

# Vector-like leptons

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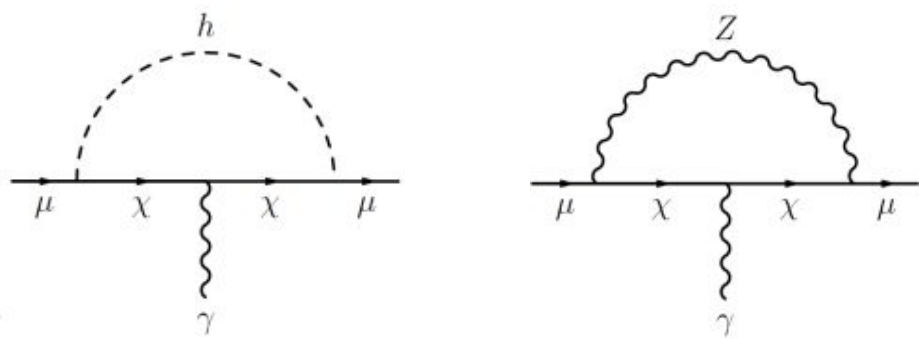
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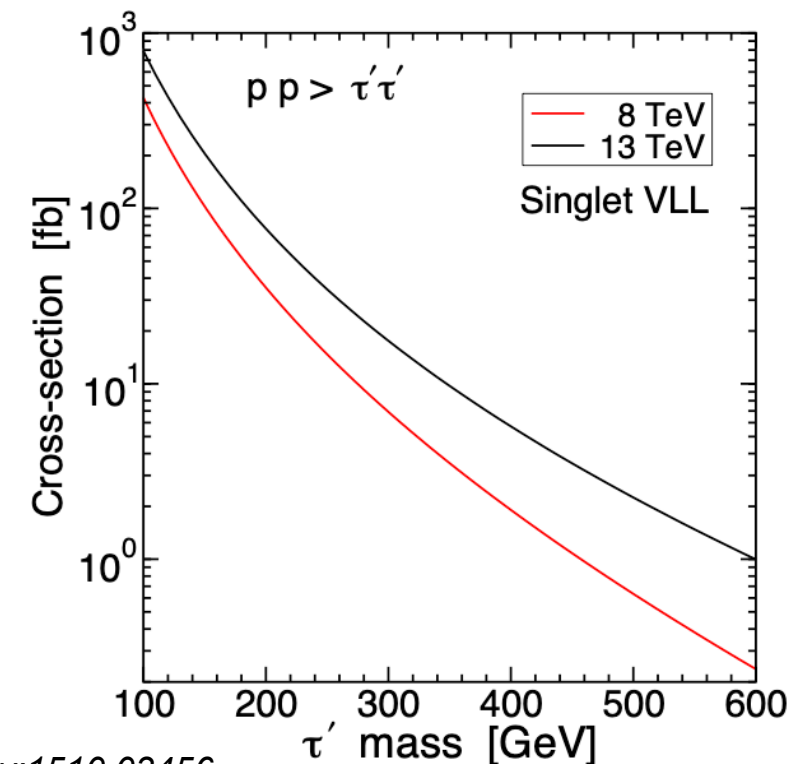
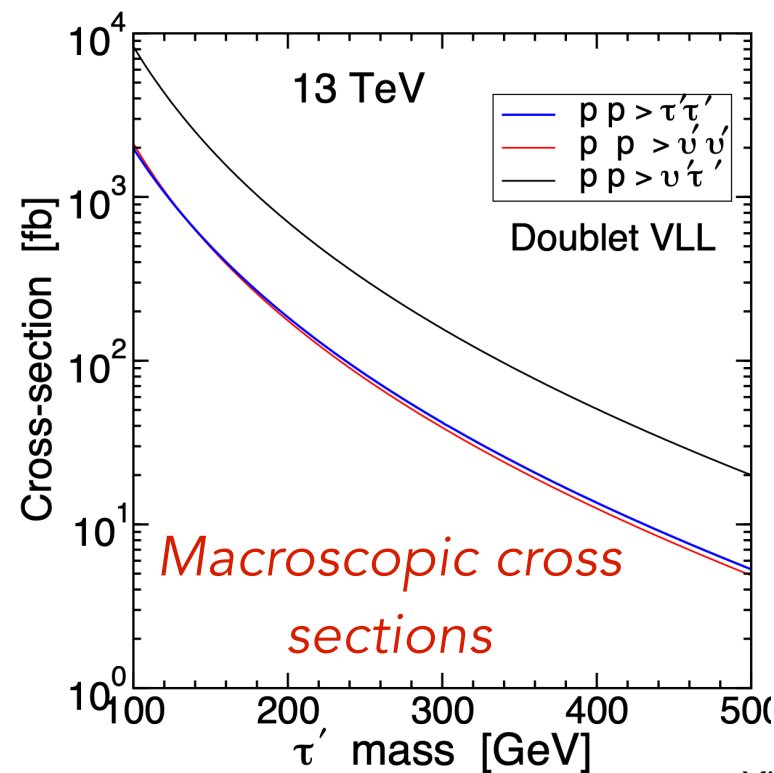
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# Vector-like leptons

- \* Vector-like fermions are simple and consistent candidate extension of the Standard Model
  - ▶ Non-chiral, i.e. their left- and right-handed components have the same charges
- \* Predicted in Composite Higgs models and other UV-complete constructions eg. 4321 Model
- \* Typical mass  $\leq 1$  TeV
- \* The mixing between the **muonphilic vector-like leptons** and the muon gives the main contribution to  $a_\mu$



- \* Dominant production is in pairs, mediated by the EW interaction

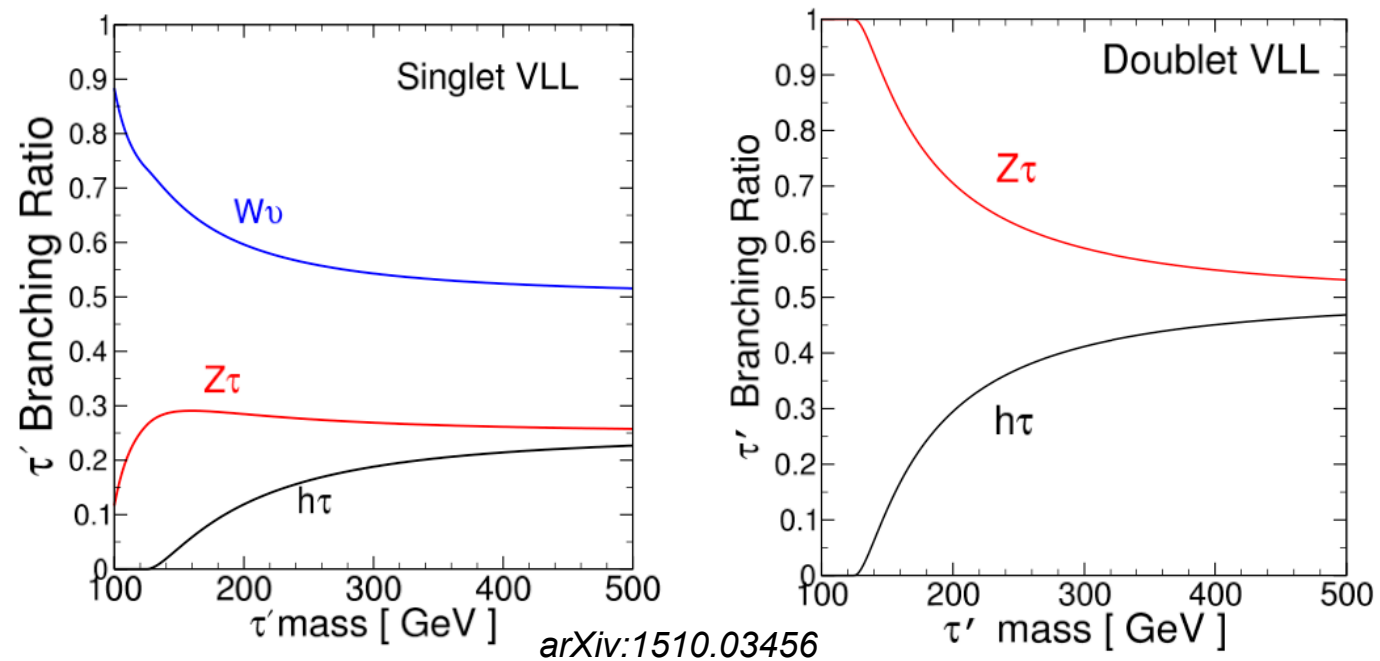


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# VLL decays

- \* VLLs come in *doublets/singlets*: one charged VLL, **E**, and one neutral VLL, **N**
- \* Rich phenomenology with multiple leptons, jets, b-jets and missing transverse momentum in the final state

- ▶  $2\ell$ SS/OS,  $3\ell$  and  $\geq 4\ell$
- ▶ Jets/b-jets
- ▶ MET ...



$$\Gamma(\tau' \rightarrow W\nu) = 0,$$

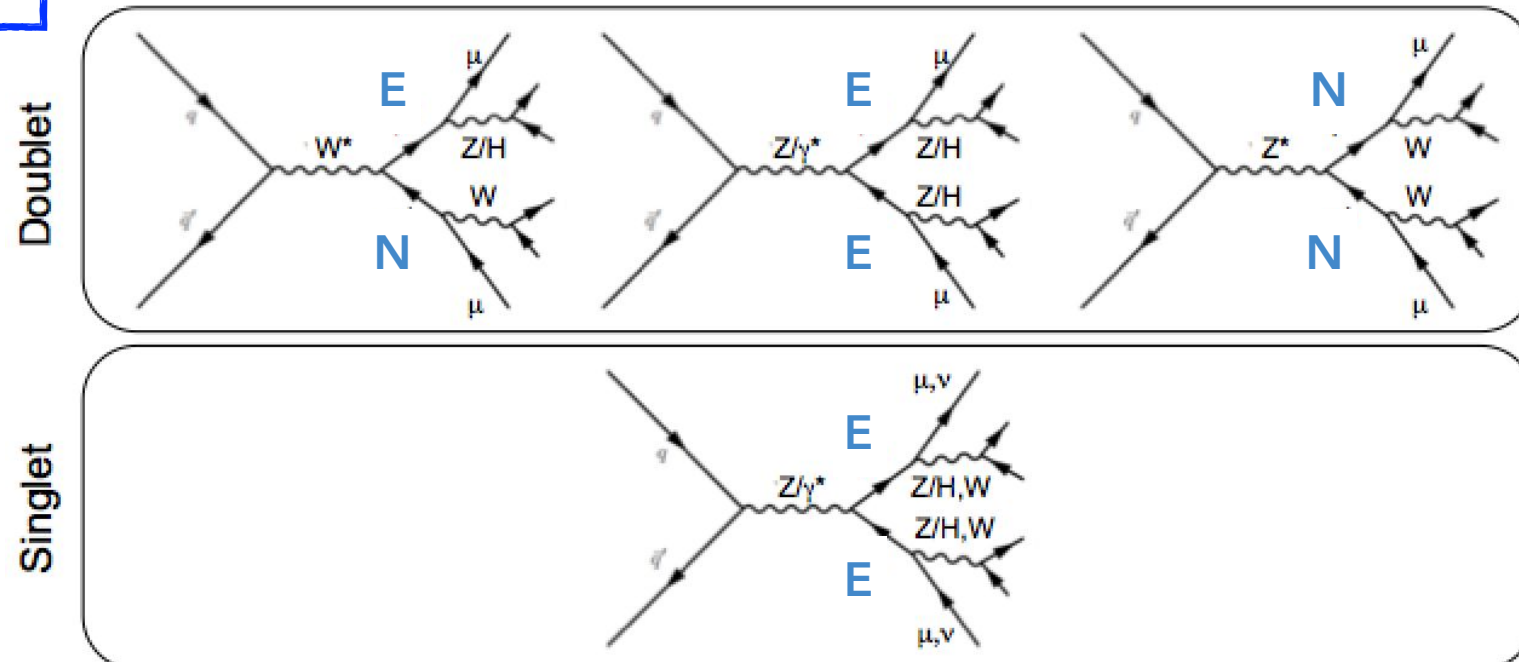
$$\Gamma(\tau' \rightarrow Z\tau) = \frac{M_{\tau'}^2}{32\pi}(1 - r_Z)^2(2 + 1/r_Z)|g_{\tau'\tau'}^Z|^2,$$

$$\Gamma(\tau' \rightarrow h\tau) = \frac{M_{\tau'}^2}{32\pi}(1 - r_h)^2|g_{\tau'\tau'}^h|^2,$$

$$\Gamma(\nu' \rightarrow W\tau) = \frac{M_{\nu'}^2}{32\pi}(1 - r_W)^2(2 + 1/r_W)|g_{\tau'\nu'}^{W^+}|^2,$$

$$\Gamma(\nu' \rightarrow Z\nu) = \Gamma(\nu' \rightarrow h\nu) = 0.$$

$r_X = M_X^2/M_{\tau'}^2$ , for  $X = W, Z, h$ .



# Flavourful VLLs

- \* Flavourful BSM fermions and scalars (arXiv:2011.12964)
  - ▶ Presence of BSM scalars -- **can undergo LFV like decays!**
- \* **Singlet:**  $\psi_{L,R}^i(1, 1, -1)$ , **doublet**  $\psi_{L,R}^i(1, 2, -1/2)$  they come in 3 generations, just like SM leptons;  $i = 1, 2, 3$  lepton flavour generation
- \* **Scalar** singlets  $S_{ij}(1, 1, 0)$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, 3$ ; in total 9 flavourful scalars
- \*  $\kappa, \kappa'$  are BSM Yukawa couplings
- \* The free parameters are:  $M_S, M_F, \kappa, \kappa'$
- \* Assume negligible mass splitting in multiplet, e.g. doublet  $\psi = (\psi^-, \psi^0)$
- \* Strong constraints on  $\kappa$  from EWK data:  $\kappa v_h / (2M_F) \leq O(10^{-2})$ 
  - ▶  $\kappa$  couples leptons to the Higgs
- \*  $\kappa'$  can be  $O(1)$ , and can then explain muon  $g - 2$  at 1-loop for given  $M_S, M_F$

$$\mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{singlet}} = -\kappa \bar{L}_i H \psi_{Ri} - \kappa' \bar{E}_i (S^\dagger)_{ij} \psi_{Lj} - y \bar{\psi}_{Li} S_{ij} \psi_{Rj} + \text{h.c.},$$

$$\mathcal{L}_Y^{\text{doublet}} = -\kappa \bar{E}_i H^\dagger \psi_{Li} - \kappa' \bar{L}_i S_{ij} \psi_{Rj} - y \bar{\psi}_{Li} S_{ij} \psi_{Rj} + \text{h.c.},$$



# Flavourful VLLs

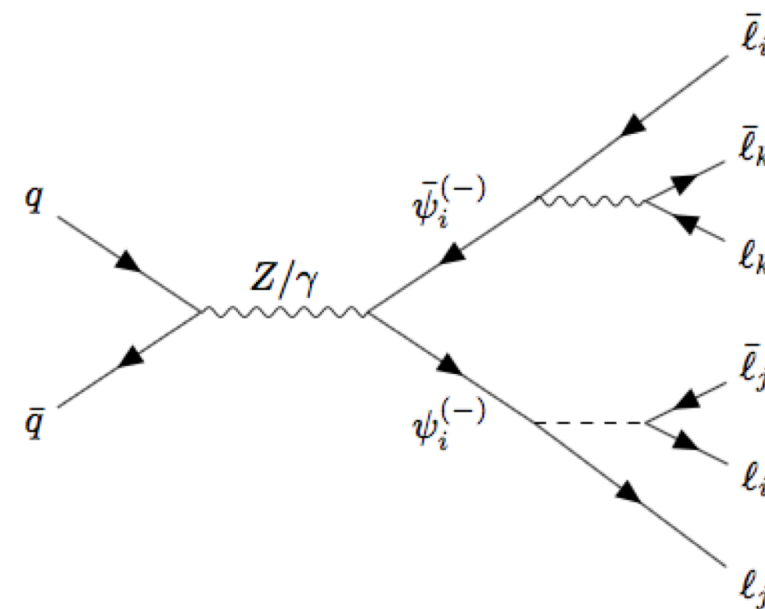
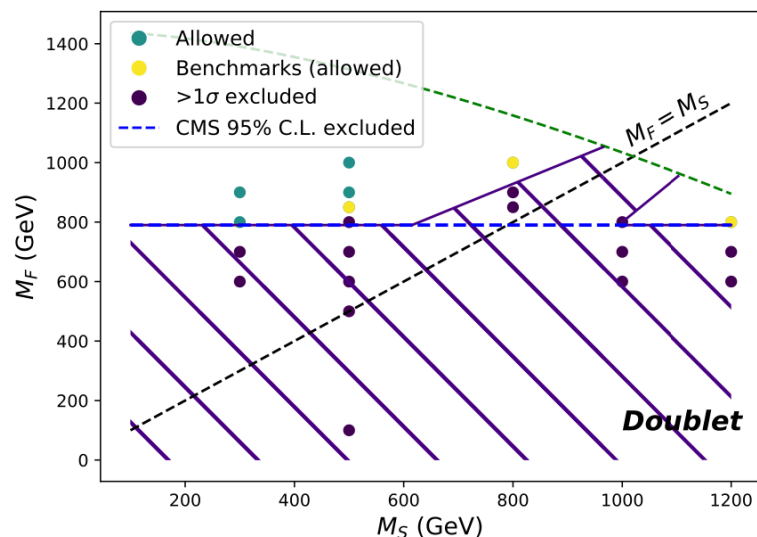
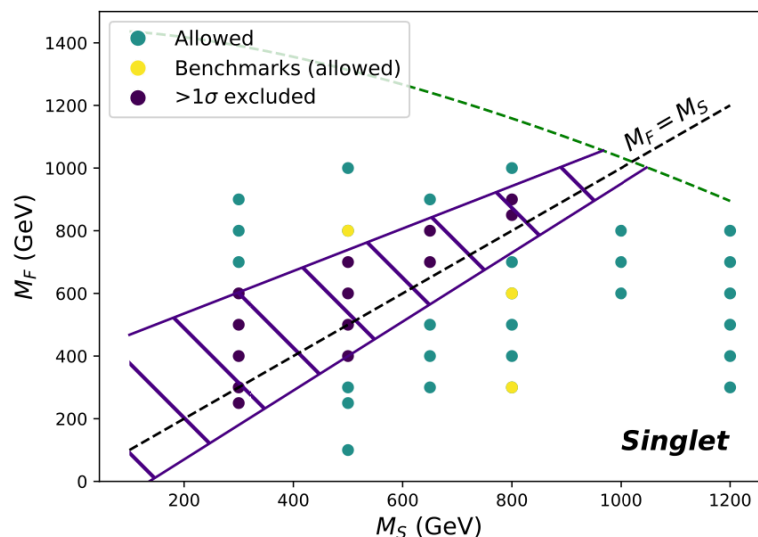
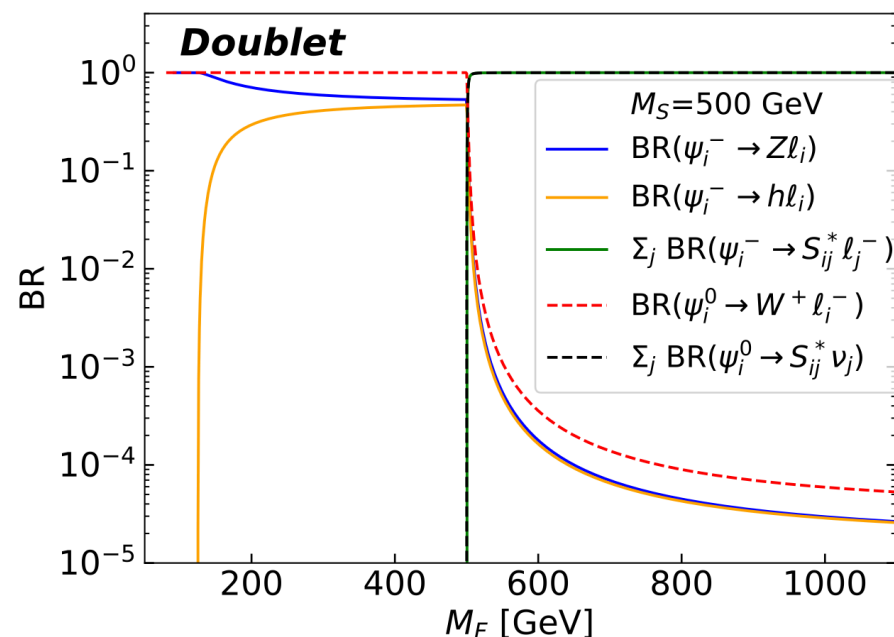
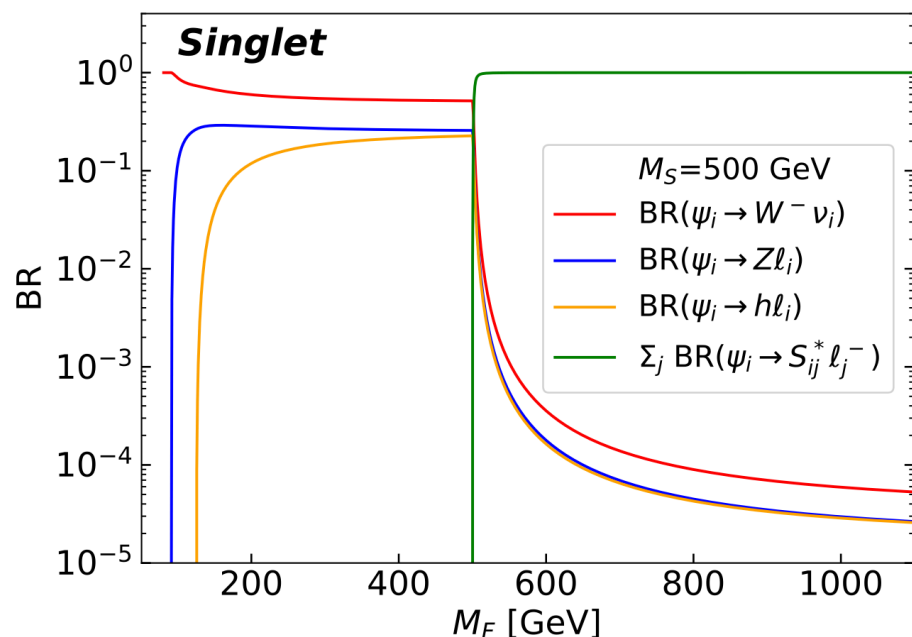
- \* Once kinematically allowed i.e.,  $M_F > M_S$ , the  $\psi$  **decay predominantly** to S plus lepton, roughly for  $\kappa'$  &  $\kappa$

$$\psi_i^- \rightarrow S_{ji} l_j^- \rightarrow l_i^- l_j^+ l_j^-, \quad \psi_i^0 \rightarrow S_{ji} \nu_j \rightarrow l_i^- l_j^+ \nu_j.$$

- \*  $\kappa'$  fixed to explain g-2

▶  $\kappa = 10^{-2} \kappa'$

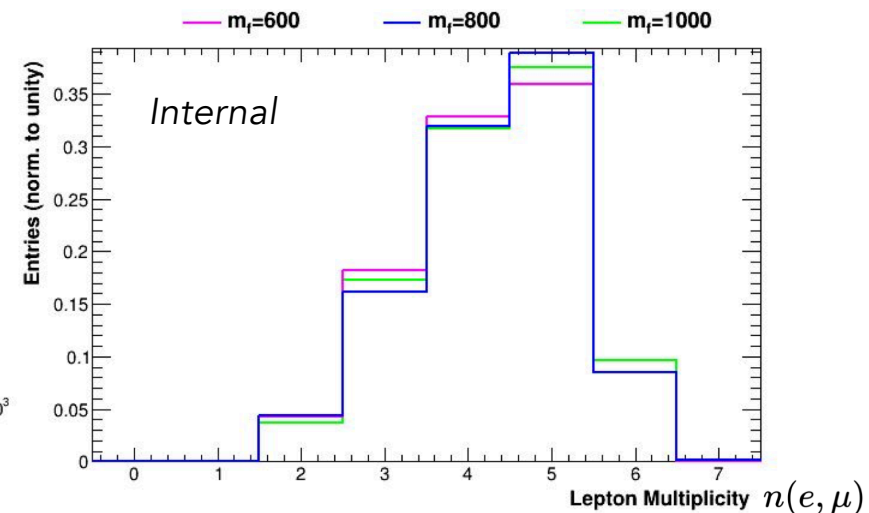
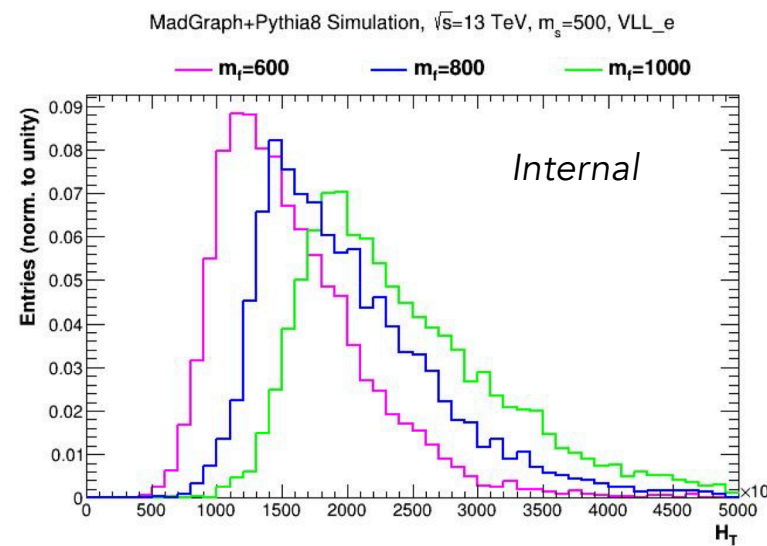
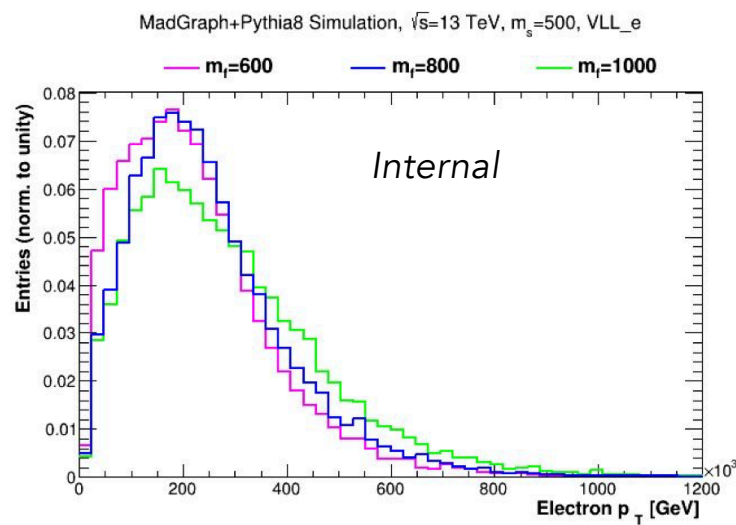
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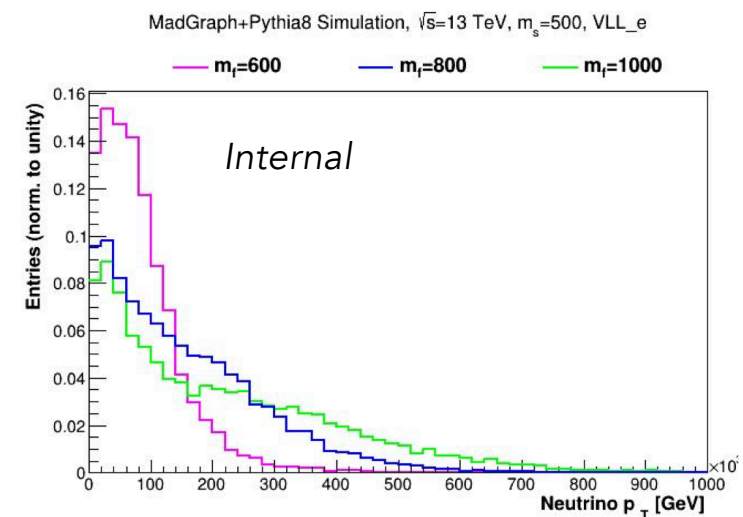
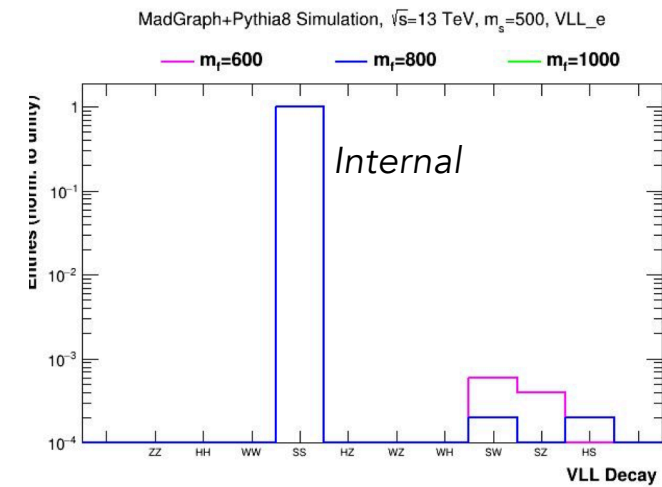
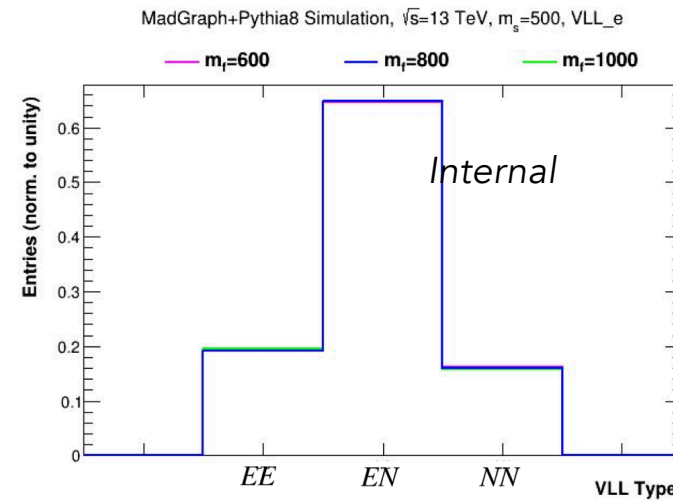
Excluded/allowed values of  $M_S$   $M_F$  from CMS data

# Flavourful VLLs

- \* Searches for "Flavourful VLLs" has started
- \* MadGraph + Pythia8

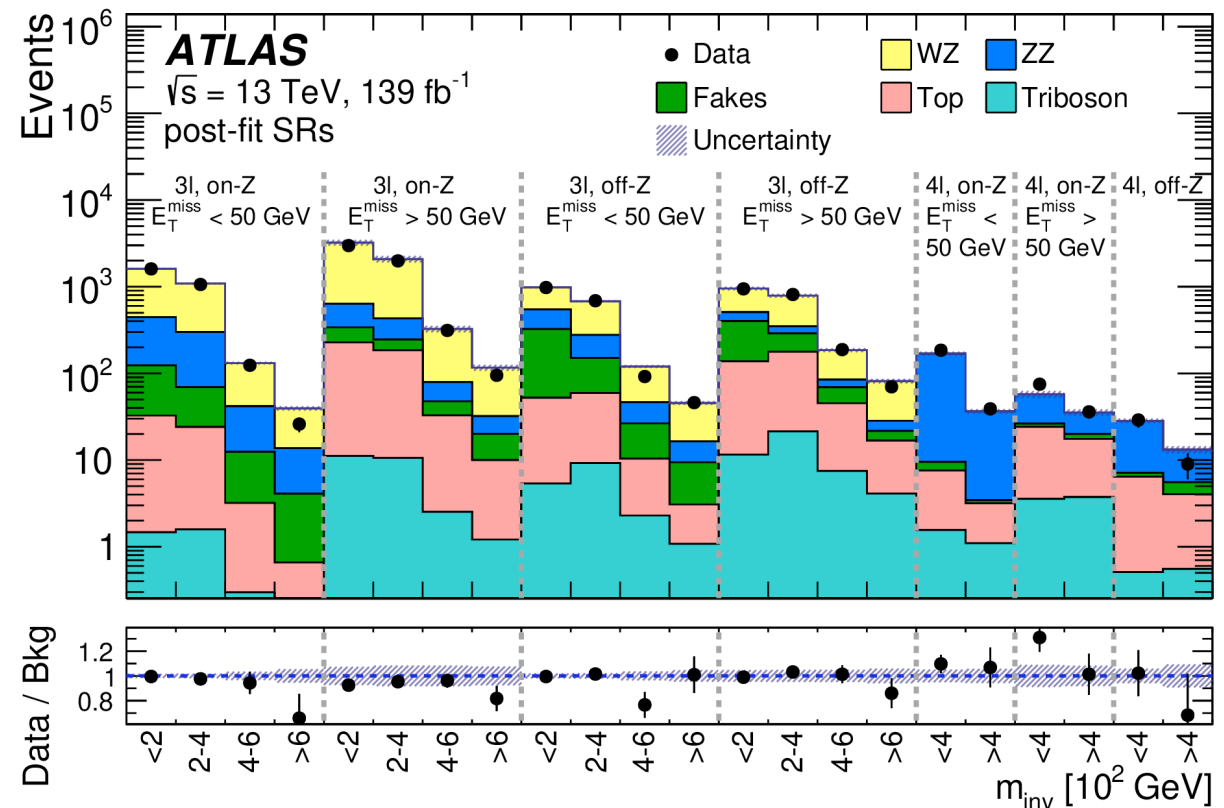


- \* EN production is dominant
- \* Decays with S is dominant ( $\kappa/\kappa'$ )=  $10^{-2}$
- \* High lepton multiplicities with  $p_T < 600$  GeV
- \* Low MET
- \* High  $H_T$  (sum of transverse momentum)

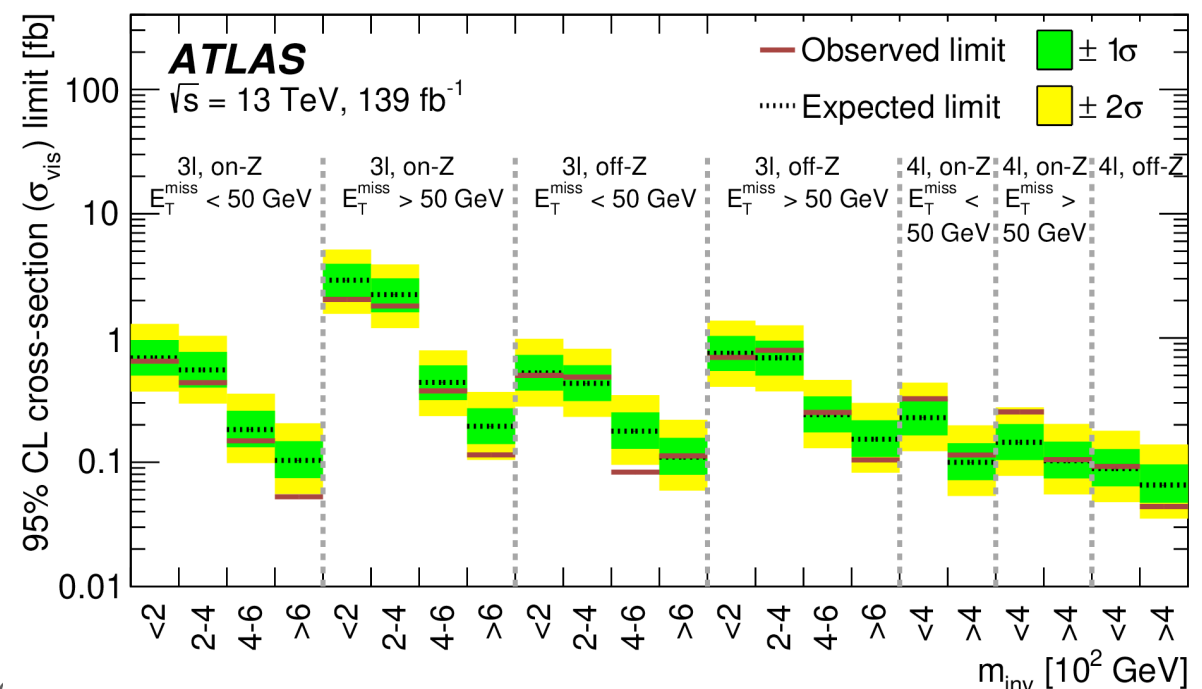


# Excess in 4L channels

- \* Slight excess was seen in ATLAS analysis
- \* [Phys. Lett. B 824 \(2022\) 136832](#)
- \* Small excess in 4l signal regions found to be significantly larger when considering particular low-background sub-channels split by lepton flavour
- \* 4L, low MET and onZ peak and **eeem/emmm** final states
- \* Follow up on this analysis is ongoing
- \* Model-independent searches
- \* **VLL-flavorful** will be tested as model-dependent part!



excess mostly observed in: **eeem** or **eppp** events





# 4321 model

- \* UV-complete model that extends the SM gauge groups to a larger group:

$$SU(4) \times SU(3)' \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)'$$

- \* Can accommodate B-physics anomalies (via a vector LQ).

- \* Consistent with all available constraints

- \* Three heavy gauge bosons:

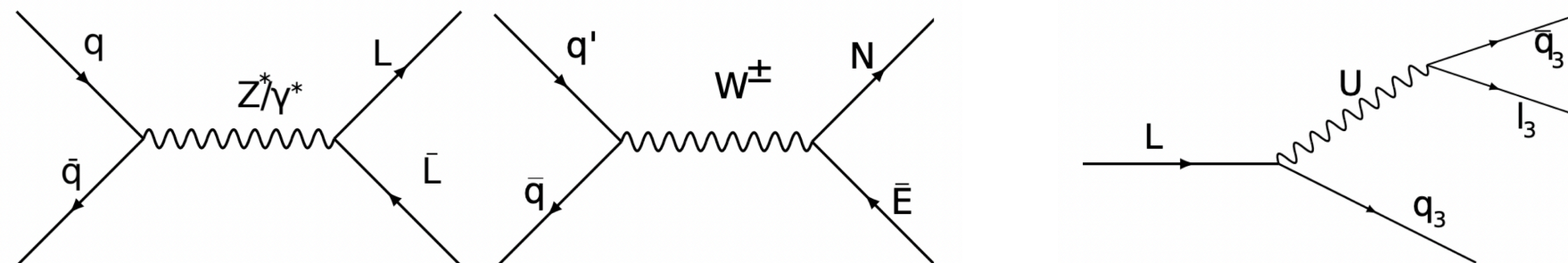
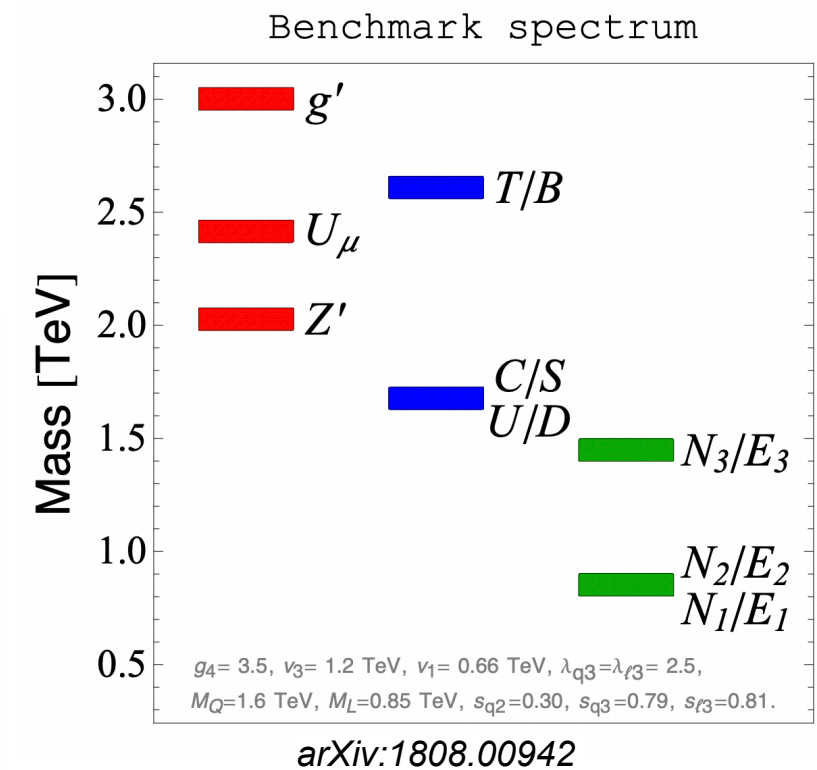
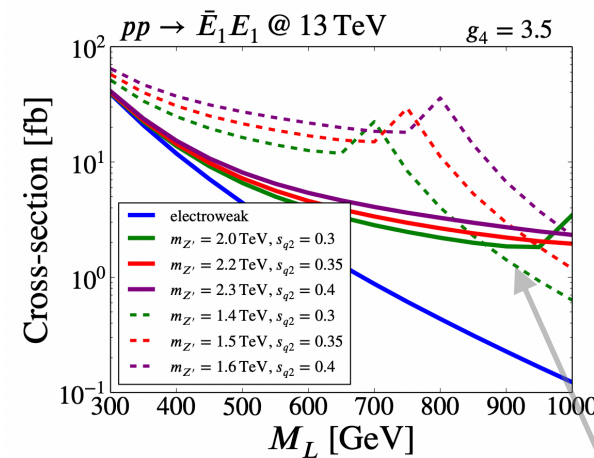
- ▶ Color octet ( $g'$ )
- ▶ Vector LQ ( $U_\mu$ )
- ▶ Color singlet ( $Z'$ )

- \* Three families of vector-like fermions:

- ▶ VLQ doublets:  $U/D$ ,  $C/S$ ,  $T/B$
- ▶ VLL doublets:  $N_1/E_1$ ,  $N_2/E_2$ ,  $N_3/E_3$

- \* Search for **pair production** of the **lightest** new particles in this model: *vector-like leptons*

- ▶ Produced via EWK production or through interactions with a  $Z'$  boson
- ▶ Decay via intermediate leptoquark  $U$ , to two quarks and one lepton (mostly third generation fermions)



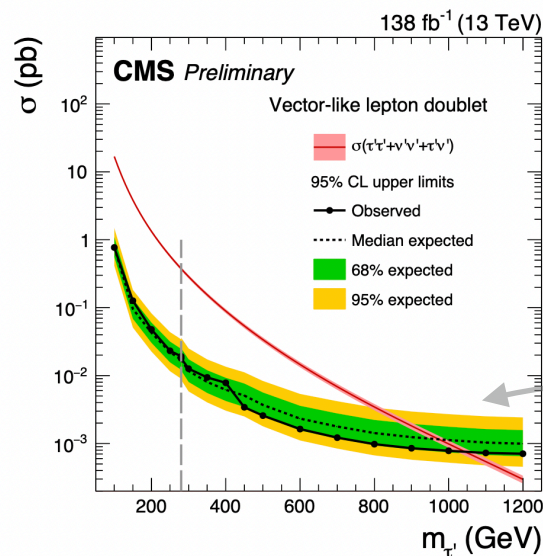
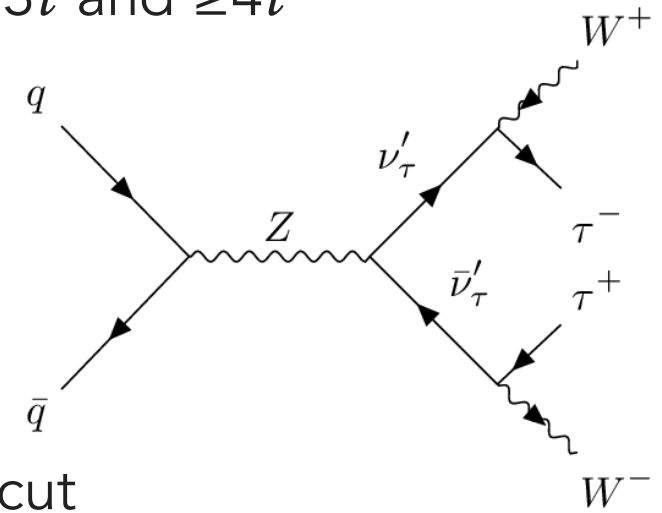
# VLLs state of the art

	Type	Couple	Lumi	Exclusion	Excess
CMS	<u>Doublet</u>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons	77.4	120-790 GeV	-
	<u>Doublet/singlet</u>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons	138	<1045 GeV/ 125-170 GeV	-
	<u>Doublet in 4321 model</u>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons and quarks via LQ	96.5	500–1050 GeV	2.8 $\sigma$
ATLAS	<u>Singlet</u>	Decaying to a Z boson and a 1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons	20.3	114-176 GeV	-
	<u>Doublet</u>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons	139	130-900 GeV	-
	<u>Doublet/singlet</u>	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons	139	TBD	
	<u>Doublet in 4321 model</u>	3 <sup>rd</sup> gen. leptons and quarks via LQ	139	TBD	

\* **ATLAS** have two new VLL searches on the way! 

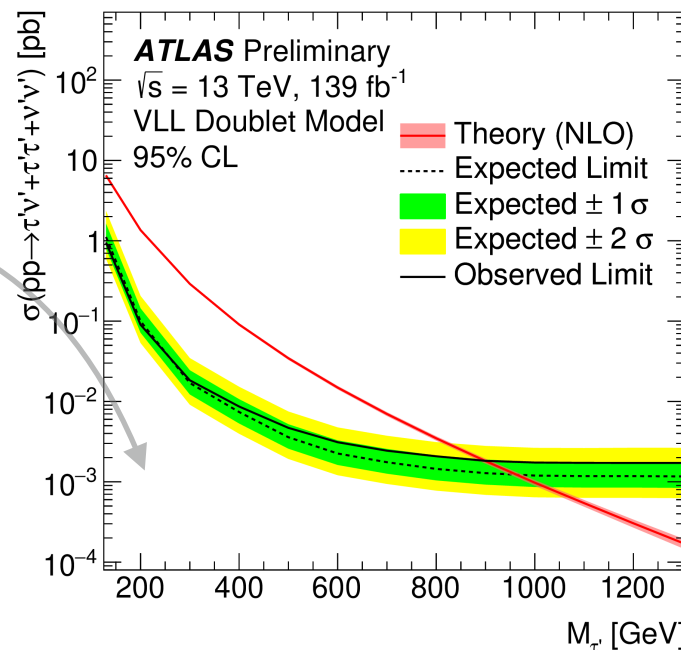
# VLL-taus in ATLAS

- \* SU(2) **doublet** VLLs coupling to third generation SM leptons in  $2\ell$ ,  $3\ell$  and  $\geq 4\ell$  w/  $\geq 0\tau$  channels using  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- \* Mass points: 130-1000 GeV w/ 100 GeV steps
- \* Cross sections were normalised at NLO QCD
- \* CRs to normalize main backgrounds (top, WZ, ZZ)
- \* Fake factor for fake e/mu/taus, VRs defined by inverted BDT score cut
- \* SRs defined by cut on BDT score to discriminate the signal from background for all the regions
- \* No excess seen, limits sets for **900GeV**



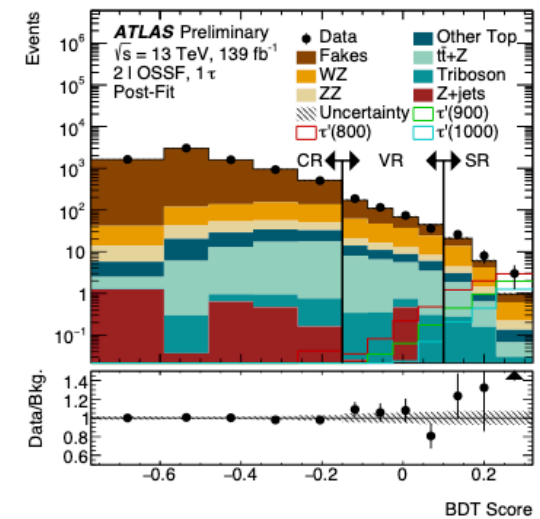
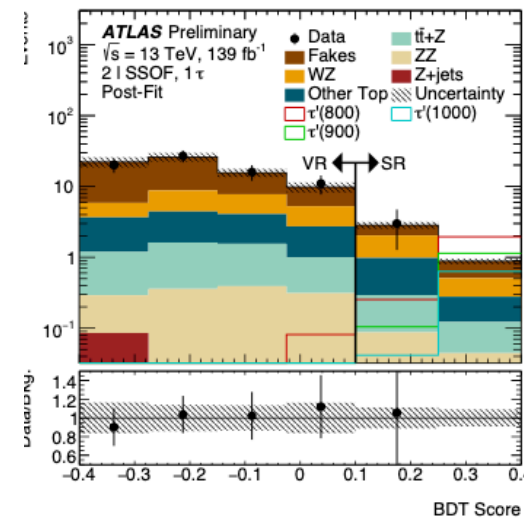
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Similar results to CMS



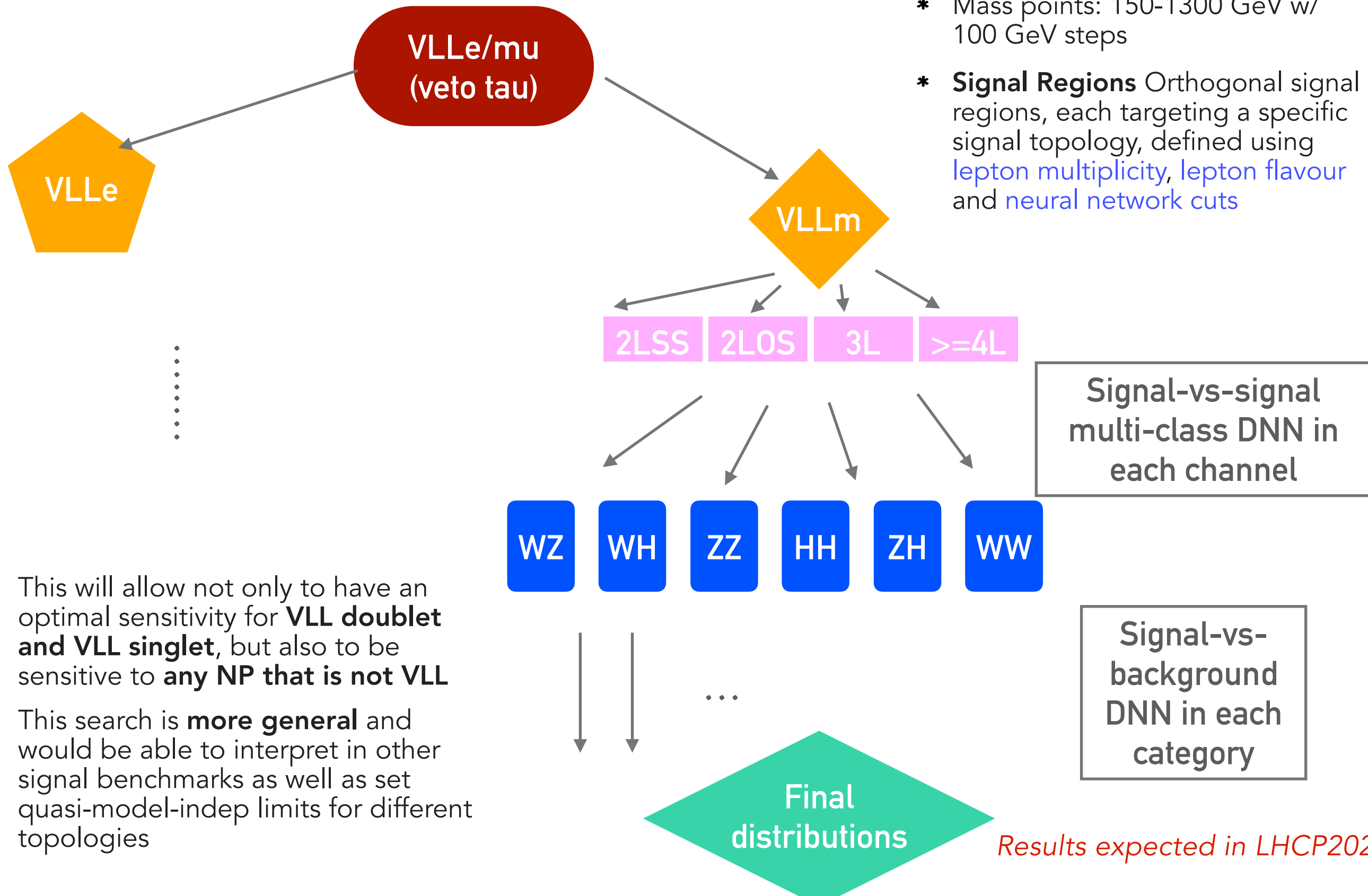
Signal Regions						
$2\ell$ SSSF, $1\tau$	$2\ell$ SSOF, $1\tau$	$2\ell$ OSSF, $1\tau$	$2\ell$ OSOF, $1\tau$	$2\ell, \geq 2\tau$	$3\ell, \geq 1\tau$	$4\ell, \geq 0\tau$

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# VLLe/mu in ATLAS



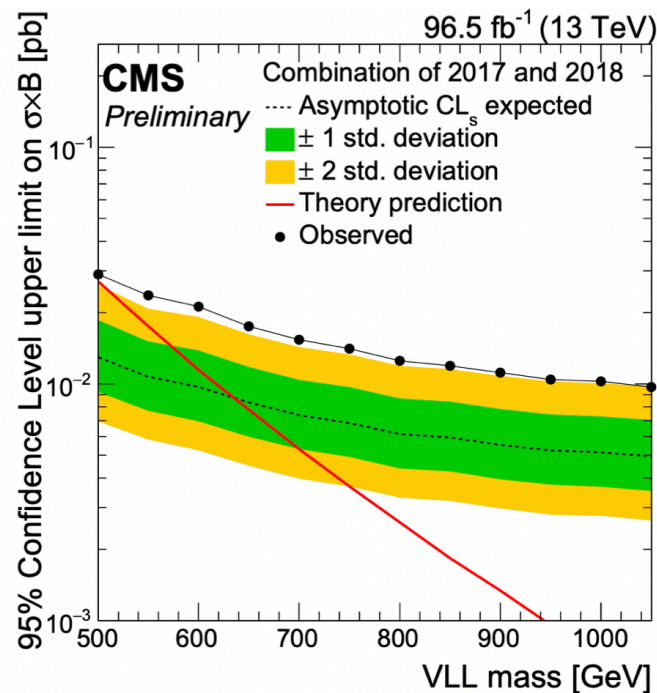
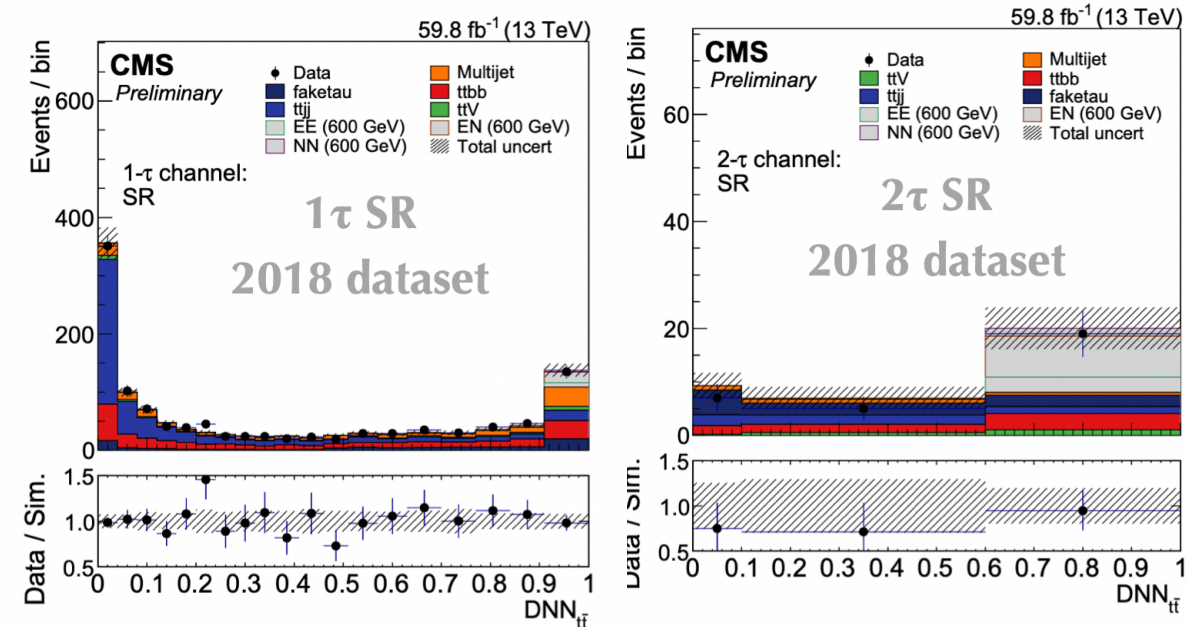
- \* Mass points: 150-1300 GeV w/ 100 GeV steps
- \* **Signal Regions** Orthogonal signal regions, each targeting a specific signal topology, defined using lepton multiplicity, lepton flavour and neural network cuts

- \* This will allow not only to have an optimal sensitivity for **VLL doublet** and **VLL singlet**, but also to be sensitive to **any NP that is not VLL**
- \* This search is **more general** and would be able to interpret in other signal benchmarks as well as set quasi-model-indep limits for different topologies

*Results expected in LHCP2023*

# 4321 model - CMS analysis

- \* CMS analysis selection driven by the **highly flavour-asymmetric** final states produced in the VLL decays
  - ▶ high b-jet multiplicity ( $N_{bjet} > 3$ )
  - ▶ categorised by the number of (*hadronically-decaying*)  $\tau$  leptons
- \* B-jet triggers
- \* Graph neural network called ABC-Net to discriminate signal from QCD multijet/tt backgrounds
- \* No exclusions, overall  **$2.8\sigma$**  excess (more pronounced in tau channels)



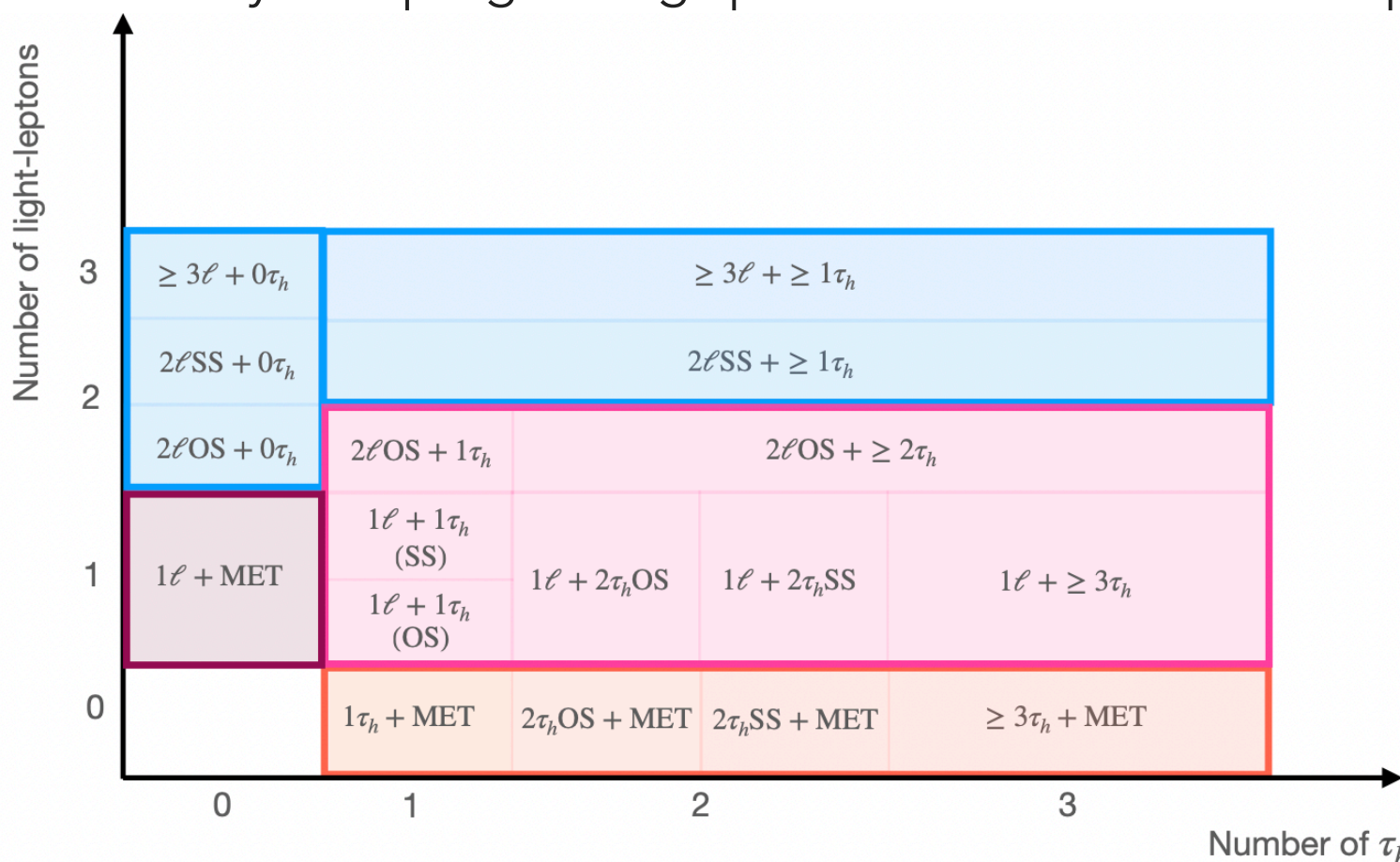
tau multiplicity	production + decay mode	final state
0 $\tau$	EE $\rightarrow$ b( $t\nu_\tau$ )b( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 4j + 2 $\nu_\tau$
	EN $\rightarrow$ b( $t\nu_\tau$ )t( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 6j + 2 $\nu_\tau$
	NN $\rightarrow$ t( $t\nu_\tau$ )t( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 8j + 2 $\nu_\tau$
1 $\tau$	EE $\rightarrow$ b(b $\tau$ )b( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 2j + $\tau$ + $\nu_\tau$
	EN $\rightarrow$ b( $t\nu_\tau$ )t(b $\tau$ )	4b + 4j + $\tau$ + $\nu_\tau$
	EN $\rightarrow$ b(b $\tau$ )t( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 4j + $\tau$ + $\nu_\tau$
	NN $\rightarrow$ t(b $\tau$ )t( $t\nu_\tau$ )	4b + 6j + $\tau$ + $\nu_\tau$
2 $\tau$	EE $\rightarrow$ b(b $\tau$ )b(b $\tau$ )	4b + 2 $\tau$
	EN $\rightarrow$ b(b $\tau$ )t(b $\tau$ )	4b + 2j + 2 $\tau$
	NN $\rightarrow$ t(b $\tau$ )t(b $\tau$ )	4b + 4j + 2 $\tau$

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# 4321 model - New ATLAS analysis

- \* New ATLAS analysis will exploit all possible leptonic final states including **light leptons\*** ( $N_{\text{bjet}} > 2$ ) in the final state
- \* Latest Rel21 analysis, will share expertise from VLLe/mu, LQ analyses etc..
- \* Make use of **trigger buckets\*** (single/di-tau, bjet and MET) to increase the signal efficiency
- \* Sophisticated **MVA** analysis with many SRs
- \* Possibility to set limits with **Z' production\***
- \* Also possible **SUSY interpretations\*** (e.g. RPV w/ $\lambda'_{333}$ )
- \* Analysis is progressing quite fast for the first EB request!



	% of surviving events			
	VLL 400 GeV		VLL 1000 GeV	
	1 tau	2 tau	1 tau	2 tau
MET (MET > 150 GeV)	18.63	14.45	76.04	65.54
MET + STT	25.18	25.31	85.69	86.38
MET + DTT	18.63	54.72	76.04	72.23
MET + STT + DTT (w/o 4J12)	25.18	45.29	85.69	88.99
MET + STT + DTT	25.18	65.58	85.69	93.07

*Results expected in LHCP2023*

\* extending the scope of CMS

- \* VLLs are well-motivated by a number of theories that seek for explaining the deficiencies of the Standard Model
- \* Broad program probing many VLL production/decay modes in both ATLAS and CMS
- \* ATLAS is building new analyses targeting not covered areas
- \* Many more signatures with VLLs to be probed!



## ATLAS

Variable	2 $\ell$ SSSF, 1 $\tau$	2 $\ell$ SSOF, 1 $\tau$	2 $\ell$ OSSF, 1 $\tau$	2 $\ell$ OSOF, 1 $\tau$	2 $\ell$ , $\geq 2\tau$	3 $\ell$ , $\geq 1\tau$	4 $\ell$ , $\geq 0\tau$
$p_T(\tau_1)$	1	1	1	1	2	2	
$M_{l\tau}$	2	2	5	3	1	1	
$L_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$	3	3	2	2	23	4	1
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	4	7	4	21	5	8	5
$\Delta\phi(\tau_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$	5	6	6	13	3	3	
$\Delta R(l_1 l_2)$	6	24	7	7	15		17
$M_{jj}$	7	21	24	15	1	12	19
$M_{lj}$	8	11	26	11	27	14	2
$\Delta\phi(l_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$	9	16	20	8	20	10	15
$\Delta R(l_1 \tau_1)$	10	8	12	6	16	15	
$\Delta R(j_1 \tau_1)$	11	9	17	25	25	23	
$\Delta R(l_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$	12	29	11	19	17	11	10
$\Delta\phi(l_1 l_2)$	13	13	18	16	28	13	9
$\Delta R(\tau_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$	14	27	9	5	12	9	
$p_T(j_1)$	15	19	10	12	22	19	11
$M_T$	16	23	16	18	8	17	7
$\Delta\phi(j_1 \tau_1)$	17	20	27	29	24		
$M_{ll}$	18	10	25	20	10	22	4
$p_T(l_1)$	19	4			30	5	16
$\mathbb{S}(E_T^{\text{miss}})$	20	5	14	24	9	24	8
$N_j$	21	14	28	23	26		22
$L_T + p_T(\tau)$	22	22		26			
$p_T(l_2)$	23	15			18		
$\Delta R(j_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$	24	18	23	10	31		21
$\Delta\phi(l_1 j_1)$	25	17	13	17	13	25	13
$N_b$	26	26	21	22	29	20	14
$L_T$	27	32			32		3
$M_{j\tau}$	28	31	15	9	6	18	
$\Delta R(l_1 j_1)$	29		8	4	11		18
$L_T + H_T$		12	3	14			
$M_{\text{OSSF}}$			22		7	6	12
$\Delta\phi(l_1 \tau_1)$		25	19		19	16	
$\Delta\phi(j_1 E_T^{\text{miss}})$				27	21		6
$H_T$		28		28	33	21	20

## CMS

Variable type	Used for		
	All signals	Vector-like lepton	Seesaw and leptiquarks
Event	$H_T, p_T^{\text{miss}}, N_b, M_\ell$	$Q_\ell$	$L_T, p_T^i/L_T, L_T/S_T, H_T/S_T, p_T^{\text{miss}}/S_T$
Lepton	$p_T^i, p_T^{\text{OSSF}}$		
Angular	$\Delta R_{\text{min}}$	Max, Min: $\Delta\phi^i$ , Max, Min: $\Delta\phi^{ij}$	Max: $\Delta\eta^{ij}$
Mass	$M_T^i$	$M^{ij}, M_T^{12}, M_T^{13}, M_T^{23}$	



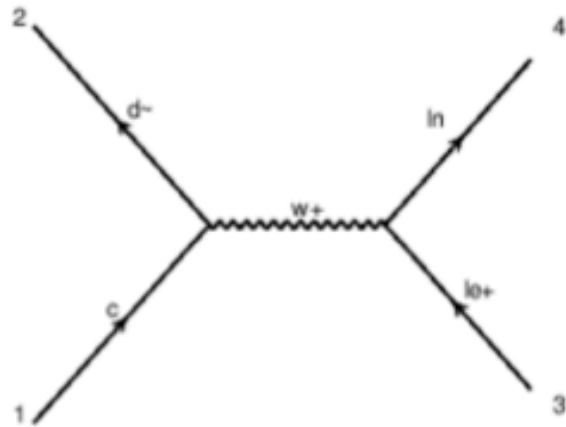


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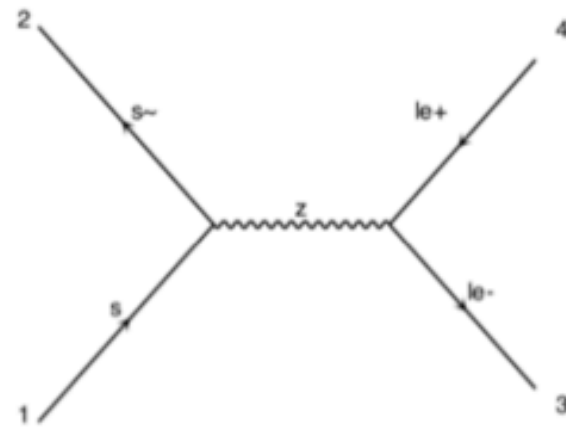


diagram 2 NP=0, QCD=0, QED=2

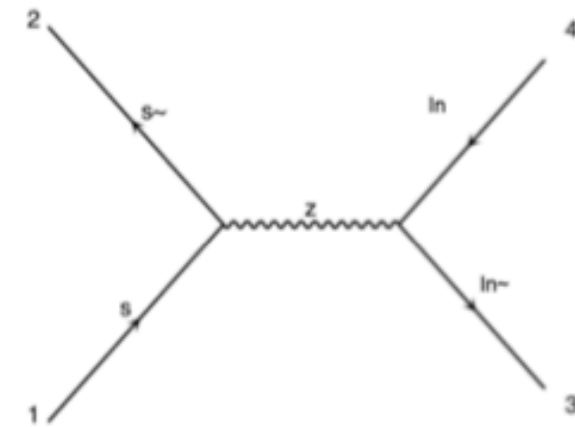


diagram 2 NP=0, QCD=0, QED=2

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^+N &\rightarrow t(\bar{b}\bar{\nu}_\tau) t(\bar{l}\nu_\tau) \\
 E^+N &\rightarrow b(\bar{b}\tau^+) t(\bar{l}\nu_\tau) \\
 E^+N &\rightarrow t(\bar{b}\bar{\nu}_\tau) t(\bar{b}\tau^-) \\
 E^+N &\rightarrow b(\bar{b}\tau^+) t(\bar{b}\tau^-) \\
 E^-N &\rightarrow \bar{l}(b\nu_\tau) \bar{l}(t\bar{\nu}_\tau) \\
 E^-N &\rightarrow \bar{b}(b\tau^-) \bar{l}(t\bar{\nu}_\tau) \\
 E^-N &\rightarrow \bar{l}(b\nu_\tau) \bar{l}(b\tau^+) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^+E^- &\rightarrow \bar{l}(\nu_\tau b) t(\bar{\nu}_\tau \bar{b}) \\
 E^+E^- &\rightarrow \bar{b}(b\tau^-) t(\bar{\nu}_\tau \bar{b}) \\
 E^+E^- &\rightarrow \bar{l}(\nu_\tau b) b(\tau^+ \bar{b}) \\
 E^+E^- &\rightarrow \bar{b}(b\tau^-) b(\tau^+ \bar{b})
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 N\bar{N} &\rightarrow t(\bar{l}\nu_\tau) \bar{l}(t\bar{\nu}_\tau) \\
 N\bar{N} &\rightarrow t(\bar{l}\nu_\tau) \bar{l}(b\tau^+) \\
 N\bar{N} &\rightarrow t(\bar{b}\tau^-) \bar{l}(b\tau^+)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E^+ &\rightarrow U_1 b \\
 N &\rightarrow U_1 t \\
 U_1 &\rightarrow b\tau^+ / t\bar{\nu}
 \end{aligned}$$

