

Searches for BSM physics in dilepton, multilepton and lepton + MET final states at CMS



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Outlook

- ➡ Many BSM physics models predict the existence of **new heavy particles** decaying into dilepton, multilepton and lepton + neutrino final states
 - **leptons** = e, μ
 - **neutrinos** = revealed as MET (missing transverse energy)
- ➡ The leptonic final states are historically channels of discovery and precision measurements: very clean signatures
- ➡ Dealing with **high energetic leptons** implies careful studies of the objects and their properties
- ➡ Models predict very **small branching ratio** for leptonic decays:
 - accurate evaluation of backgrounds
 - often statistical uncertainties dominate
- ➡ We present here the results obtained from the LHC Run 2 data collected in 2015 at CMS
 - going up to $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV makes the parton luminosities of processes $q\bar{q} \rightarrow X$ increase substantially, especially at high mass region

CMS Detector

Pixels
 Tracker
 ECAL
 HCAL
 Solenoid
 Steel Yoke
 Muons

STEEL RETURN YOKE
 ~13000 tonnes

SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID
 Niobium-titanium coil carrying ~18000 A

HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)
 Brass + plastic scintillator
 ~7k channels

SILICON TRACKER
 Pixels (100 x 150 μm^2)
 ~1m² ~66M channels
 Microstrips (80-180 μm)
 ~200m² ~9.6M channels

CRYSTAL ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER (ECAL)
 ~76k scintillating PbWO₄ crystals

PRESHOWER
 Silicon strips
 ~16m² ~137k channels

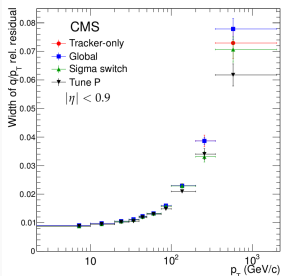
FORWARD CALORIMETER
 Steel + quartz fibres
 ~2k channels

MUON CHAMBERS
 Barrel: 250 Drift Tube & 480 Resistive Plate Chambers
 Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip & 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

Total weight : 14000 tonnes
 Overall diameter : 15.0 m
 Overall length : 28.7 m
 Magnetic field : 3.8 T

Muons

- **High- p_T muon reconstruction algorithms** have been exploited: combine informations from outer muon chambers and inner tracker; improvement in muon identification efficiency
- Main issues: p_T measurement strongly influenced by **alignment** and **showering** inside the detector → p_T **resolution decreases** at higher values
- Many studies performed on cosmic muons:



Electrons

- Particle flow candidates: reconstructed using informations from all the sub-detectors
- Dedicated **selections for High- p_T electrons**
- **Energy and p_T resolution** approx. **constant** at increasing energy

Missing transverse energy

- E_T^{miss} magnitude is influenced by all the other objects, including jets, and their corrections
- **Isolation** requirements of the leptons, to reduce backgrounds coming from objects misidentified as ℓ

Main benchmark models explored

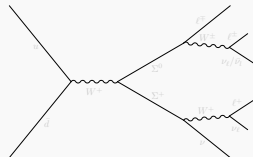
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$$Z' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \quad (\text{CMS PAS EXO-15-005})$$

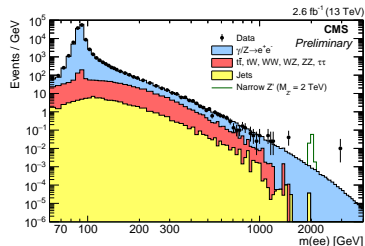
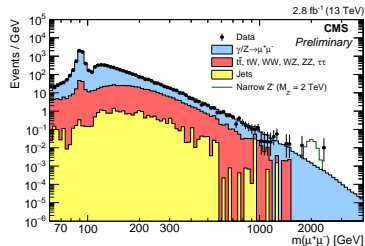
Analysis strategy

- Invariant mass of the heaviest $\ell^+ \ell^-$ pair, after all ℓ selections

Background predictions

- Drell-Yan process $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$: predicted via MC samples
- Prompt leptons ($t\bar{t}$, tW , WW , WZ , ZZ): predicted via MC samples, validation on data in $e\mu$ region
- Non-prompt leptons (jets misidentified as leptons): predictions data-driven
- Cosmic muons: suppressed with cut on impact parameter w.r.t. primary vertex
- Highest mass event: 2.9 TeV in ee
- 0.036 ± 0.009 ee events expected above 2.8 TeV (1 seen): local p-value 0.036

Event yield



Limits extraction and interpretations

→ Limits at 95% CL on $\frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z' + X \rightarrow \ell\ell + X)}{\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + X \rightarrow \ell\ell + X)}$,
Bayesian unbinned likelihood

→ Main uncertainties:

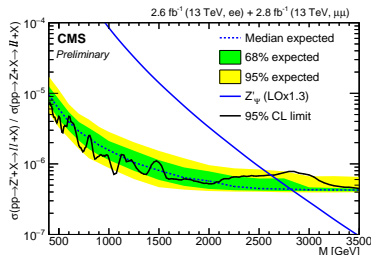
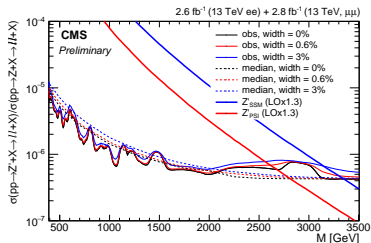
- Signal: lepton identification (e 6%, μ 7%)
- Background: PDF uncertainties (20% at 3 TeV)
- Mass scale uncertainty (e 1%, μ 3%)

→ Signal modelled as convolution Breit-Wigner and Gaussian, narrow width approximation explored ($\Gamma_{Z'_\psi} = 0.6\%$, $\Gamma_{Z'_{SSM}} = 3\%$)

- only on-shell region of the resonance is considered, interference is strongly model-dependent

→ Observed limits (final $\Gamma = 0.6\%$):

Channel	Z'_ψ	Z'_{SSM}
ee	2.40 TeV	2.75 TeV
$\mu\mu$	2.40 TeV	3.00 TeV
comb.	2.60 TeV	3.15 TeV



Analysis strategy

- Discriminant variable is the transverse invariant mass:

$$M_T = \sqrt{2p_T^\ell E_T^{\text{miss}} \left(1 - \cos \left[\Delta\phi(\vec{p}_T^\ell, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) \right] \right)}$$

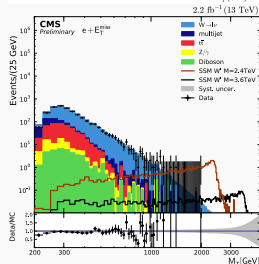
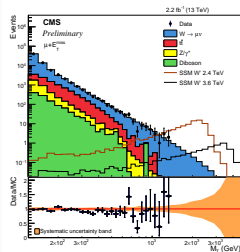
- Back-to-back topology:

- $|\Delta\phi(\vec{p}_T^\ell, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})| > 2.5$
- $0.4 < p_T/E_T^{\text{miss}} < 1.5$

Background predictions

- $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$: predicted from MC
- Secondary: Drell-Yan, $t\bar{t}$, single t , WW , WZ , ZZ from simulation
- QCD multijet: estimated from data
- Cosmic muons: suppressed with cut on impact parameter w.r.t. primary vertex

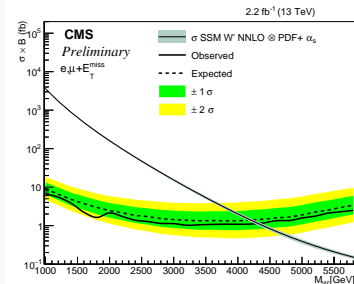
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- ➡ Limits at 95% CL on $\sigma(pp \rightarrow W' + X \rightarrow \ell \nu + X)$, CL_s method
- ➡ Limits provided in region > 1 TeV, where Run 2 data are more sensitive due to the increased \sqrt{s} and cross section
- ➡ Main uncertainties:
 - Muon channel: muon momentum scale and p_T resolution, that propagate to E_T^{miss}
 - Electron channel: mainly affected by PDF uncertainties at high M_T
- ➡ Observed limits:

Channel	W'_{SSM}
e	3.8 TeV
μ	4.0 TeV
comb.	4.4 TeV



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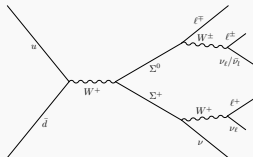
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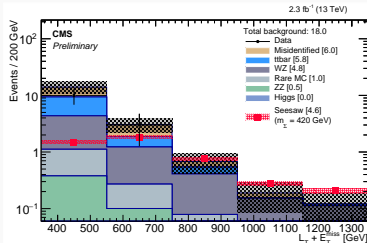
- 27 signal channels grouped in categories depending on the number of OSSF pairs (0,1,2) and the $m_{\ell+\ell-}$ (on-above m_Z)
- Efficient cut to reject backgrounds:
 $L_T + E_T^{miss} > 350 \text{ GeV}$, scalar sum of lepton p_T

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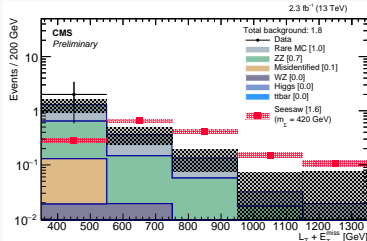
- $WZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell$: on MC, validated on data
- Leptonic $t\bar{t}$ + misidentified lepton: kinematics from MC, misidentification rates measured in data control region
- $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ + misidentified lepton in jet: data-driven prediction
- $ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$: on MC, validated on data
- Rare processes ($t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}W$) and Higgs ($H \rightarrow 4\ell$): on MC

Event yield

1 OSSF pair, 3 leptons, $m_{\ell+\ell-}$ above- Z :



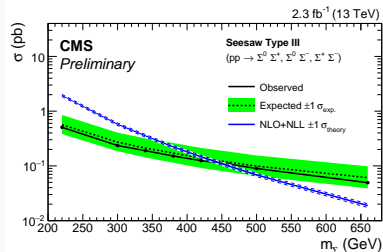
At least 1 OSSF pairs, 4 leptons:



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- Limits at 95% CL on $\sigma(pp \rightarrow (\Sigma^0 \Sigma^+, \Sigma^0 \Sigma^-, \Sigma^+ \Sigma^-) + X)$, CL_s method
- Assumptions: degenerate m_Σ , flavour democratic scenario
 $V_e = V_\mu = V_\tau = 10^{-6}$
- p-value for all channels is 0.93
- Uncertainties dominated by statistics
 - Systematics small, due to PDF, renormalization and factorization uncertainties related to E_T^{miss} range in dominant WZ background
- Observed limit:

Channel	m_Σ
comb.	440 GeV



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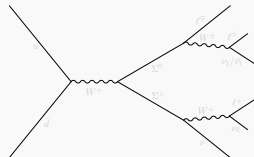
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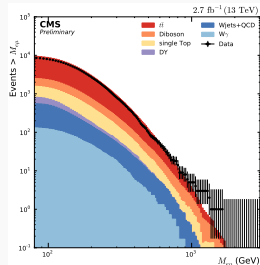
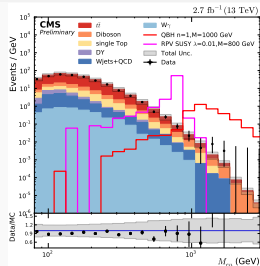
Analysis strategy

- Invariant mass $e\mu$ distribution
- Most energetic $e\mu$ pair not required to be OS
- Electrons close ($\Delta R < 0.1$) to muons producing bremsstrahlung are rejected (avoid misidentification)

Background predictions

- Prompt isolated leptons: $t\bar{t}$, WW , WZ , ZZ , single t , DY estimated from MC samples
- Non prompt backgrounds (misidentified jets, mainly in W+jets process): data-driven prediction

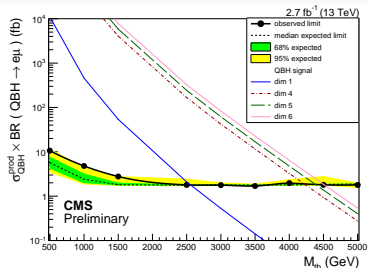
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- ➡ Limits at 95% CL on $\sigma(pp \rightarrow QBH + X \rightarrow e\mu + X)$, Bayesian binned likelihood
- ➡ Non-resonant signal: broad shape smeared by detector resolution and sharper edge at M_{th}
- ➡ Main uncertainties:
 - muon momentum scale uncertainties (30% at 3 TeV)
 - $t\bar{t}$ cross section (5%) and $e\mu$ shape modelling (affects the background yield of up to 26% at $M_{e\mu} = 1$ TeV; 30% at $M_{e\mu} = 3$ TeV)
- ➡ Observed limit:

n	M_{th}
1 (RS)	2.5 TeV
4 (ADD)	4.2 TeV
5 (ADD)	4.3 TeV
6 (ADD)	4.5 TeV



We are in the “search era” of LHC, a unique once-in-a-lifetime chance!

- ➡ BSM models predict the existence of new heavy particles decaying into leptons and MET
- ➡ Many searches have been performed during 2015 LHC Run 2 at CMS detector
- ➡ The increased \sqrt{s} allows improvements w.r.t. Run 1, pushing the exclusion limits to higher masses of the resonances
- ➡ These searches are being repeated in 2016 data: more luminosity is expected and more interesting results are coming soon

Thanks for your attention!



Backup slides

Limits from Run 1

$$Z' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$$

Model	mass
Z'_{SSM}	2.90 TeV
Z'_ψ	2.57 TeV

$$W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$$

Model	mass
W'_{SSM}	3.28 TeV

Quantum black holes: $e\mu$ resonances

Model	mass
QBH $n=0$	1.99 TeV
QBH $n=1$ (RS)	2.36 TeV
QBH $n=2$	3.15 TeV
QBH $n=3$	3.34 TeV
QBH $n=4$	3.46 TeV

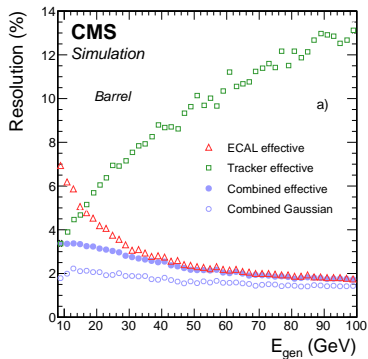
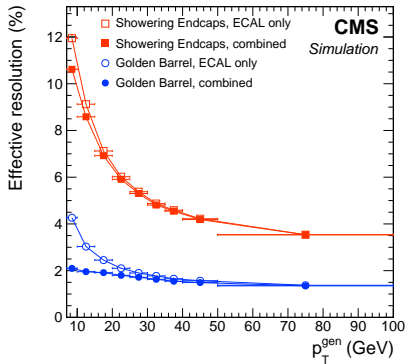
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Important remarks on Run 1 analysis:

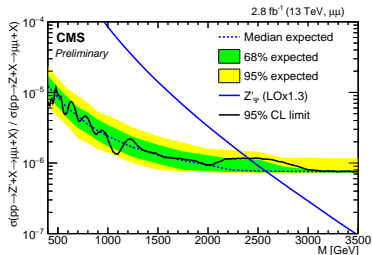
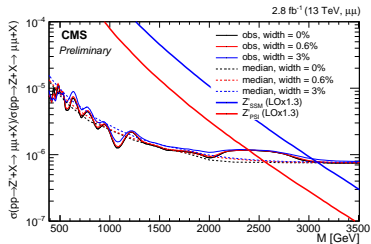
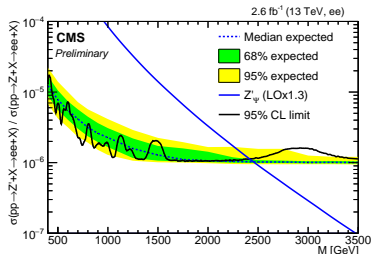
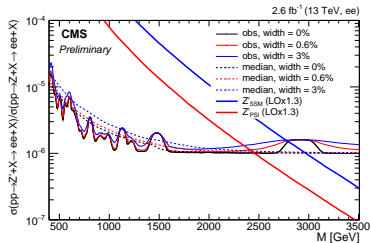
- the search was performed only in the 3 ℓ final states
- every pair of OSSF leptons whose $m_{\ell^+ \ell^-} \approx m_Z$ was vetoed
- decay channel via Higgs boson not considered
- different selections and different background evaluation strategy

Model	mass
$(\Sigma^0, \Sigma^+, \Sigma^-)$	278 GeV

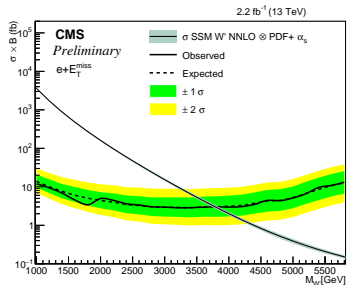
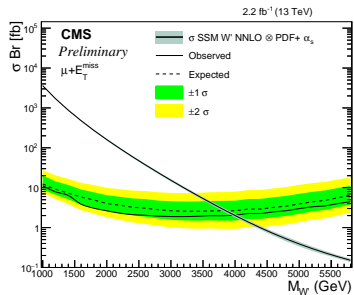
Electron p_T and energy resolution



$$Z' \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$$



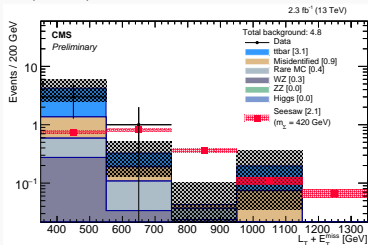
$W' \rightarrow l\nu$



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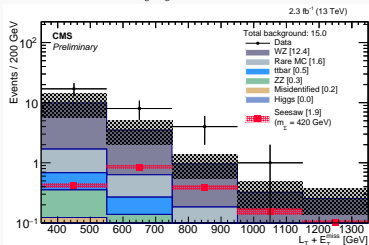
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Quantum black holes: $e\mu$ resonances

Alternative R-parity violating SUSY interpretation: τ sneutrino

