

Searching for long-lived particles at the LHC and beyond:

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Long-Lived Light Mediators from Higgs Boson Decay

@ HL-LHC & FCC-hh

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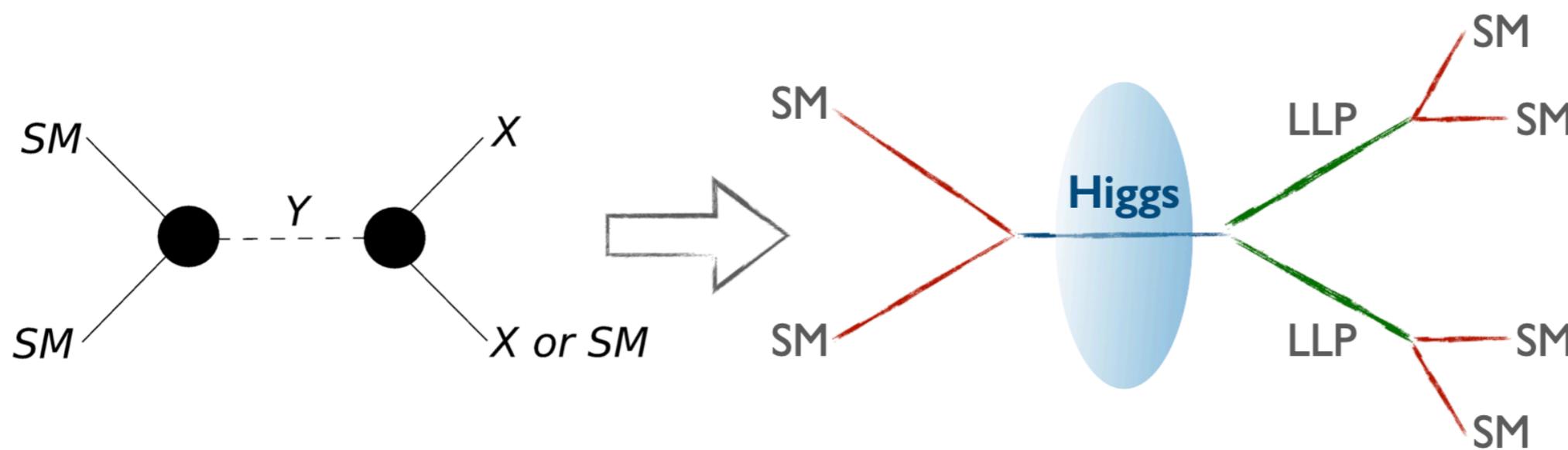


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Long-lived particles in the Higgs portal

~ LLPs having dominant coupling to the SM Higgs boson ~



$$m_{\text{LLP}} \lesssim \frac{m_H}{2}$$

LLPs can be produced from the exotic decays of SM Higgs

Theoretically

- leading renormalisable portal for new gauge-singlet particles to couple to the SM

Experimentally

- much scope to include couplings of Higgs to new physics
- presence of multiple production modes

Motivated from many BSM models - like **Dark Matter**

Mediator from a Dark Matter model

Shigeki Matsumoto, et al., *JHEP* 07 (2019) 050

Light *fermionic* WIMP with *light scalar mediator*

solves

small scale crisis in structure formation of the Universe

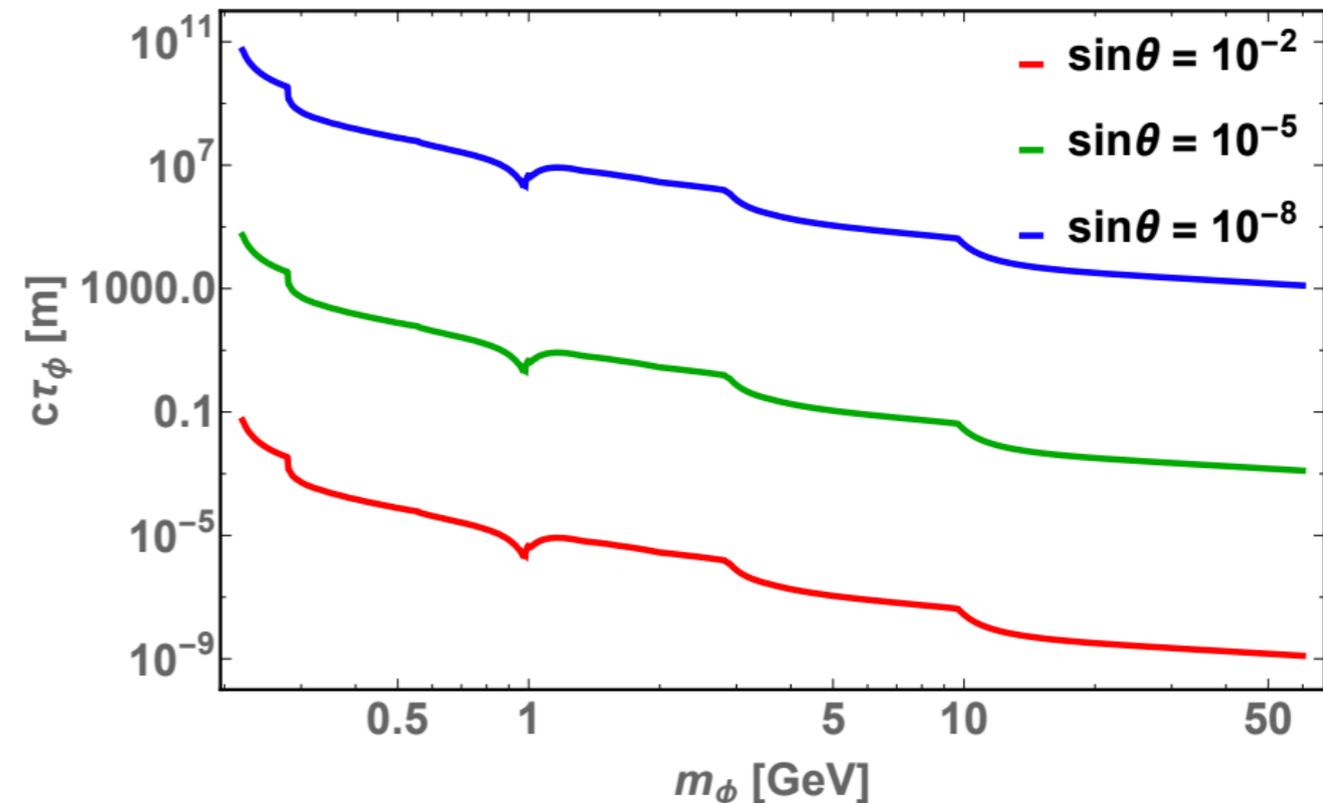
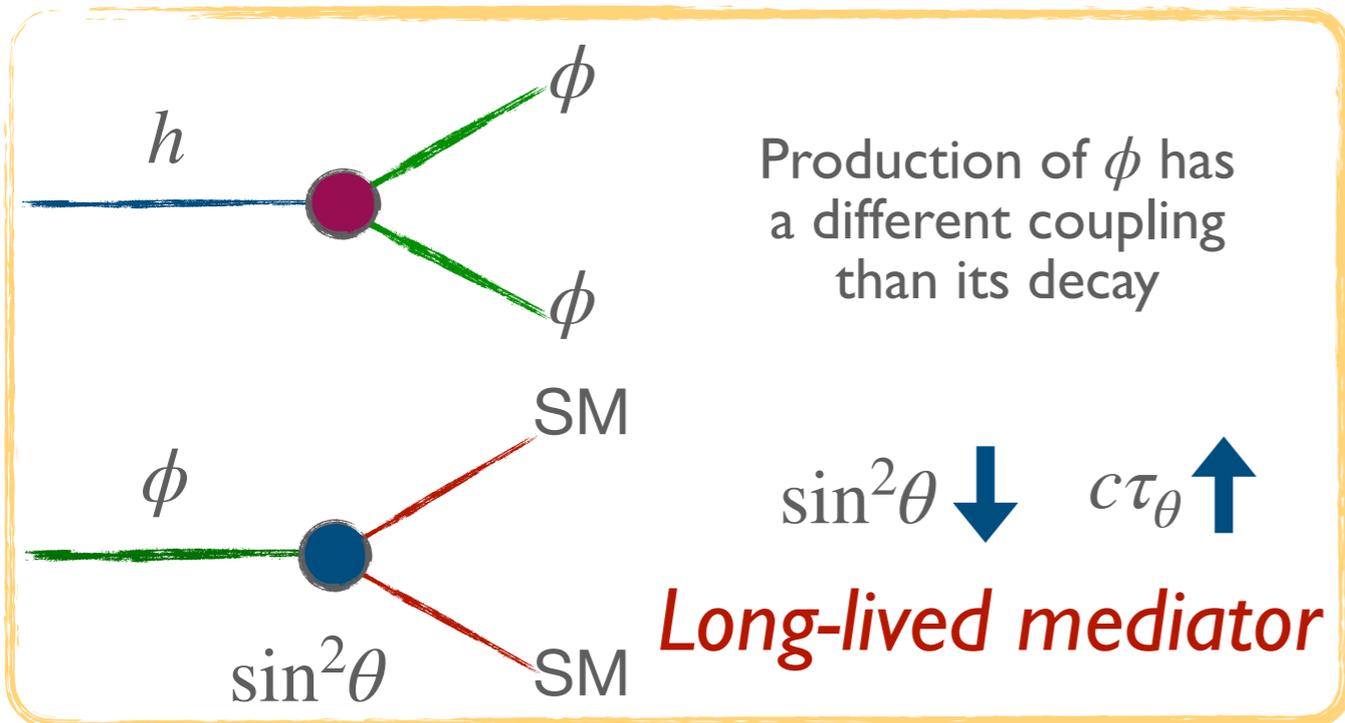
with

large and velocity-dependent scattering cross section between WIMPs

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{2}(\partial_\mu \Phi)^2 - A_{\Phi H} \Phi |H|^2 - \frac{\lambda_{\Phi H}}{2} \Phi^2 |H|^2 - \mu_1^3 \Phi - \frac{\mu_\Phi^2}{2} \Phi^2 - \frac{\mu_3}{3!} \Phi^3 - \frac{\lambda_\Phi}{4!} \Phi^4 + \mathcal{L}_{\text{DS}}$$

Mixing highly constrained

Not severely constrained so far



Where to look for the LLPs?

A Muon Spectrometer (MS)

- Least affected by PU - farthest detector from the IP
- Large decay volume - compensates for its distance from the IP
- Sensitive to multiple decay modes

A1 CMS MS [HL-LHC, 14 TeV, 3 ab⁻¹]

A2 FCC-hh MS [100 TeV, 30 ab⁻¹]

Apart from muons, MS of ATLAS and CMS are sensitive to other final states as well.

- ATLAS can reconstruct **displaced vertices in the MS**.
- Due to the presence of iron yokes, CMS can see a **cluster of hits** in the MS for electrons, photons and hadrons

ATLAS, PRD 99 no. 5, (2019) 052005

ATLAS, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2019-002

ATLAS, PRD 101 no. 5, (2020) 052013

CMS, PRL 127 (2021) 26, 261804

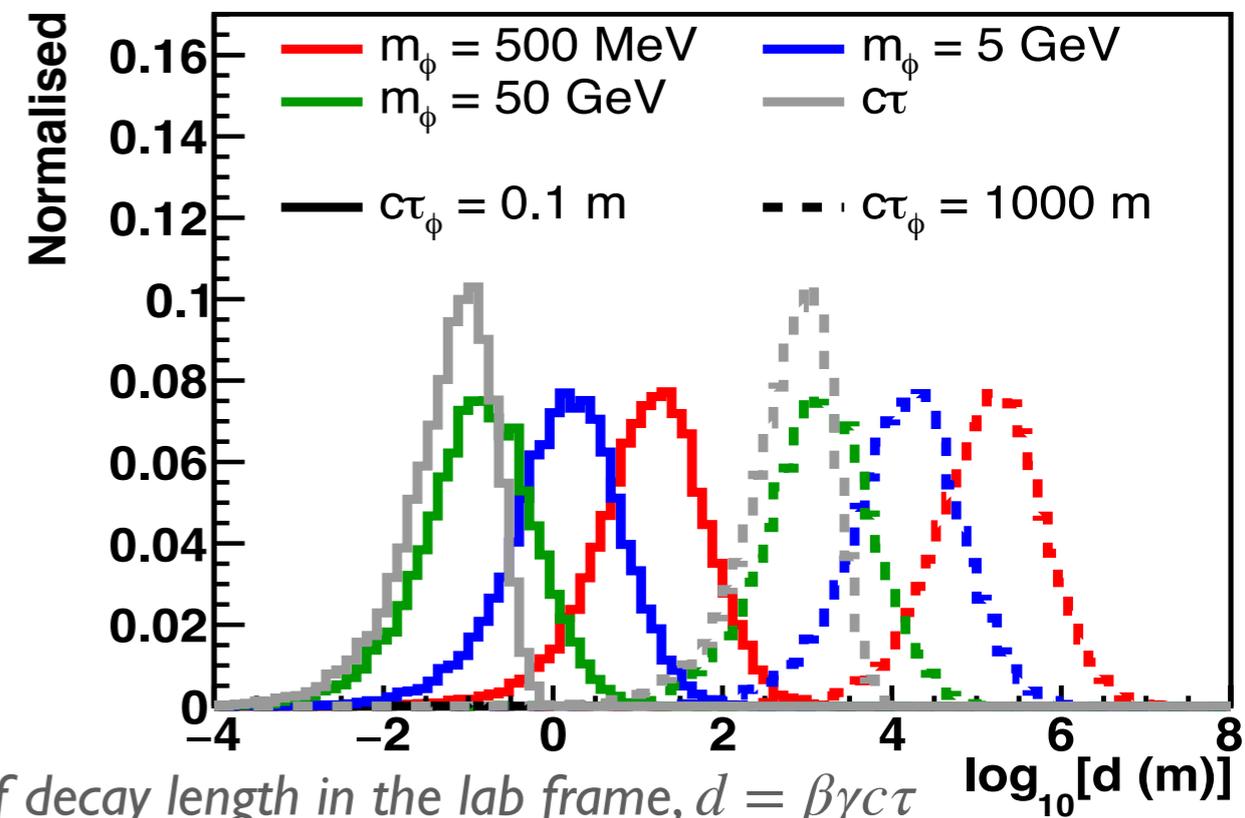
B Dedicated *transverse* LLP detectors

mostly centrally produced in Higgs decays - especially lighter LLPs

B1 MATHUSLA and CODEX-b [HL-LHC, 14 TeV]

B2 DELIGHT [FCC-hh, 100 TeV, 30 ab⁻¹]

New Proposal
This work



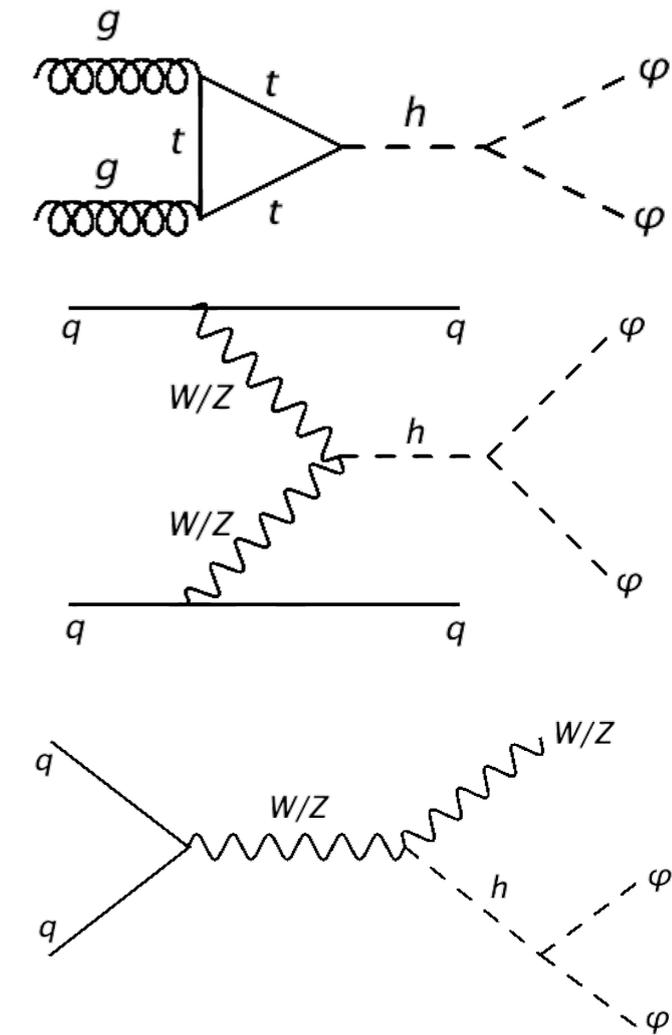
Distribution of decay length in the lab frame, $d = \beta\gamma c\tau$

Analysis Strategy for Decays in MS

Triggers based on PROMPT objects

PH : a hard set of cuts from Phase-II CMS LI trigger menu
CMS-TDR-021

PS : a softer set of cuts assuming thresholds on prompt objects can be reduced in the presence of displaced activity in the MS



Trigger	In P_{Mode}^H	In P_{Mode}^S	Mode
Single jet	$p_T^j > 180 \text{ GeV}, \eta_j < 2.4.$	$p_T^j > 90 \text{ GeV}, \eta_j < 2.4.$	ggF, VBF, Vh-jet.
Di-jet	$p_T^j > 112 \text{ GeV}, \eta_j < 2.4, \Delta\eta < 1.6.$	$p_T^j > 90 \text{ GeV}, \eta_j < 2.4, \Delta\eta < 1.6.$	
VBF jet	$p_T > 70 \text{ GeV}$ for Leading jet, $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$ for Sub-leading jet, $ \eta_j < 5, \eta_{j_1} \times \eta_{j_2} < 0, \Delta\eta > 4.0,$ $\Delta\phi < 2.0,$ $m_{jj} > 1000 \text{ GeV}.$	$p_T > 60 \text{ GeV}$ for Leading jet, $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ for Sub-leading jet, $ \eta_j < 5, \eta_{j_1} \times \eta_{j_2} < 0, \Delta\eta > 4.0,$ $\Delta\phi < 2.0,$ $m_{jj} > 500 \text{ GeV}.$	
Single electron	$p_T^e > 36 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	$p_T^e > 18 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	Vh-lep.
Double electron	$p_T^{e_1} > 25 \text{ GeV}, p_T^{e_2} > 12 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	$p_T^{e_1} > 12 \text{ GeV}, p_T^{e_2} > 12 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	
Single muon	$p_T^\mu > 22 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	$p_T^\mu > 11 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	
Double muon	$p_T^{\mu_1} > 15 \text{ GeV}, p_T^{\mu_2} > 7 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	$p_T^{\mu_1} > 7 \text{ GeV}, p_T^{\mu_2} > 7 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.4.$	

Triggers based on DISPLACED objects

Implemented magnetic field till muon spectrometer in Delphes for correct $\Delta\phi$ – important in boosted and displaced cases

ΔR plots

MS layer

absence of magnetic field

Boosted

Displaced

presence of magnetic field

Analysis Strategy for Decays in MS

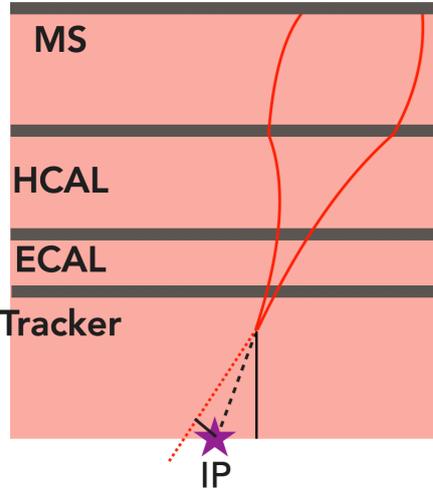
Possible backgrounds

Triggers based on DISPLACED objects (contd.)

Performed analyses for final states $\mu^+\mu^-$, $\pi^+\pi^-$, K^+K^- , gg , $s\bar{s}$, $c\bar{c}$, $\tau^+\tau^-$, $b\bar{b}$ at the CMS MS for a range of LLP masses between 0.5 GeV and 60 GeV with $c\tau = [0.01, 5 \times 10^7]$ m

Displaced muons	$\mu^+\mu^-$	
	D_μ^H (hard)	D_μ^S (soft)
Muons	$p_T^\mu > 20 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^\mu > 10 \text{ GeV}$
	$n_\mu \geq 2$	$n_\mu \geq 2$
	$ \eta^\mu < 2.8$	$ \eta^\mu < 2.8$
	$ d_0^\mu > 1 \text{ mm}$	$ d_0^\mu > 1 \text{ mm}$
Muon pair from the same dSV	$d_T > 1 \text{ cm}$	$d_T > 1 \text{ cm}$
	$d_T < 6 \text{ m} \ \& \ d_z < 9 \text{ m}$	$d_T < 6 \text{ m} \ \& \ d_z < 9 \text{ m}$
	$\Delta\phi_{\mu\mu} > 0.01$	$\Delta\phi_{\mu\mu} > 0.01$
Event	$n_{vtx} \geq 1 \text{ or } n_{vtx} = 2$	$n_{vtx} \geq 1 \text{ or } n_{vtx} = 2$

MS cluster	$b\bar{b}$	
	D_{jets}^H (hard)	D_{jets}^S (soft)
Electrons, photons, hadrons	$p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV}$
	$ \eta < 2.8$	$ \eta < 2.8$
MS cluster from same dSV ($< 1 \text{ cm}$)	$d_T > 4 \text{ m} \ \text{or} \ d_z > 7 \text{ m}$	$d_T > 4 \text{ m} \ \text{or} \ d_z > 7 \text{ m}$
	$d_T < 6 \text{ m} \ \text{and} \ d_z < 9 \text{ m}$	$d_T < 6 \text{ m} \ \text{and} \ d_z < 9 \text{ m}$
	$n_{dSV}^{ch} \geq 5$	$n_{dSV}^{ch} \geq 3$
	$\sum p_{T,dSV} > 50 \text{ GeV}$	$\sum p_{T,dSV} > 20 \text{ GeV}$
Event	$\Delta\phi_{max} > 0.3$	$\Delta\phi_{max} > 0.2$
	$n_{cluster} \geq 1, n_{cluster} = 2$	$n_{cluster} \geq 1, n_{cluster} = 2$



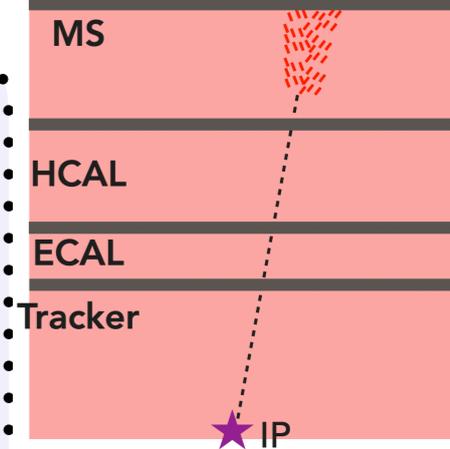
at least one displaced activity \Rightarrow **harder set of cuts is used to suppress backgrounds**

cuts on the prompt & displaced objects relaxed \Rightarrow **combination expected to keep backgrounds in control**

2 displaced activities with harder set of cuts **expected to have significantly low background rates**

harder set of cuts on the prompt objects **allows to relax cuts on displaced objects**

assumed observation of 50 events



$Br(h \rightarrow \phi\phi) < 3 \times 10^{-6}$
for
 $m_\phi = 60 \text{ GeV}$,
 $c\tau = 0.5 \text{ m}$

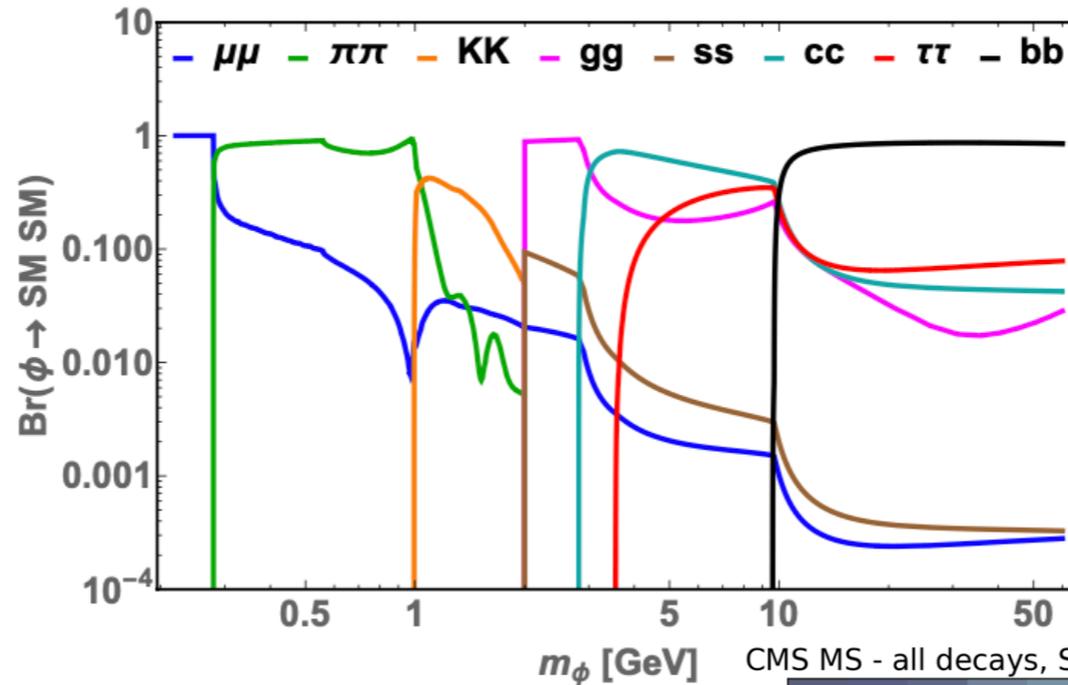
$Br(h \rightarrow \phi\phi) < 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$
for
 $m_\phi = 60 \text{ GeV}$,
 $c\tau = 5 \text{ m}$

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CMS MS

Presented limits assuming 100% branching to each decay mode

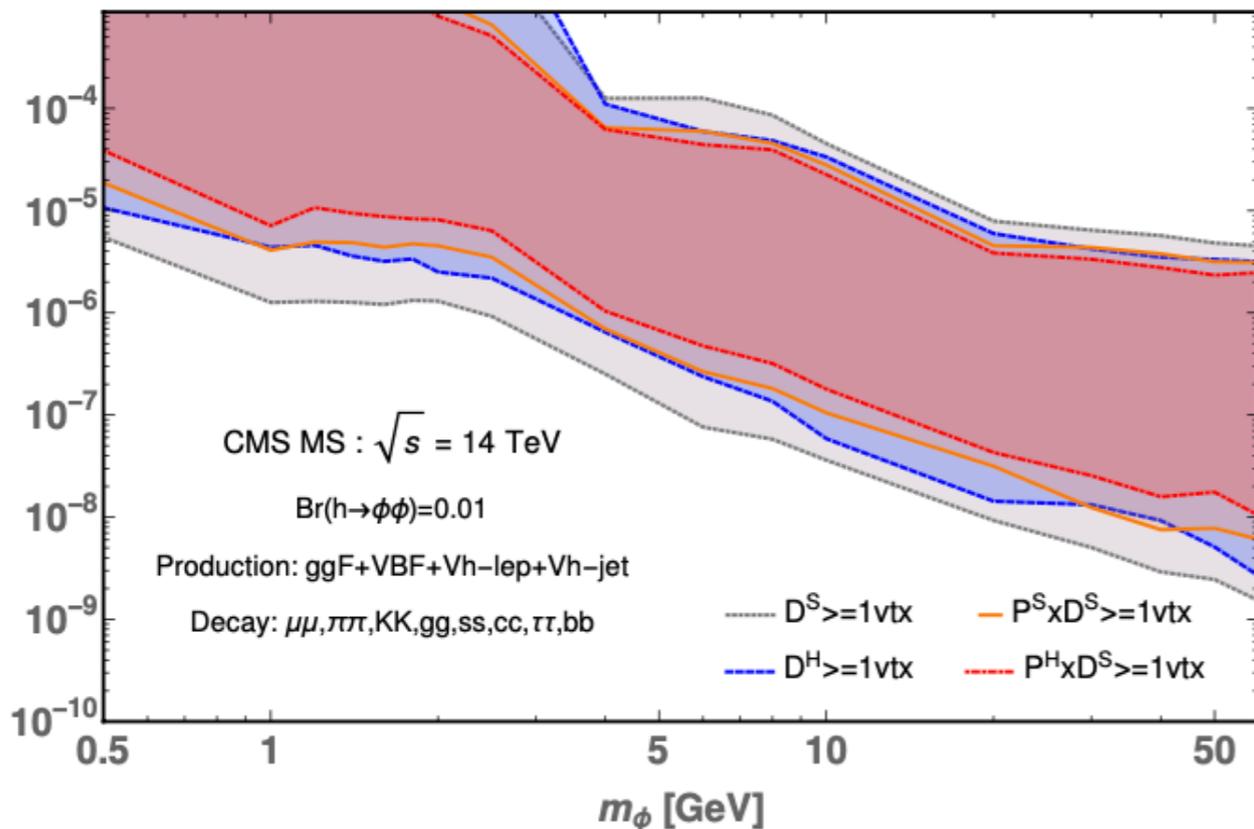
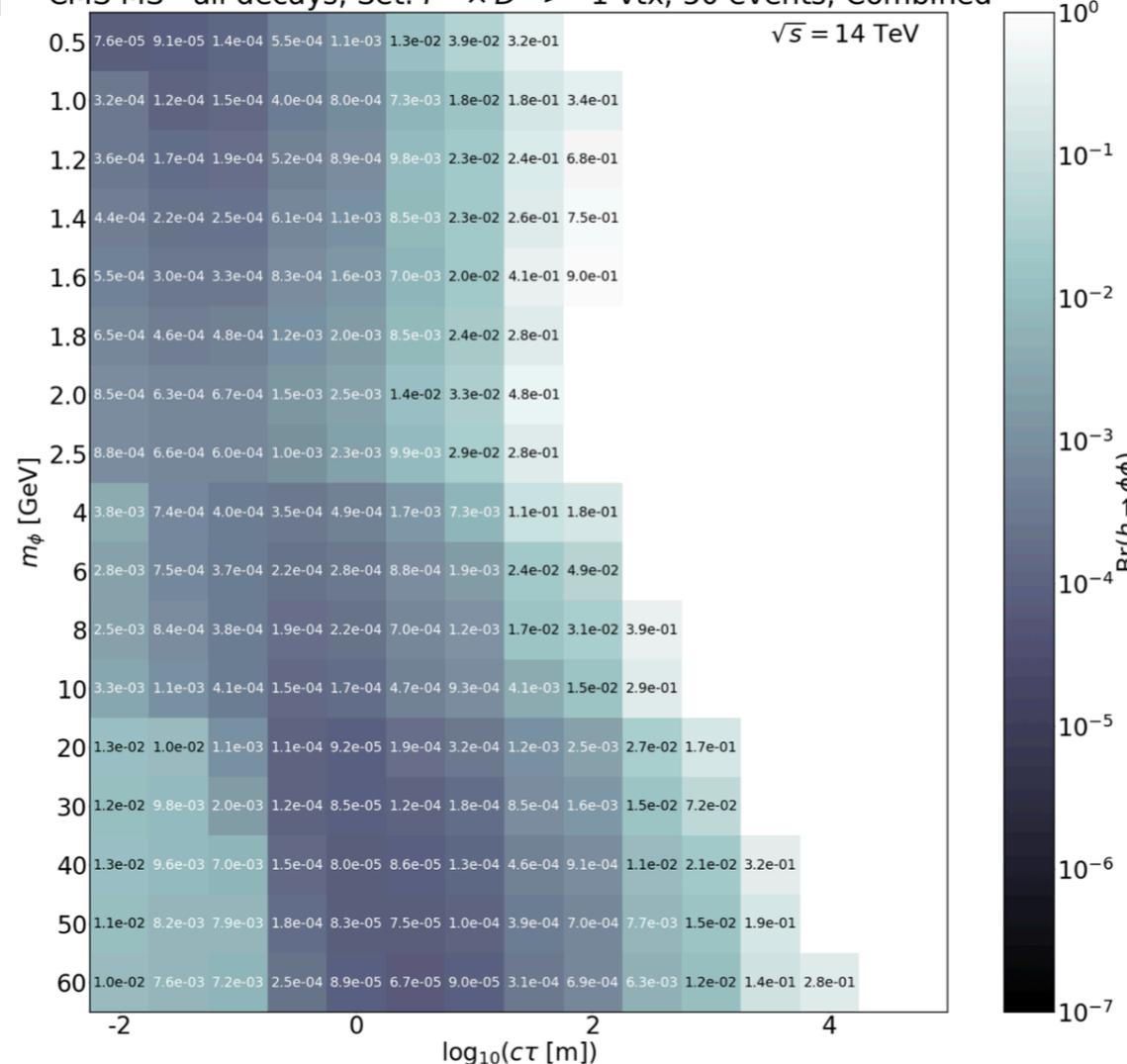
$\mu^+\mu^-$, $\pi^+\pi^-$, K^+K^- , gg , $s\bar{s}$, $c\bar{c}$, $\tau^+\tau^-$, $b\bar{b}$



combined as per branching of minimal model



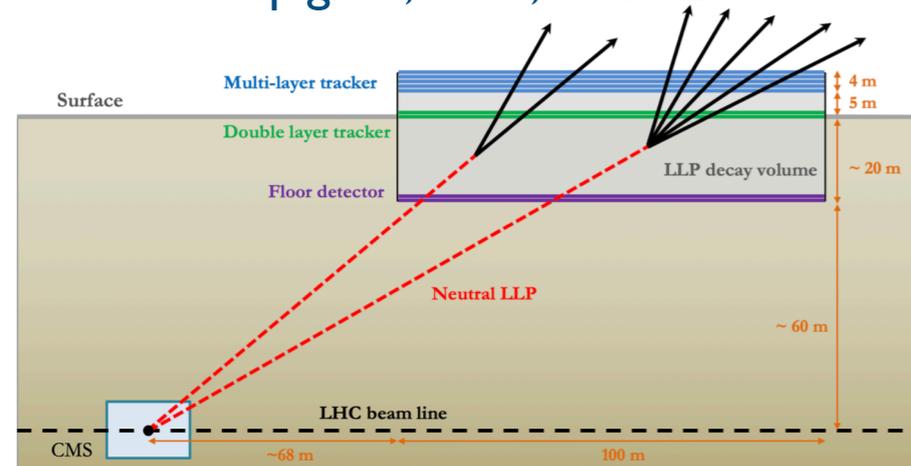
CMS MS - all decays, Set: $P^H \times D^S \geq 1$ vtx, 50 events, Combined $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV



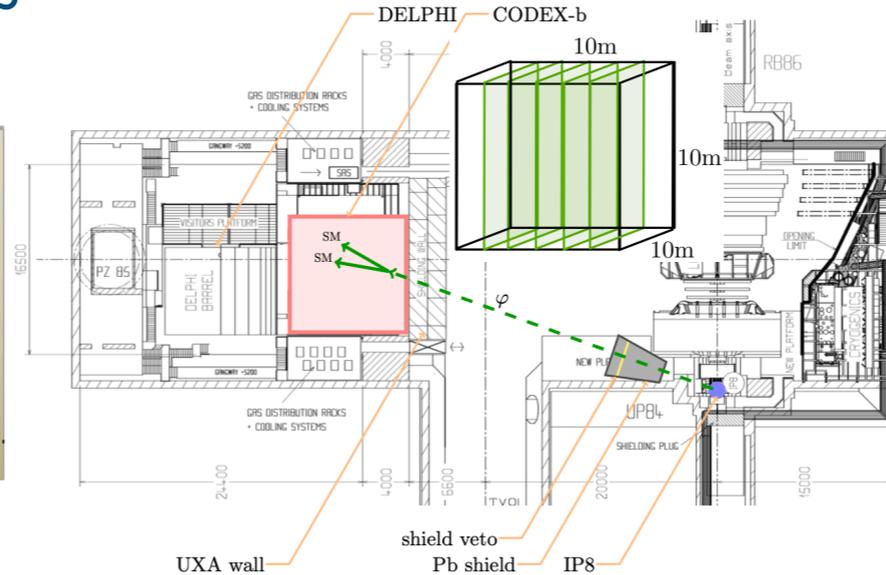
for fixed value of $Br(h \rightarrow \phi\phi)$, translated limit on $c\tau$ to limit on $\sin\theta$

B1 MATHUSLA and CODEX-b

Cristiano Alpigiani, et al., arXiv:2009.01693



Giulio Aielli, et al., arXiv:1911.00481

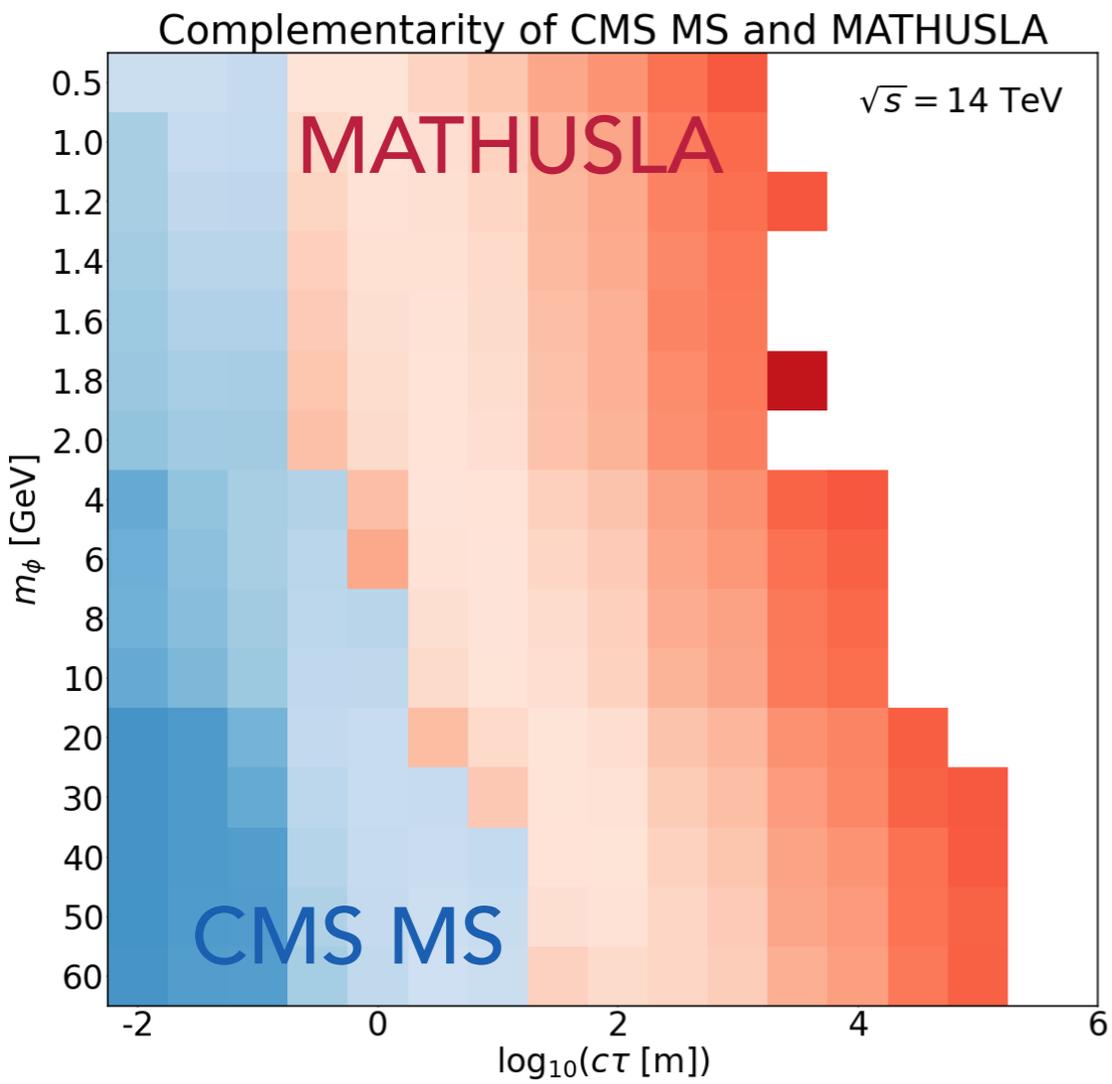


CODEX-b, $10 \times 10 \times 10 \text{ m}^3$
 300 fb^{-1}
 (0.5 GeV, 3.3×10^{-4} , 0.5 m)
 (50 GeV, 5.3×10^{-4} , 50 m)

CODEX-b, $20 \times 10 \times 10 \text{ m}^3$
 1000 fb^{-1}
 (0.5 GeV, 7.0×10^{-5} , 0.5 m)
 (50 GeV, 1.1×10^{-4} , 50 m)

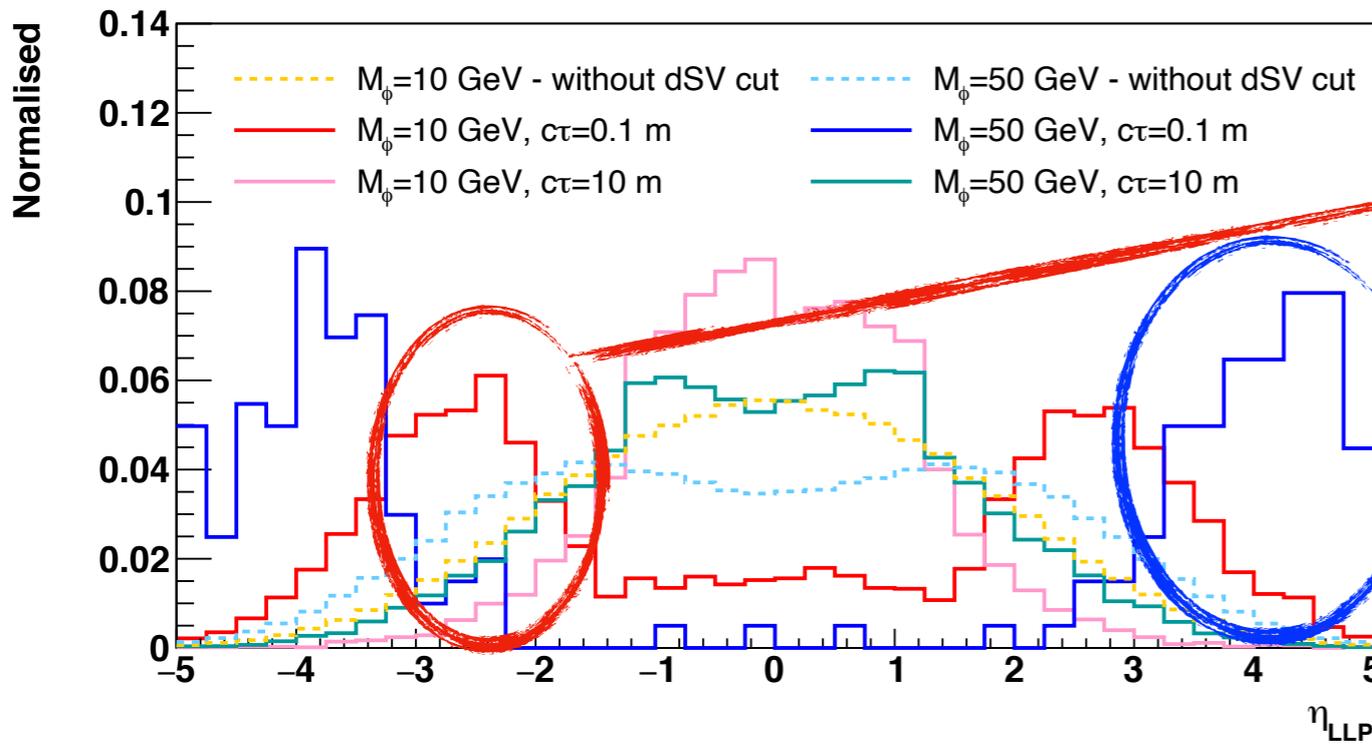
MATHUSLA,
 $100 \times 100 \times 25 \text{ m}^3$, 3000 fb^{-1}
 (0.5 GeV, 4.1×10^{-6} , 1 m)
 (50 GeV, 4.6×10^{-6} , 100 m)

(m_ϕ , $\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \phi\phi)_{UL}$, $c\tau$)



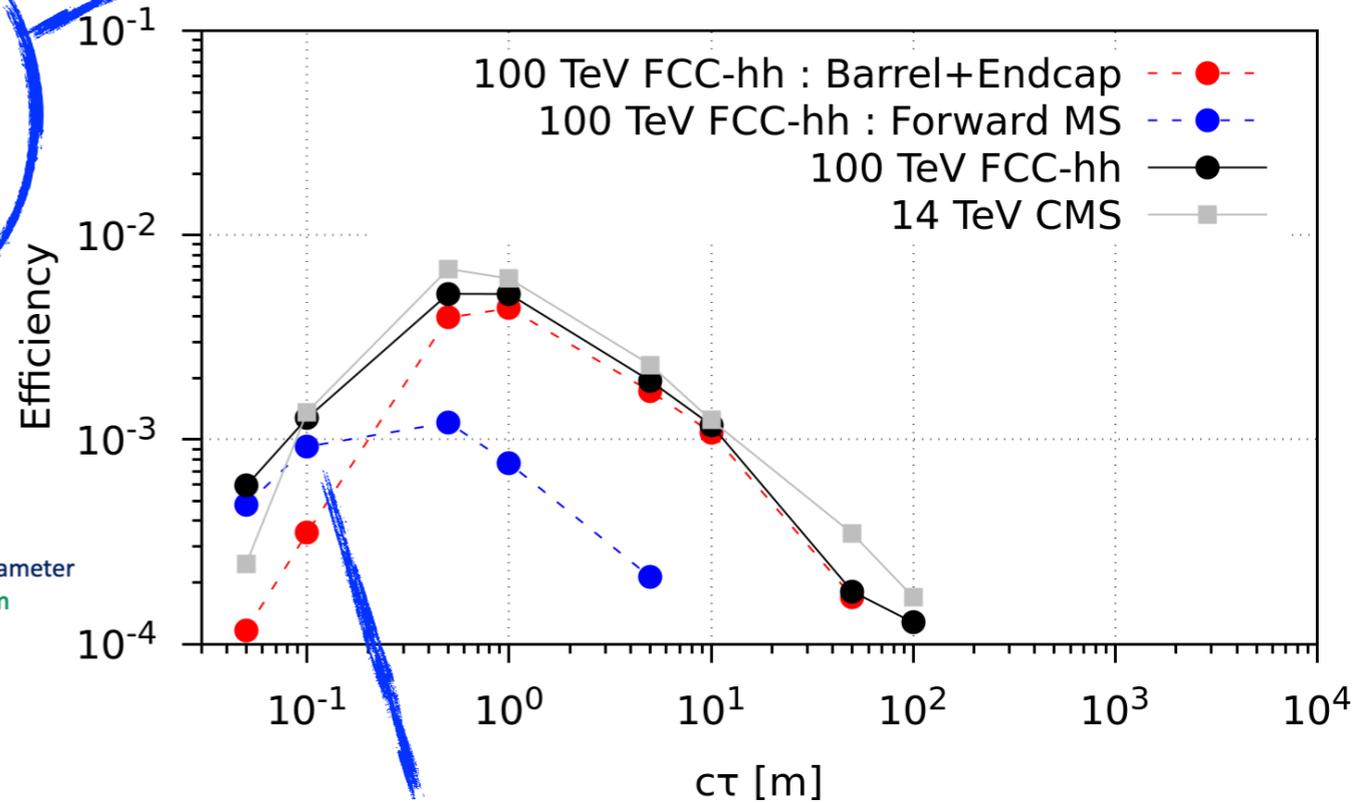
CMS MS + MATHUSLA:
 can probe $c\tau \lesssim 10^5 \text{ m}$ for
 $m_\phi = 60 \text{ GeV}$, without any gap if
 $\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \phi\phi) \gtrsim 0.1 \%$

Performed similar analyses following the CMS MS one using the FCC-hh MS for final states $\mu^+\mu^-$, $c\bar{c}$, and $b\bar{b}$ for a range of LLP masses between 0.5 GeV and 60 GeV with $c\tau = [0.01, 5 \times 10^7]$ m



LLPs more in *forward direction* for **lower** $c\tau$ when decay is restricted within MS

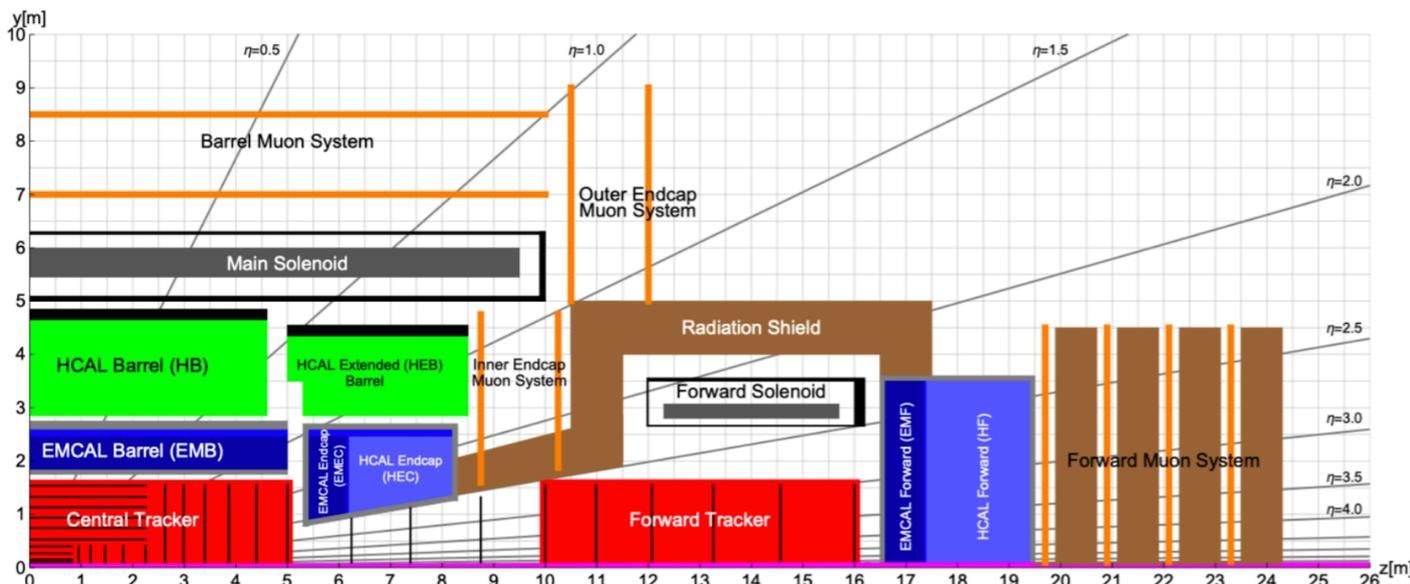
$m_\phi = 10$ GeV, $P_{ggF^S} \times D_{jets^S} \geq 1$ vtx



ATLAS/CMS + LHCb geometry

FCC-hh Reference Detector

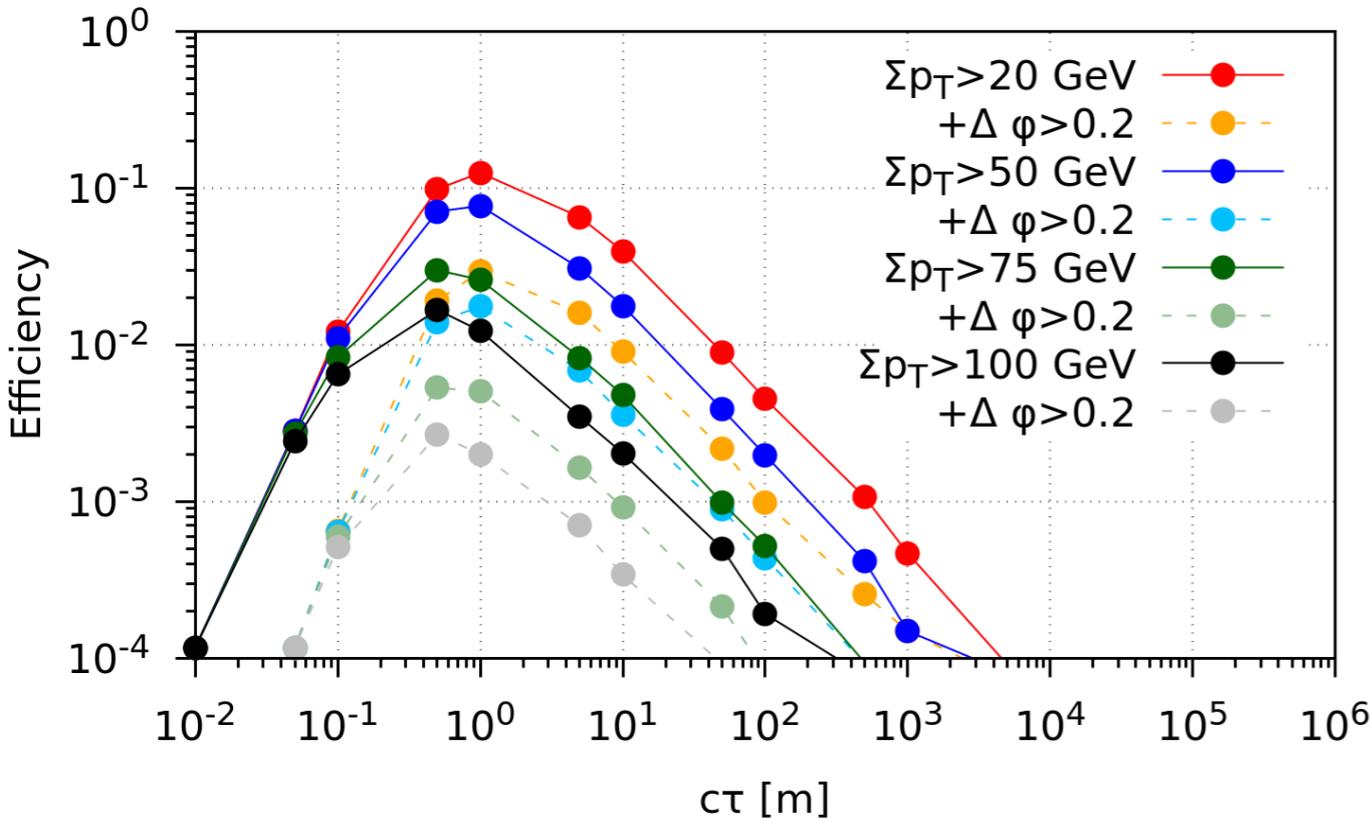
50m long, 20m diameter
Cavern length 66m
 L^* of FCC 40m.



Forward MS increases sensitivity to lower decay lengths

Otherwise lower decay lengths difficult due to more background

$m_\phi = 10$ GeV, $\sqrt{s} = 100$ TeV, FCC-hh:Barrel+Endcap MS, ggF



\sqrt{s} [TeV]	Process	Cross section [pb]
14	ggF	50.35
	VBF	4.172
	Vh	2.387 (Wh:1.504, Zh:0.8830)
100	ggF	740.3
	VBF	82.00
	Vh	27.16 (Wh:15.90, Zh:11.26)

- ❖ Cross-section increases by a factor of **~15**
- ❖ Integrated luminosity is expected to increase by a factor of **10**
- ❖ Overall improvement w.r.t HL-LHC given efficiency remains the same **~150**

100 TeV - increase energy threshold

$\Sigma p_T >$	20 GeV	50 GeV	100 GeV
$\Delta\phi > 0.2$	× 75	× 34.5	× 4.5
No $\Delta\phi$ cut	× 250	× 150	× 24

improvement factors w.r.t. HL-LHC

New Proposal
This work

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DELIGHT for FCC-hh

FCC-hh design under study
Room for optimisation

Proposal for FCC-ee/CEPC -
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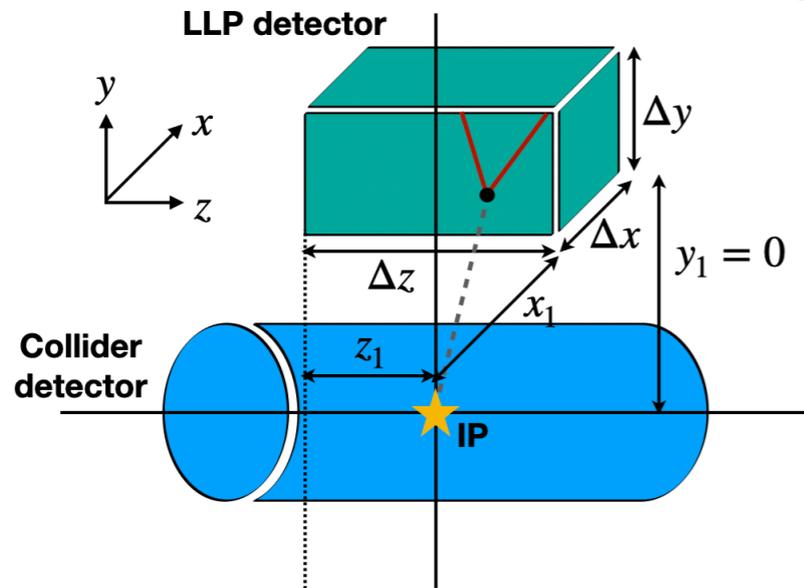
Marcin Chrzaszcz, et al.,
arXiv:2011.01005

DELIGHT
Detector for long-lived particles at high energy of 100 TeV

$$x_1 = 25 \text{ m}$$

$$y_1 = 0 \text{ m}$$

$$z_1 = -\Delta z/2$$



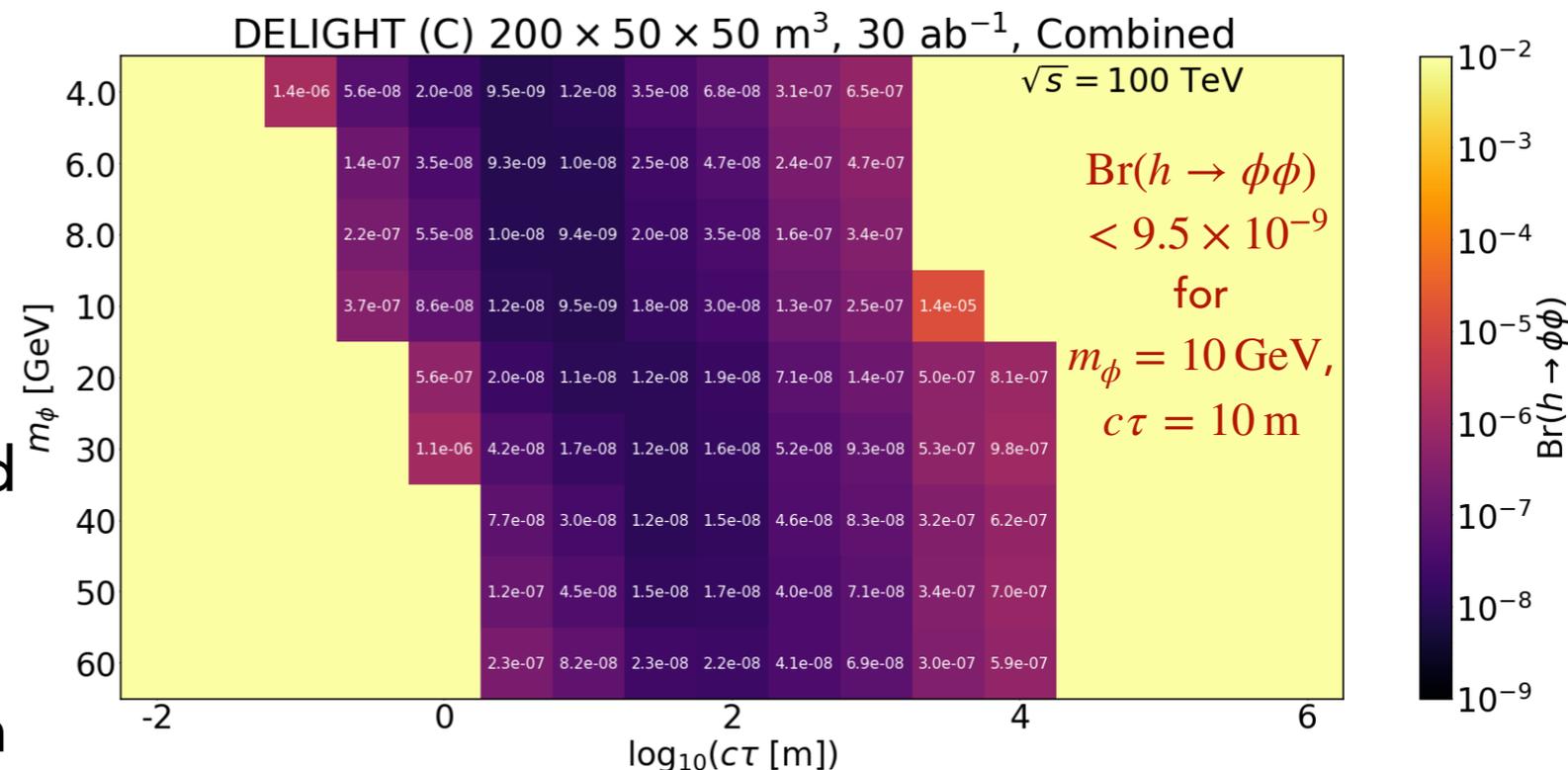
DELIGHT (A): The same as the dimensions of the MATHUSLA detector, i.e. $\Delta x \times \Delta y \times \Delta z = 25 \times 100 \times 100 \text{ m}^3$.

DELIGHT (B): Four times bigger than the MATHUSLA detector, i.e. $\Delta x \times \Delta y \times \Delta z = 100 \times 100 \times 100 \text{ m}^3$.

DELIGHT (C): Twice the decay volume as the MATHUSLA detector with different dimensions, i.e. $\Delta x \times \Delta y \times \Delta z = 200 \times 50 \times 50 \text{ m}^3$.

- long tunnel-like detector - better shielding against cosmic rays
- closer to IP - use of materials with high shielding power & active veto components to reduce background
- RPCs and possibility of a calorimeter element
- integration with the trigger system of FCC-hh

FURTHER STUDIES



Improvement by $\times 430$ compared to MATHUSLA

Summary

- ★ Studied the landscape of **long-lived light mediators from exotic decays of SM Higgs boson** using the
 - ✿ CMS Muon Spectrometer at **HL-LHC**
 - ✿ Dedicated transverse LLP detectors like MATHUSLA and CODEX-b at HL-LHC
 - ✿ Muon Spectrometer (both **transverse** and **forward**) at **FCC-hh**
 - ✿ **New proposal** for dedicated LLP detector for FCC-hh - DELIGHT
- ★ Combination of the three dominant production modes of SM Higgs boson - **ggF, VBF and Vh**, and multiple decay modes - $\mu^+\mu^-$, $\pi^+\pi^-$, K^+K^- , gg , $s\bar{s}$, $c\bar{c}$, $\tau^+\tau^-$, $b\bar{b}$

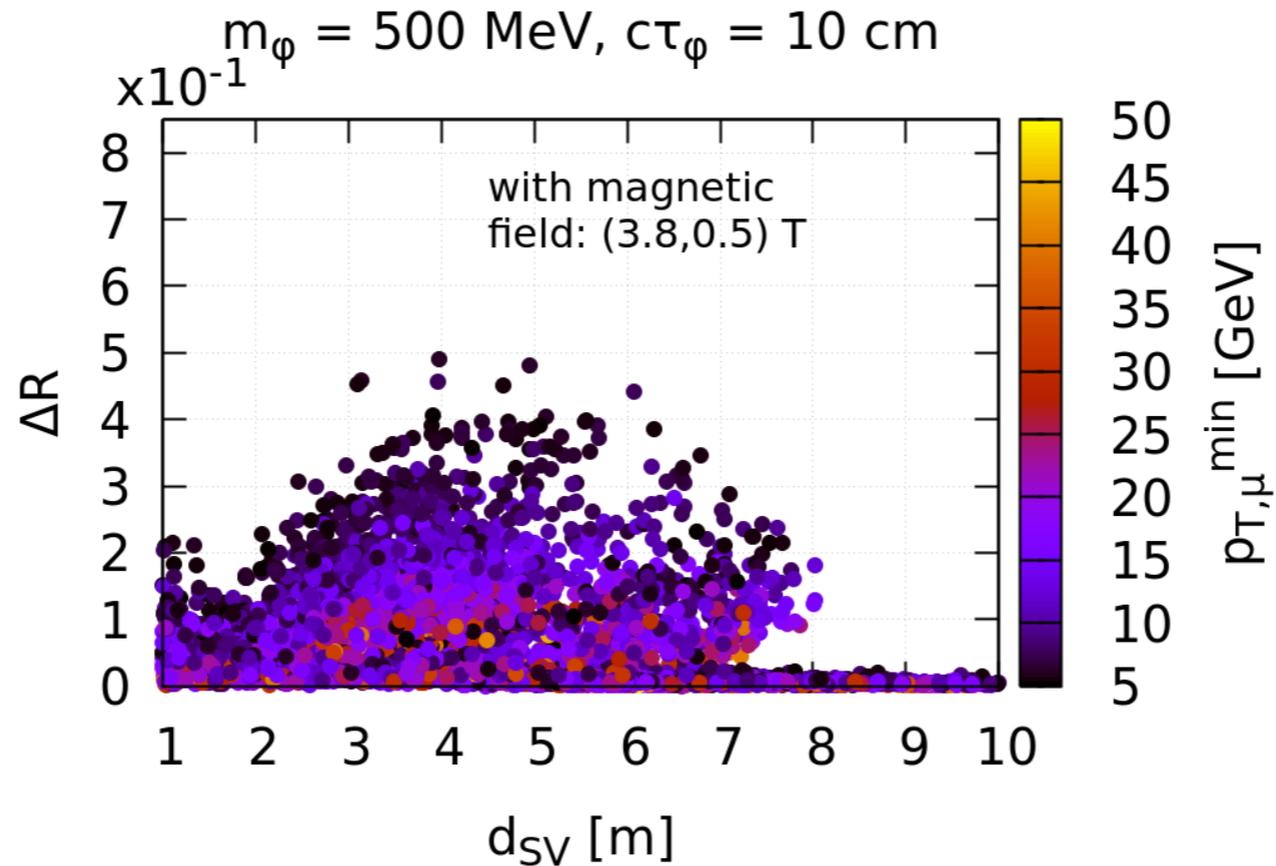
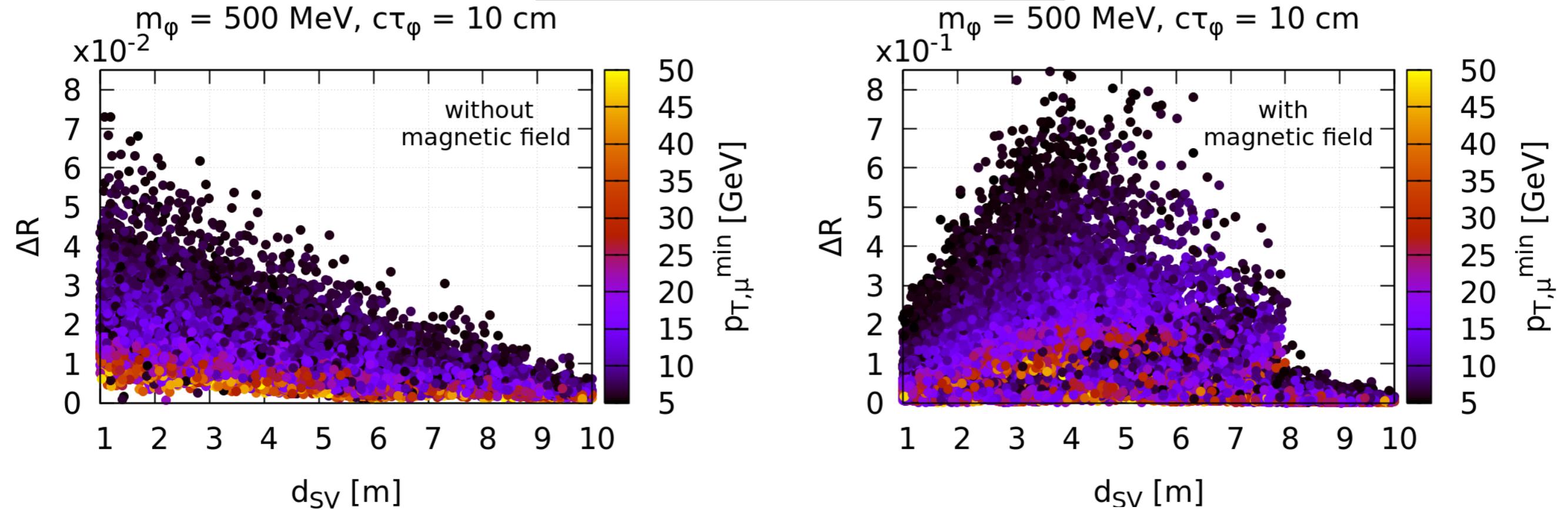
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For further details please have a look at

B. Bhattacharjee, S. Matsumoto, and RS, [arXiv:2111.02437](https://arxiv.org/abs/2111.02437) [hep-ph]

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Possible backgrounds

- SM particles decaying into di-muons, such as J/ψ or $\Upsilon \Rightarrow$ very small decay lengths (\sim few pm) \Rightarrow separated from signals with the d_0 or d_T cuts or **masking** the invariant mass of the two muons near the J/ψ and Υ resonances.
- **Cosmic muons** \Rightarrow usually appear back-to-back in the detector \Rightarrow **suppressed by rejecting back-to-back muon pairs with a $\Delta\phi$ cut** \Rightarrow a suppression factor of 10^{-9} for cosmic muon events in the absence of pp collisions. CMS-PAS-FTR-18-002
- **Muons from the beam halo** \Rightarrow have very **low transverse momentum** \Rightarrow a cut of $p_T > 15$ GeV on displaced muons can suppress the beam halo background.

Displaced dimuons

- Several **long-lived hadrons in the SM** can punch through the calorimeter from the transition regions and then decay, such as $K_S \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$, $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^-$, $\Sigma^+ \rightarrow p\pi^0/n\pi^+$, $\Sigma^- \rightarrow n\pi^-$, $\Xi \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^0$, $\Xi^- \rightarrow \Lambda\pi^-$ and $\Omega^- \rightarrow \Lambda K^-/\Xi\pi^-/\Xi^-\pi^0 \Rightarrow$ **demand at least 3-5 charged particles associated with a displaced vertex.**

MS cluster

- Punch through of PU jets in the HL-LHC \Rightarrow can be suppressed either by **vetoing events from the transition regions**, or by **checking for activities inside the calorimeters as well as the trackers associated with the activity in the MS.** ATLAS, PRD 92 no. 1, (2015) 012010

We assume 50 events \Rightarrow a significance (S/\sqrt{B}) of 2σ can accommodate ~ 625 background events

Our obtained limits can be scaled accordingly

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