

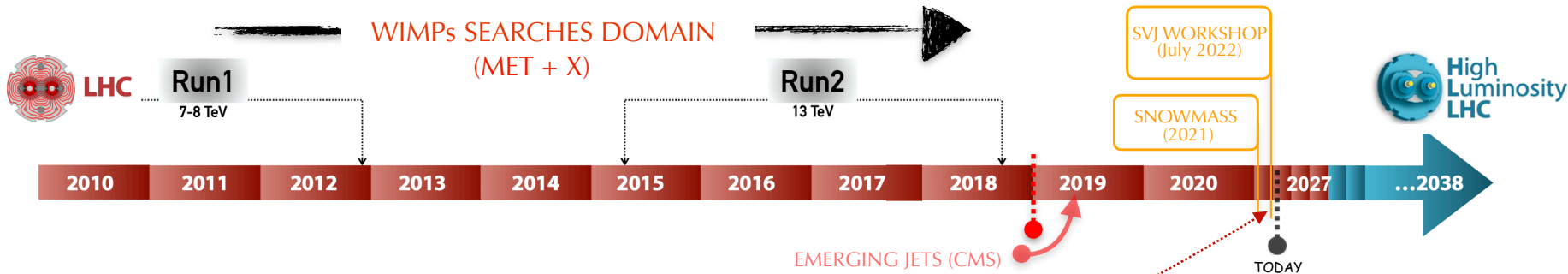
LEPTONS-ENRICHED SIGNATURES FOR SEMI-VISIBLE JETS

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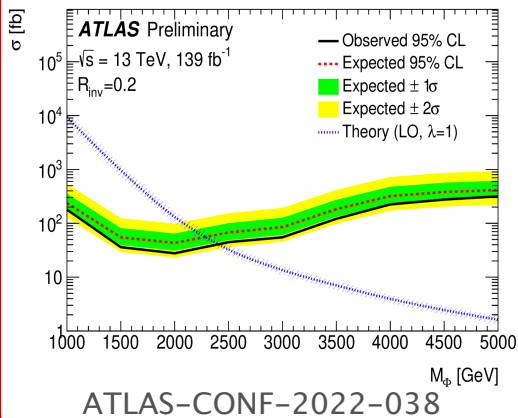
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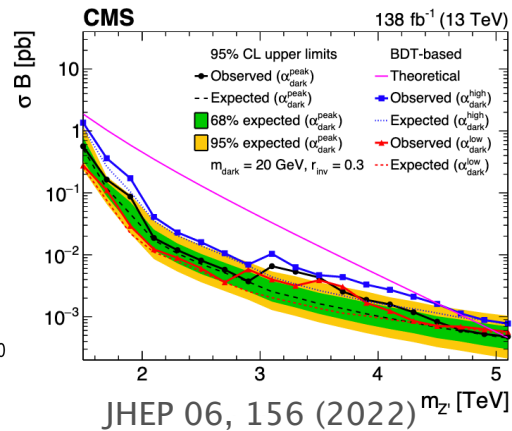


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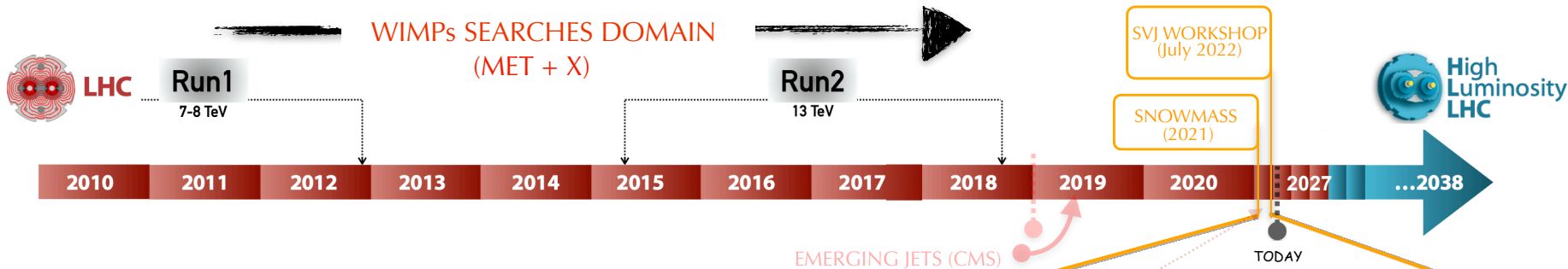
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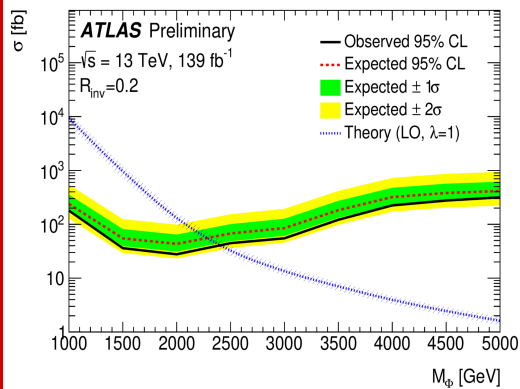


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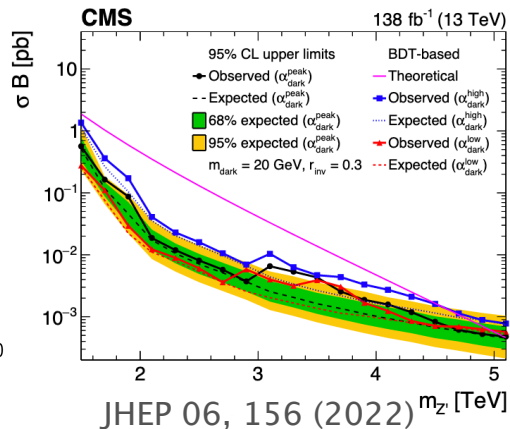


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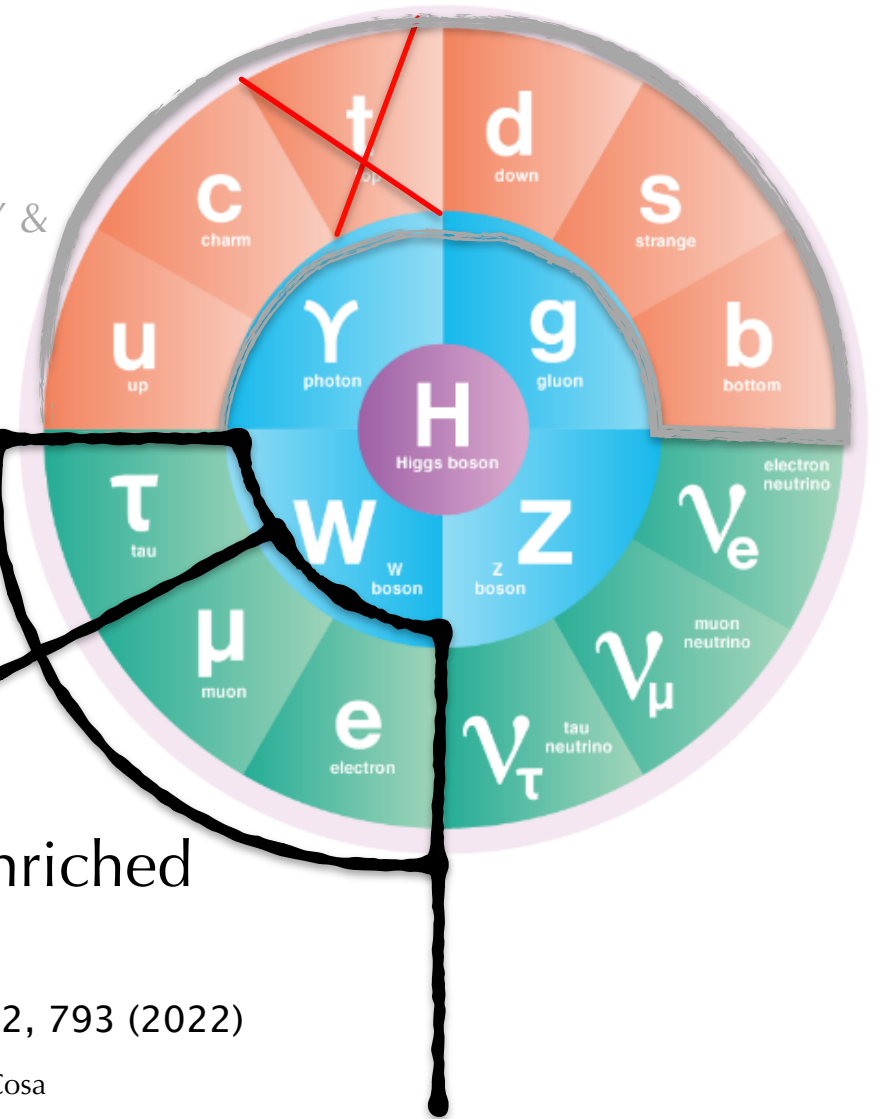
PERSPECTIVE



Vast landscape of models being investigated, many others waiting in the drawer, and many others still not being thought of ...

OUTLINE

FULLY HADRONIC SVJ:
EXPLORED THEORETICALLY &
EXPERIMENTALLY



OUR FOCUS

τ leptons-enriched
signatures

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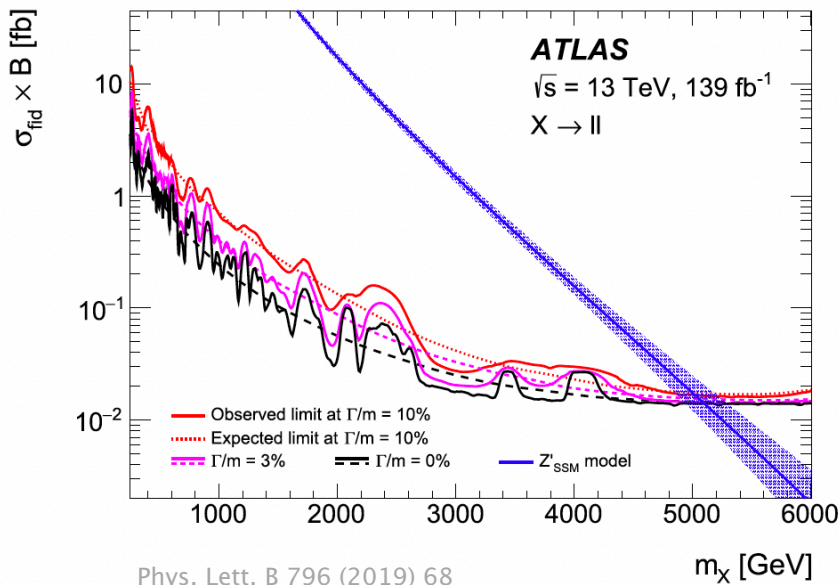
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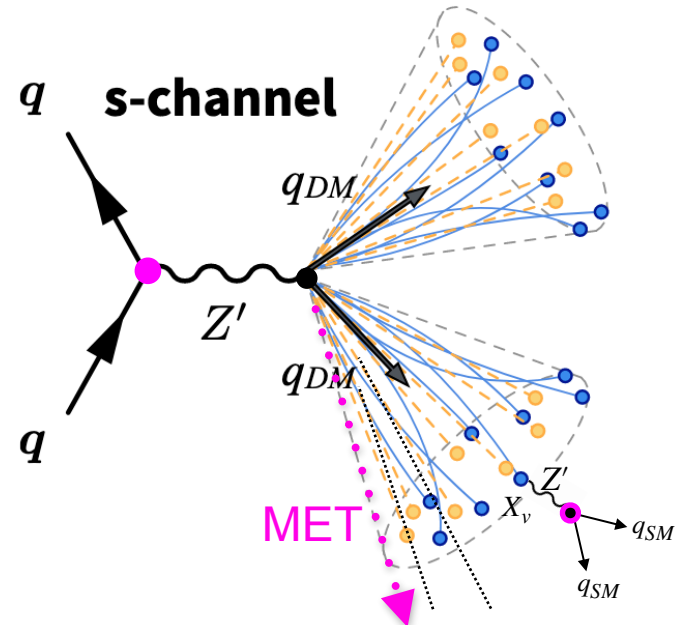
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LIMITATIONS OF THE CURRENT SVJ MODEL

HIGH MASS DI-LEPTON SEARCH



SIMPLIFIED MODEL



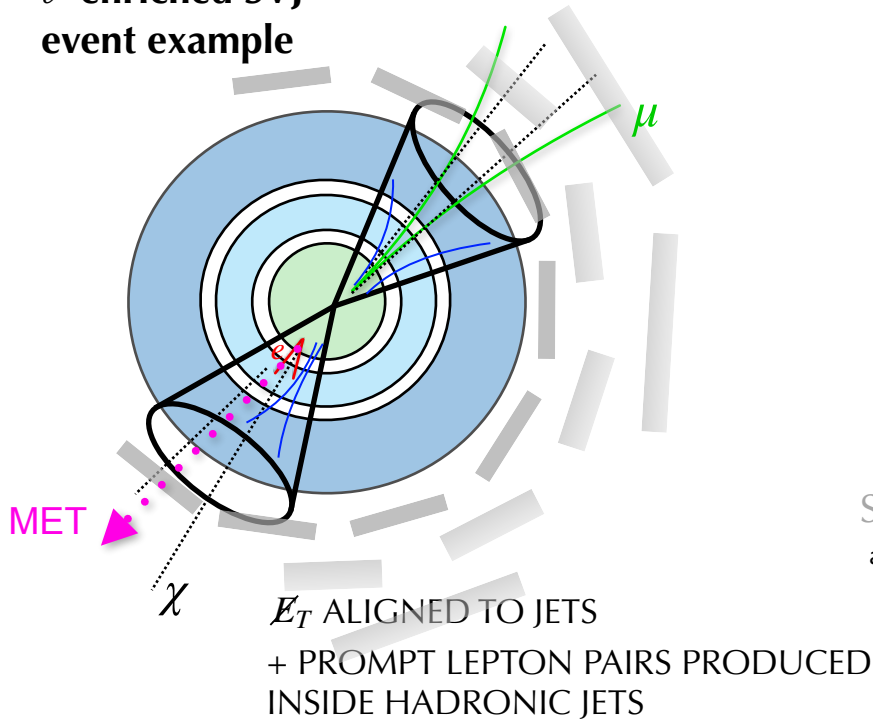
FULLY HADRONIC SVJ (MULTI-JET + \cancel{E}_T)

LEPTOPHOBIC (*) Z' AS MEDIATOR TO EVADE HIGH MASS DI-LEPTON SEARCHES
 CONSTRAINTS: **FULLY HADRONIC DARK BOUND STATES DECAYS** (OFF-SHELL Z')

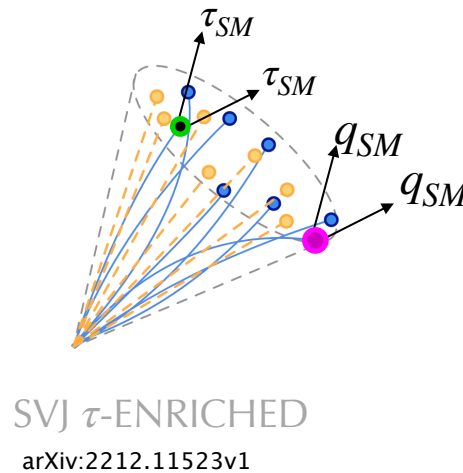
SIGNATURE-DRIVEN MODEL BUILDING

EXPLOITING THE EXPERIMENTAL HANDLE OF LEPTONS IN SVJ-LIKE SIGNATURE

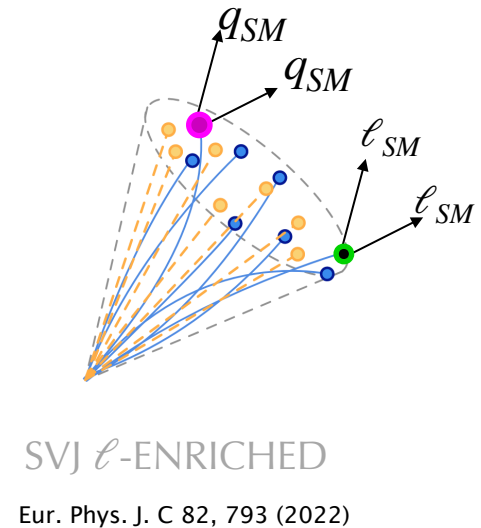
ℓ -enriched SVJ event example



“non-resonant” (Model 1)



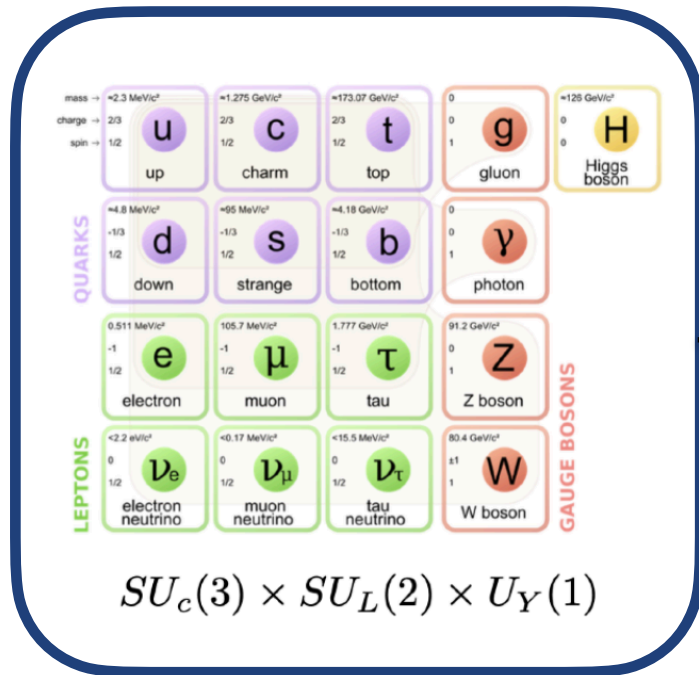
resonant e/μ (Model 2)



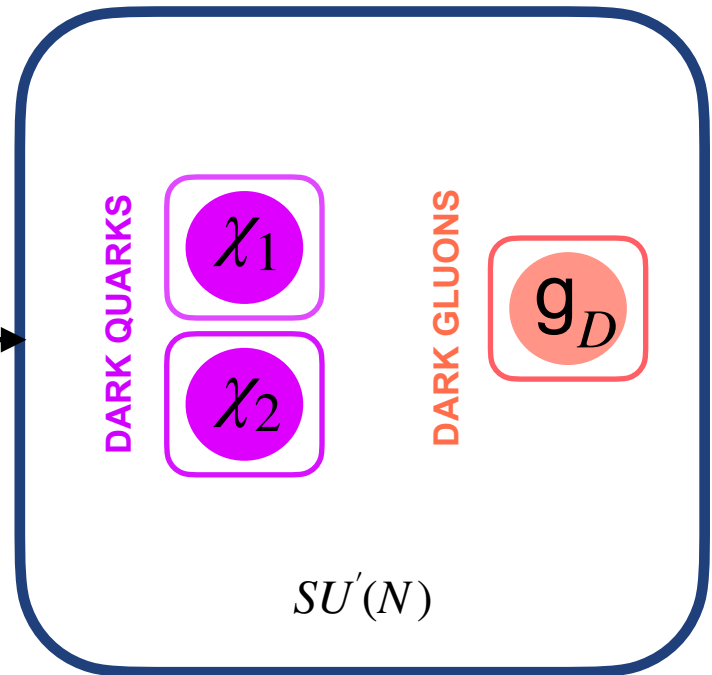
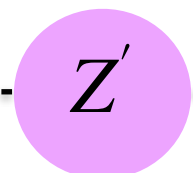
SIMPLIFIED MODEL(S) ?

MODEL 1: SINGLE MESSENGER FIELD

Visible Sector



Hidden Sector



MODEL 1: SINGLE MESSENGER FIELD

A portal for pp colliders

$$-Z'_\mu \bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu (g_{ij}^{uR} P_R + g_{ij}^{uL} P_L) u_j$$

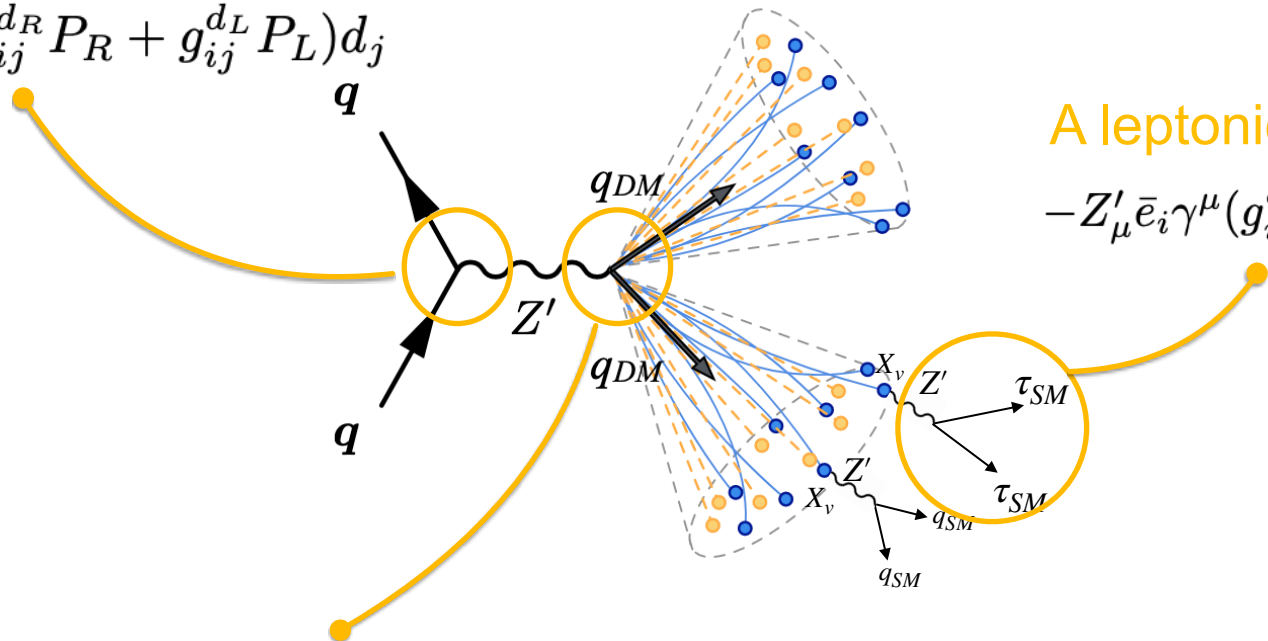
$$-Z'_\mu \bar{d}_i \gamma^\mu (g_{ij}^{dR} P_R + g_{ij}^{dL} P_L) d_j$$

A leptonic decay mode

$$-Z'_\mu \bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu (g_{ij}^{eR} P_R + g_{ij}^{eL} P_L) e_j$$

A coupling to the dark sector

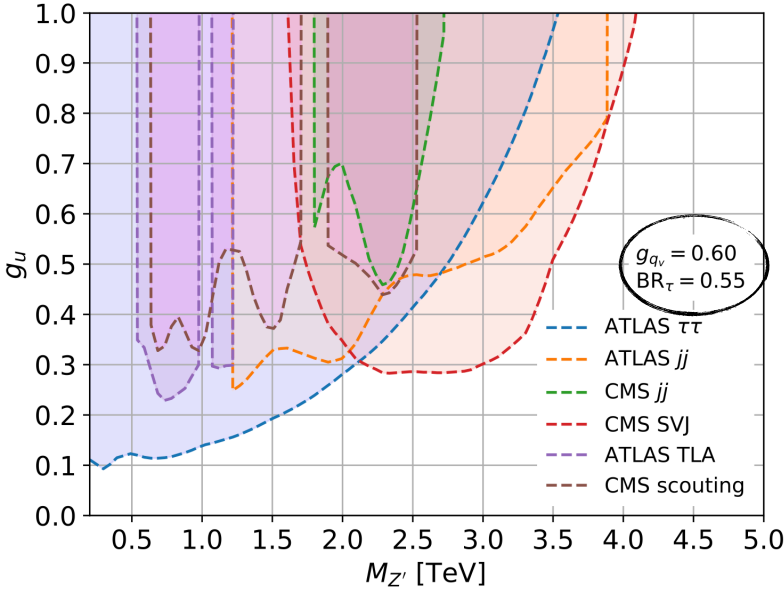
$$-Z'_\mu \bar{q}_{vi} \gamma^\mu (g_{ij}^{qvR} P_R + g_{ij}^{qvL} P_L) q_{vj}$$



MODEL BASED ON:
 Phys. Rev. D 84, 115006 (2011)
 Phys. Rev. D 89, 095033 (2014)

MODEL 1: PARAMETERS & CONSTRAINTS

Parameter	Description	Benchmark
$M_{Z'}$	Z' pole mass	0.5-5 TeV
r_{inv} (*)	invisible fraction	0.3
Λ_v	dark confinement scale	10 GeV
m_{π_v}/Λ_v (**)	pseudo-scalar mass ratio	0.8
BR_τ (***)	branching to τ leptons	0.15, 0.3 0.55, 0.7



* Neutrinos can be included adding a term $\propto BR_\tau \times (1 - r_{inv})$

** dark hadron masses set using Lattice QCD fits ($N_f = 2, N_c = 3$):

$$m_{\pi_v} = 8 \text{ GeV} \quad m_{\rho_v} \simeq 25 \text{ GeV} \quad \rho \rightarrow \pi\pi \text{ open}$$

see Eur. Phys. J. C (2022), and backup

*** effective parameter controlled by the ratio: g_u/g_τ

COUPLINGS SETTINGS

$$g_{ij}^{dR} = g_{ij}^{dL} = g_{ij}^{uL} = g_{ij}^{eL} = 0, \quad g_{ij}^{uR} = g_u \delta_{ij},$$

$$g_{ij}^{eR} = g_\tau \delta_{i3} \delta_{j3}, \quad g_{ij}^{qvR} = g_{ij}^{qvL} = g_{qv} \delta_{ij}.$$

Allow coupling to third generation leptons

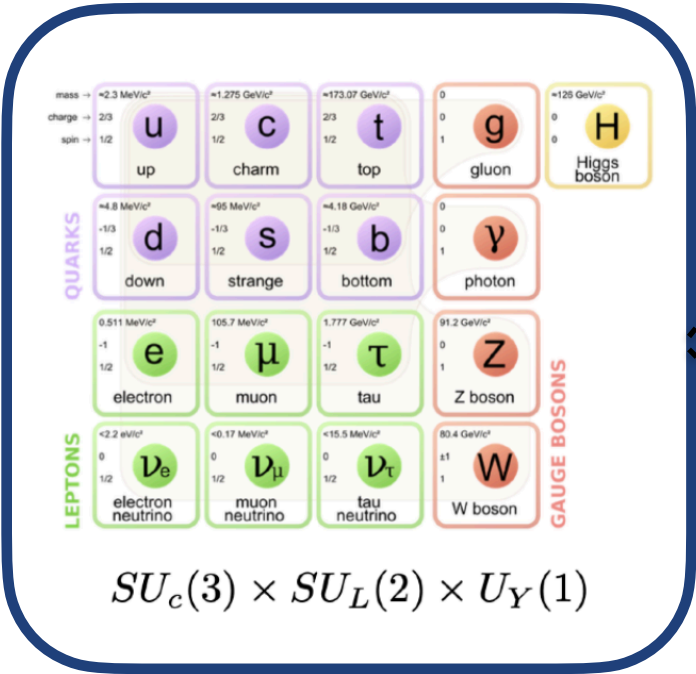
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Constrained by high mass di-lepton searches

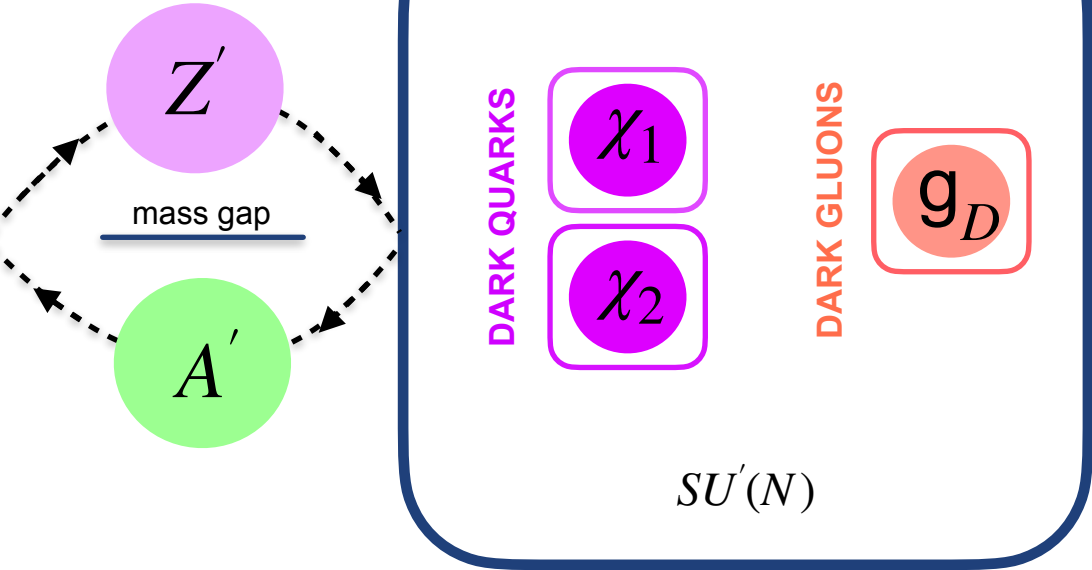
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MODEL 2: TWO MESSENGER FIELDS

Visible Sector

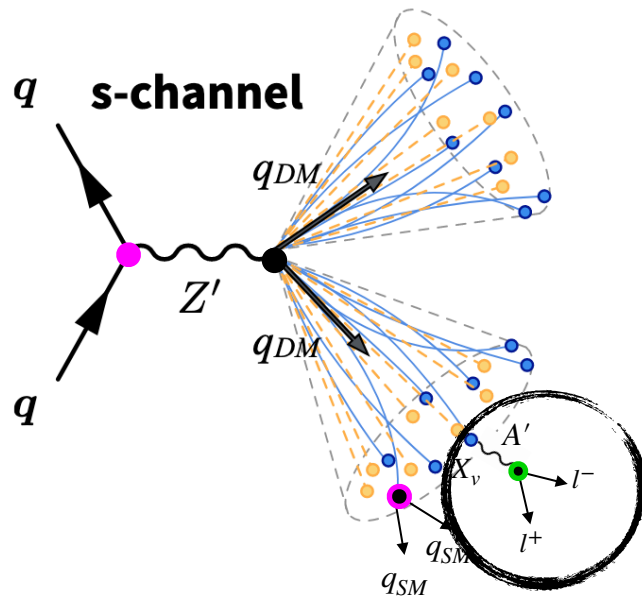


Hidden Sector

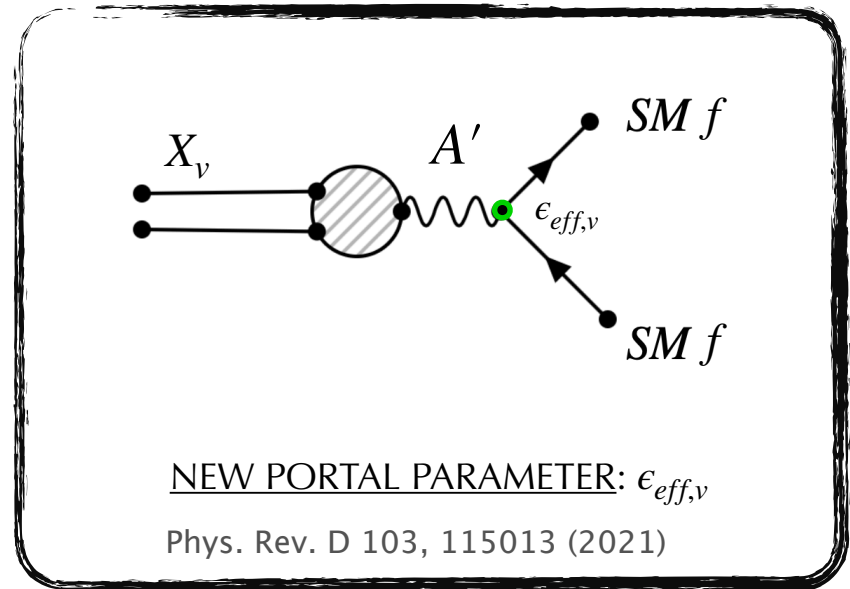


MODEL 2: LEPTONIC DECAYS IN SVJ VIA A'

PROMPT LEPTONIC DECAYS OF DARK BOUND STATES ALLOWED BY LOWER MASS MEDIATOR A'



HADRONS + LEPTONS SVJ



LOWER MASS MEDIATOR: OFF-SHELL Z' SUPPRESSED IN DARK BOUND STATES DECAYS $\sim 1/M_{Z'}^4$

MODEL 2: PARAMETERS & CONSTRAINTS

Parameter	Description	Benchmark
$M_{Z'}$	Z' pole mass	1.5–5 TeV
$\epsilon_{\text{eff},\nu}$	Effective mixing	0.03
r_{inv}	Invisible fraction	0.3, 0.5, 0.7
Λ_ν	Dark confinement scale	5 GeV
m_{π_ν}/Λ_ν (*)	Pseudo-scalar mass ratio	1.6

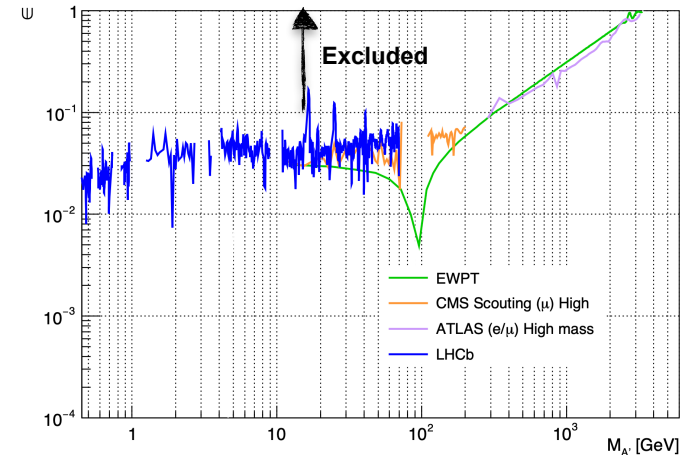
◆ ~ 15% democratic decay of unstable ρ to all lepton flavours

◆ Z' COUPLINGS SETTINGS: $g_{Z'}^\nu = 0.4$, $g_{Z'}^q = 0.25$
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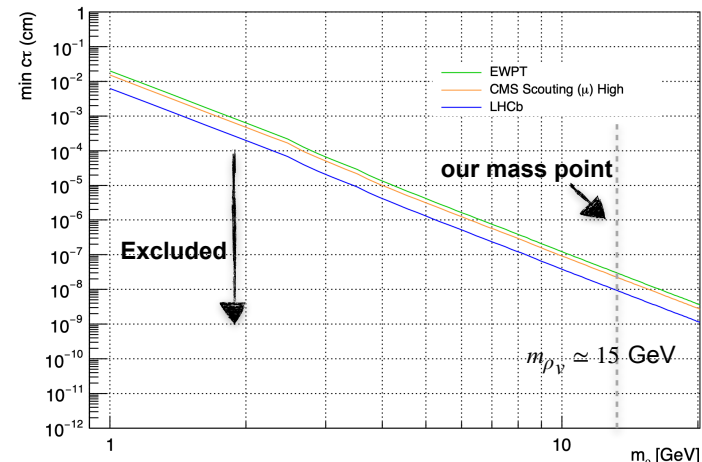
* effective mixing fixed saturating $A' \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ bounds

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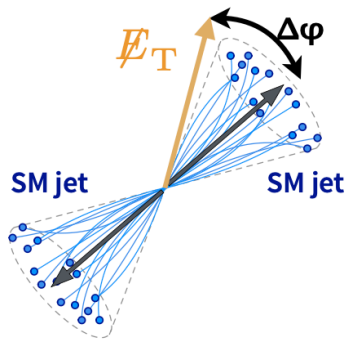


constraints $A' \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$



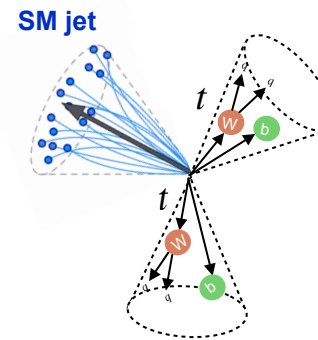
BACKGROUNDS PROCESSES

QCD - DIJET



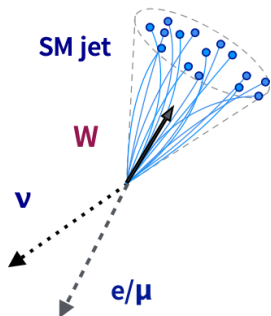
- ◆ Jet mis-measurement induces \cancel{E}_T aligned with jet
- ◆ Large cross-section

$t\bar{t}$ + jets



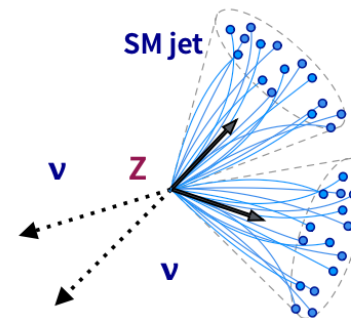
- ◆ Wide, high-pT jets: boosted tops
- ◆ Overlapping lepton from W boson decay
- ◆ Neutrino aligned with jet

W + JETS



- ◆ Lost lepton or hadronic τ
- ◆ Real \cancel{E}_T from neutrino (less likely to be aligned with jet)

Z + JETS



- ◆ Real \cancel{E}_T from neutrino but less likely to be aligned with jet

RESONANT HADRONIC SVJ INCLUSIVE ANALYSIS

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VARIABLES LEGEND

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FOR OUR SIGNATURES ?**

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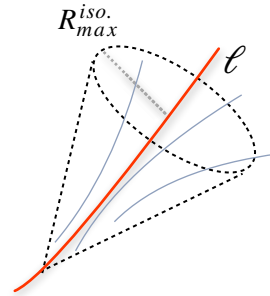
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LIMITATIONS: CLASSICAL LEPTONS ISOLATIONS

RELATIVE STANDARD ISOLATION (FIXED R)

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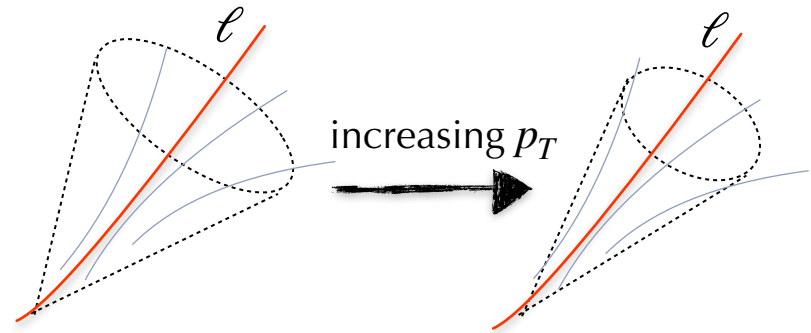


ISOLATION VETO: LIMITATION FOR ELECTRONS AND MUONS PRODUCED INSIDE JETS

RELATIVE MINI-ISOLATION (VARIABLE R) JHEP 1103:059,2011

$$I_{mini} = \frac{1}{p_{T,\ell}} \sum_{i \neq \ell}^{\Delta R < R_{max}^{mini iso.}} p_t(i)$$

$$R_{max}^{mini iso.} = \begin{cases} 0.2, & p_T^\ell \leq 50 \text{ GeV} \\ \frac{10 \text{ GeV}}{p_T^\ell}, & 50 \text{ GeV} < p_T^\ell < 200 \text{ GeV} \\ 0.05, & p_T^\ell \geq 200 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$



USED IN CMS SVJ TO VETO LEPTONS from top/V decays

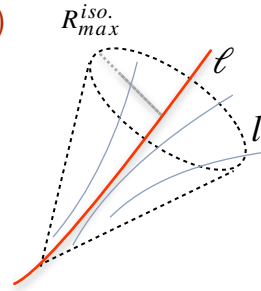
MINI-ISOLATION VETO: LIMITATION FOR e/μ FROM DIRECT DARK BOUND STATES DECAYS (RESONANT SIGNATURE)

BEYOND CLASSICAL ISOLATION: INTER-ISOLATION

RELATIVE INTER-ISOLATION (FIXED R)

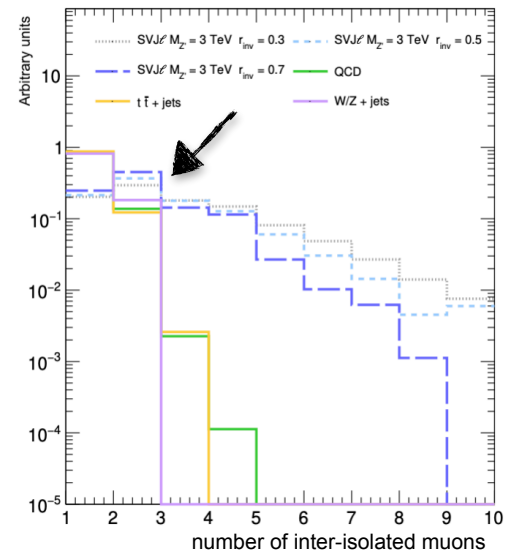
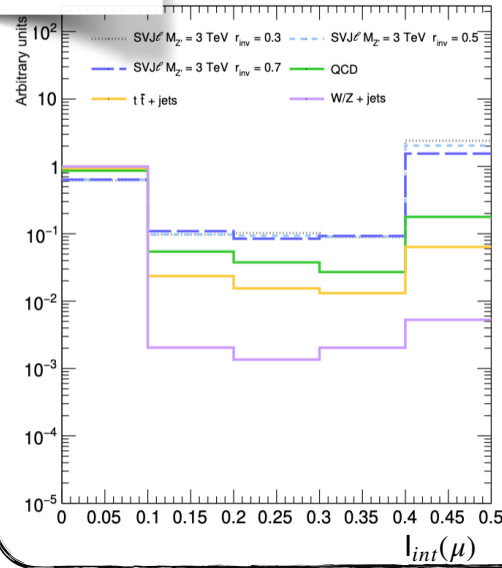
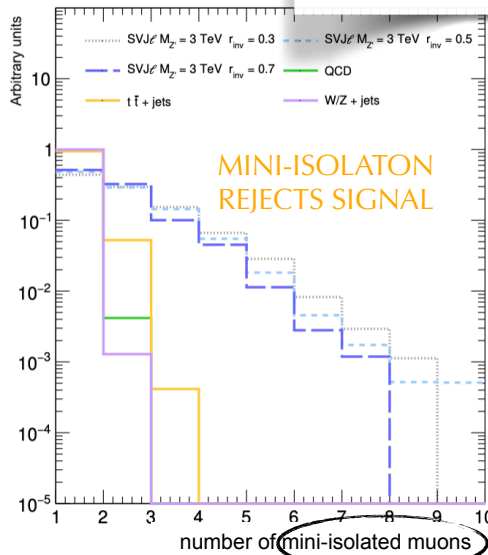
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$$I_{int}(\ell) = \frac{1}{p_{T,\ell}} \sum_{l \neq \ell}^{\Delta R < R_{max}^{iso.}} p_l(l)$$



- ◆ CAPTURES NEARBY NON-ISOLATED LEPTONS INSIDE JETS (LEPTONIC ACTIVITY)
- ◆ BACKGROUNDS ARE EXPECTED TO BE MORE INTER-ISOLATED

MODEL 2 - RESONANT



SVJ ℓ TARGETED INCLUSIVE APPROACH

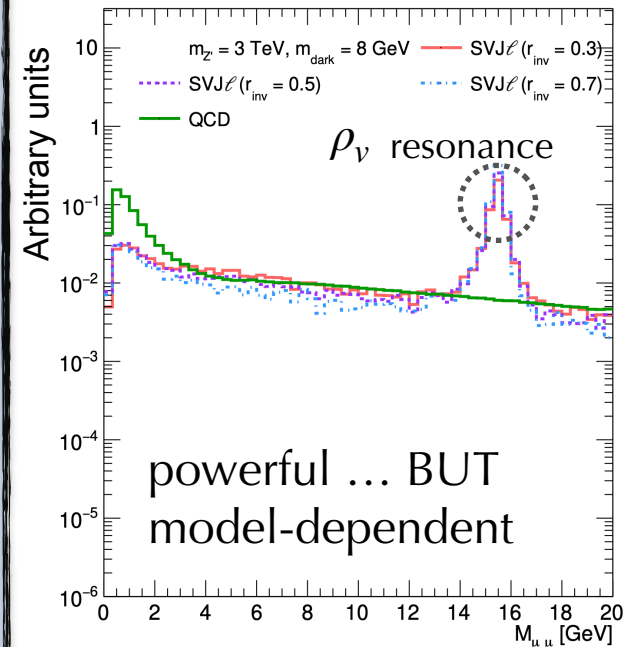
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- ◆ $d_0(\mu, e) < 100 \mu\text{m}$: prompt dark hadrons leptonic decays

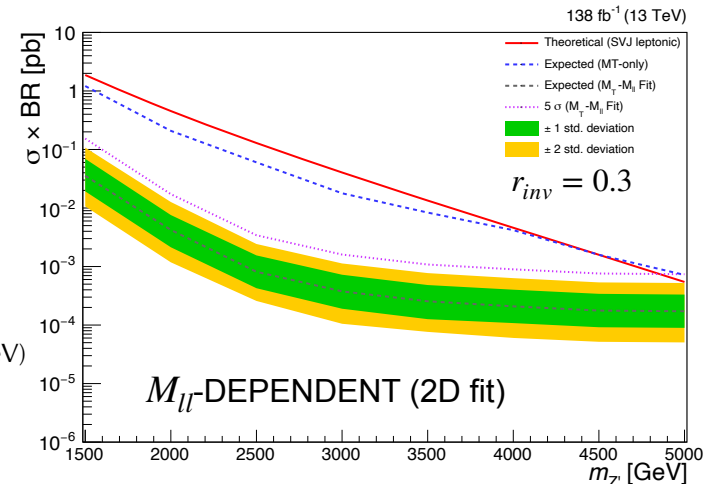
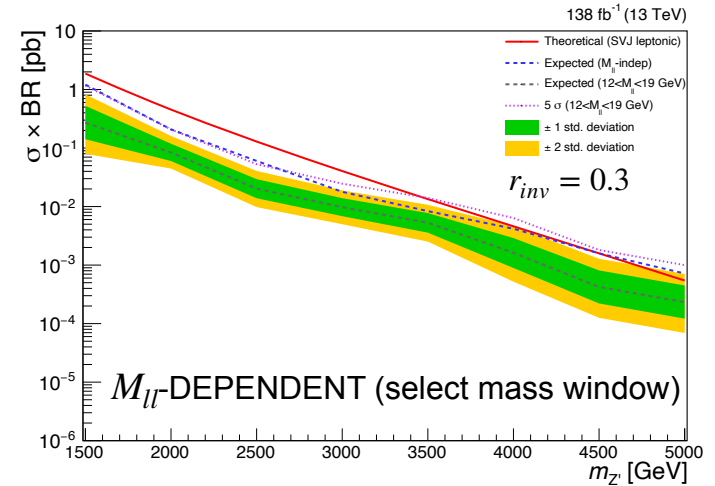
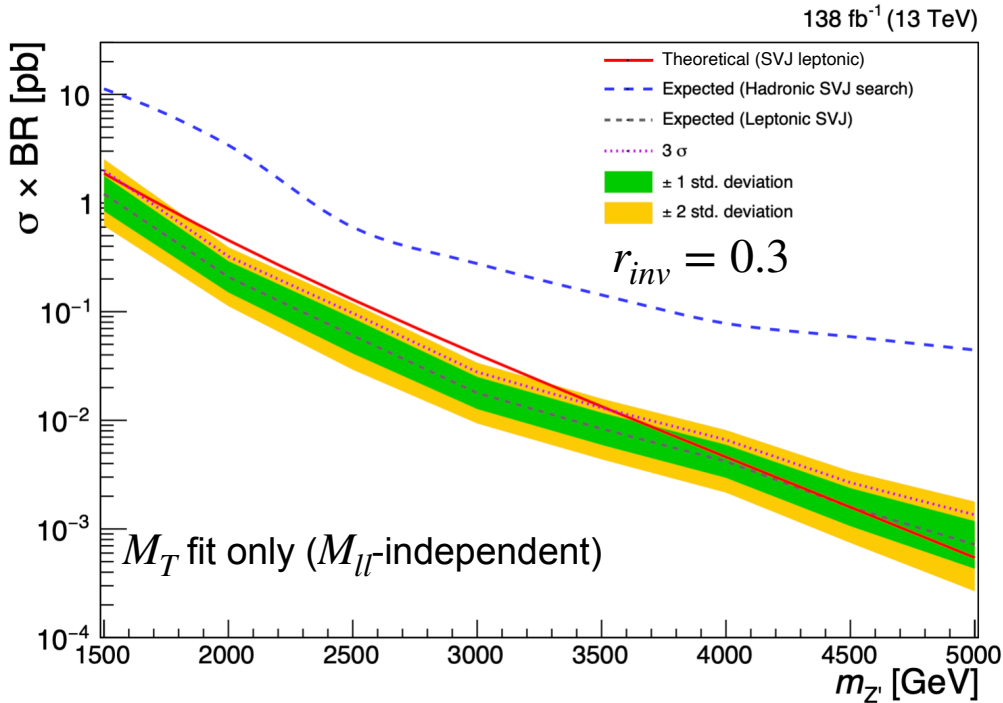
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- ◆ Veto events with at least 2 isolated leptons
- ◆ Opposite sign non inter-isolated ($I_{\text{int}} > 0.1$) leptons pairs

DI-LEPTON RESONANCE



SVJ ℓ -TARGETED INCLUSIVE ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY



- ◆ CMS INCLUSIVE HADRONIC STRATEGY: NO SENSITIVITY
- ◆ SVJ ℓ -INCLUSIVE STRATEGY : EXCLUSION REACH (EVIDENCE) UP TO ~ 4.5 TeV (~ 3.5 TeV)
- ◆ IMPROVEMENT EXPLOITING DI-LEPTON RESONANCE - METHOD-DEPENDENT (MODEL-DEPENDENT)

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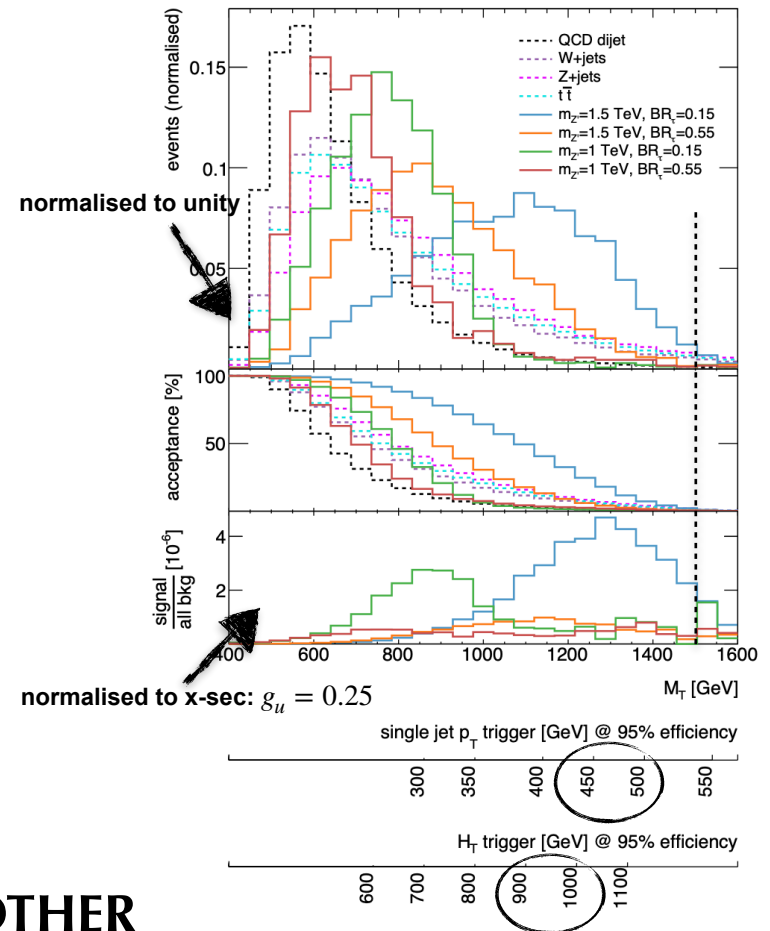
LIMITATIONS: CLASSICAL TRIGGERS

CMS SVJ SEARCH SELECTIONS

Selection	BR $_{\tau}$:	Signal efficiency (%)		
		0.7	0.55	0.15
$N(AK8jets) \geq 2$		71.8	76.5	85.7
$\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2) < 1.5$		51.5	53.5	56.6
$M_T > 1500$ GeV		16.2	25.5	42.7
$R_T > 0.15$		10	14.3	20.2
$\Delta\phi_{\min}(\vec{E}_T, j) < 0.8$		9.3	13.6	19.5
$N_{\mu, e} = 0$		5.7	9.2	17.3

Benchmark mass point: $M_{Z'} = 3$ TeV

- ◆ Jet HT || pT triggers used by CMS: inherited from high mass di-jet search JHEP 06, 156 (2022)
- ◆ CMS fully efficient trigger requirement $M_T > 1.5$ TeV limits sensitivity for $SVJ\tau$ (effect of neutrinos from τ)
- ◆ MET and Tau triggers low signal acceptance: too high thresholds and strict τ isolation requirements (see backup)



ARE THERE OTHER POSSIBILITIES ?

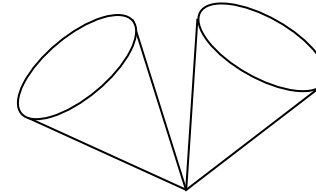
TOPOLOGICAL TRIGGERS AND BEYOND

TOPOLOGICAL TRIGGERS

- ◆ Exploit the s-channel topology at L1:
 ≥ 2 AK4 $p_T > 100$ GeV & $\Delta\eta(j_1, j_2) < 2$
 reduce hadronic rates prior to HLT
- ◆ Promising for lowering HT threshold
- ◆ Hypothetical target: HT > 600 GeV
 (MT > 800 GeV) [need full sim]

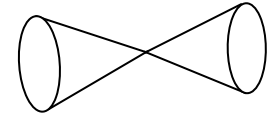
... AND BEYOND ?

- ◆ Alternative data-taking: Data Parking and Scouting
- ◆ + Partial event building to exploit jet substructure

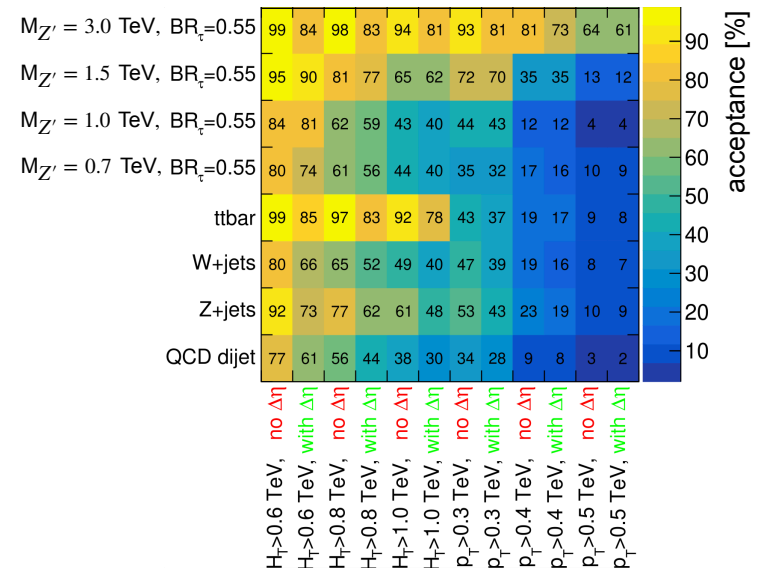


Passes:
high p_T , low $\Delta\eta$

Fails:
low p_T , high $\Delta\eta$



TOPOLOGICAL TRIGGERS

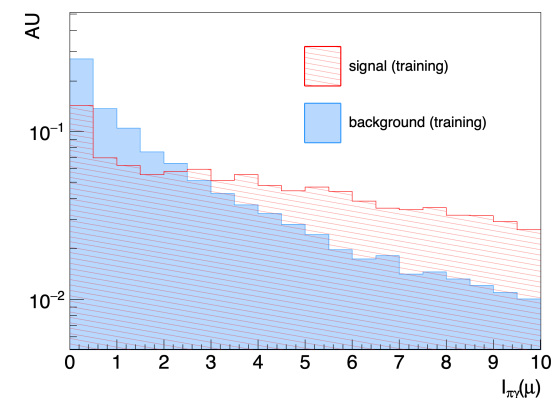
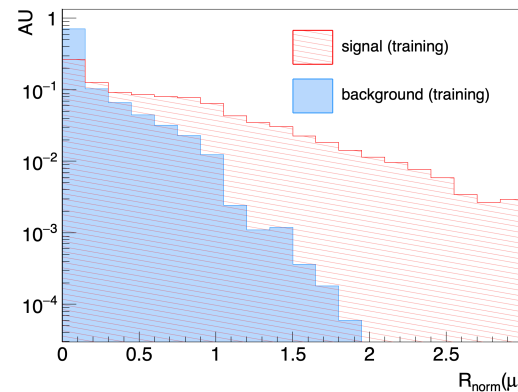
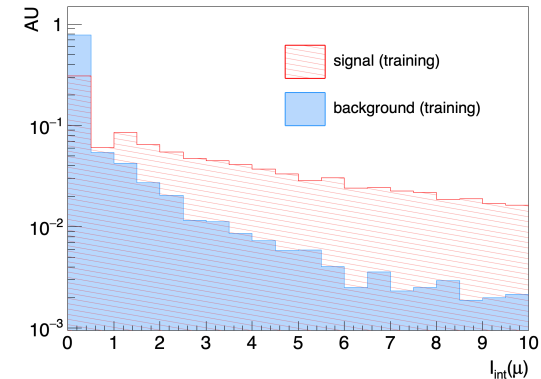


LEPTON FLAVOUR-BASED JET TAGGER FEATURES

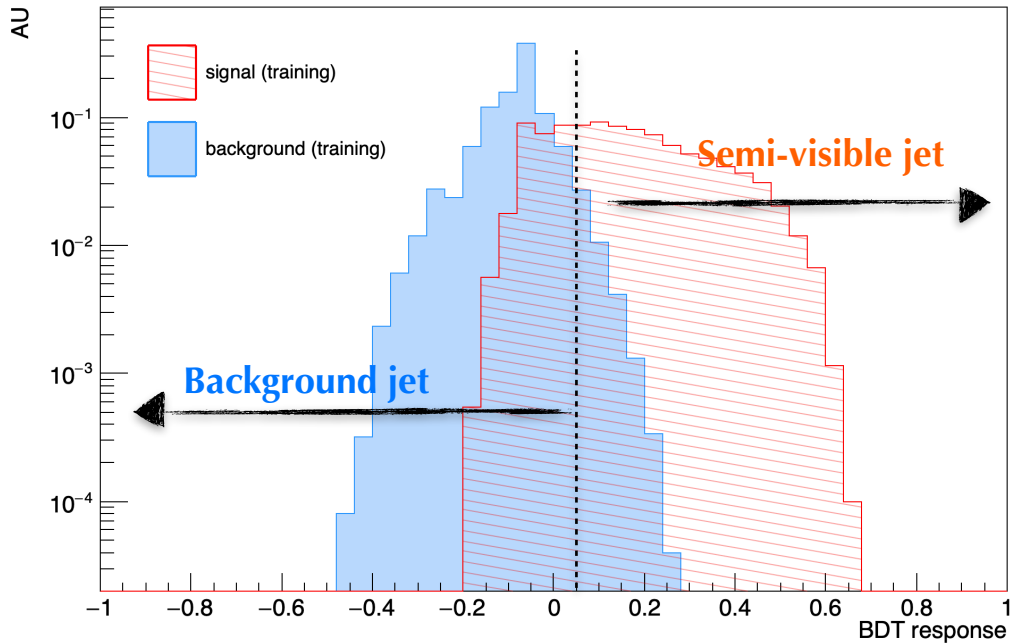
JET-TAGGER INPUT FEATURES

- ◆ Set of variables to exploit e/μ enriched jet content from leptonic τ decays ($\sim 35\%$)
- ◆ 3 main classes of features (per e/μ):
 1. Energy/momentum flow,
 2. Spatial distributions,
 3. Specific isolations (capture leptonic and hadronic boosted di- τ decays)
- ◆ Adaptive BDT (TMVA) trained on a mixture of signal jets hypo (scan over Z' mass and BR_τ)

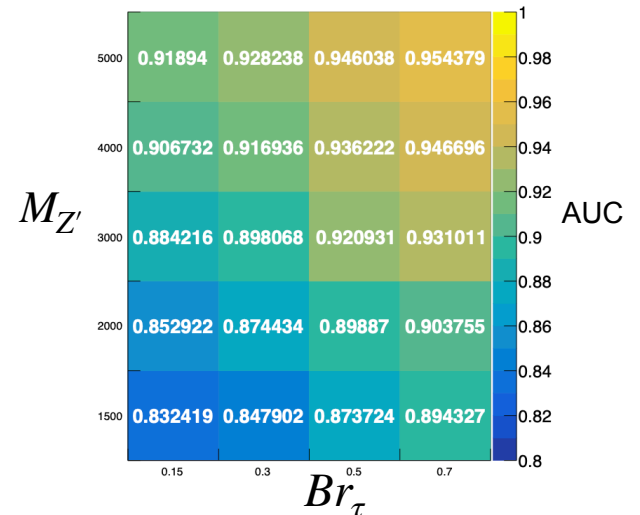
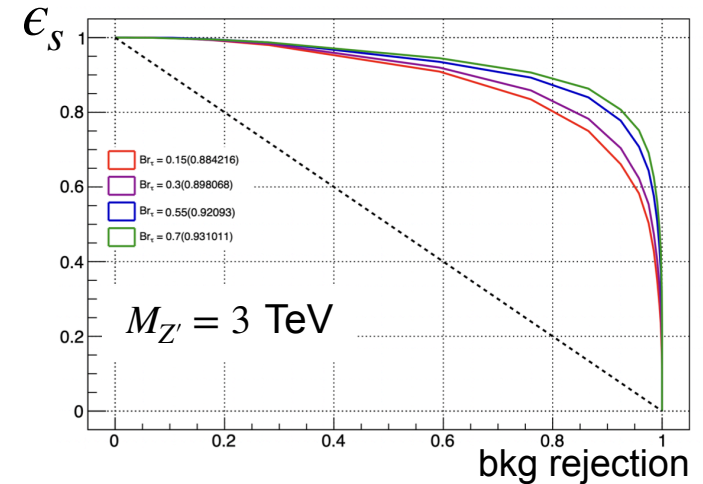
Rank	Variable	Separation
1	$I_{inter}(\mu)$	2.703×10^{-1}
2	$R_{Norm}(\mu)$	2.601×10^{-1}
3	$I_{\gamma\pi}(\mu)$	2.164×10^{-1}
4	$R_{Norm}(e)$	1.786×10^{-1}
5	$I_{inter}(e)$	1.632×10^{-1}
6	$Energyfraction(e)$	7.500×10^{-2}
7	$I_{\gamma\pi}(e)$	7.175×10^{-2}
8	$p_{T, Norm}(\mu)$	6.272×10^{-2}
9	$Energyfraction(\mu)$	6.220×10^{-2}



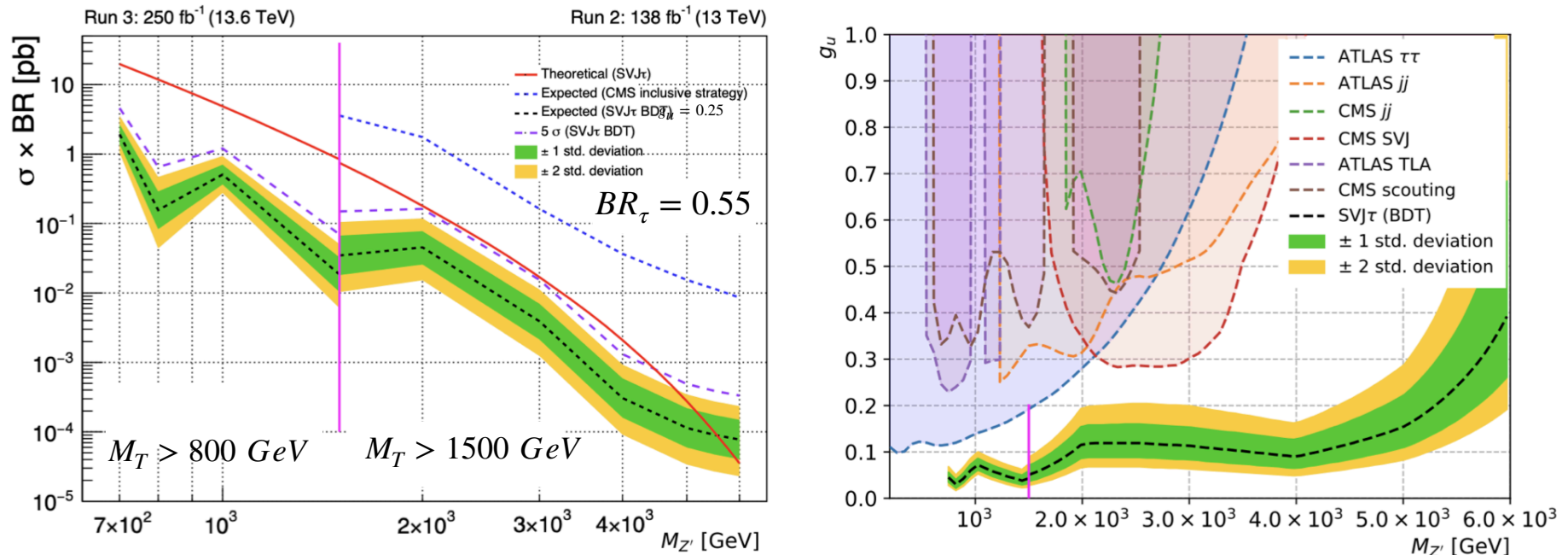
LEPTON FLAVOUR-BASED JET TAGGER PERFORMANCE



- ◆ BDT working point: maximise $s/\sqrt{s+b}$
- ◆ Rejects $\sim 97\%$ of background jets, tags:
 - 88%, 89%, 92%, 93% signal jets
 - ($BR_\tau = 0.15, 0.3, 0.55, 0.7, M_{Z'} = 3$ TeV)



SVJ τ -TARGETED ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY



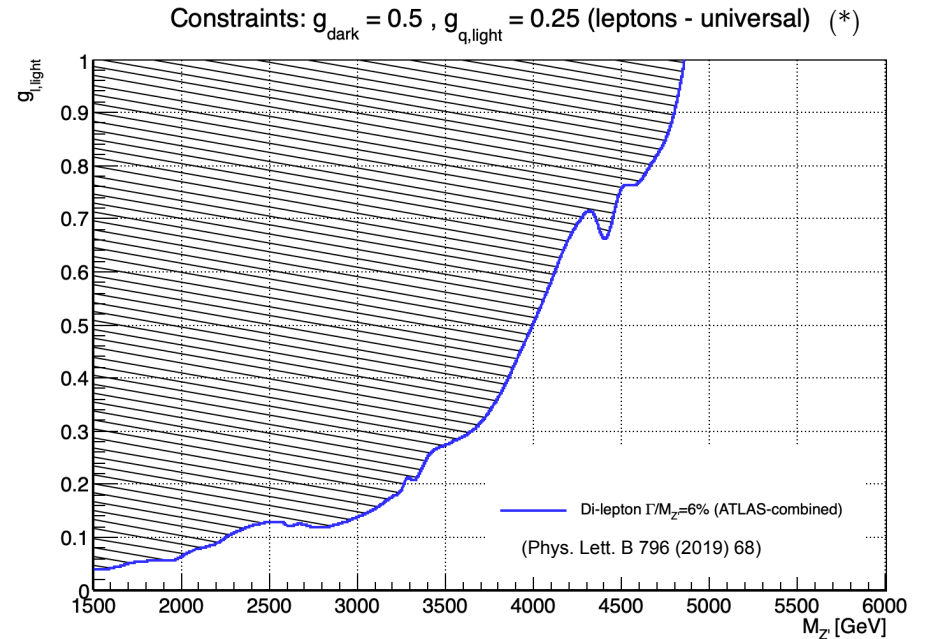
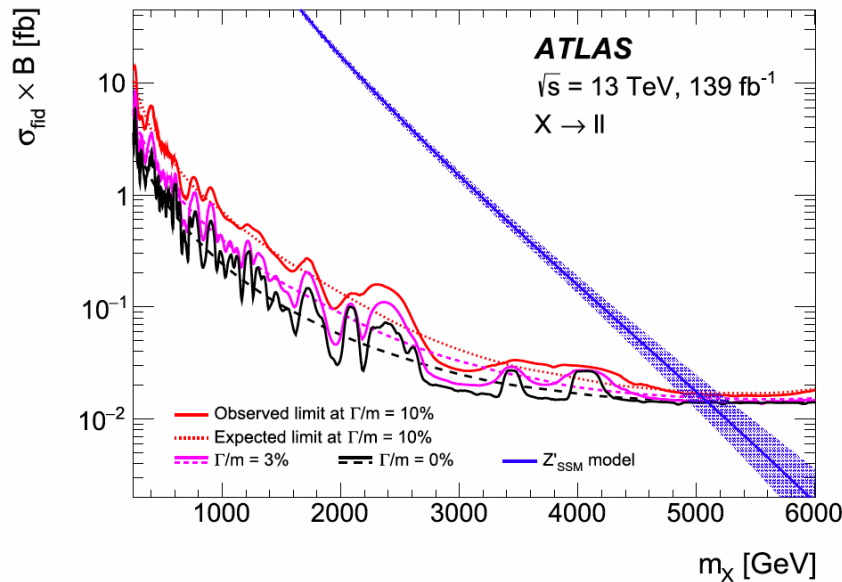
- ◆ NO SENSITIVITY FOR CMS INCLUSIVE HADRONIC STRATEGY: NEED TO EXPLOIT TAU CONTENT FEATURES
- ◆ EXPLOITING BDT JET-CLASSIFICATION : EXCLUSION REACH (DISCOVERY) UP TO $\sim 5.5 \text{ TeV}$ ($\sim 4.5 \text{ TeV}$)
- ◆ RESULT **OUTPERFORMS** ANY EXISTING SEARCH: PROBE UNEXPLORED g_u COUPLING VALUES

CONCLUSIONS

LEPTONS-ENRICHED SIGNATURES: **NEW PROMISING SEARCHES** FOR CONFINING DARK SECTORS

- Investigated models for resonant and non-resonant leptonic decays
- Provided possible search strategies based on: new lepton-based variables (possible inputs for jet taggers)
- Examined triggers limitations and explored new possibilities
- These signatures are currently mildly constrained and offer Hidden Valleys discovery opportunities

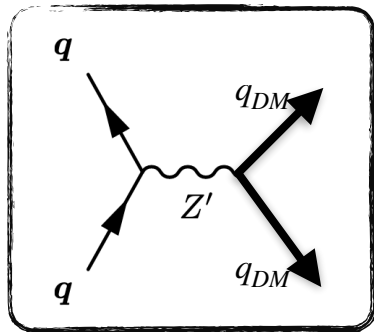
CONSTRAINTS ON Z' COUPLING TO LEPTONS



ALLOWING IN THE CURRENT SVJ MODEL FOR Z' COUPLING TO LEPTONS WOULD INTRODUCE IMPORTANT CONSTRAINTS FROM HIGH MASS DI-LEPTON SEARCHES

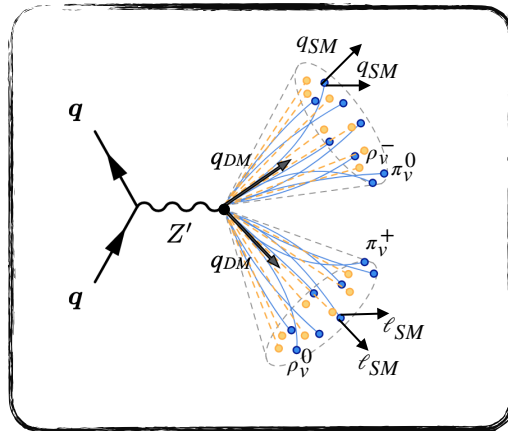
(*) parameters are set consistently with CMS Z' model

SIGNAL MODELS GENERATION



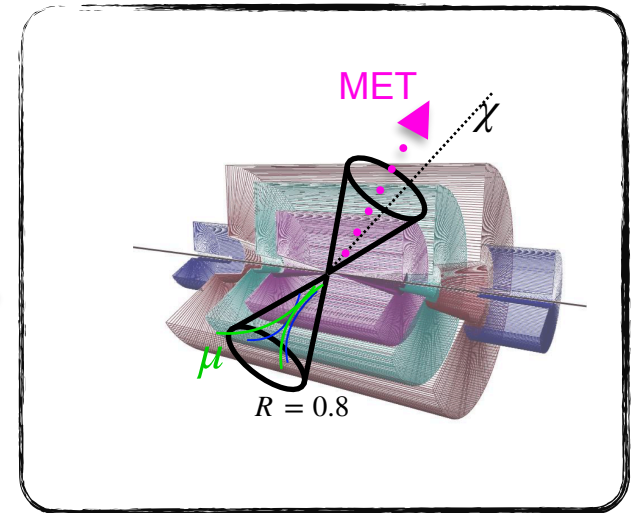
Madgraph5

- ◆ Generation of matrix element
- ◆ Cross-section computation
- ◆ Inputs: couplings, $M_{Z'}$ mass



PYTHIA8

- ◆ HV MODULE : dark sector parton shower, hadronization, dark hadrons decays to SM
- ◆ Inputs: dark sector parameters and dark hadrons decay modes

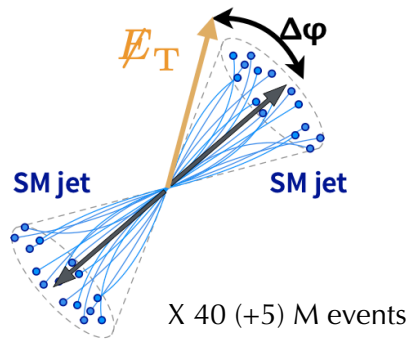


FASTJET/DELPHES3

- ◆ Clustering AK8 jets with $p_T > 200$ GeV
- ◆ Filter out from AK8 invisible final states (DM, neutrinos)
- ◆ Fast detector simulation: parametric response

BACKGROUNDS SAMPLES

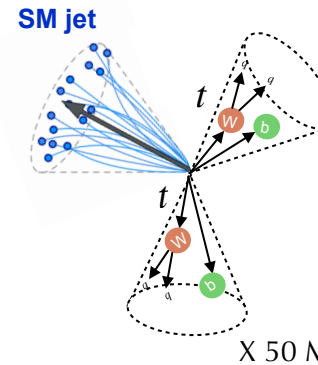
QCD - DIJET



- 2 HARD PARTONS IN ME
- GEN PT CUT: 500 GeV
(200 GeV - trigger study)

X 40 (+5) M events

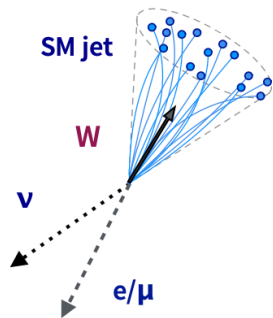
$t\bar{t}$ + jets



- MAXIMUM 2 ADDITIONAL PARTONS IN ME

X 50 M events

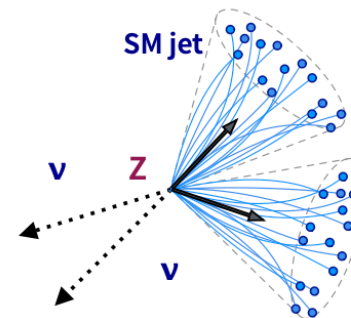
W + JETS



- MAXIMUM 3 ADDITIONAL PARTONS IN ME
- GEN HT CUT: 100 GEV

X 25 M events

Z + JETS

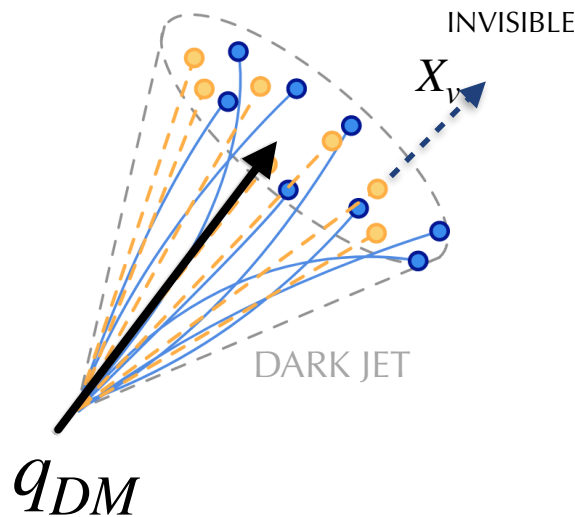


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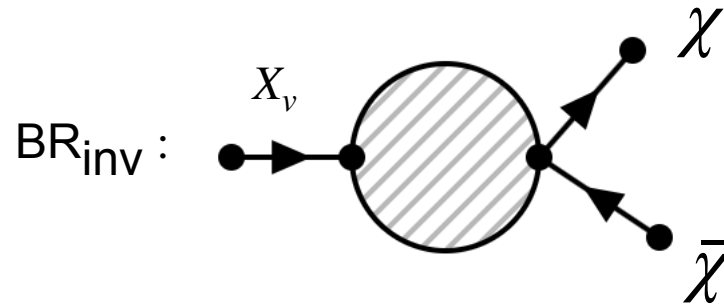
INVISIBLE FRACTION

NUMBER OF **INVISIBLE DM STATES** IMPLEMENTED AS A BRANCHING RATIO



EFFECTIVE INVISIBLE FRACTION

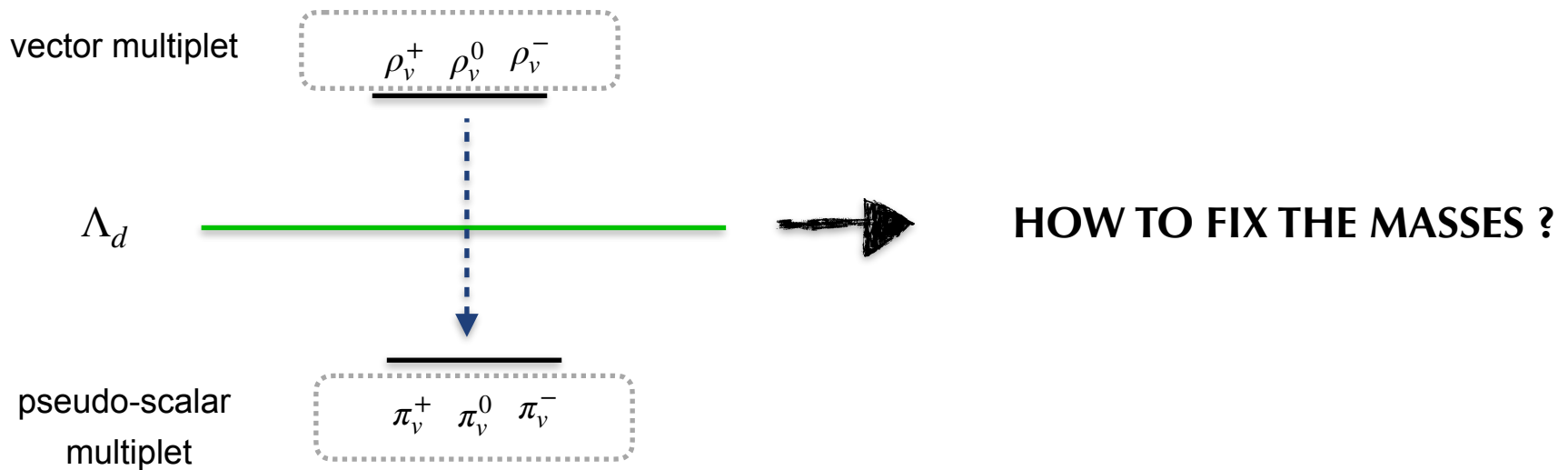
$$r_{inv} \equiv \left\langle \frac{\# \text{ of stable hadrons}}{\# \text{ of hadrons}} \right\rangle$$



CAPTURES VARIATION IN NUMBER OF DARK FLAVOURS (N_f), NUMBER OF DARK COLORS (N_c) & DARK QUARKS MASS SPLITTING (LUND STRING)

SIMPLIFIED HIDDEN VALLEY SPECTRUM

SIMPLE $N_f = 2$ HV SPECTRUM (mass degenerate dark quarks)



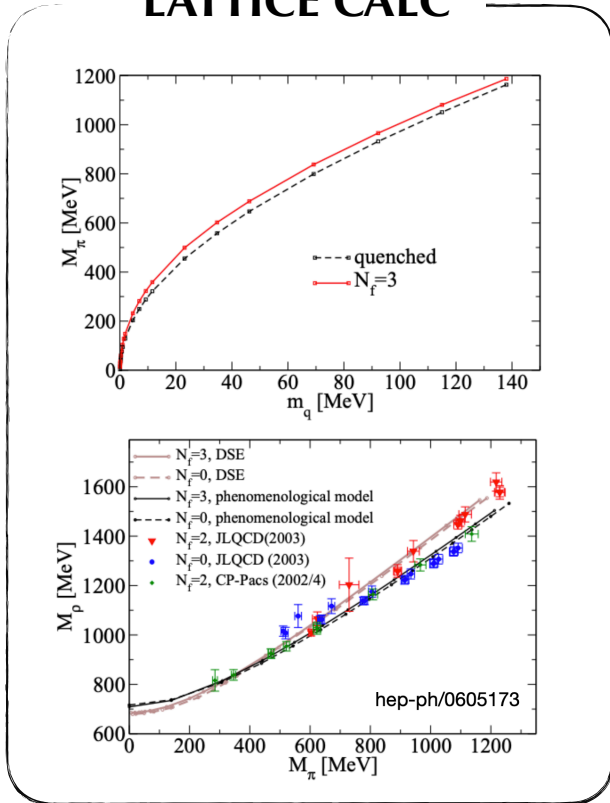
FULL HADRONIC SEARCH ASSUMES ONE DARK HADRON MASS SCALE



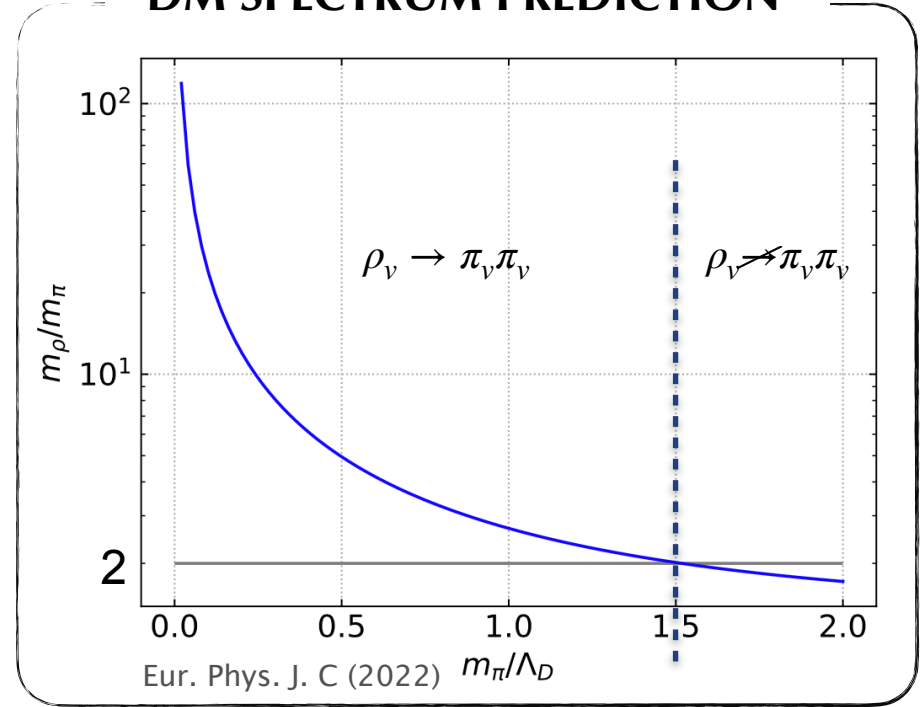
DEVELOPMENTS IN SNOWMASS 2021-2022 [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2022\)](#)

DARK SECTOR HADRON MASSES

LATTICE CALC



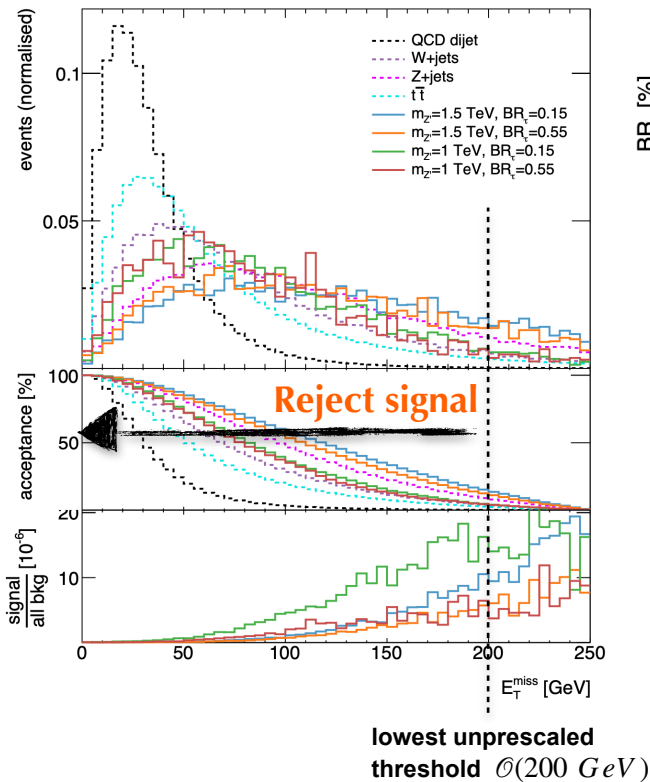
DM SPECTRUM PREDICTION



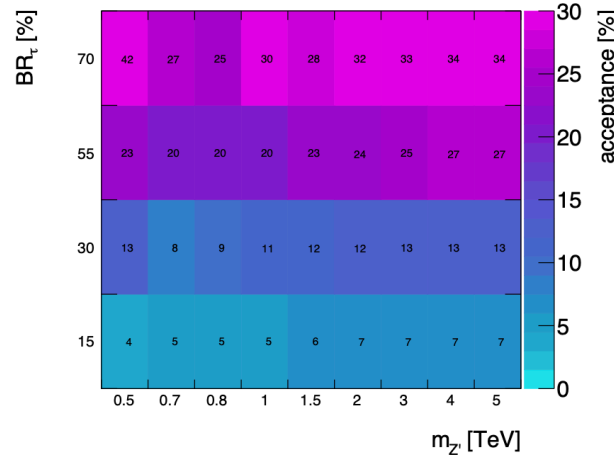
LATTICE CALCULATION: INPUT DARK CURRENT QUARK MASS AND GET DARK HADRON MASSES (BOTH DIVIDED BY OVERALL SCALE Λ_d)

CLASSICAL MET AND TAU TRIGGERS

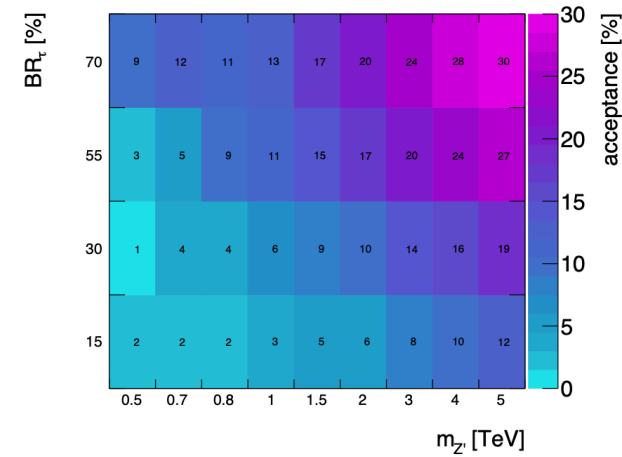
MET TRIGGERS



SINGLE TAU TRIGGER

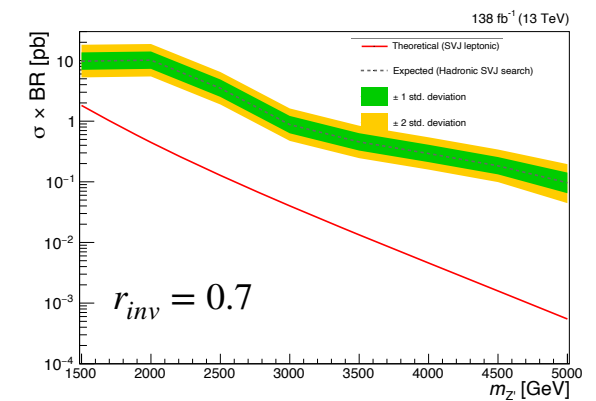
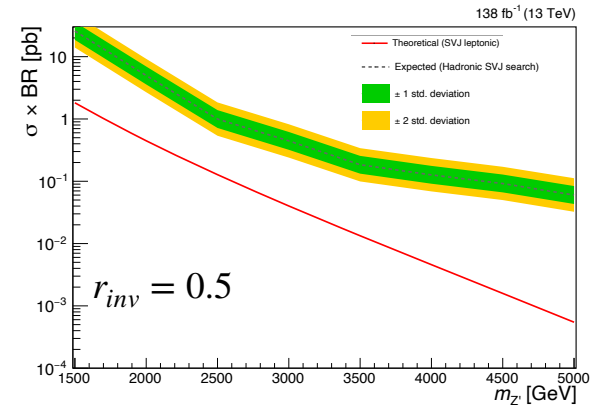
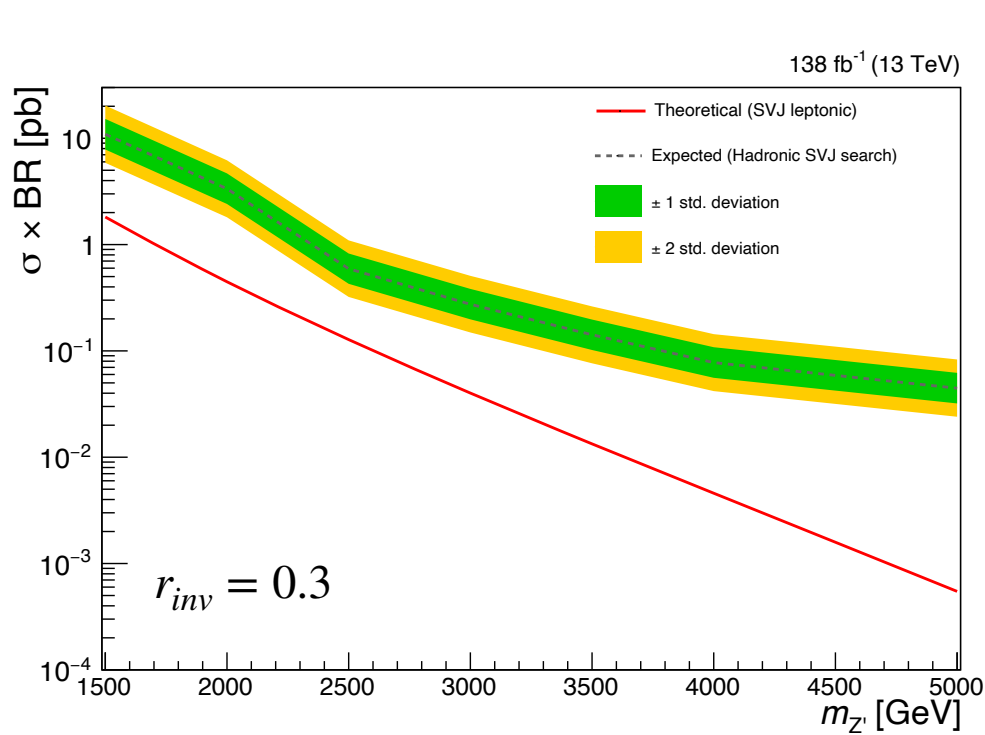


DI-TAU TRIGGER



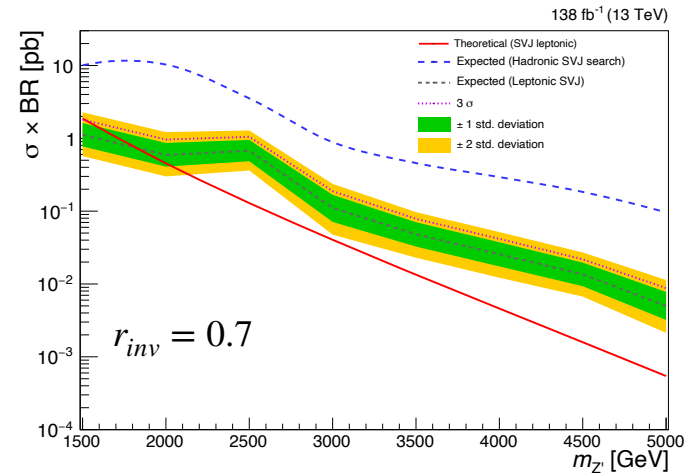
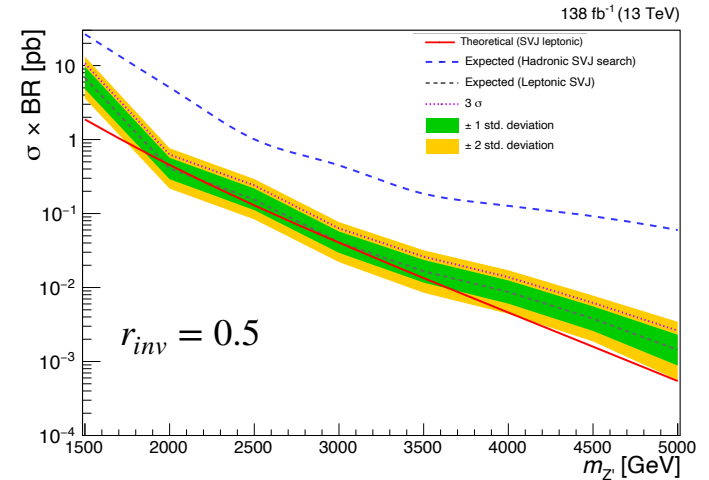
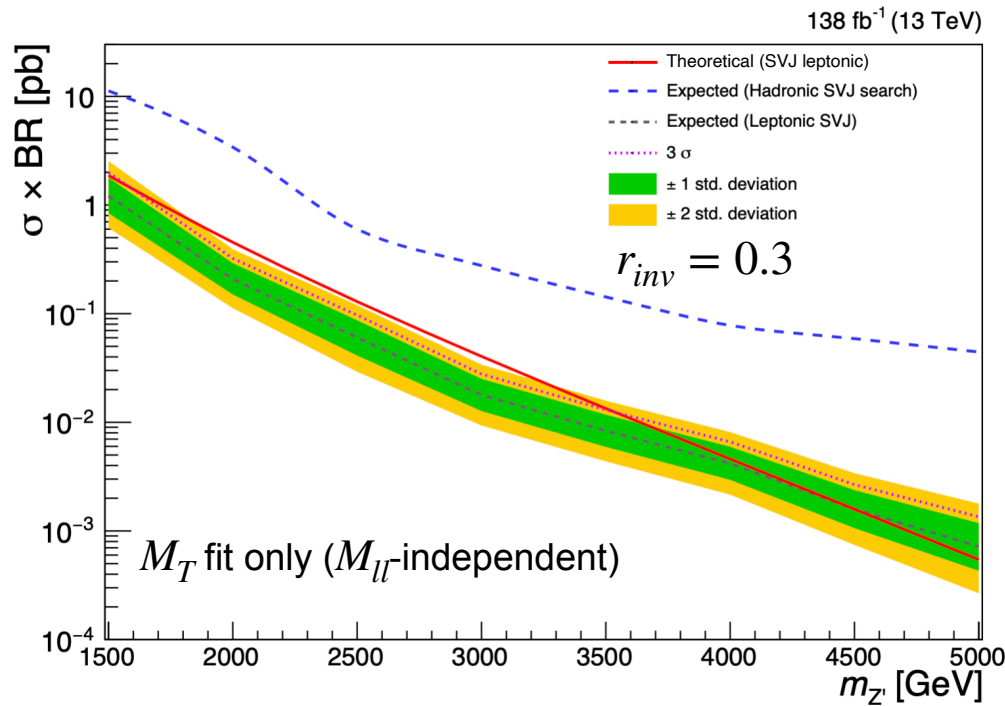
- ◆ MET triggers: **too high threshold** for lowest unprescaled
- ◆ Single tau triggers: limited by **isolation criteria**
- ◆ Di-tau triggers: isolation applied to τ candidates $p_T < 25$ GeV
no significant improvement (relatively **soft τ leptons in signal**)

HADRONIC SVJ ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY ON SVJ ℓ -RESONANT

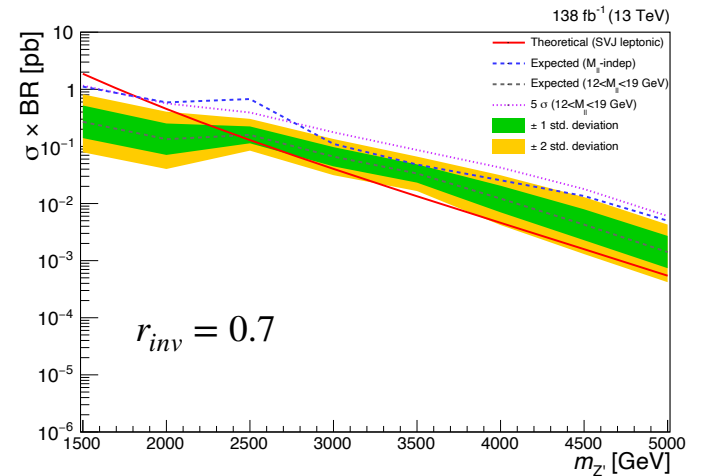
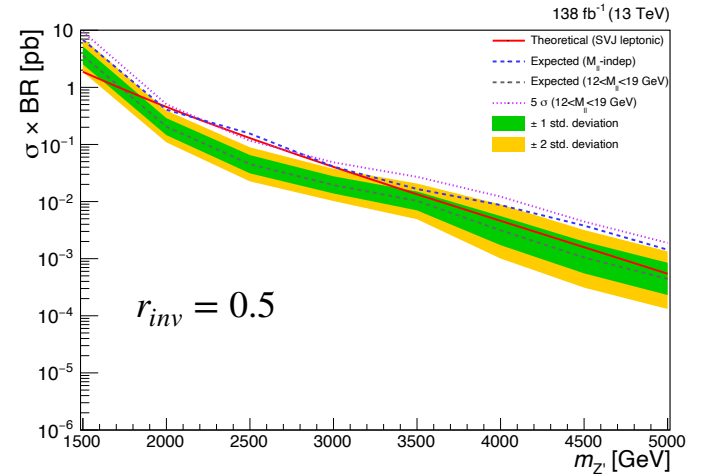
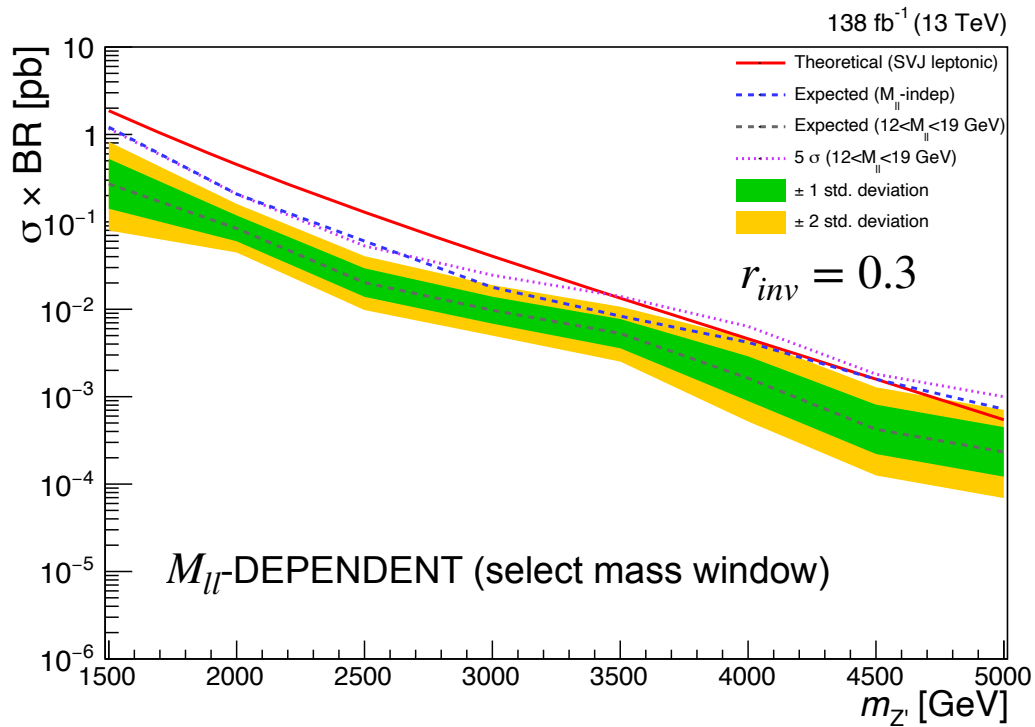


NO EXCLUSION REACH FROM FULL HADRONIC ON SVJ ℓ (NOR DISCOVERY) IN THE FULL MASS RANGE AND ALL TESTED VALUES OF INVISIBLE FRACTION

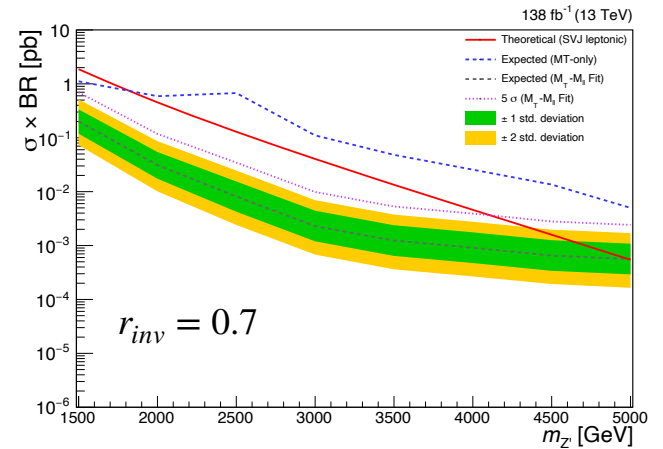
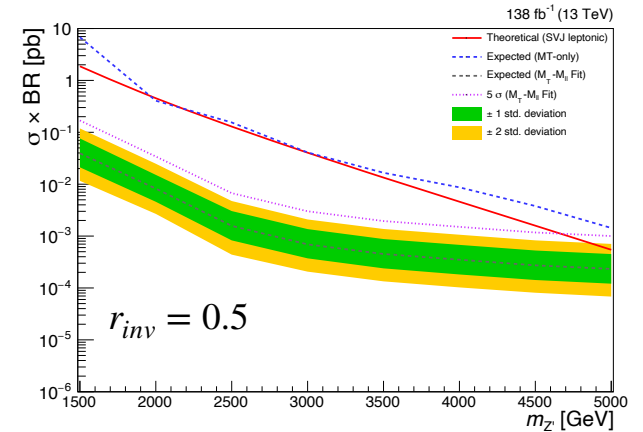
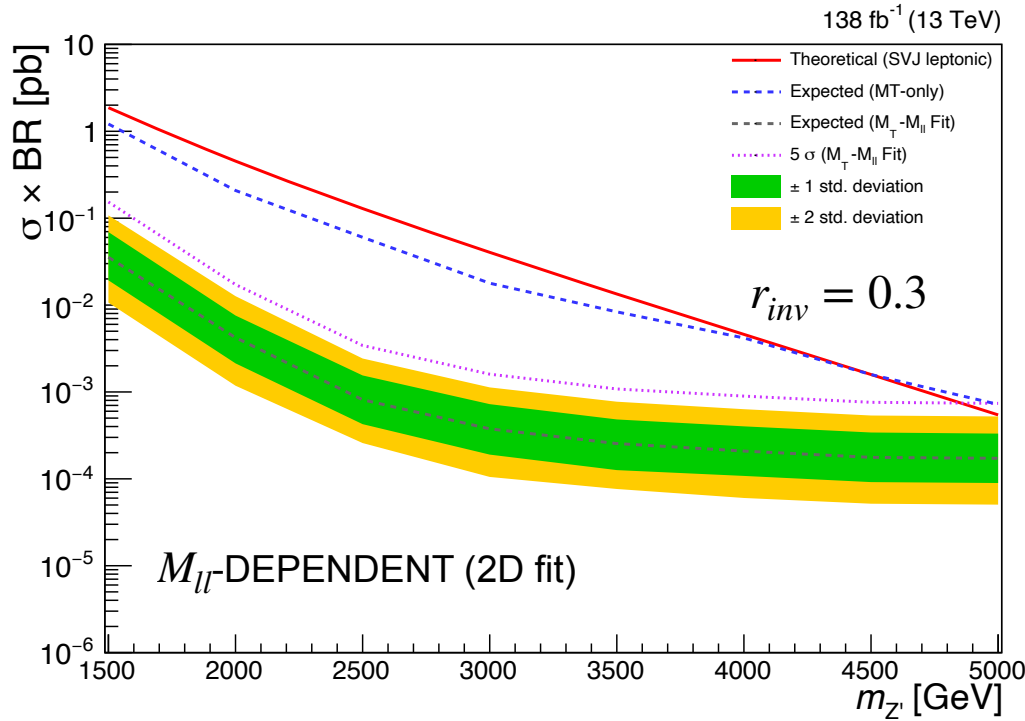
SVJ ℓ -TARGETED ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY (M_{ll} -INDEPENDENT)



SVJ ℓ -TARGETED ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY (M_{II} -CUT)



SVJ ℓ -TARGETED ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY (2D FIT)



SVJ τ -TARGETED ANALYSIS SENSITIVITY

