

# Lepton number violating Higgs decays and Colliders

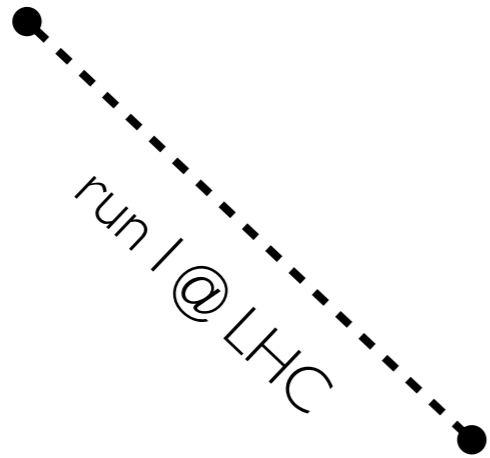
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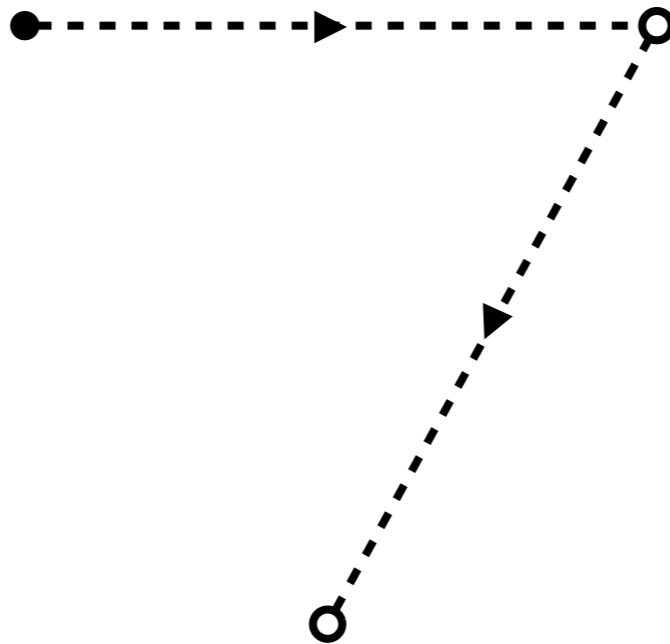
HXSWG workshop, Fermilab May 2015

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Majorana  
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run 1 @ LHC

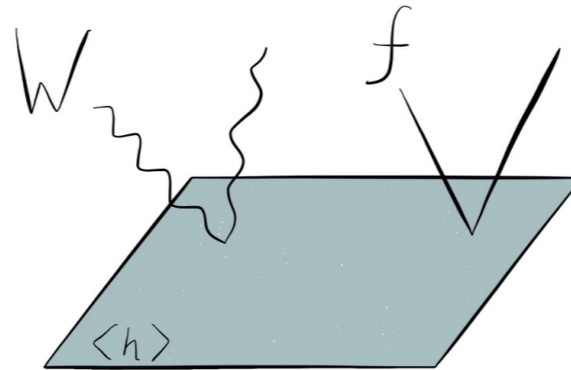
'Exotic' Higgs  
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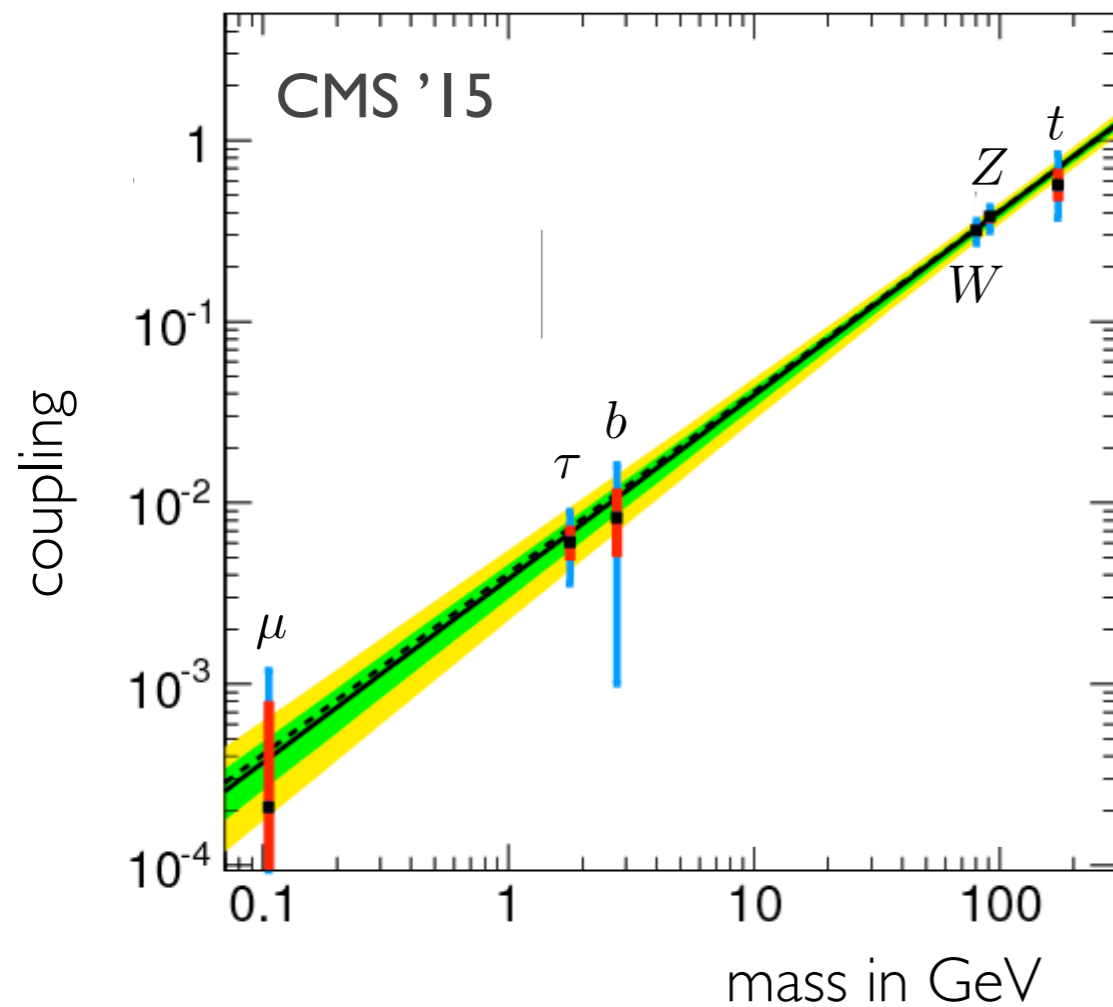
Higgs '64  
Weinberg '67

$$\mathcal{L}_y = y \bar{f}_L h f_R$$

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$$m_f = y v$$



## Higgs mass origin discovery

$L$  number conserved

Neutrinos massless

# Neutrino Mass

Neutral fermions

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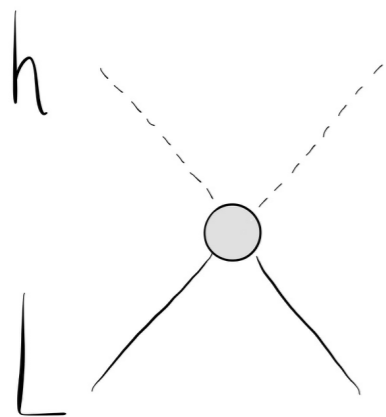
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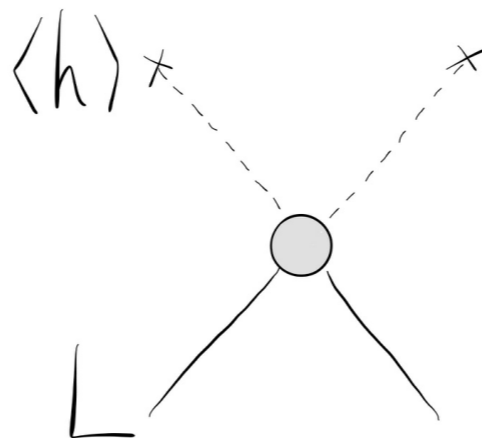
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EFT: no light states  $\Lambda \gg v$

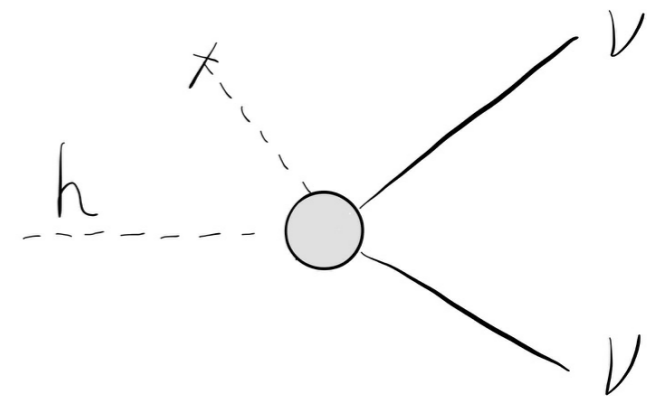
Weinberg '79



$$\tilde{y} \frac{LHLH}{\Lambda}$$



$$m_\nu = \tilde{y} \frac{v^2}{\Lambda}$$



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talk by de Gouvea

# Neutrino Mass origin

Seesaw

Left-Right

GUTs

Horizontal symmetry

$$SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$$

$$N \in L_R$$

$$SO(10)$$

$$N \in 16_F$$

$$SU(n)_F$$

Minkowski '77  
Mohapatra, Senjanović '79

Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky '79

Yanagida '79

$$SU(5)$$

$$\Delta_L \in 15_H$$

Glashow '79

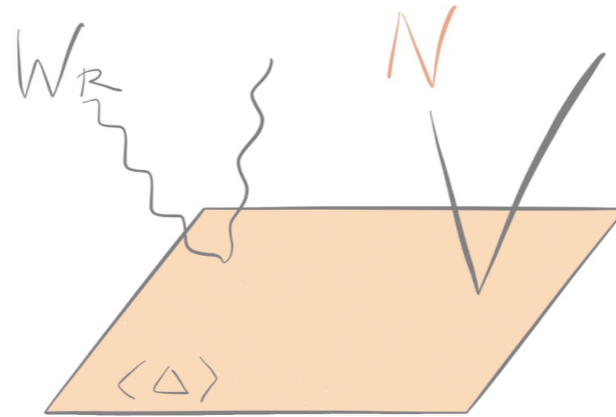
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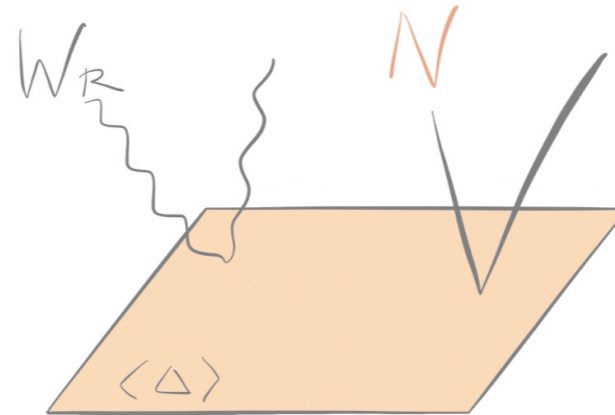
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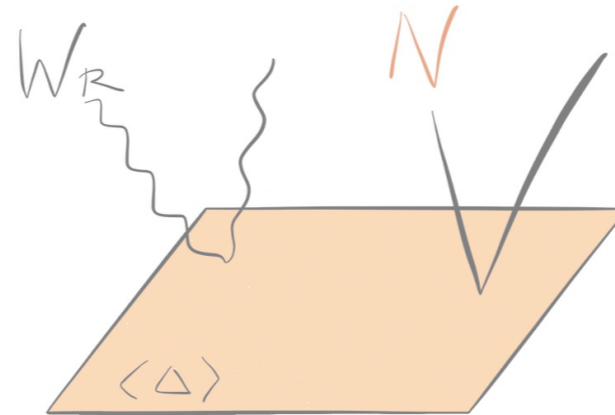
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## Indirect limits

early  $M_{W_R} > 1.6 \text{ TeV}$

to  $M_{W_R} \gtrsim 3 \text{ TeV}^*$

\*barring strong CP

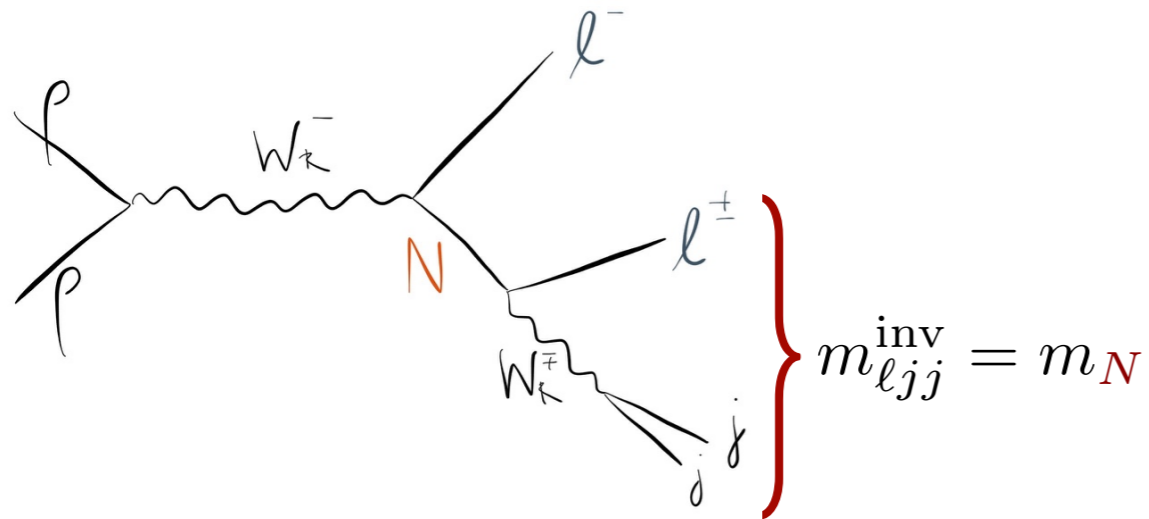
Beal, Bander, Soni '82, ...

Zhang et al. '07, Maiezza, MN, Nesti, Senjanović '10

Maiezza, MN '14

Bertolini, Nesti, Maiezza '14

# Neutrino Mass at LHC



LVN @ hadron colliders

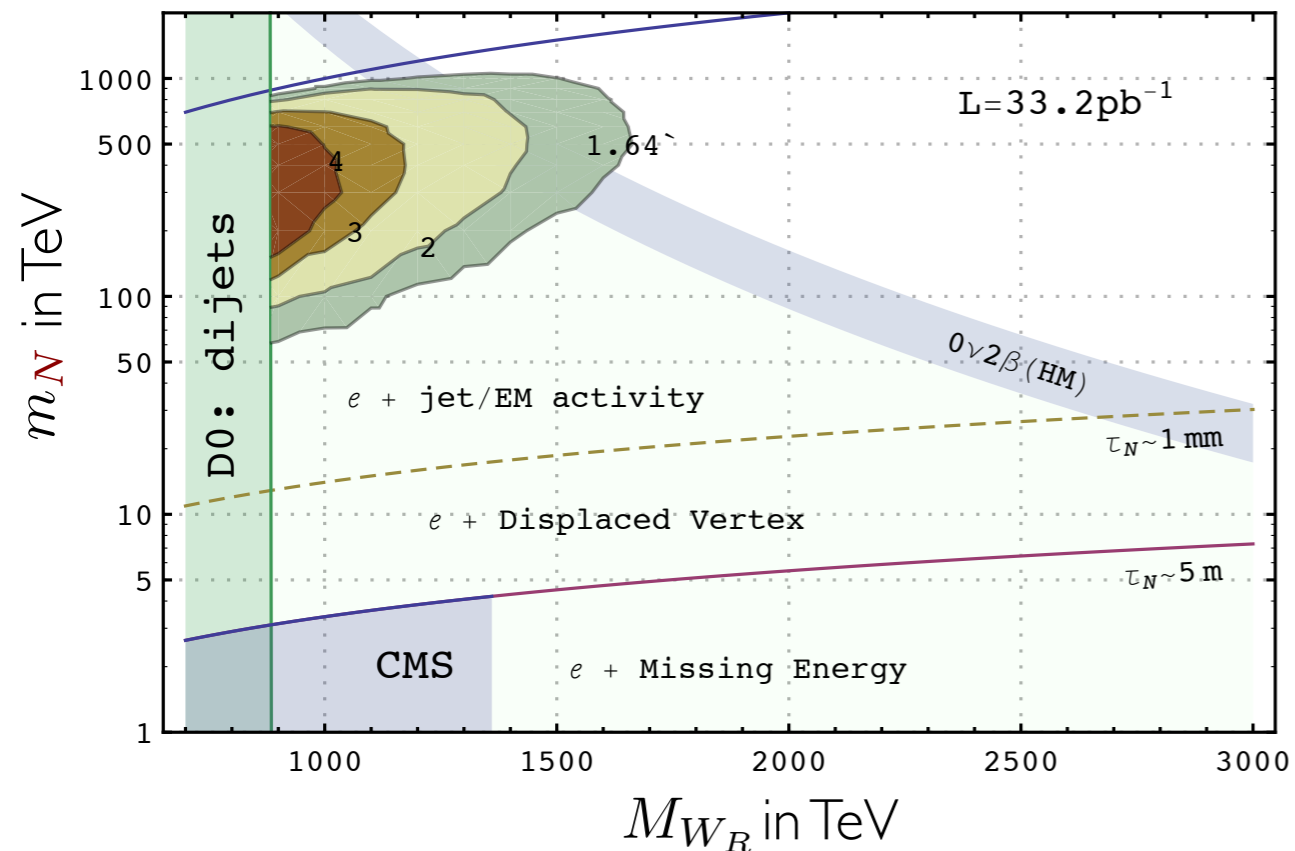
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Unambiguous seesaw

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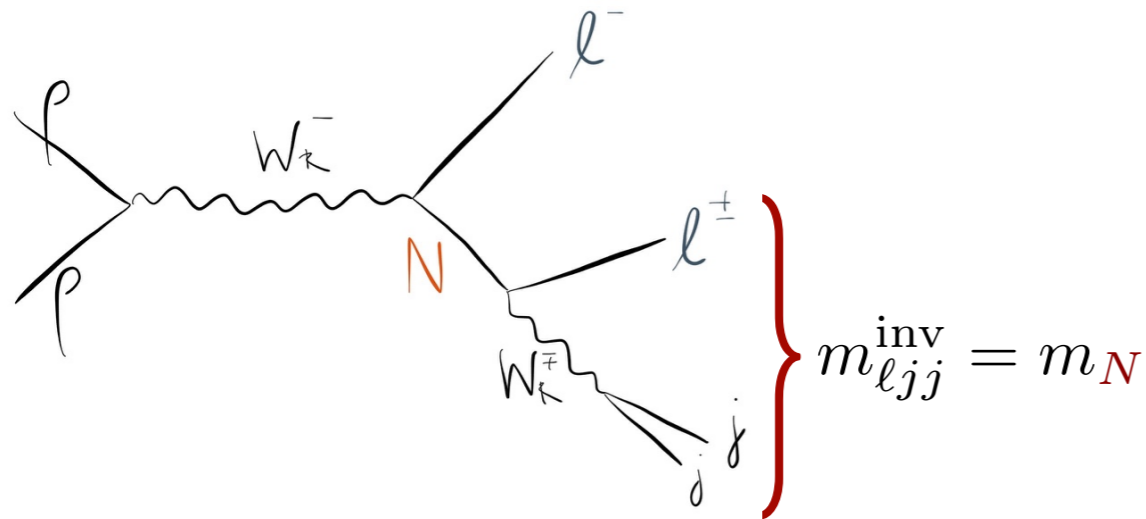
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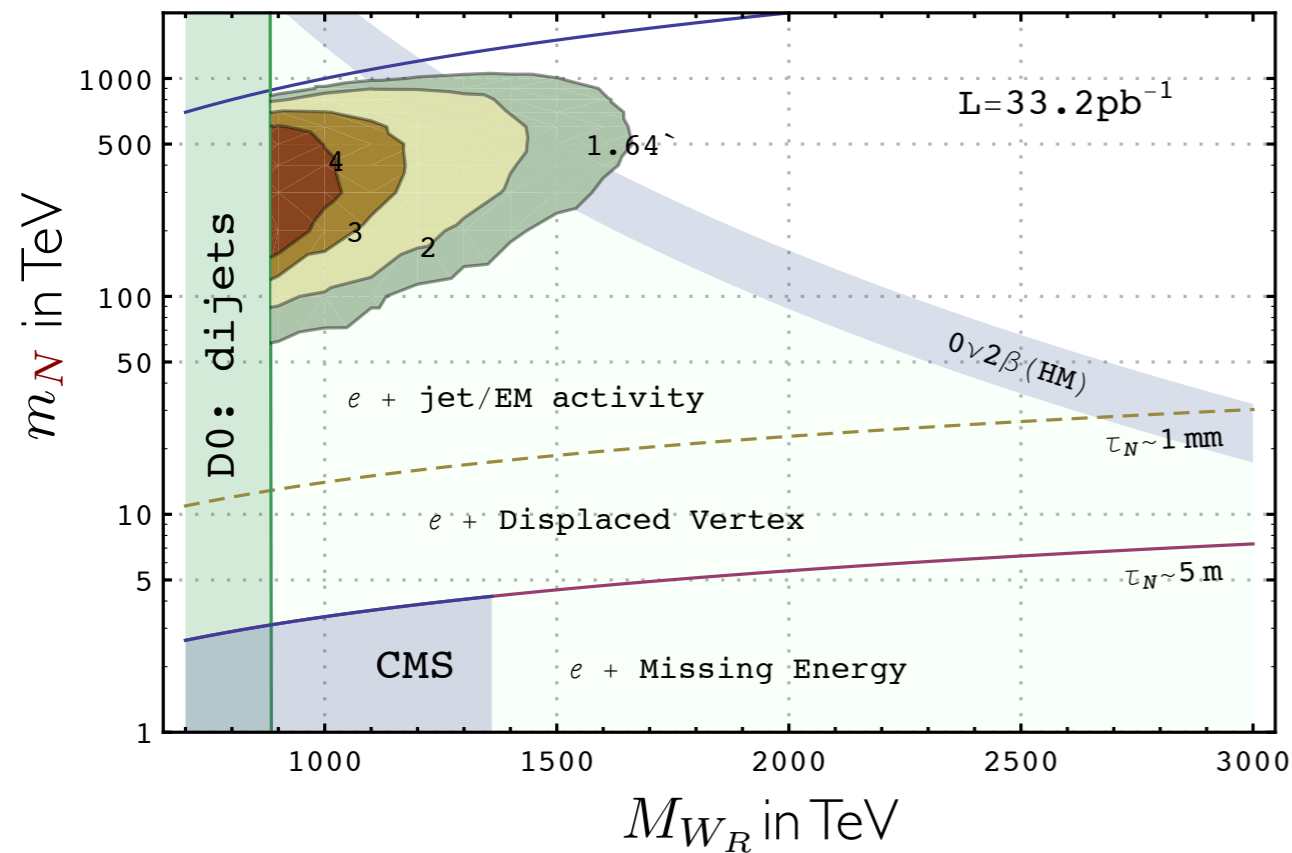
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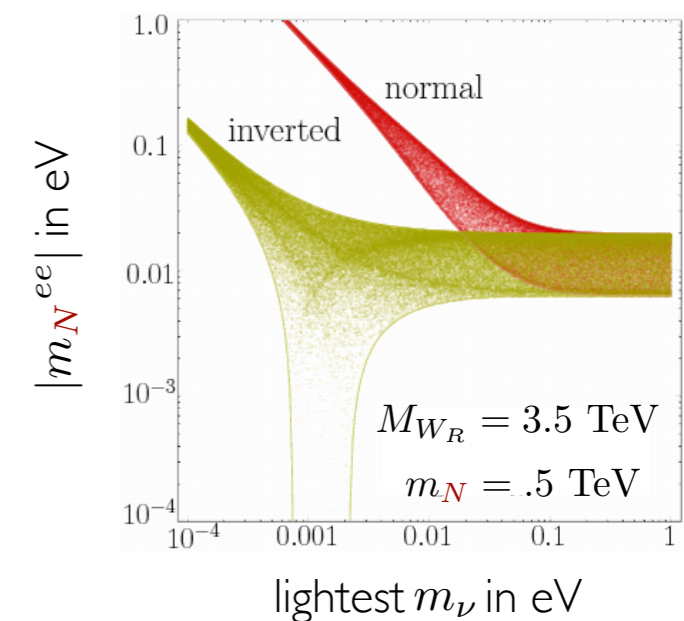
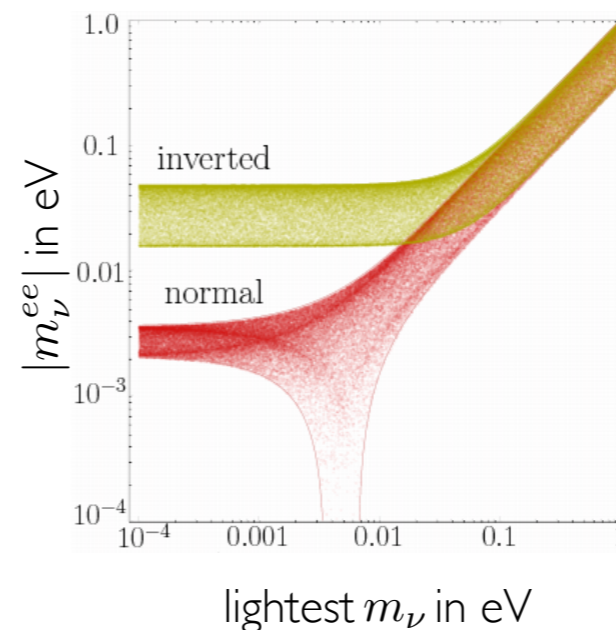
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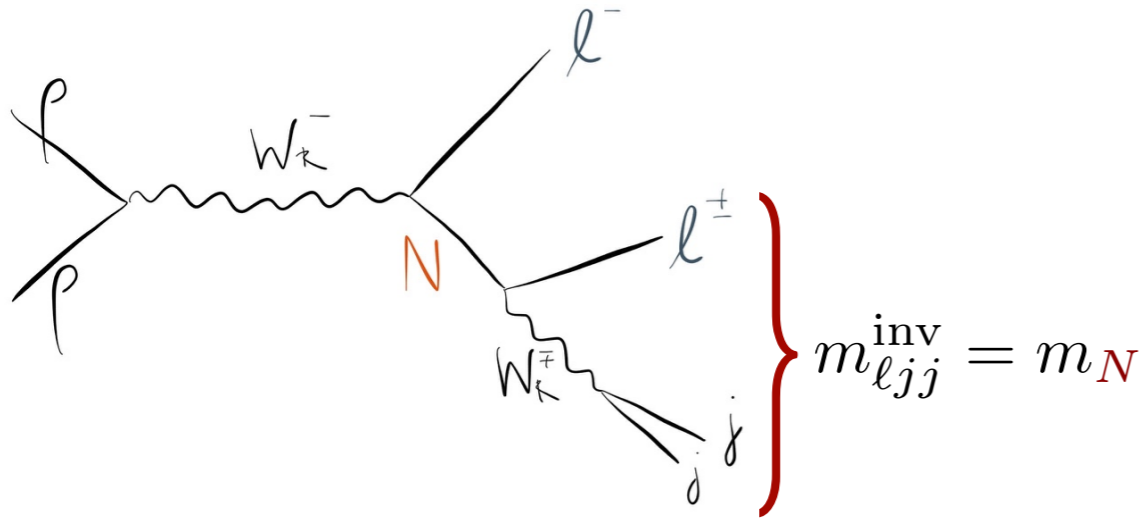
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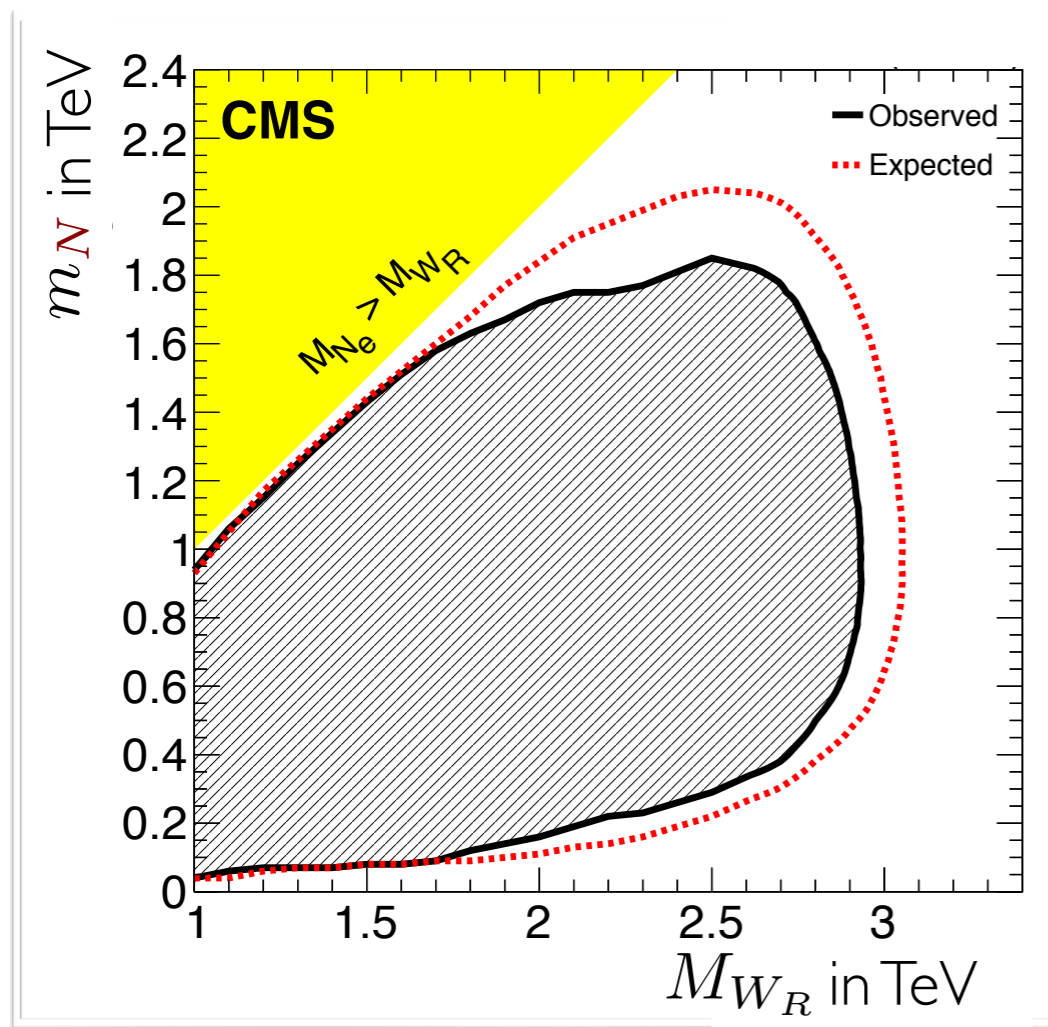
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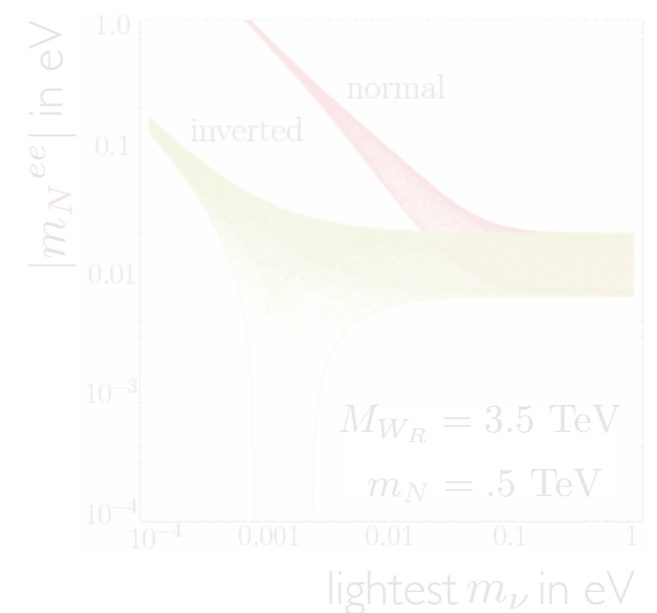
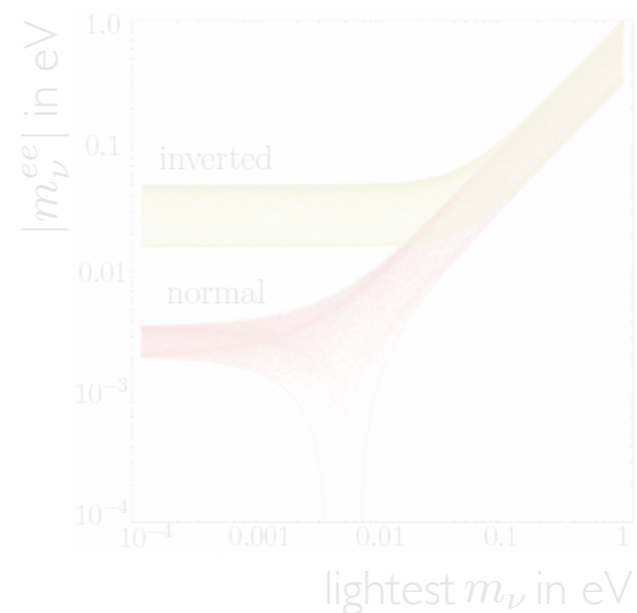
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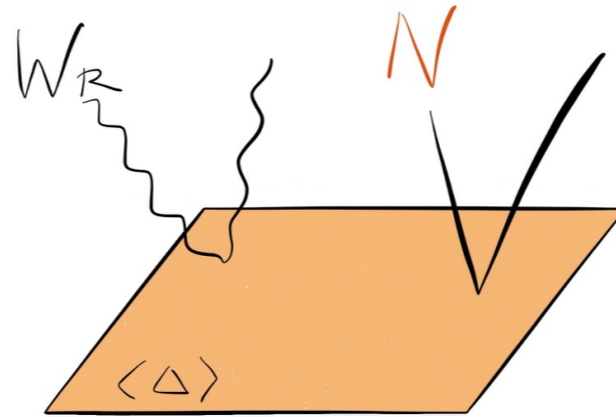
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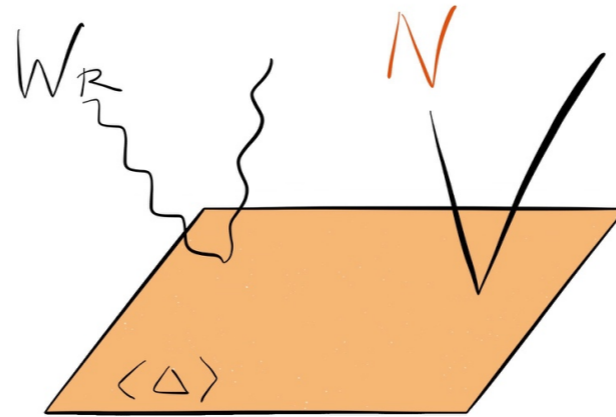


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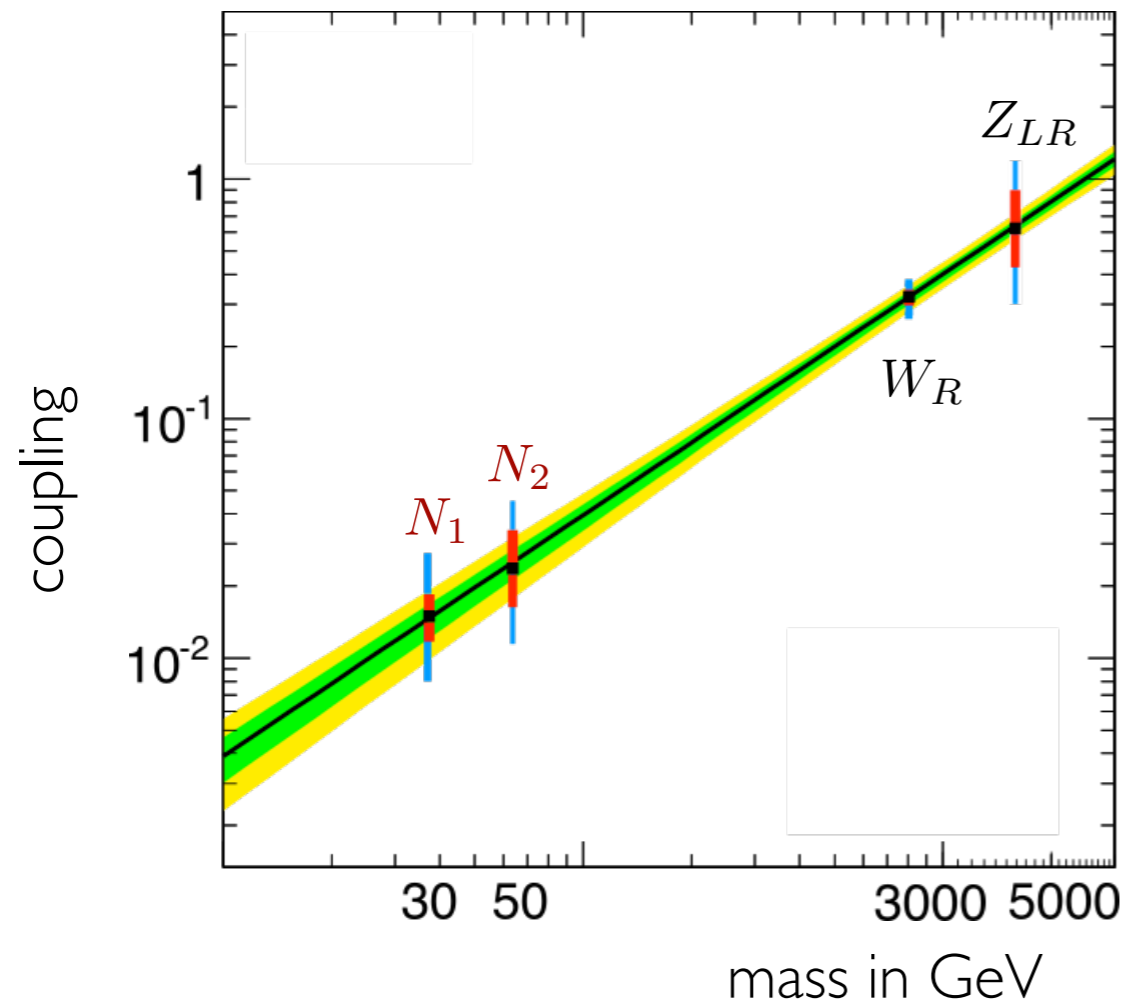
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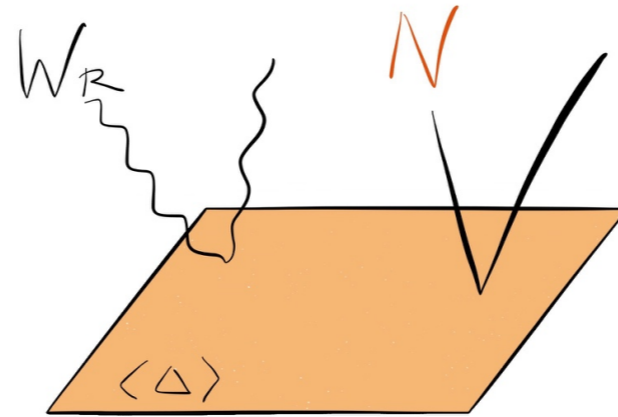


'Higgs' origin of  $m_N, m_\nu$

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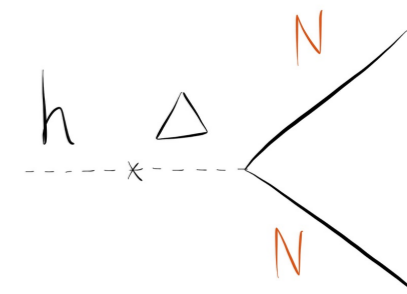
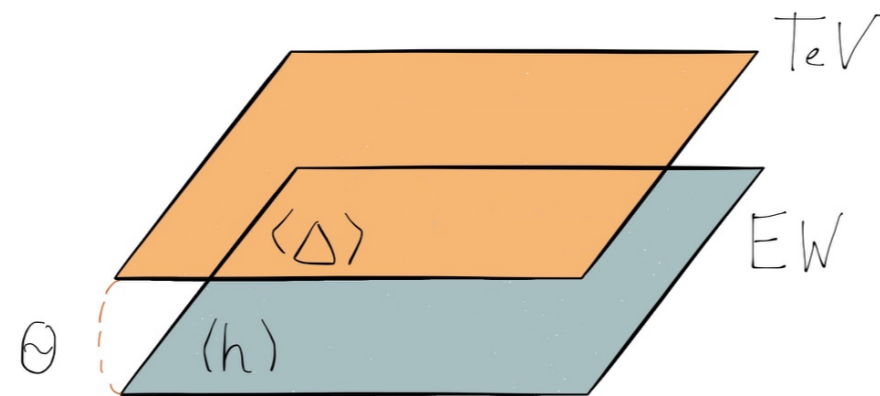




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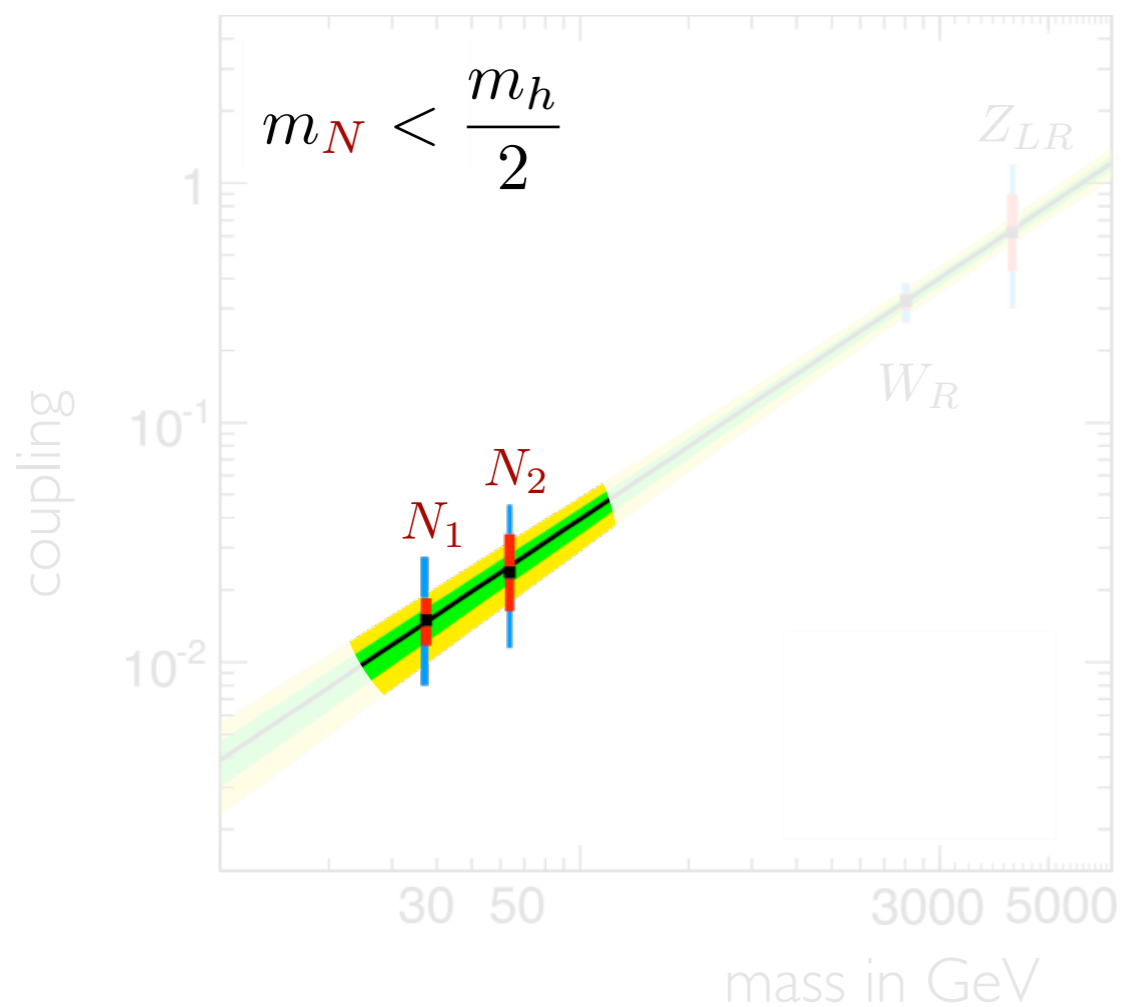
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Gunion et al. Snowmass '86

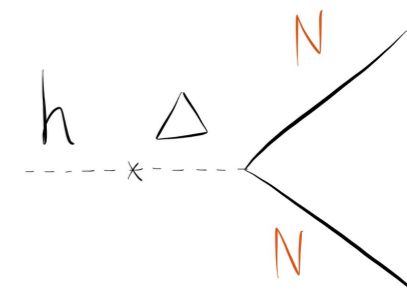
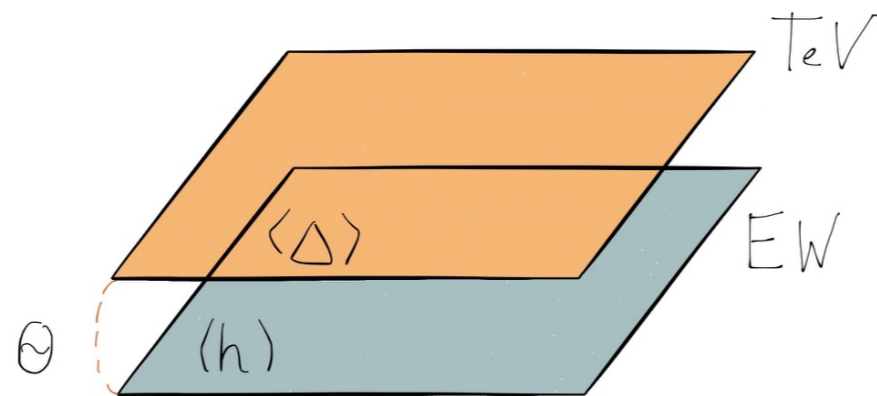
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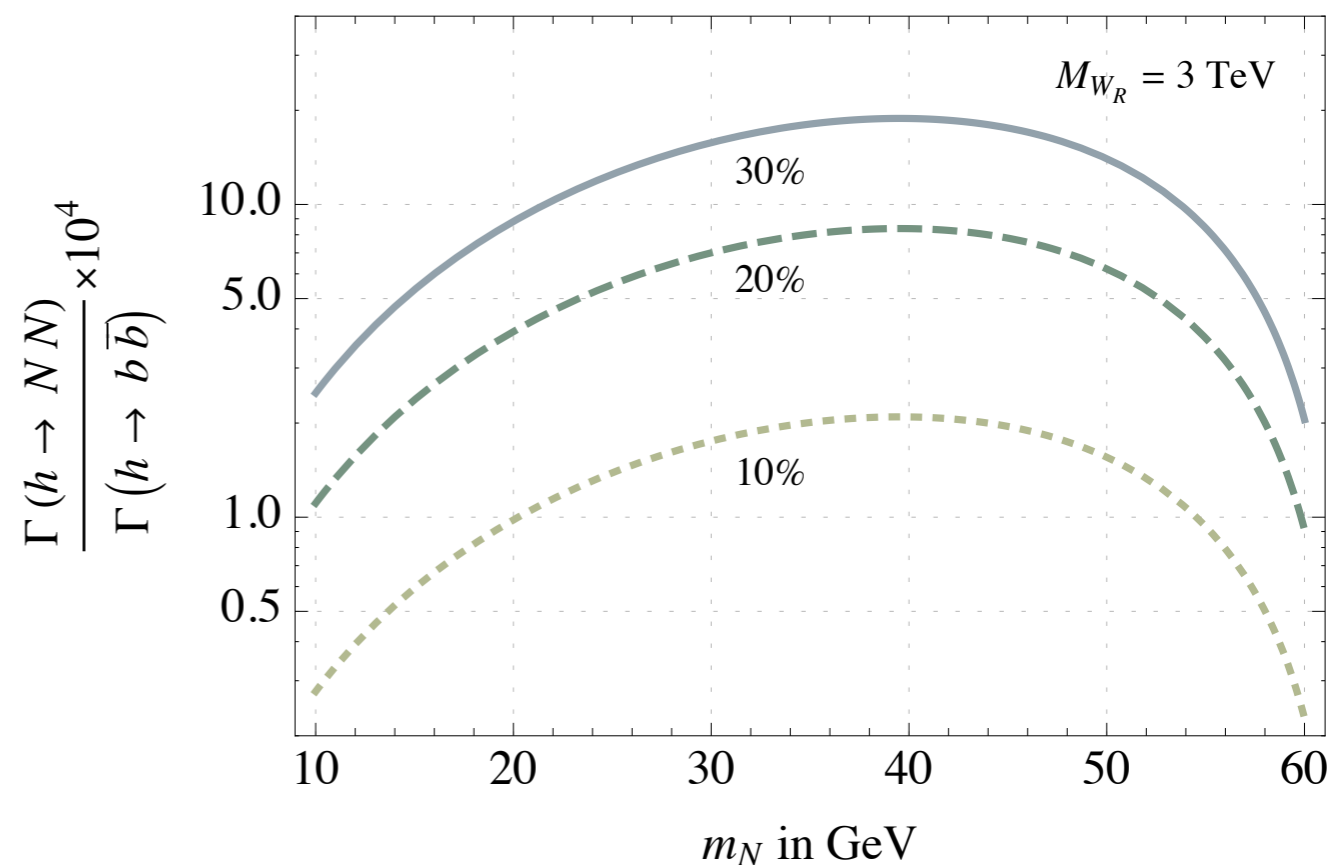
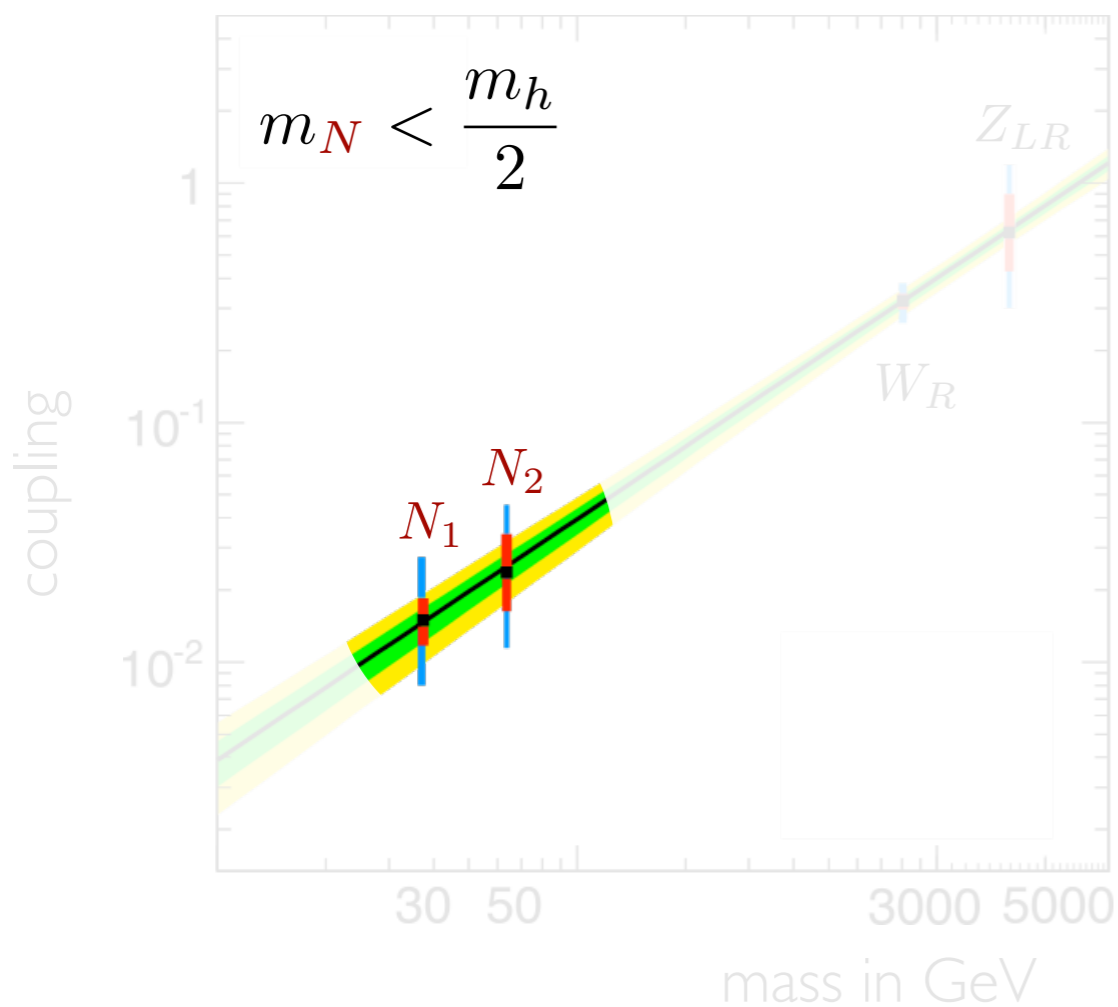
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$$\frac{\Gamma_{NN}}{\Gamma_{b\bar{b}}} \simeq \frac{\theta^2}{3} \left( \frac{m_N}{m_b} \right)^2 \left( \frac{M_W}{M_{W_R}} \right)^2$$



$h \rightarrow NN @ \text{LHC}$

## Production @ 13 TeV LHC

$$\sigma(gg \rightarrow h) = 45 \text{ pb}$$

$$h \rightarrow NN \text{ event estimate } m_N = 40 \text{ GeV} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sin \theta = 10 \% \Rightarrow 500 \\ \sin \theta = 20 \% \Rightarrow 2000 \end{array} \right.$$

## LRSM Feyncalc implementation

Roitgrund, Eilam, Bar-shalom '14

adaptation available: <https://sites.google.com/site/leftrighthep/>

## MC toolbox

MadGraph5

Pythia6

Delphes3

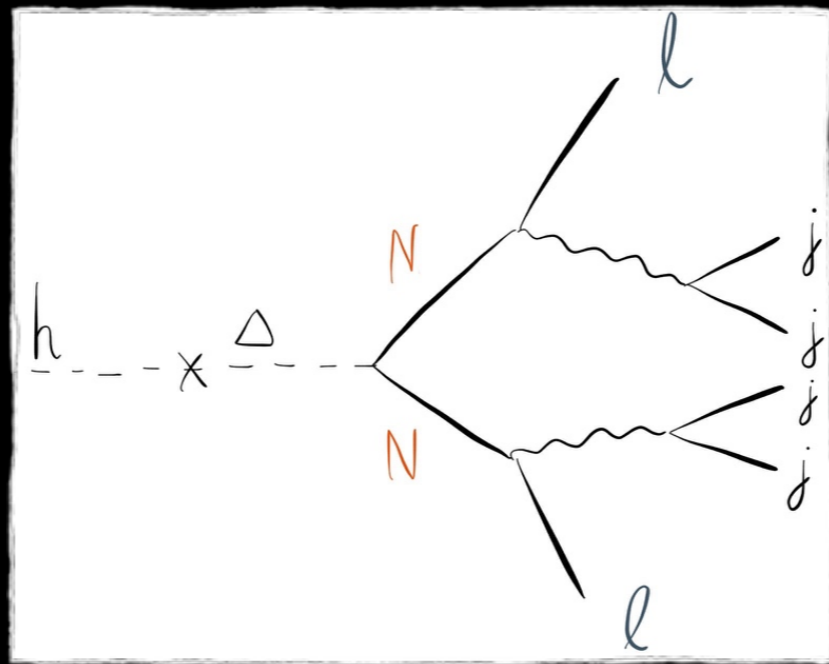
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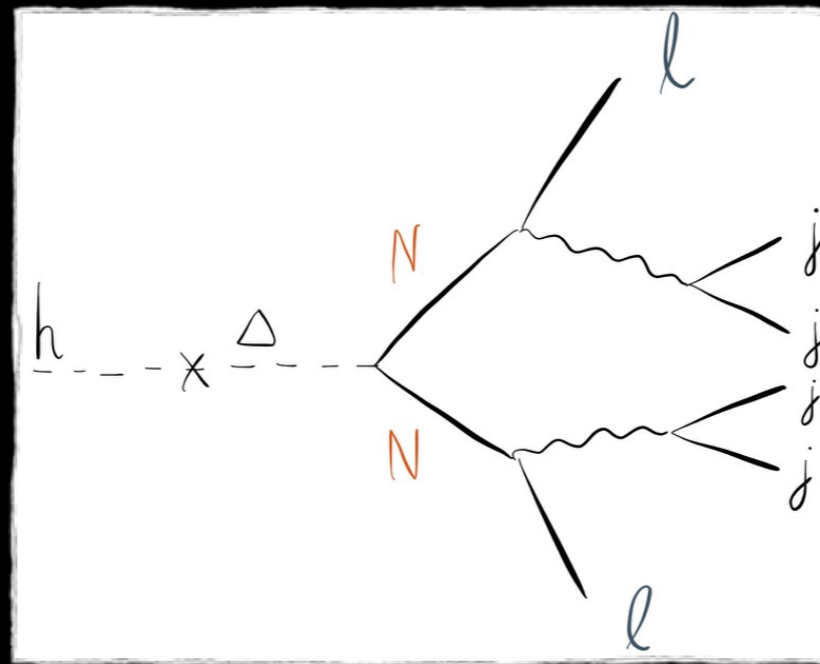
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~soft final state  $p_T \simeq \frac{m_h}{6} \sim 20 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\gamma(h) \simeq 3$

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no missing energy

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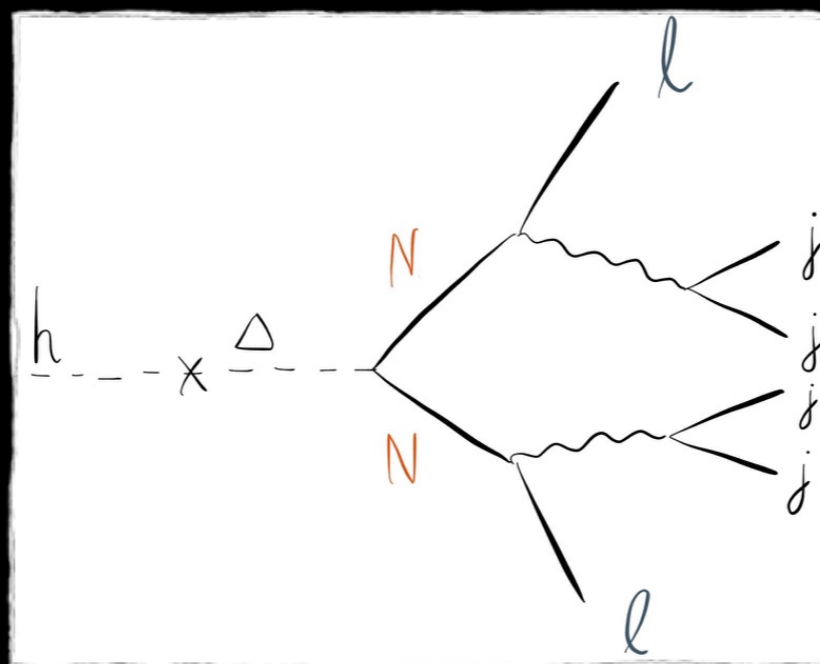
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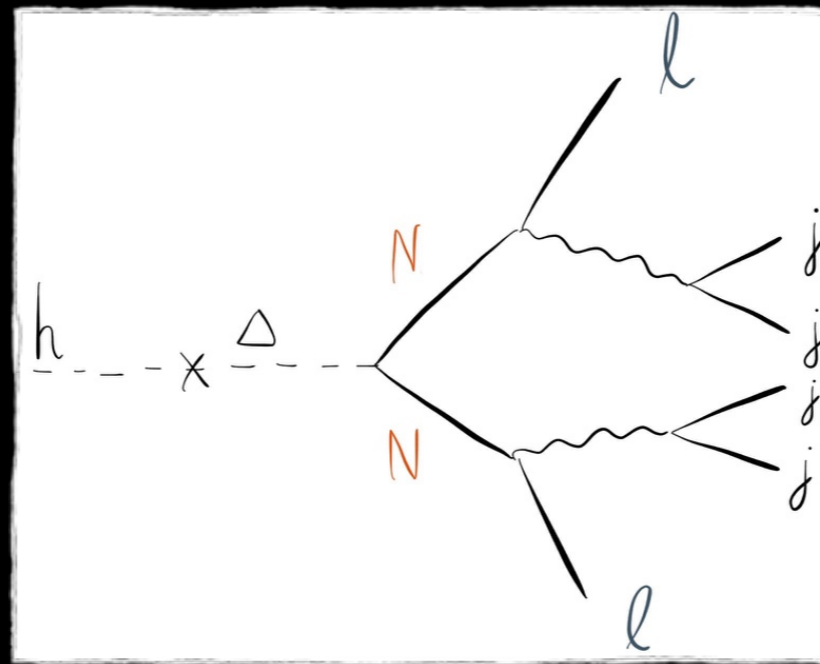
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anti- $k_T$   $\Delta R = .4$   $p_T^{jmin} = 20$  GeV

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loss of jets  $n_j = 0, 1, 2, 3$

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Missing E

$\cancel{E} \simeq 15$  GeV



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Electron mis-id

Electron charge mis-id & photo-production

ATLAS 1412.0237

CMS 1501.05566

Significant same-sign background

Non-issue for muons

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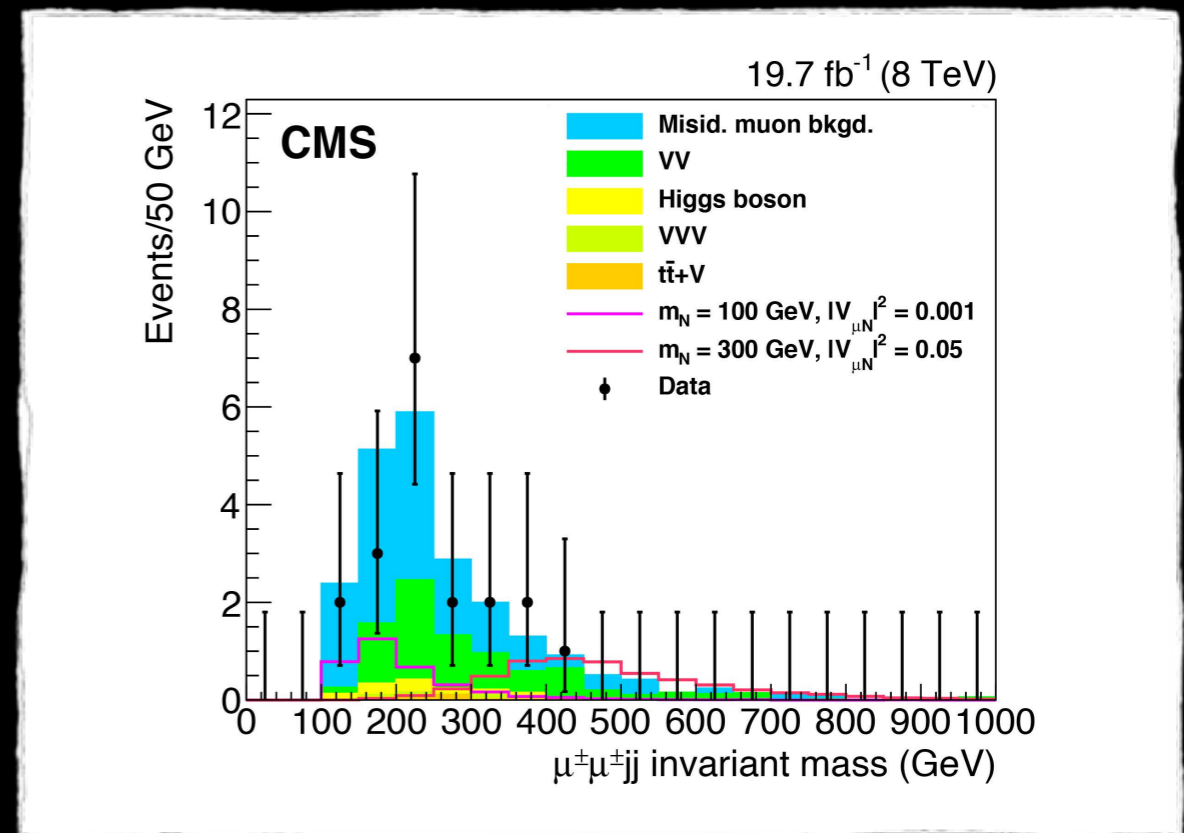
QCD jets mistaken for muons

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Data-driven estimate

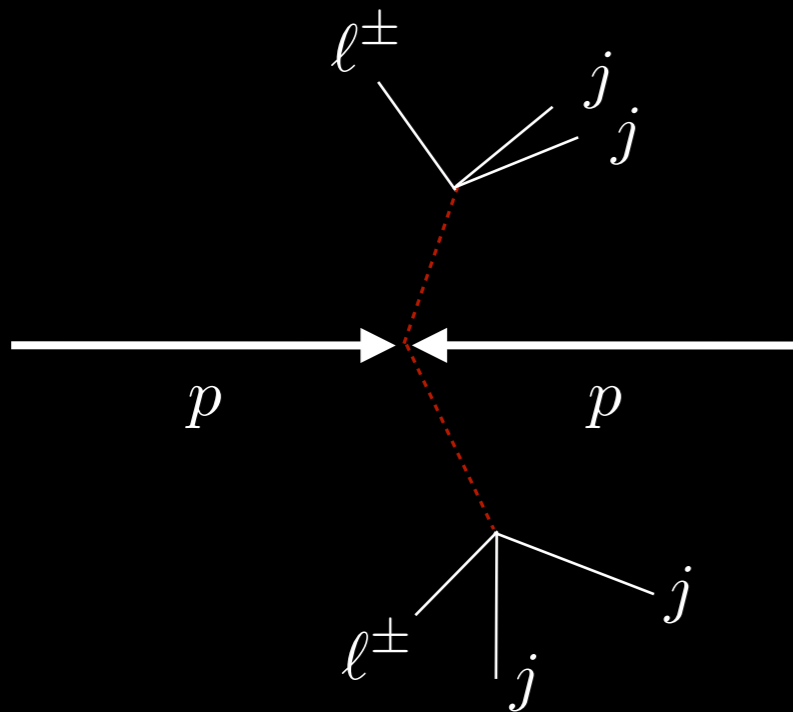
Theorist's approach

$$QCD = 2.5 \times (VV)$$



# Displacement

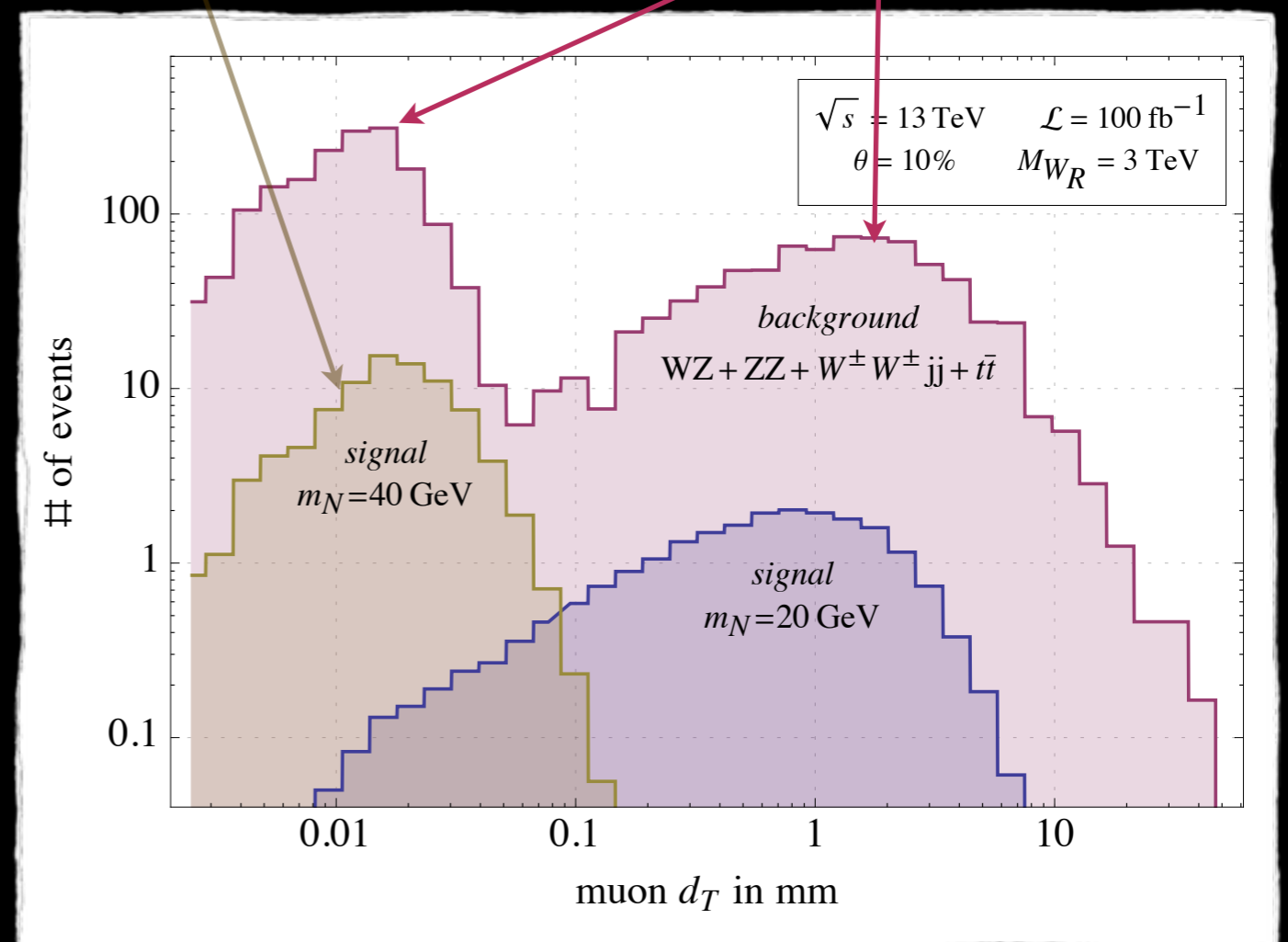
$N$  lifetime significant  $\Gamma_N \simeq 3 \times 2 \times 2 \Gamma_\mu \left( \frac{m_\mu}{m_N} \right)^5 \left( \frac{M_{W_R}}{M_W} \right)^4$



Resolution  $O(10\mu m)$

Correlated

custom smearing module



additional effective discriminant

used on muons only

displaced jets wip

# Significance

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leading  $\mu$  :  $p_T < 55 \text{ GeV}$

$$m_{\mu\cancel{p}_T}^T < 30 \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_{\mu\mu} < 80 \text{ GeV}, \quad m_{\mu\cancel{p}_T} < 60 \text{ GeV}$$



# Significance

Cut & count

$$\mathcal{L} = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}, \quad \sin \theta = 10\%, \quad M_{W_R} = 3 \text{ TeV}, \quad n_j = 1, 2, 3$$

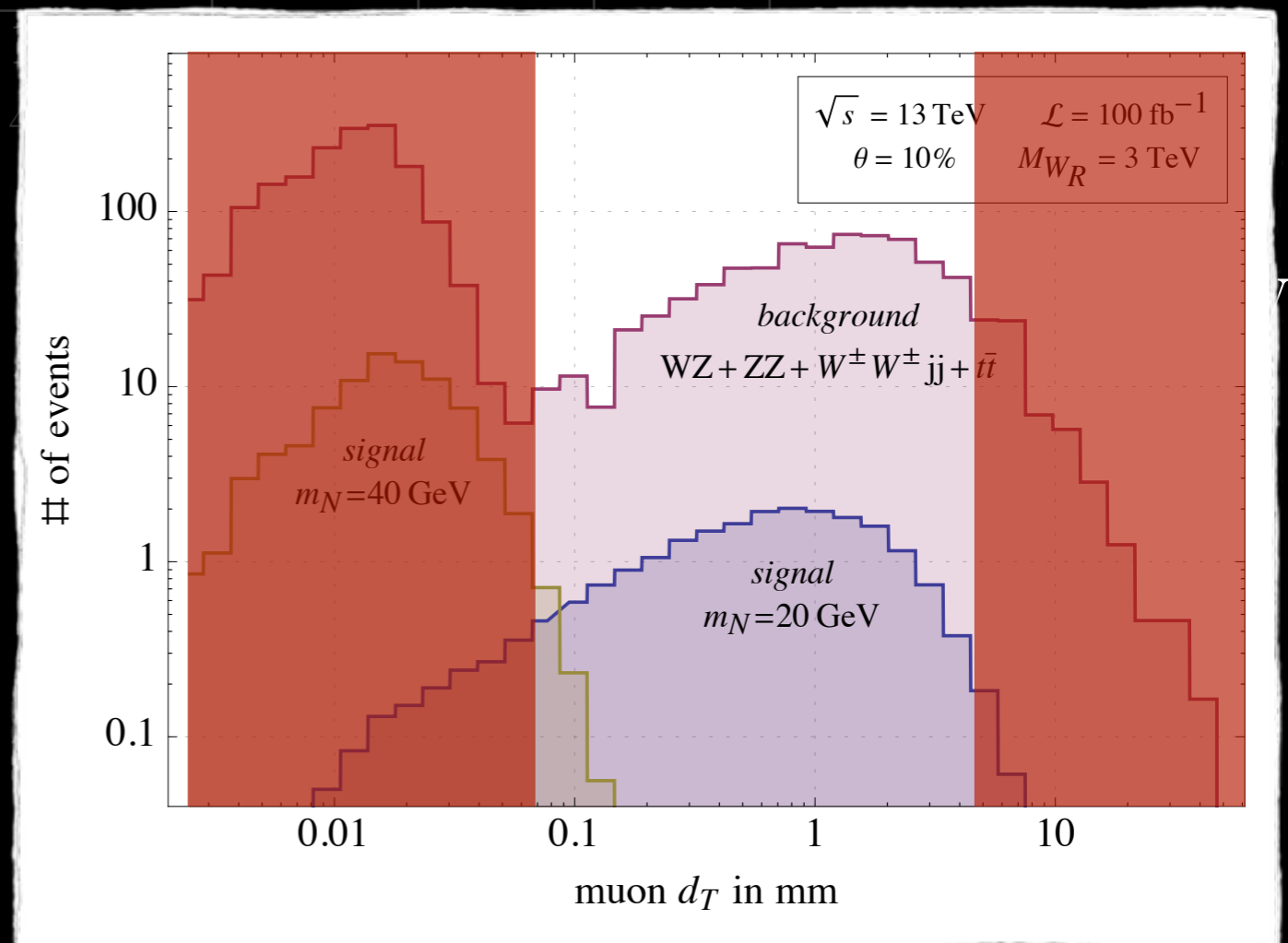
Process	No cuts	Imposed cuts				
		$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm + n_j$	$\cancel{E}_T$	$p_T$	$m_T$	$m_{\text{inv}}$
$WZ$	2 M	544	143	78	40	20
$ZZ$	1 M	55	29	16	12	8
$W^\pm W^\pm 2j$	389	115	16	5	3	1
$t\bar{t}$	10 M	509	97	40	22	14
Signal (20)	254					
Signal (40)	543					

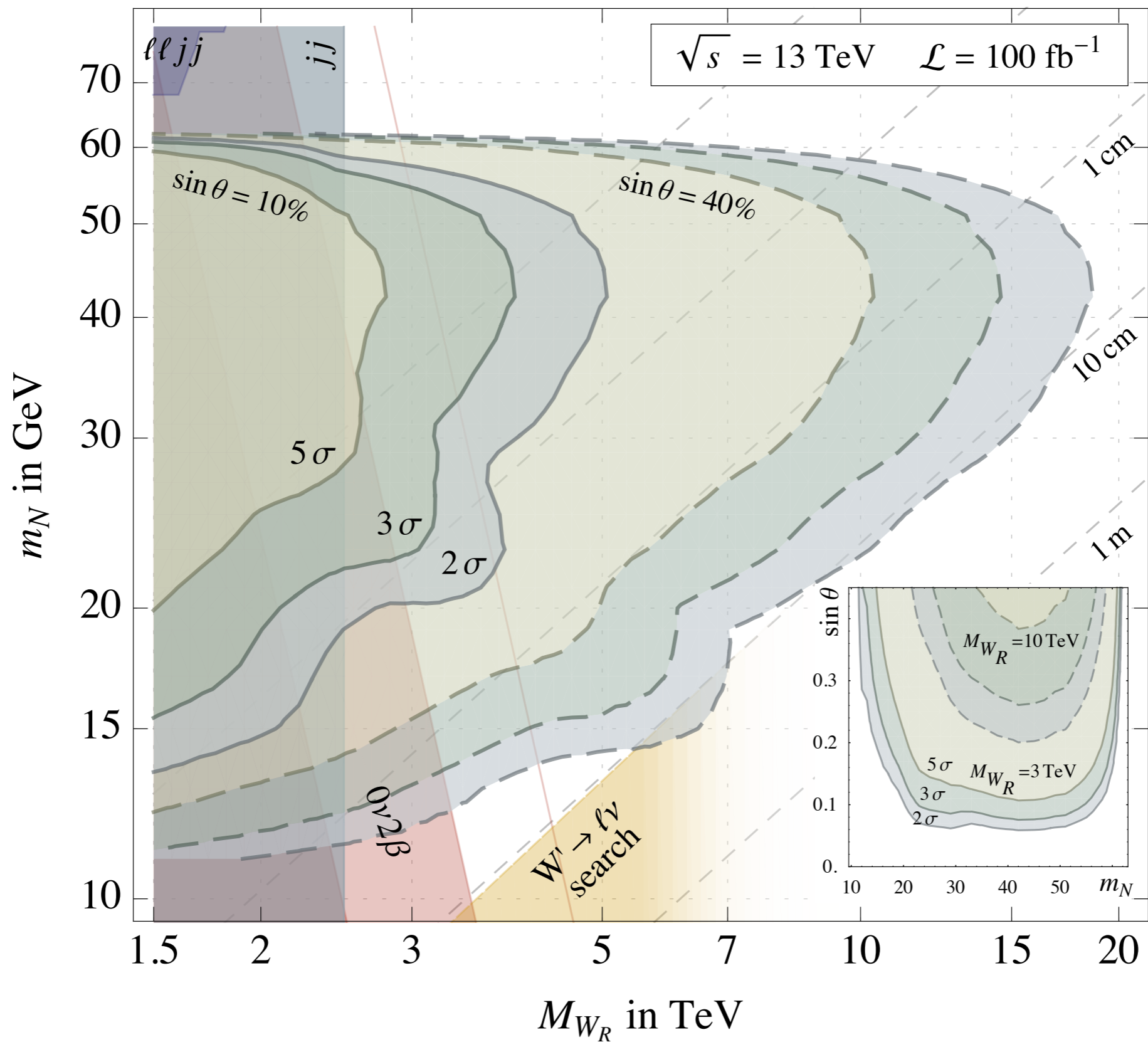
Jet mis-id  $QCD \simeq 2.5 \times (VV)$

Sliding  $d_T$  window

$$L/10 < d_T < 5L$$

optimize  $L$





Run farther



# Outlook

## Room for improvement

electron,  $\tau$  and LFV channels

sophisticated search methods

jet displacement

softer muons  $p_T < 10$  GeV

lower missing energy cut

real detector simulation

data background estimation

No existing analysis

Experimental input  
needed

## Triggering

trigger impact, specialized for run 2

## Pile-up

peak resolution reduction

**Appendix slides**

# some LNV Higgs candidates

Simple see-saws excluded

Fourth generation  $h \rightarrow \nu_4 \nu_4$

Pilaftsis '92  
Carpenter '11

EFT SM +  $h$  +  $N$

Graesser '07

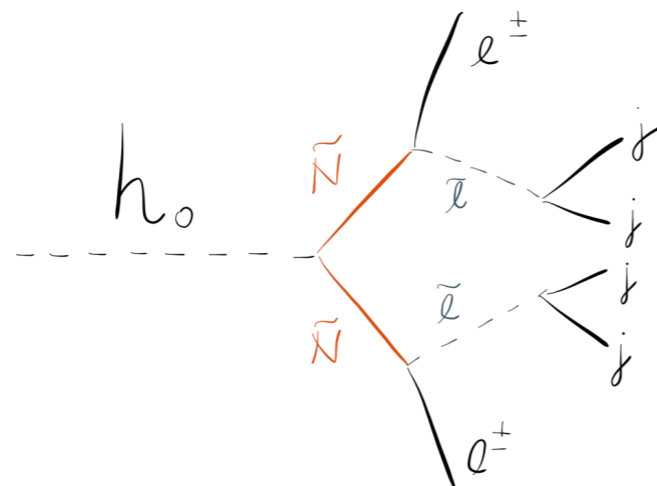
SM +  $h$  +  $N$  + singlet scalar

Shoemaker, Petraki, Kusenko '10

Spontaneous  $B-L$

$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$

RPV SUSY



LNV disfavored

Banks, Carpenter Fortin '08

$m_{\tilde{l}} \simeq m_{\tilde{\nu}}$

needs post-LHC revision

— small mixing    - - - large mixing    ····· decay length

$lljj =$  KS search

CMS 1407.3683

$jj =$  dijet search

CMS 1501.04198

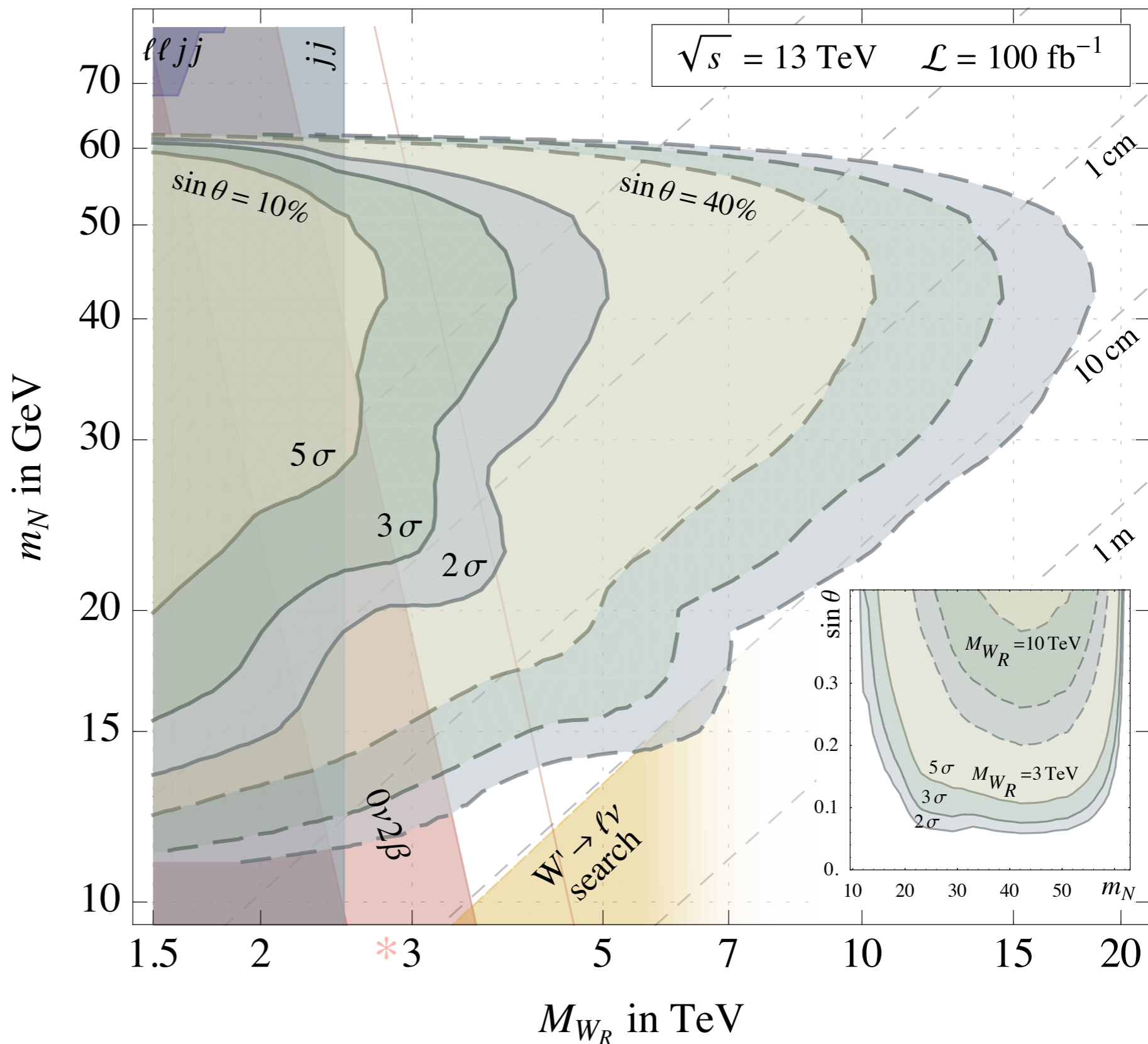
$0\nu 2\beta =$  GERDA I & II

GERDA I 1307.4720

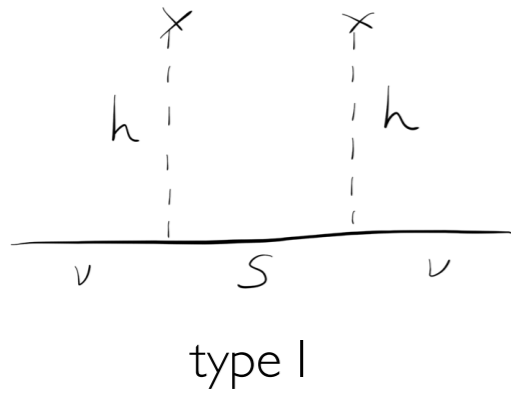
\* NME uncertainty

$W' \rightarrow l\nu = \cancel{E}$  search

CMS 1408.2745



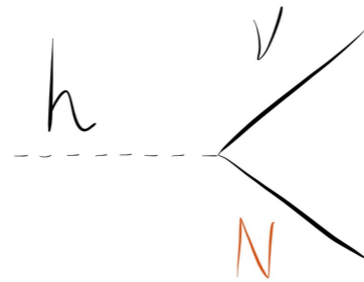
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$$M_\nu = -M_D^T m_S^{-1} M_D$$

Casas-Ibarra '01

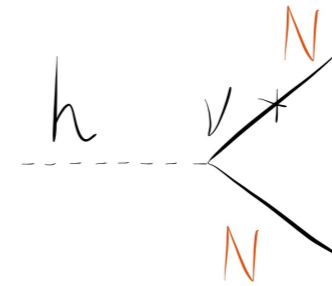
Ambiguous relation



$$\Gamma_{h \rightarrow \nu S} \propto M_D^2$$

Dev, Franceschini, Mohapatra '12  
Cely, Ibarra, Molinaro, Petcov '12

Fine-tuned, 'inverse'



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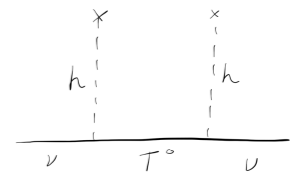


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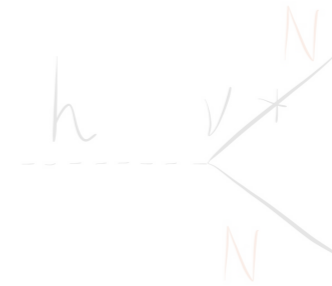
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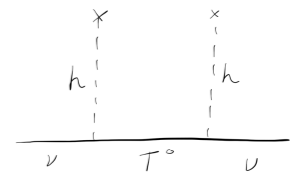
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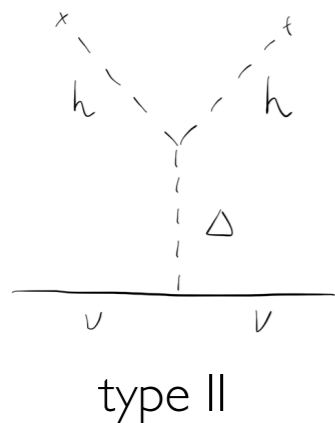
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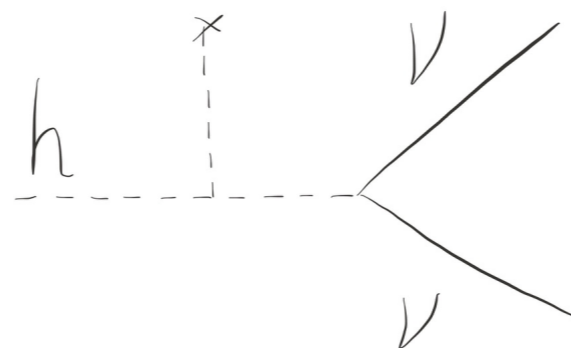
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Ambiguous relation



$$m_\nu = Y_\Delta v_L$$

Fine-tuned, 'inverse'



$$\Gamma_{h \rightarrow \nu\nu} \propto m_\nu^2$$

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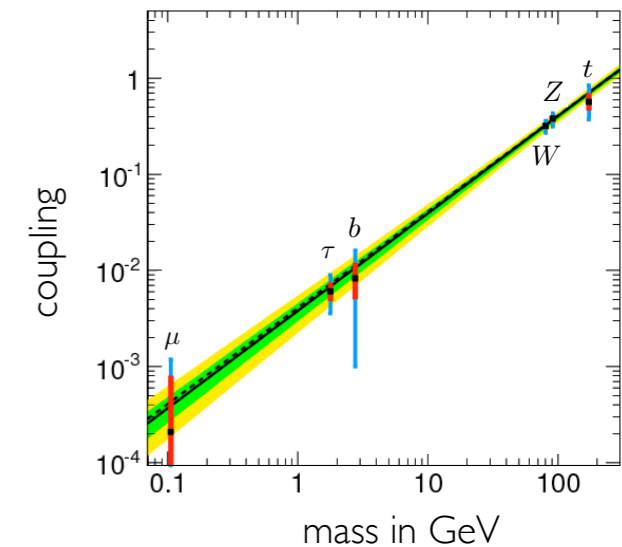
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**no LNV**

# Majorana vs. Dirac

SM a *predictive* theory of charged fermion mass origin

$$\mathcal{L}_D = \frac{m_f}{v} \bar{f}_L h f_R \quad \xrightarrow{\text{unique}} \quad \Gamma_{h \rightarrow ff} \propto m_f^2$$



Type I/III seesaw

$$\mathcal{L}_\nu = M_D \bar{\nu}_L h N + M_N N N + h.c.$$

$$M_\nu = -M_D^T m_N^{-1} M_D = - \left( m_N^{-1/2} M_D \right)^T \underbrace{\left( m_N^{-1/2} M_D \right)}_{O \times S}$$

fixed  $S = i\sqrt{M_\nu}$

$O$  cancels out

$$M_D = i\sqrt{m_N} O \sqrt{M_\nu} \quad \text{ambiguous, possibly large}$$

not predictive...

# Majorana vs. Dirac

**Left-Right** gauge interaction defines the basis

$$\mathcal{L}_W = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{\ell}_R W_R^- V_R N$$

$$M_N = V_R^T m_N V_R$$

LR symmetry constrains the Dirac mass

$$M_D = M_D^T$$

seesaw gives  $M_D = i M_N \sqrt{M_N^{-1} M_\nu}$

MN, Senjanović, Tello '12

