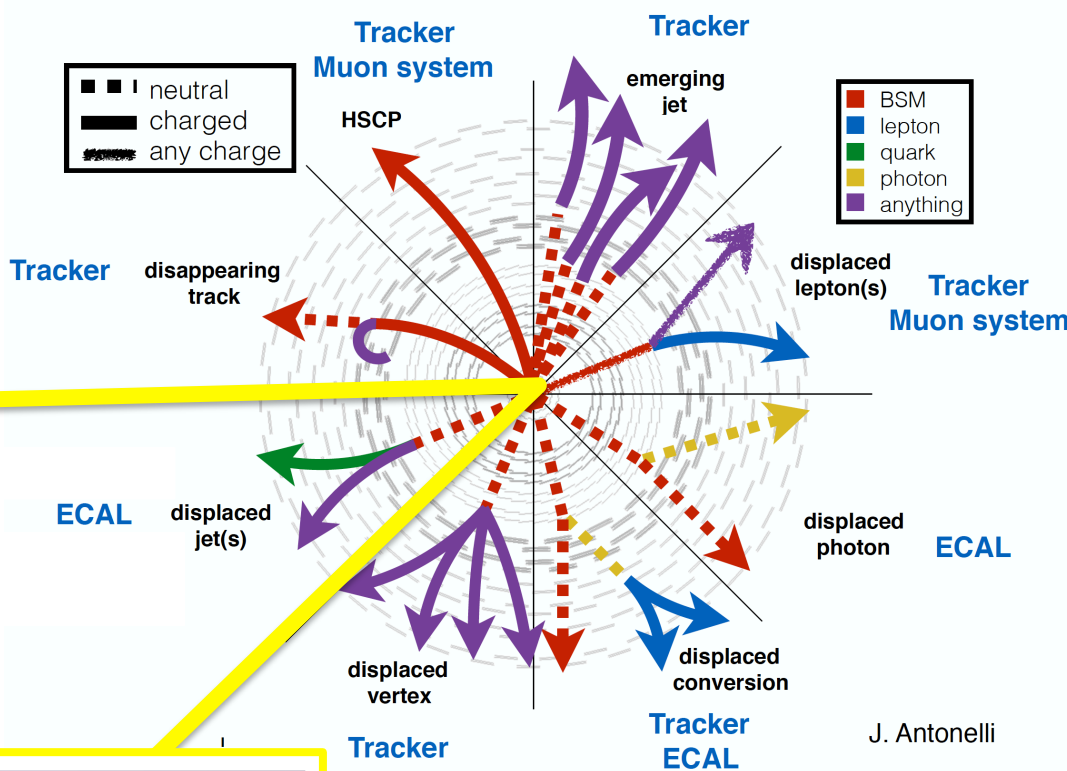


## Constraints on chargino lifetime and mass

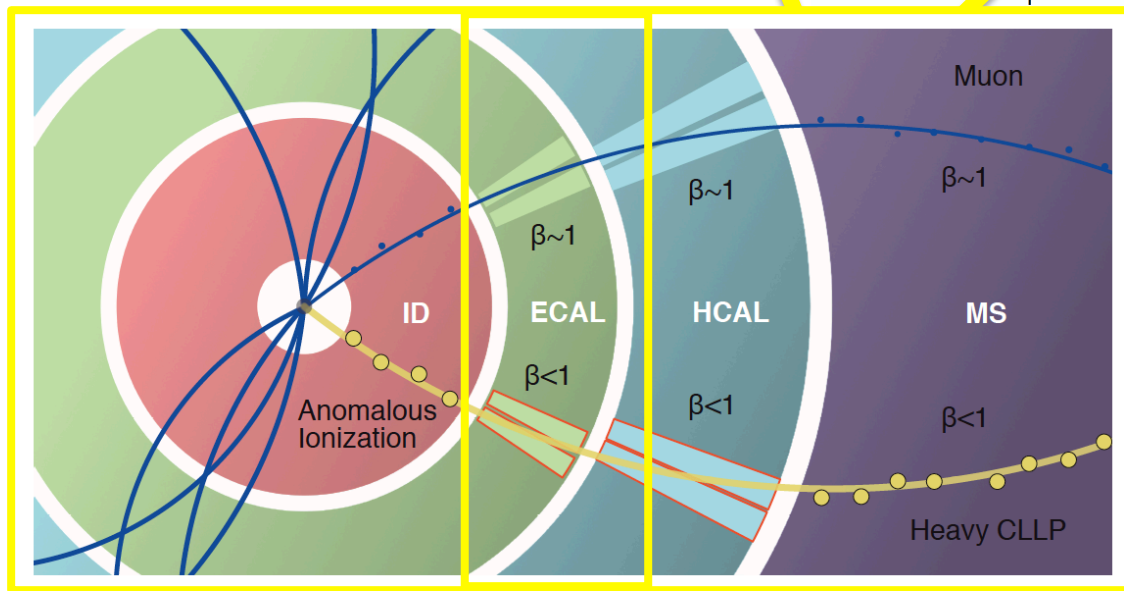




# Delayed Jets



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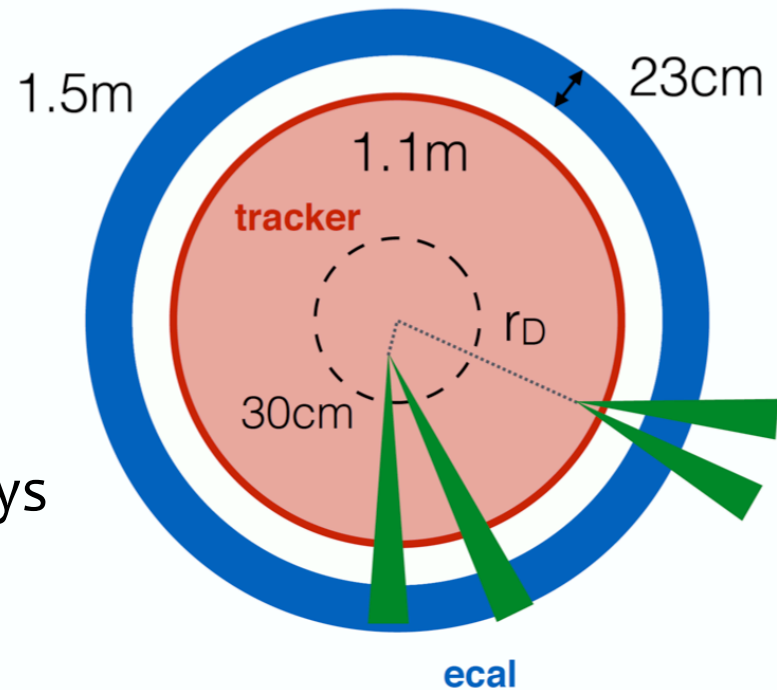




# Delayed Jets

**NEW! Usage of ECAL timing for calo jets**

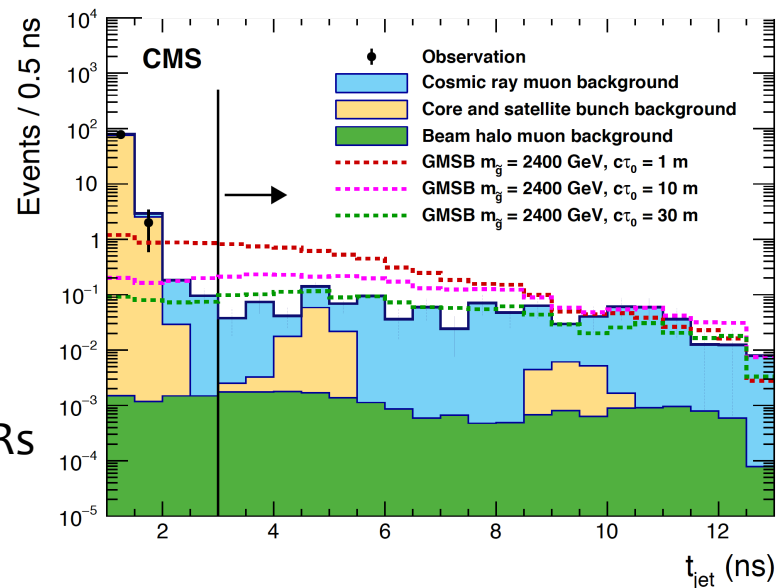
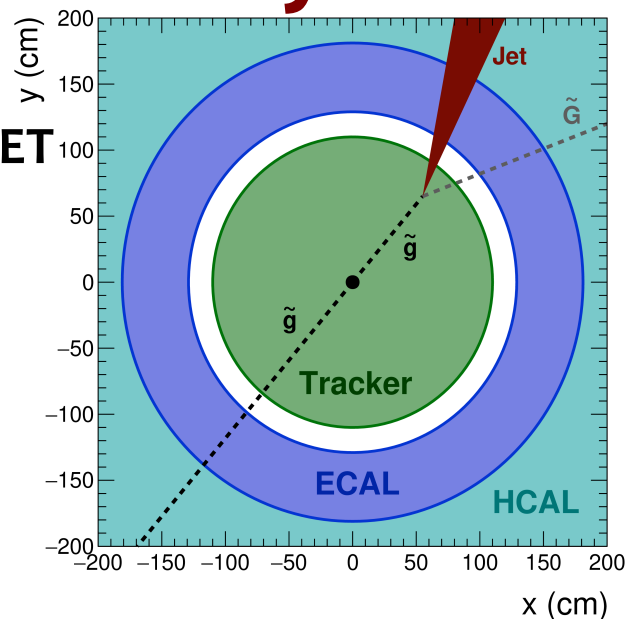
- **Signature:** Calorimeter deposits of displaced jets from massive LLPs are **delayed** wrt. jets from prompt decays
- **Strategy:** use ECAL timing to find **delayed jets**
- **Profit:** increased acceptance for decays beyond tracker (0.3 - 1.5 m)
- **ECAL: jet time** is a median time of all ECAL cells in jet with energy  $> 0.5$  GeV and  $|\text{time}| < 20\text{ns}$ ,  $\Delta R(\text{cell}, \text{jet}) < 0.4$
- time resolution per cell (crystal+APD)  $\sim 200$  ps





# Delayed Jets – strategy

- **Signal:** GMSB long-lived gluinos or Split SUSY R-hadrons decaying to **displaced jets + MET**
- **Selection:**
  - $\geq 1$  delayed calo jet  
( $t > 3\text{ ns}$ ,  $p_T > 30\text{ GeV}$ ,  $E > 70\text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 1.48$ )
  - $\text{MET} > 300\text{ GeV}$
- **Trigger:**  $\text{MET} > 120\text{ GeV}$
- **Candidate event cleaning:**
  - beam halo rejected by muon CSC & HCAL
  - satellite bunches & mismeasurements veto
  - cosmics vetoed by muon DT and RPC
  - pileup & APD hits rejected by ECAL timing
- **Background:**  
Data-driven by invert cleaning cuts to form data CRs
- **Search region:**  $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 1, t_{\text{jet}} > 3\text{ ns}$





# Delayed Jets - results

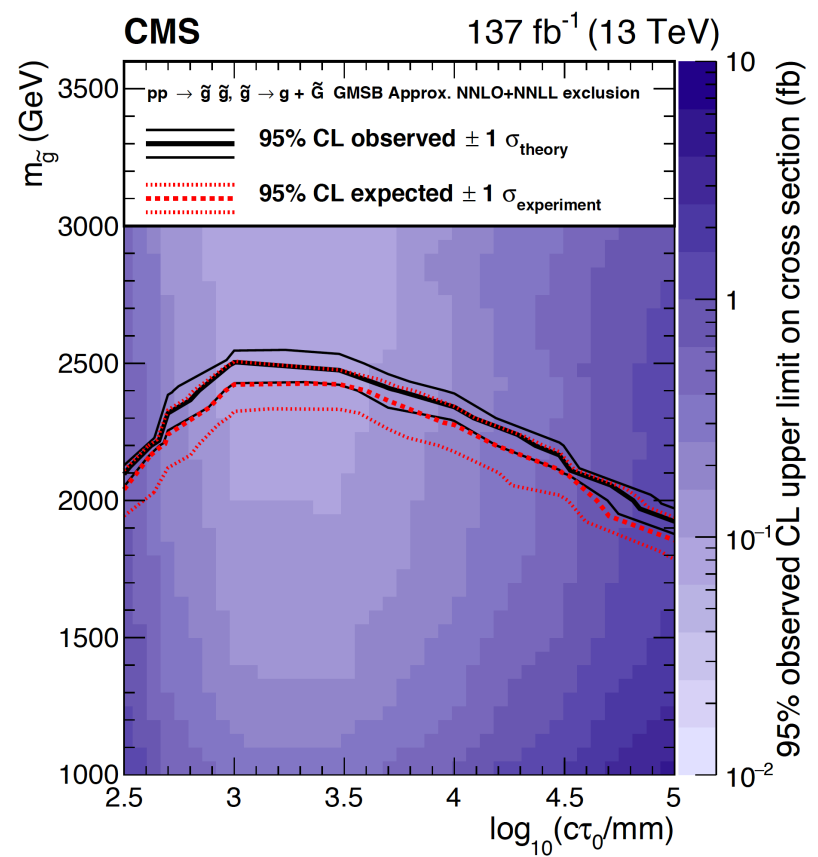
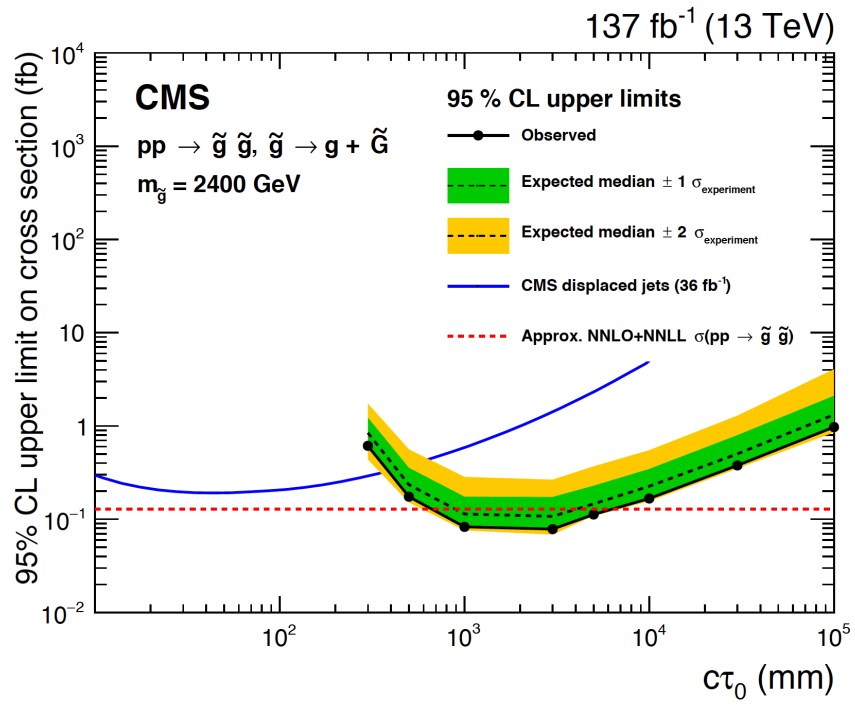
▪ **Observed:** 0 events in agreement with bckg. prediction of 1 evt

▪ **Results (GMSB):**

Exclude  $m_{\tilde{g}} < 2.50 \text{ TeV}$  for  $c\tau_0 \sim 1 \text{ m}$   
 or  $m_{\tilde{g}} < 2.15 \text{ TeV}$  for  $c\tau_0 \sim 30 \text{ m}$

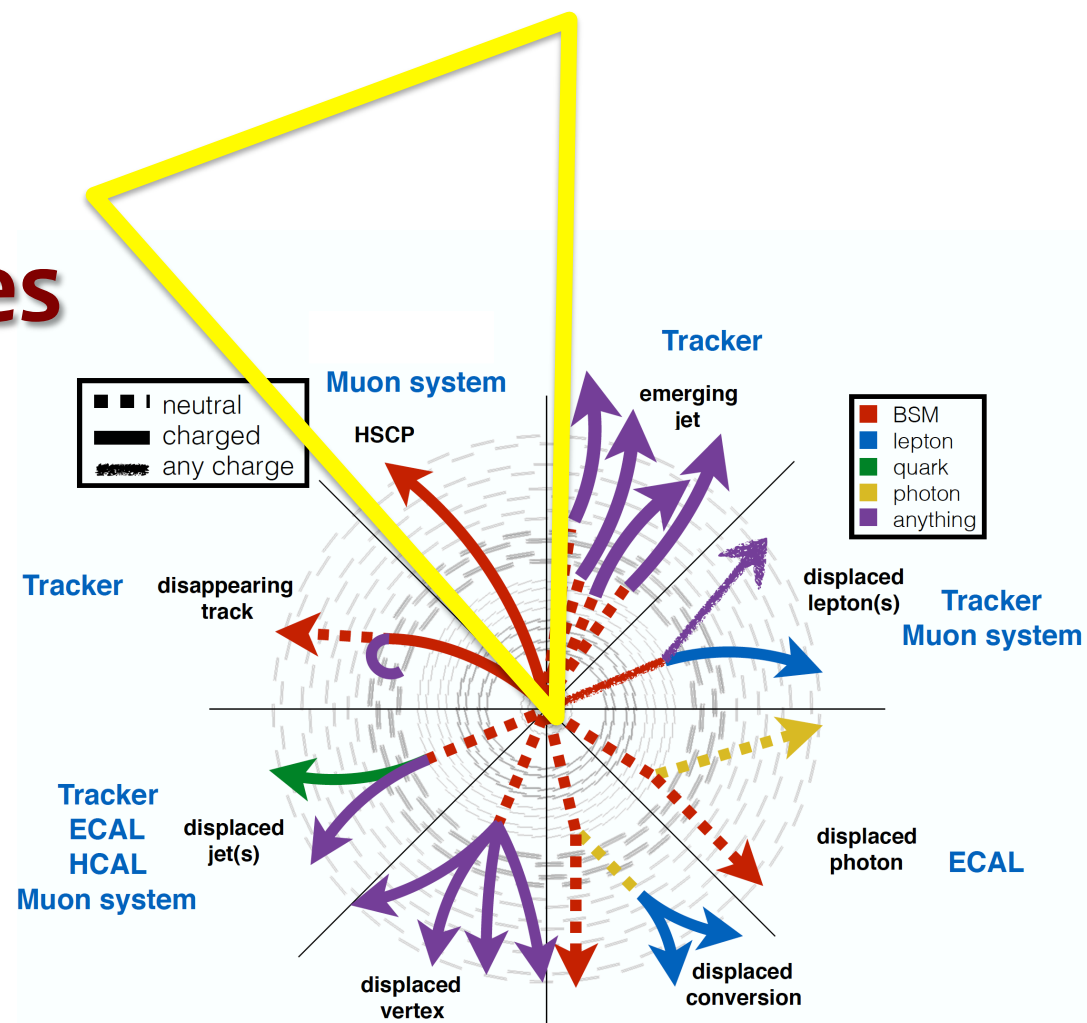
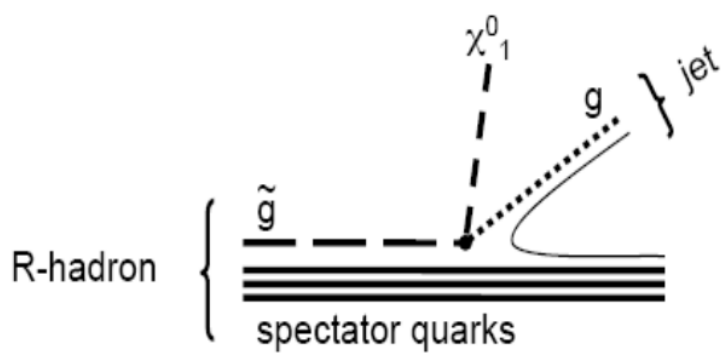
→ Significantly extends reach for  $c\tau_0 \geq 1 \text{ m}$  (vs. tracker-based searches)

| Background source                   | Events predicted                                                     |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Beam halo muons                     | $0.02^{+0.06}_{-0.02} \text{ (stat)}^{+0.05}_{-0.01} \text{ (syst)}$ |
| Core and satellite bunch collisions | $0.11^{+0.09}_{-0.05} \text{ (stat)}^{+0.02}_{-0.02} \text{ (syst)}$ |
| Cosmic ray muons                    | $1.0^{+1.8}_{-1.0} \text{ (stat)}^{+1.8}_{-1.0} \text{ (syst)}$      |





# Stopped Particles



**R-hadrons** from Split SUSY (gluino, stop or  $|Q| \leq 2e$ )

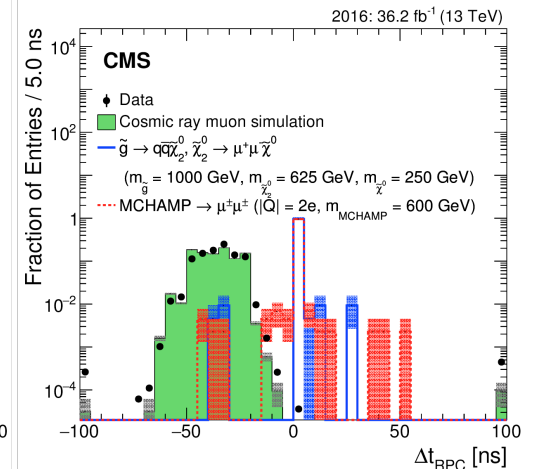
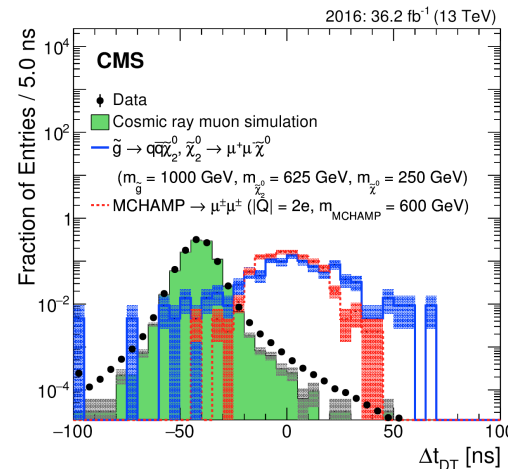
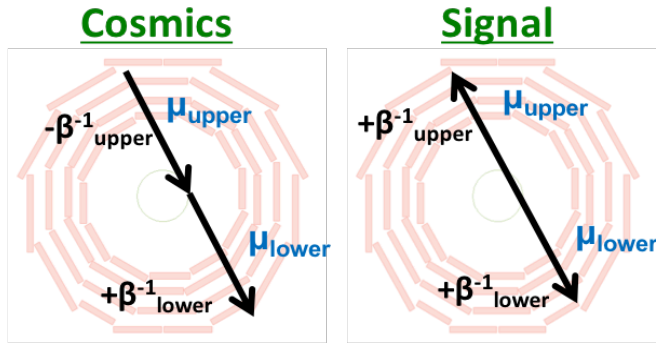
- heavy coloured particles that interactions with matter
- can change their sign
- decay are suppressed by a heavy squark making them **LLPs**

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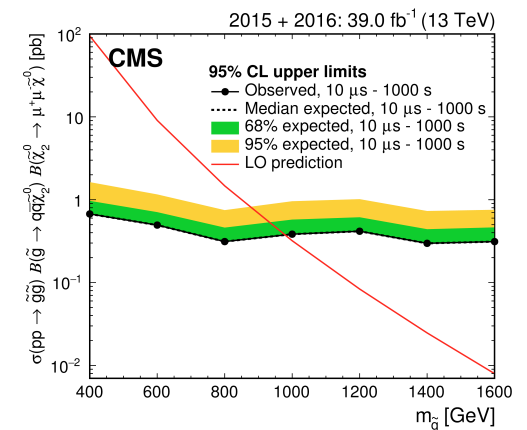
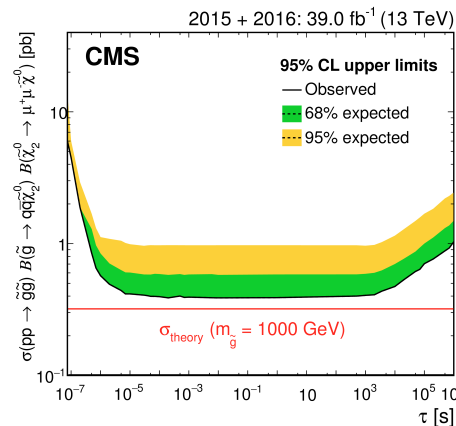


# Stopped particles

- R-hadrons are stopped inside the detector and decay to muons or have hadronic decays from rest after unknown time
- (sensitivity to lifetimes between  $0.1 \mu\text{s}$  and  $10^6 \text{ s}$ )
- Events recorded **out-of-time with collisions** with the custom trigger



- **No events observed**
- 13 orders of magnitude of the lifetime tested
- **Excluded gluinos** with mass between 400 and 970 GeV, assuming 100% BF to muons







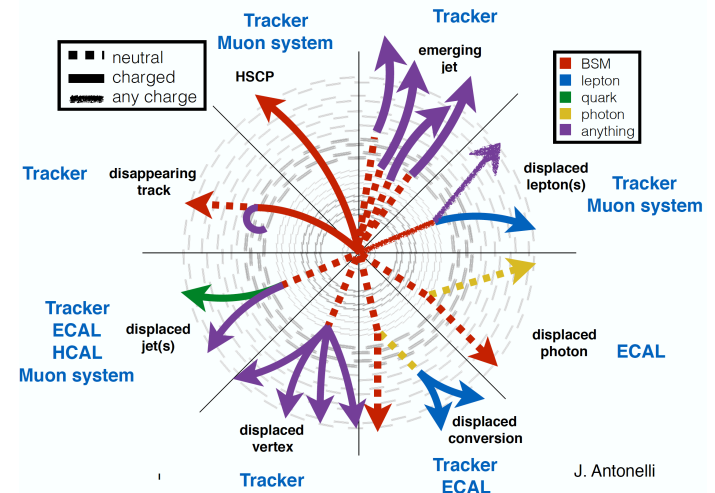
# Future developments: LLP triggering in Run3

## L1 trigger

- **Hardware** based, information from **calorimeters and muon systems only** (regional triggers combined to global)
- First pattern recognition and raw measurements
- Fixed latency: 4  $\mu$ s to accept/reject
- Skims rate to 100 kHz (in total)

## High level trigger (HLT)

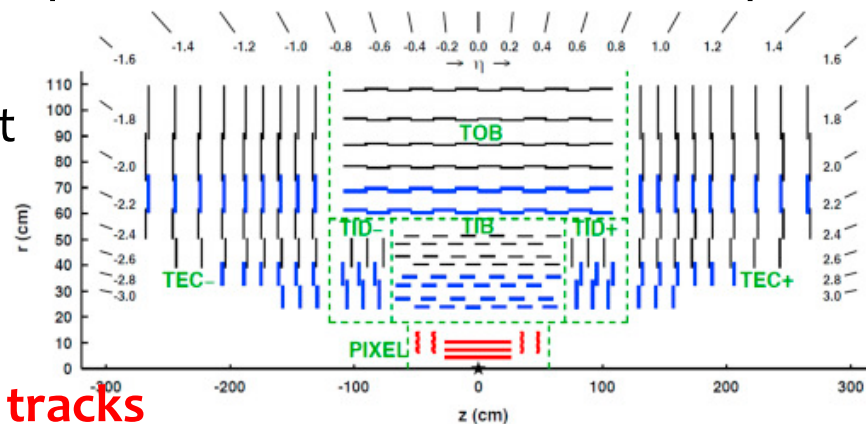
- Fully **software**, includes **info from tracker**
- Similar algorithms as those applied offline
- Latency: 300 ms/events
- Skims rate to 1 kHz max (in total)





# Displaced tracking for Run3

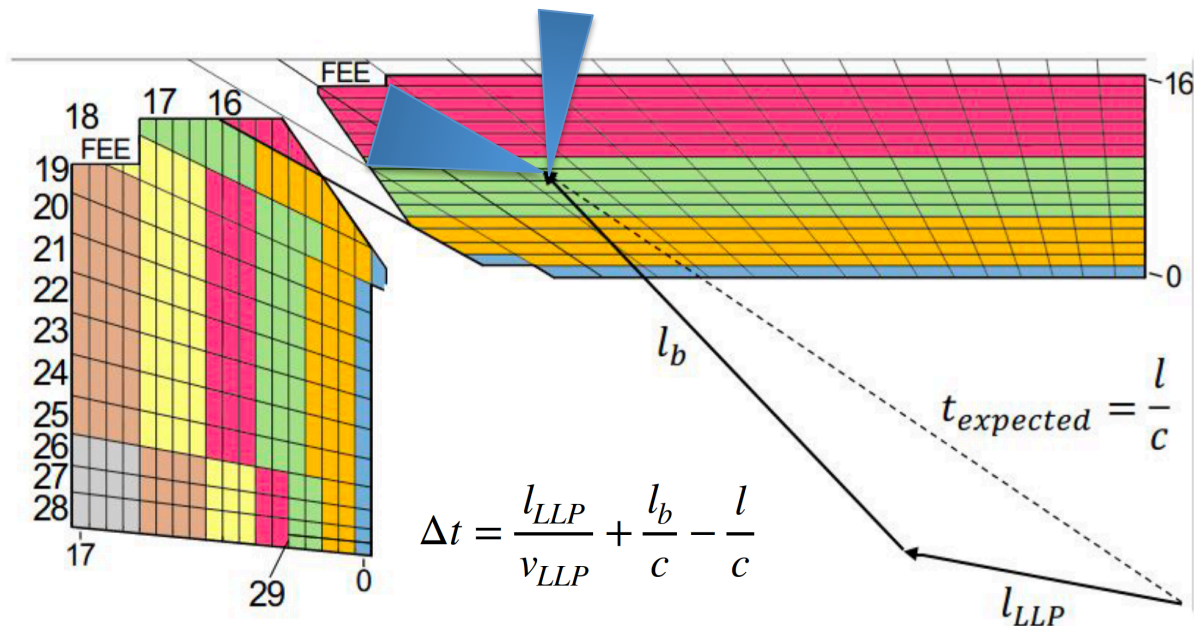
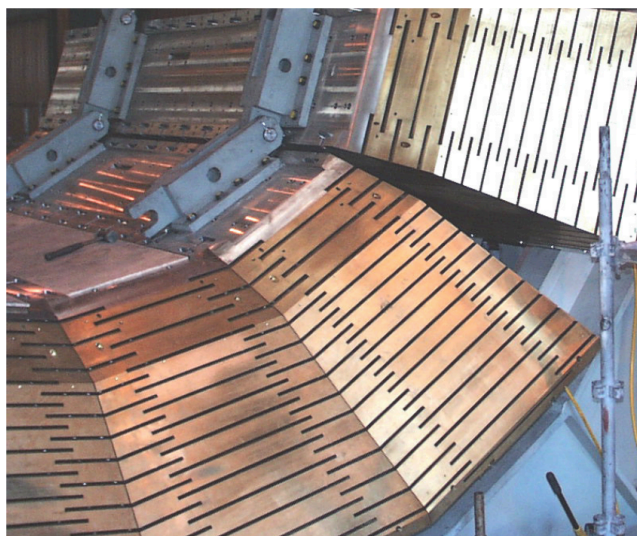
- CMS reconstruction designed for particles produced close to the collision point
  - Displacement  $\rightarrow$  loss of efficiency
  - Displaced tracks and vertices are lost
- Tracking @ HLT
  - Current baseline:
    - **single iteration seeded by pixel tracks**
  - Developments:
    - use **strip-seeded iteration** to recover efficiency for larger displacement
    - used in Run2 for dedicated HLT triggers (not standard tracking)
- Tracking offline
  - New iteration using predefined **Regions of Interest (ROI)**
    - pairwise tracks combined together into vertices
    - vertices clustered in spherical ROIs, radius 1 cm, tagged with an MVA
    - tagged ROIs used in tracking algorithm





# Trigger for LLPs in Calorimeters

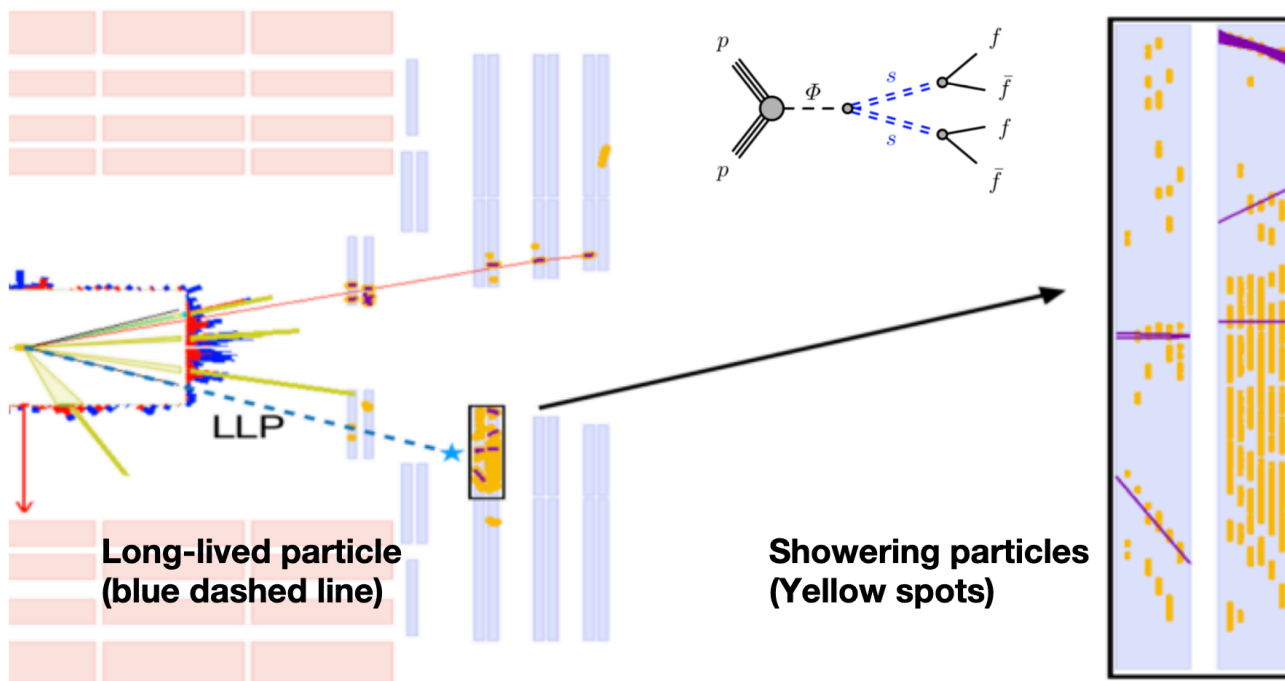
- Hadronic sampling calorimeter (**HCAL**): plastic scintillator and brass
- Some first level L1 trigger possibilities not fully exploited so far:
  - **Timing information** (resolution 0.5 ns)  
→ **delay** due to kinks/heavy LLP mass
  - **Longitudinal depth** (4 layers in barrel, 7 layers in endcaps)  
→ S/B discrimination (deeper showers)
- **Energy ratio**  $E_{\text{HCAL}}/E_{\text{ECAL}}$  → successful at **killing multi-jet background**, lower rate





# Trigger for LLPs in Muon System

- Cathode Strip Chambers (CSC) in the endcaps: L1 triggering
- Trigger on displaced muons
  - Improved FPGAs → better resolution (x4) and bending (x3) wrt Run2
- Trigger on showers (hit clusters from jets)
  - Count cathode/anode hits
    - **threshold** optimised for S/B and for reasonable L1 trigger rates
  - Can be improved the missing energy approach of Run2 by a factor >10





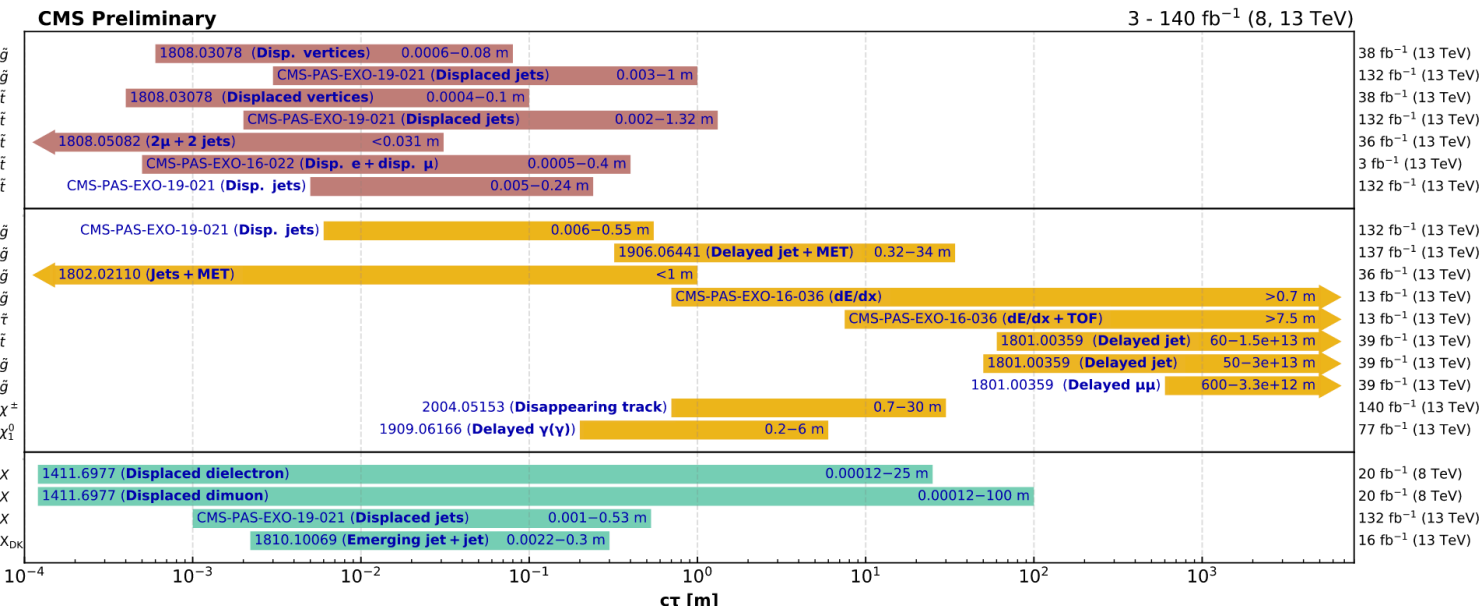
# LLP at CMS summary

- **New results for full Run 2 data pushed limits on LLPs**
  - **exclude** hypothetical LLPs with masses up to **2.5 TeV**
  - Sensitive to **decay lengths from 1 mm**
  - Searches are complementary
- **Unconventional signatures and measurements (timing, ionisation) are powerful tools** in searches for different LLPs in a model independent way
- **Any detected signal of LLP would be a clear indication of a new physics**
  - Therefore, the CMS experiment make an effort (*detector upgrades*) to enhance his sensitivity to catch the LLPs by new algorithms of reco and **triggering especially at the L1 for Run 3**
- *EXO CMS public results:*  
<http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/EXO/LLP.html>



# Thank you!

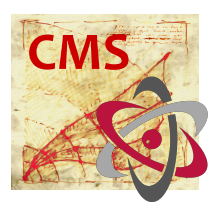
## Selection of LLP searches at CMS



Selection of observed exclusion limits at 95% C.L. (theory uncertainties are not included). The y-axis tick labels indicate the studied long-lived particle.

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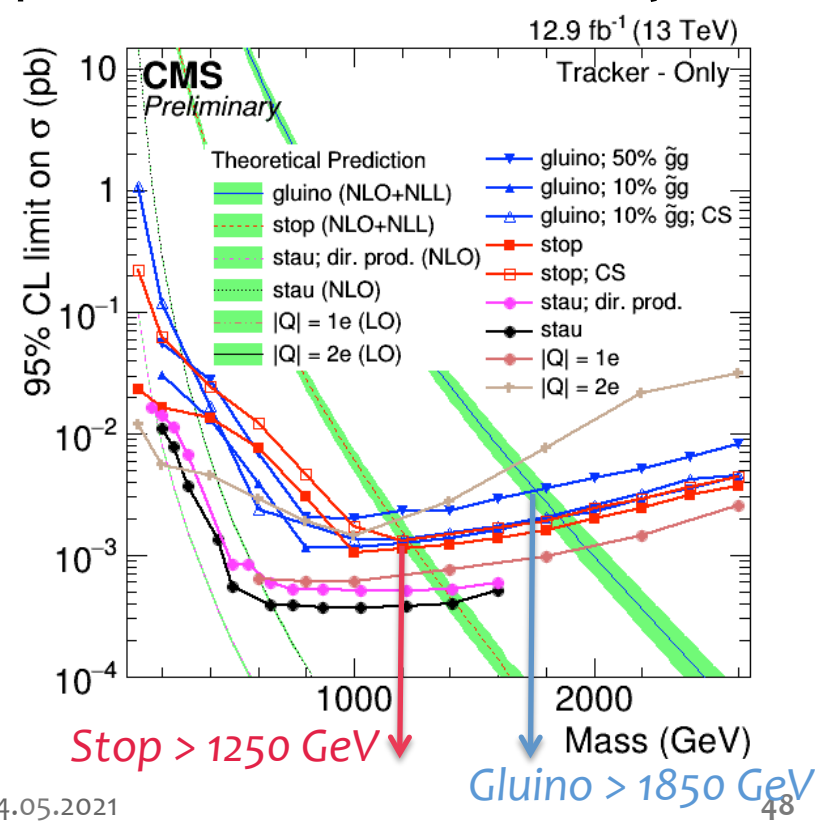
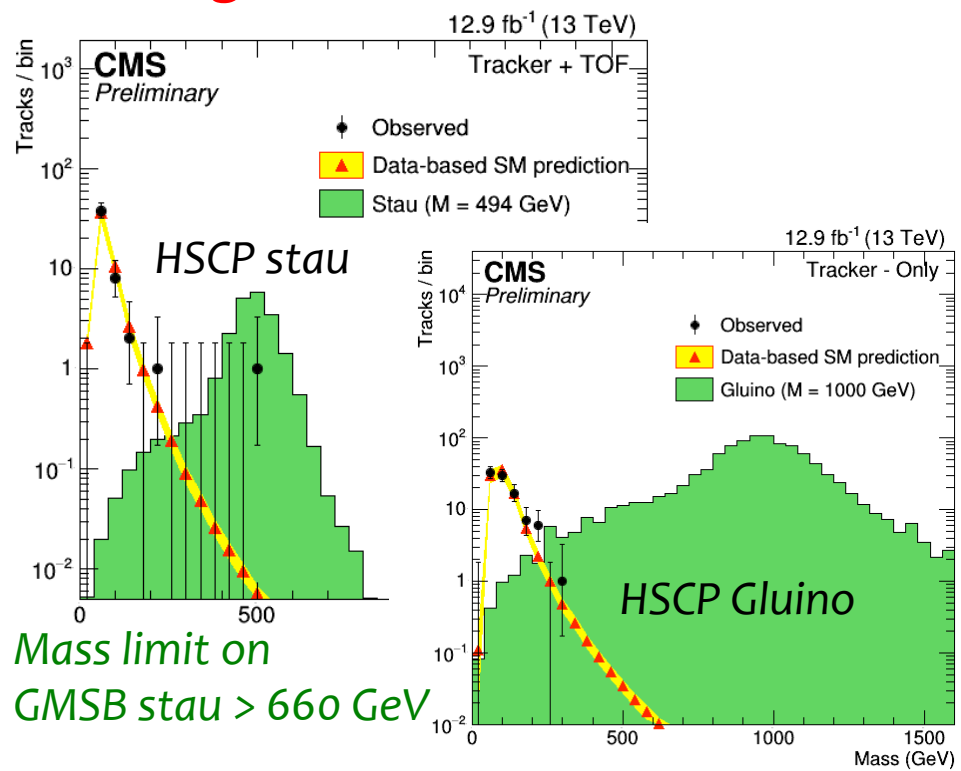


# Backup



# Heavy quasi-stable charged particles

- HSCPs (R-hadrons, GMSB staus and MCHAMPs) cross the detector
- **Signature:** high ionization (dE/dx) in the tracker  
 delay in the muon system – long-time of flight (TOF:  $1/\beta$  measured)  
 → mass measurement from dE/dx
- **Trigger:** MET ( $>170$  GeV) or single muon ( $p_T > 50$  GeV)
- **Background** estimated from data using  $p_T$ , dE/dx discriminator,  $1/\beta$

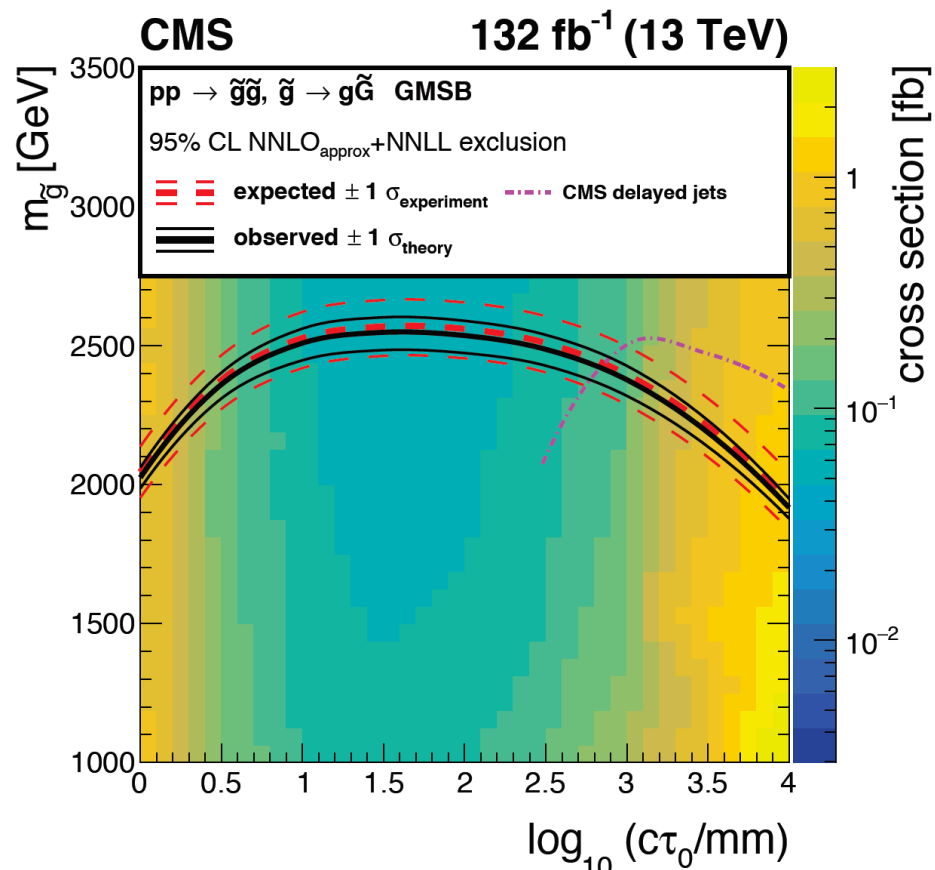
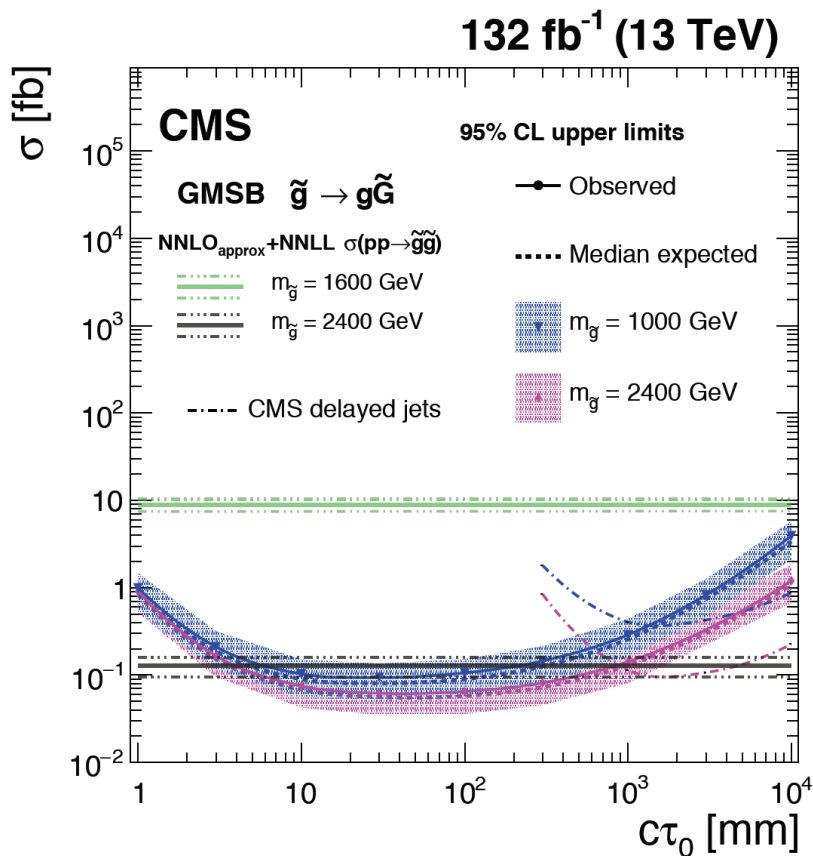






# New limits with displaced jets

- **GMSB:** pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **2450 GeV** are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 6 – 550 mm
- gluino pair production x-sec > 0.1 fb are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 7 – 600 mm
- the largest gluino mass excluded is 2560 GeV with a  $\tau_0$  of 30 mm

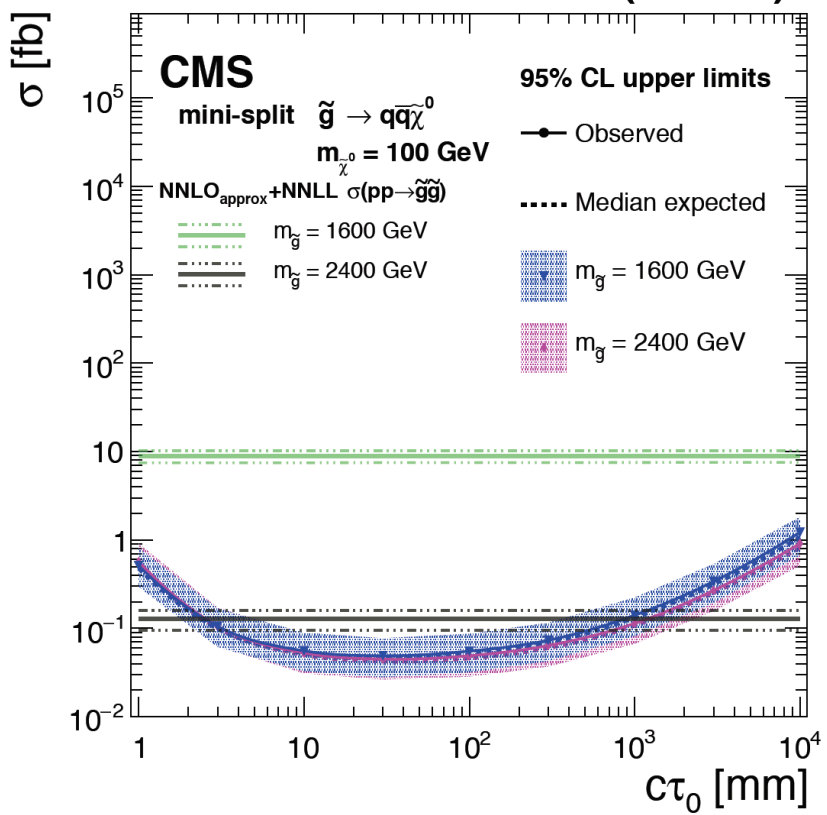




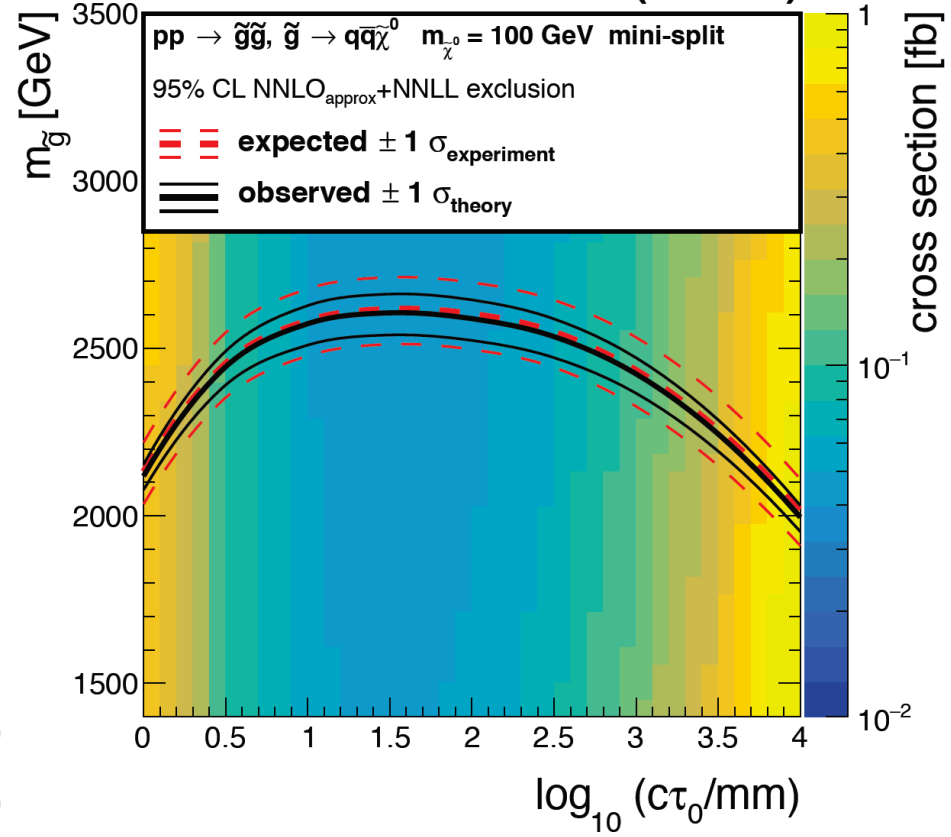
# New limits with displaced jets

- **Mini Split:** pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **2500 GeV** are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 5 – 520 mm
- gluino pair production x-sec > 0.1 fb are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 3 – 900 mm
- the largest gluino mass excluded is 2610 GeV with a  $\tau_0$  of 30 mm

132 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



CMS 132 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)

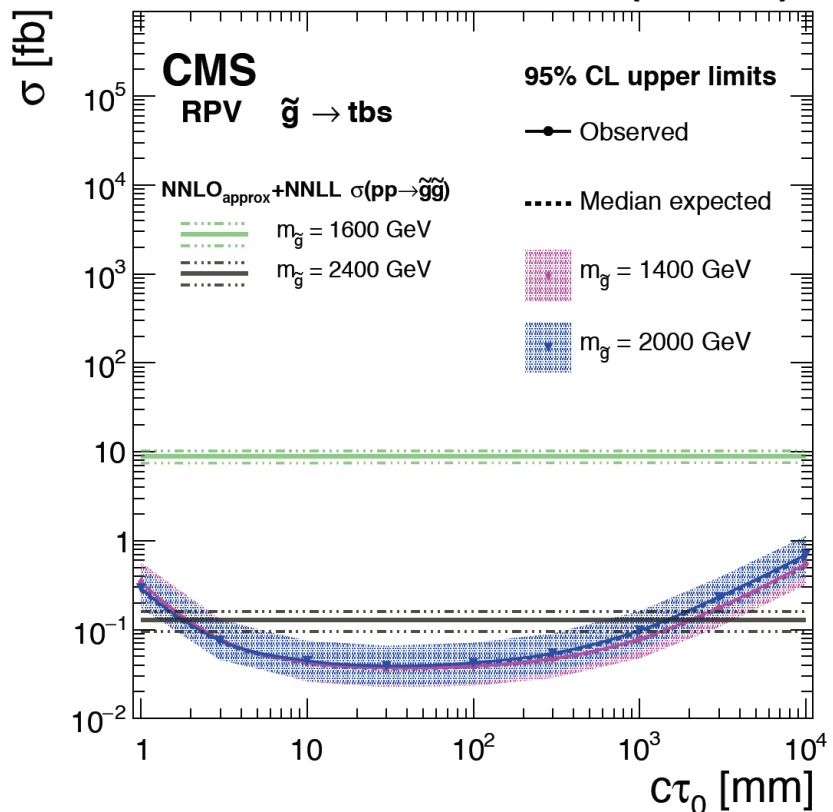




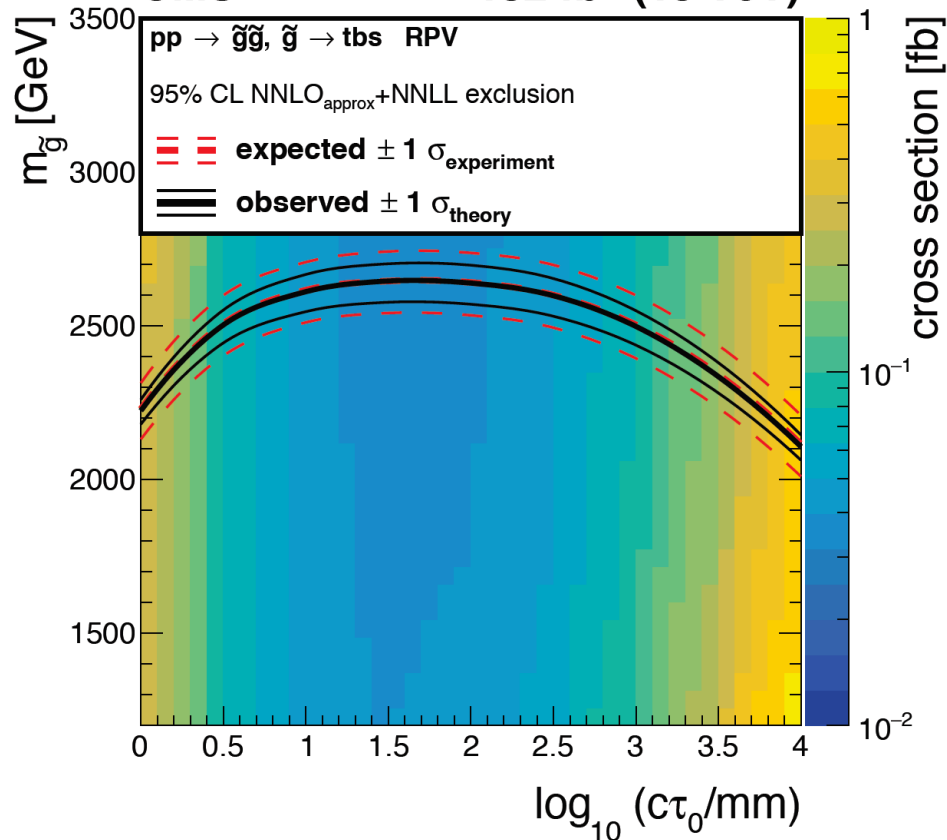
# New limits with displaced jets

- **RPV tbs:** pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **2400 GeV** are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 3 – 1000 mm
- gluino pair production x-sec > 0.1 fb are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 3 – 1490 mm
- the largest gluino mass excluded is 2640 GeV with a  $c\tau_0$  of 30 mm

132 fb<sup>-1</sup> (13 TeV)



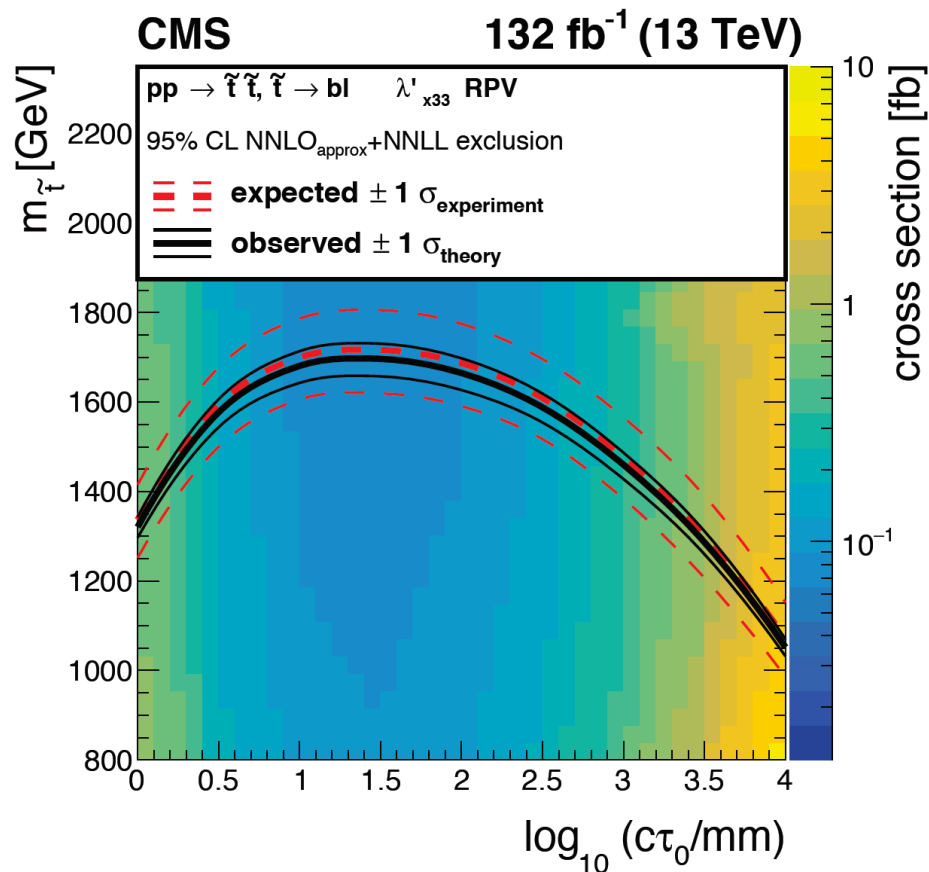
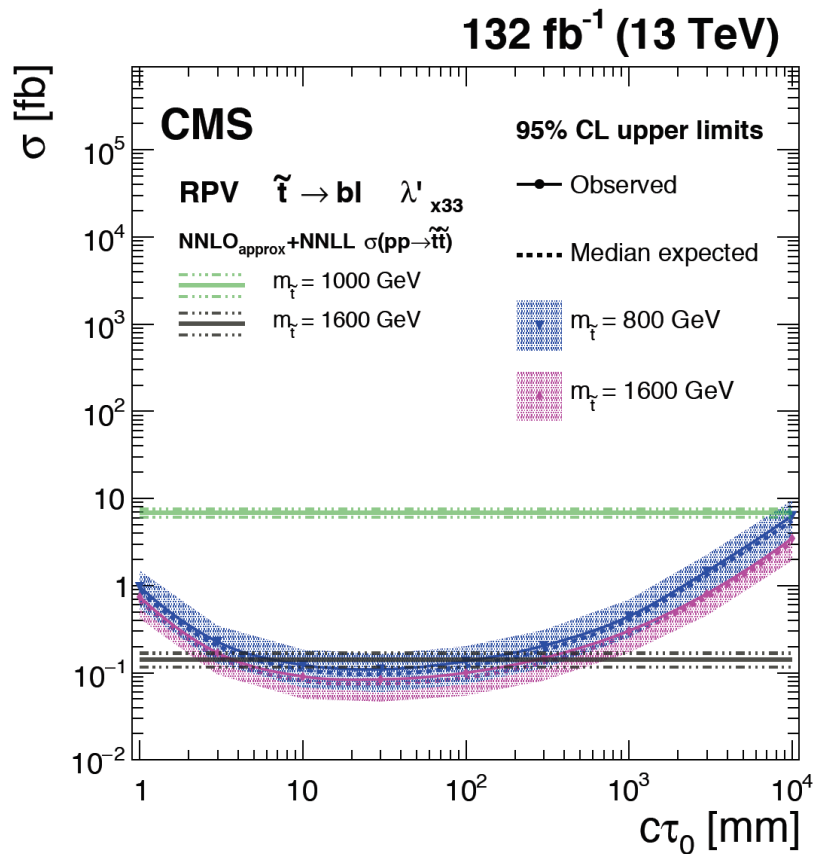
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# New limits with displaced jets

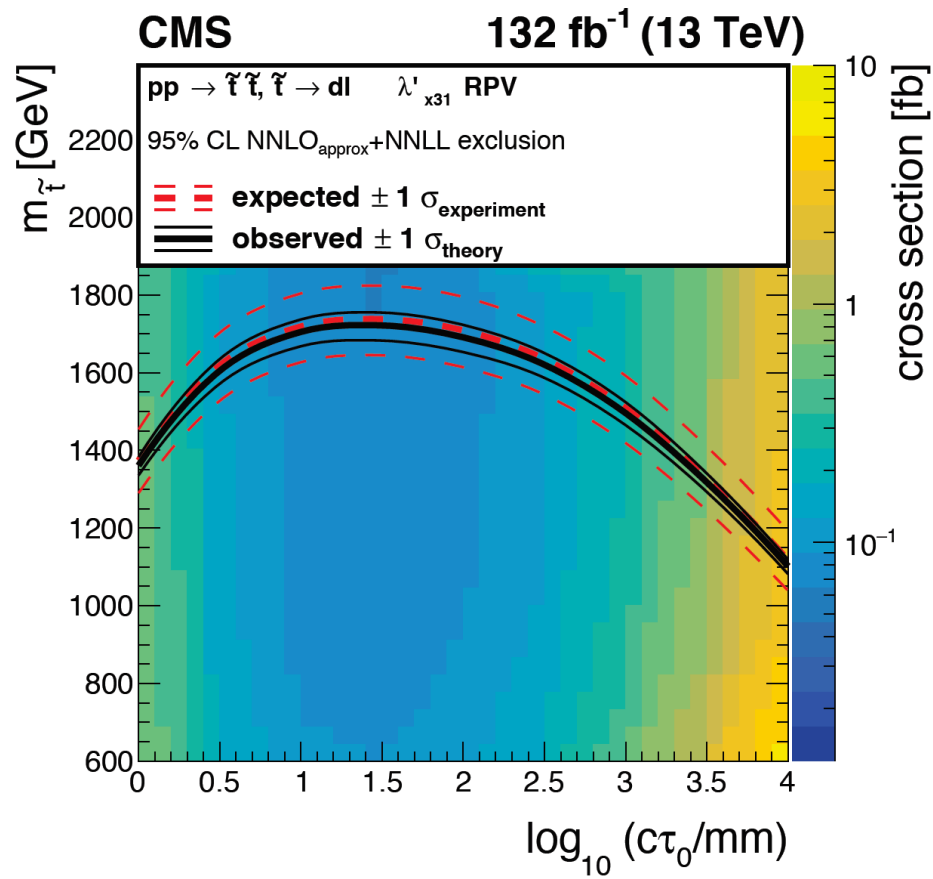
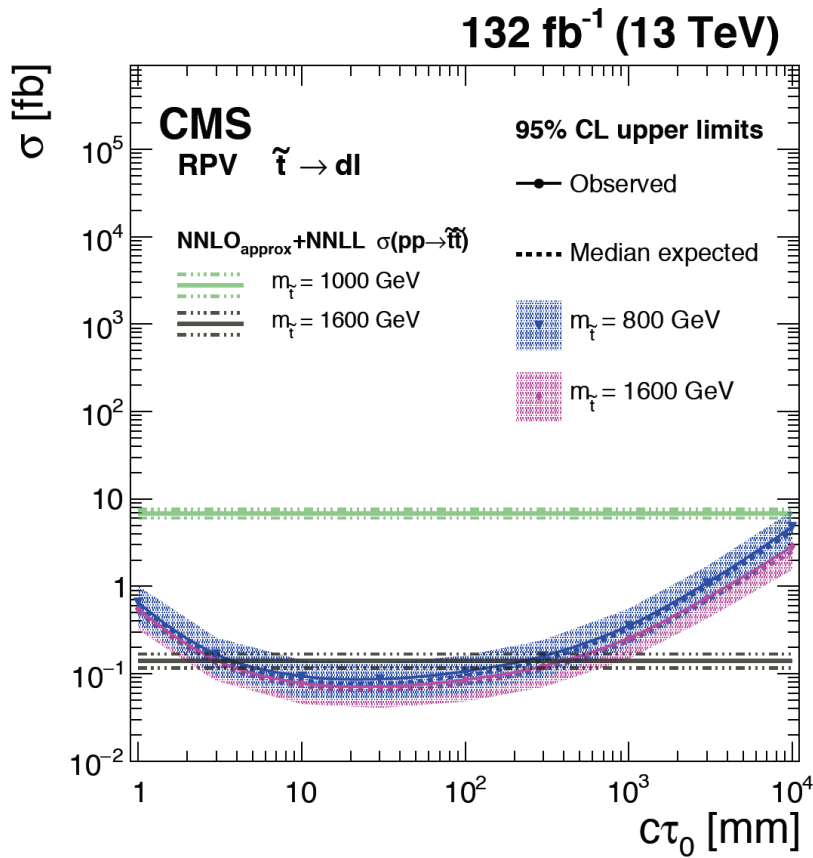
- **RPV bl:** pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **1600 GeV** are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 3 – 340 mm
- gluino pair production x-sec > 0.1 fb are excluded for  $\tau_0$  between 8 – 160 mm
- the largest gluino mass excluded is 1720 GeV with a  $\tau_0$  of 30 mm





# New limits with displaced jets

- **RPV dl:** pair-produced **LL gluinos** lighter than **1600 GeV** are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 3 – 430 mm
- gluino pair production x-sec > 0.1 fb are excluded for  $c\tau_0$  between 7 – 220 mm
- the largest gluino mass excluded is 1740 GeV with a  $c\tau_0$  of 30 mm





# New limits with displaced jets

## Combined results for Full Run 2 data (2016 + 2017/18):

- Exclusion limits on the cross-section on new neutral LLPs decaying to two jets, 0.04 fb at high mass ( $m_\chi > 1000$  GeV) for  $c\tau_0 = 30$  mm

