

# Searching for Displaced Higgs Decays

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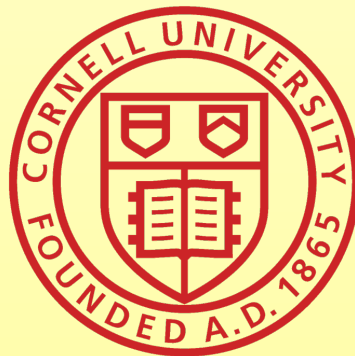
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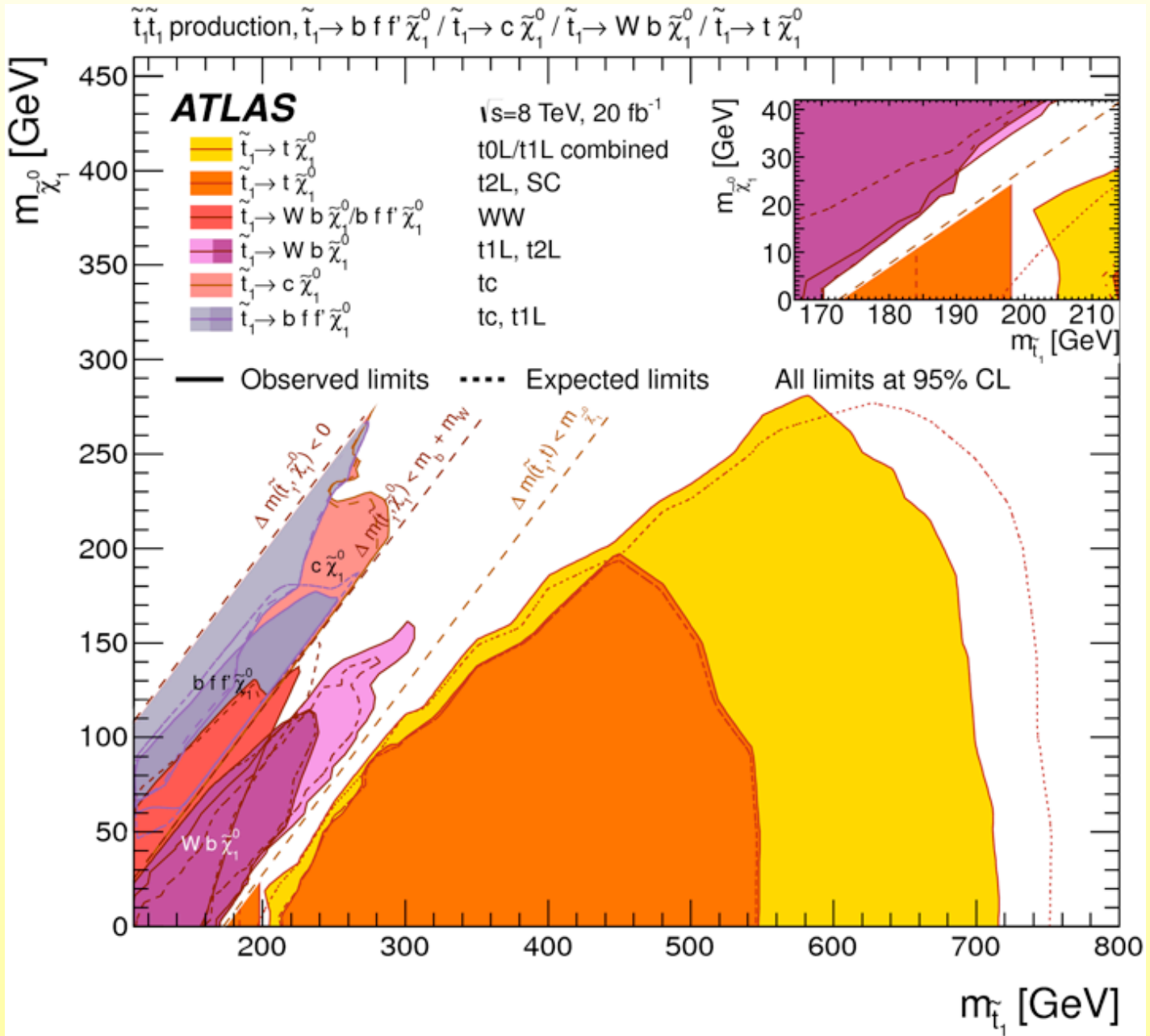
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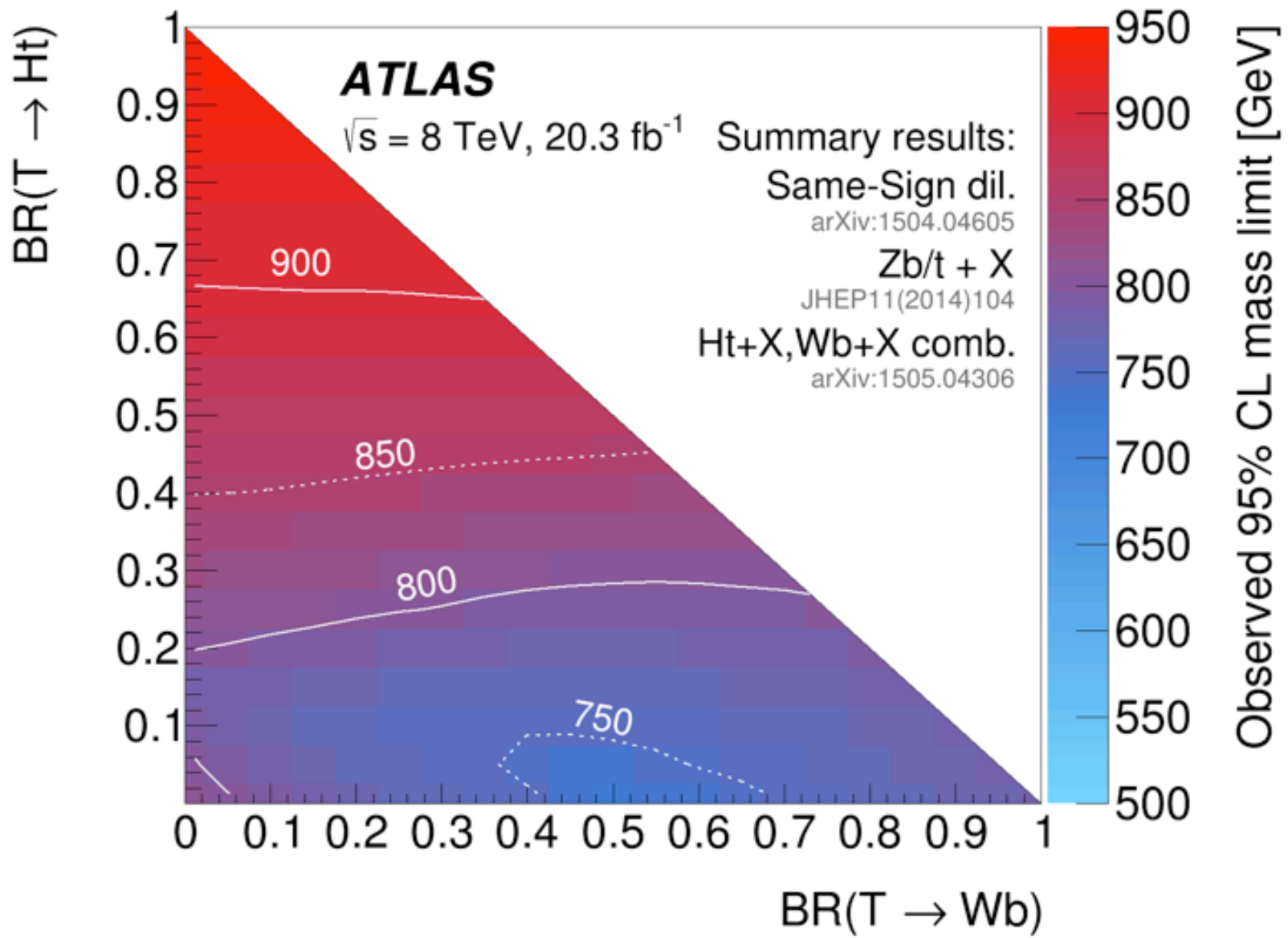
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# Displaced Higgs decays as signals of Neutral Naturalness

- A radical approach to hierarchy problem is **top partners not colored** (or maybe not charged under SM at all)
- **Twin Higgs** is most well-known example  
(Chacko, Goh, Harnik)
- **SM gauge group doubled**, twin sector related by  $Z_2$  symmetry to SM
- **Other** examples: Folded SUSY, quirky little Higgs, orbifold Higgs

# Twin Higgs Redux (Chacko, Goh, Harnik)

- Consider  $H$  to be a fundamental under a global  $SU(4)$

$$V = -m^2 |H|^2 + \lambda |H|^4$$

- $H$  develops a VEV and breaks  $SU(4) \rightarrow SU(3)$ : 7 GB's
- Gauge  $SU(2)_A \times SU(2)_B$  subgroup of  $SU(4)$ :  
explicitly breaks the global symmetry & gives mass to GB's:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} H_A \\ H_B \end{pmatrix} \quad \Delta V = \frac{9g_A^2}{64\pi^2} \Lambda^2 |H_A|^2 + \frac{9g_B^2}{64\pi^2} \Lambda^2 |H_B|^2$$

- If  $\mathbb{Z}_2$  symmetry exchanging A and B, so  $g_A = g_B \equiv g$  then quadratic potential does not break  $SU(4)$

$$\Delta V = \frac{9g^2}{64\pi^2} \Lambda^2 (|H_A|^2 + |H_B|^2) = \frac{9g^2}{64\pi^2} \Lambda^2 (|H|^2)$$

# Displaced Higgs decays as signals of Neutral Naturalness

- Phenomenology depends strongly on details of mirror sector.

- Interesting possibility: no light mirror quarks. In models with EW charged mirror this is a must.

- “Fraternal twin Higgs”, only twin partner for 3rd generation (Craig, Katz, Strassler, Sundrum)

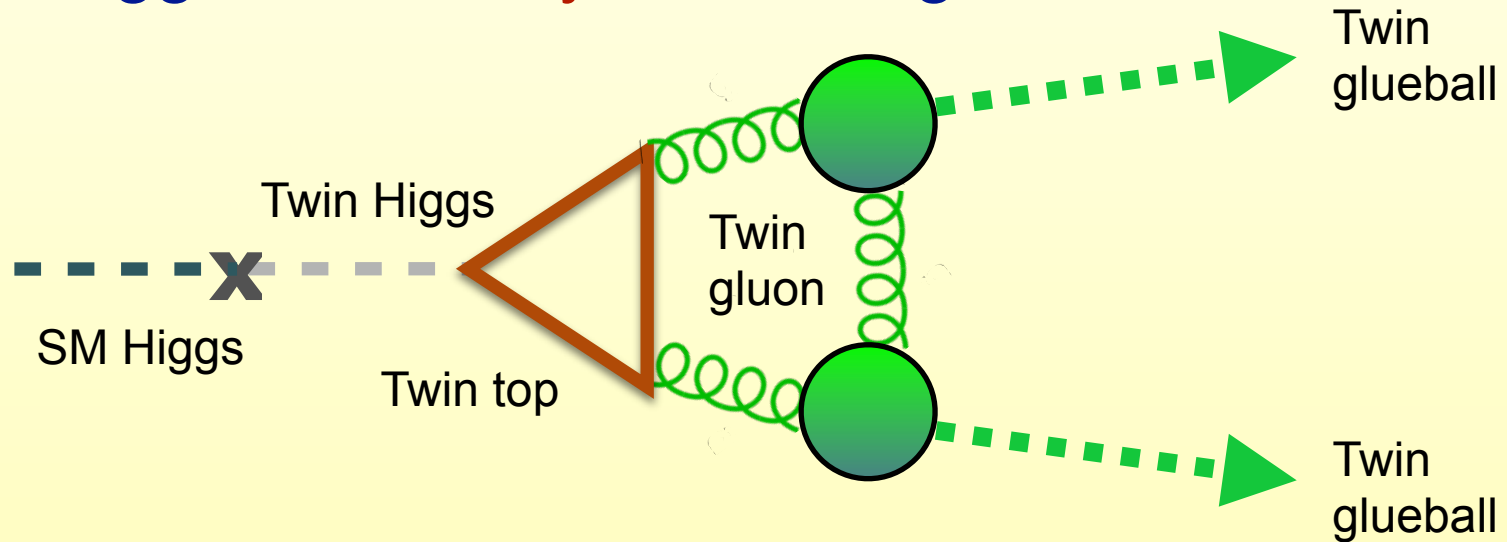
- Folded SUSY (Burdman, Chacko, Goh, Harnik)

- This case there will be light glueballs of QCD’ which can mix with SM Higgs

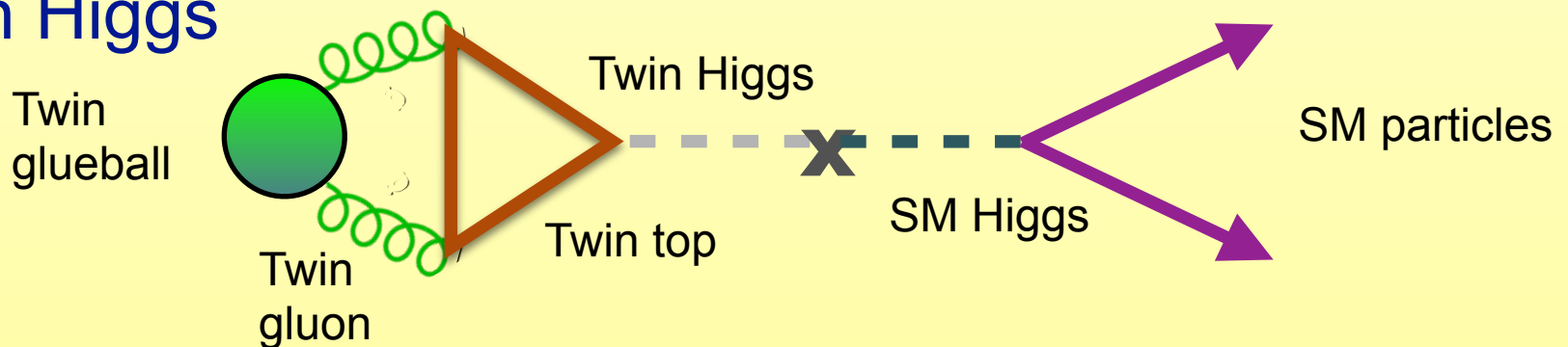
$$\mathcal{L}^{(6)} = \frac{\alpha_v y^2}{3\pi M^2} H^\dagger H \text{tr } \mathcal{F}_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

# Displaced Higgs decays as signals of Neutral Naturalness

- SM Higgs can decay to mirror glueballs



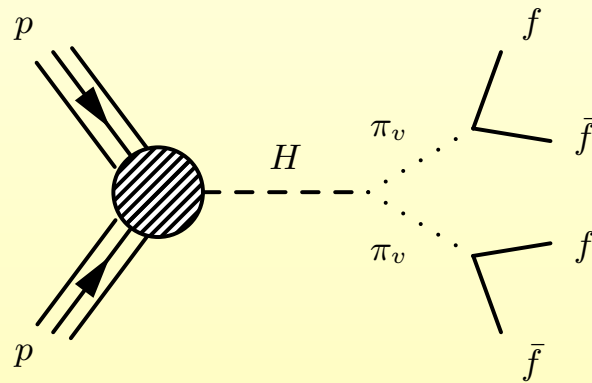
- Which can decay back to SM particles via mixing with Higgs





# Displaced Higgs decays as signals of Neutral Naturalness

- Results in exotic Higgs decays which can be displaced depending on the lifetimes of the glueballs



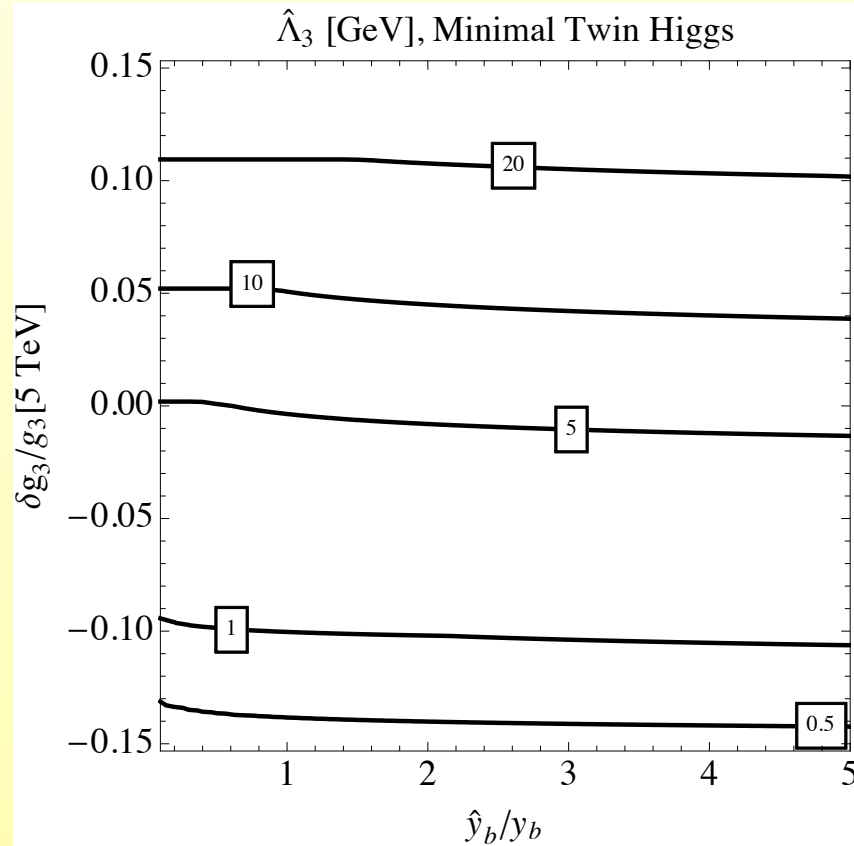
$$m_{\pi_\nu} = 10, 25, 40 \text{ GeV}$$

- We will be looking for this decay, without assuming anything else about the model, leave glueball mass, lifetime free parameter. Assume decay according to Higgs couplings.



# Properties of twin glueball/QCD

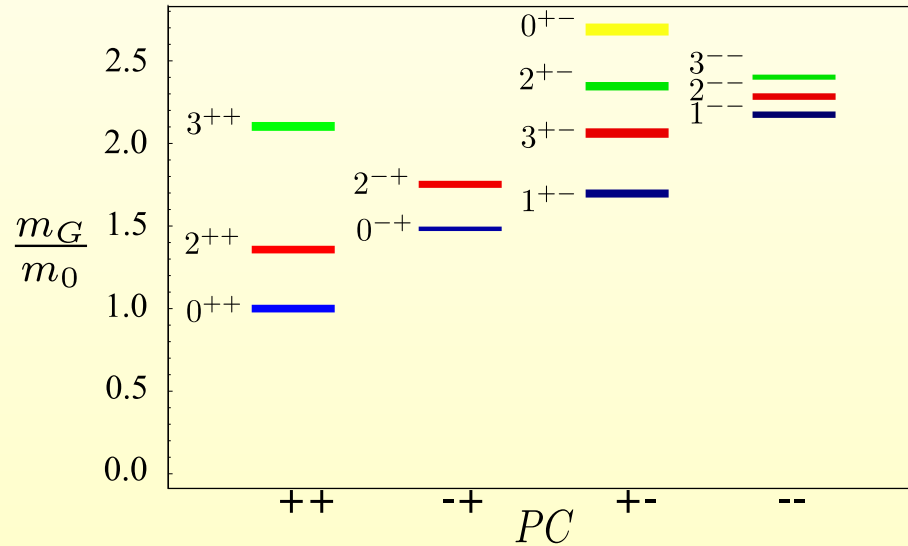
- Twin confinement scale



(Craig, Katz, Strassler, Sundrum)

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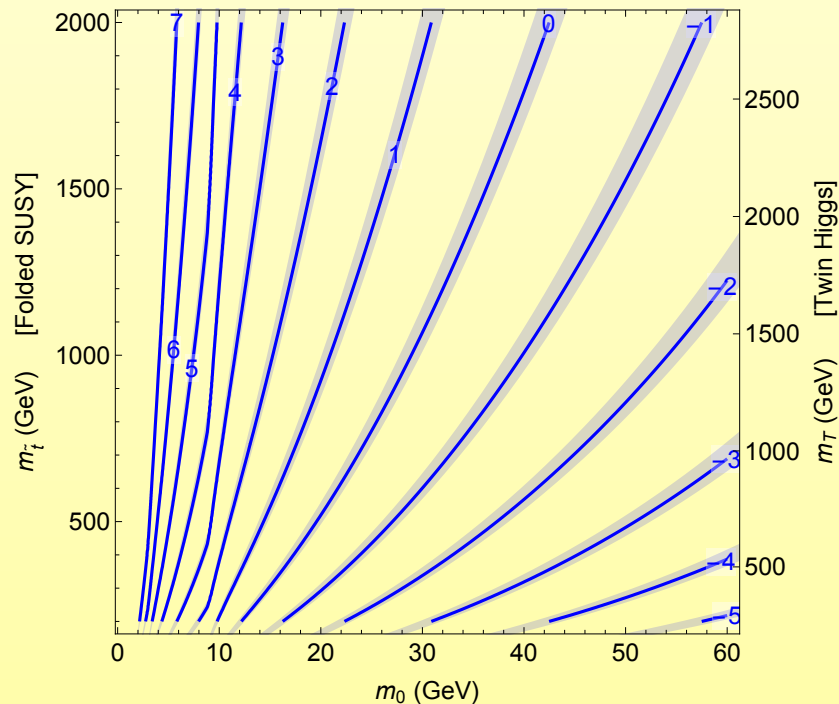
- Glueball spectrum



- Glueball lifetime

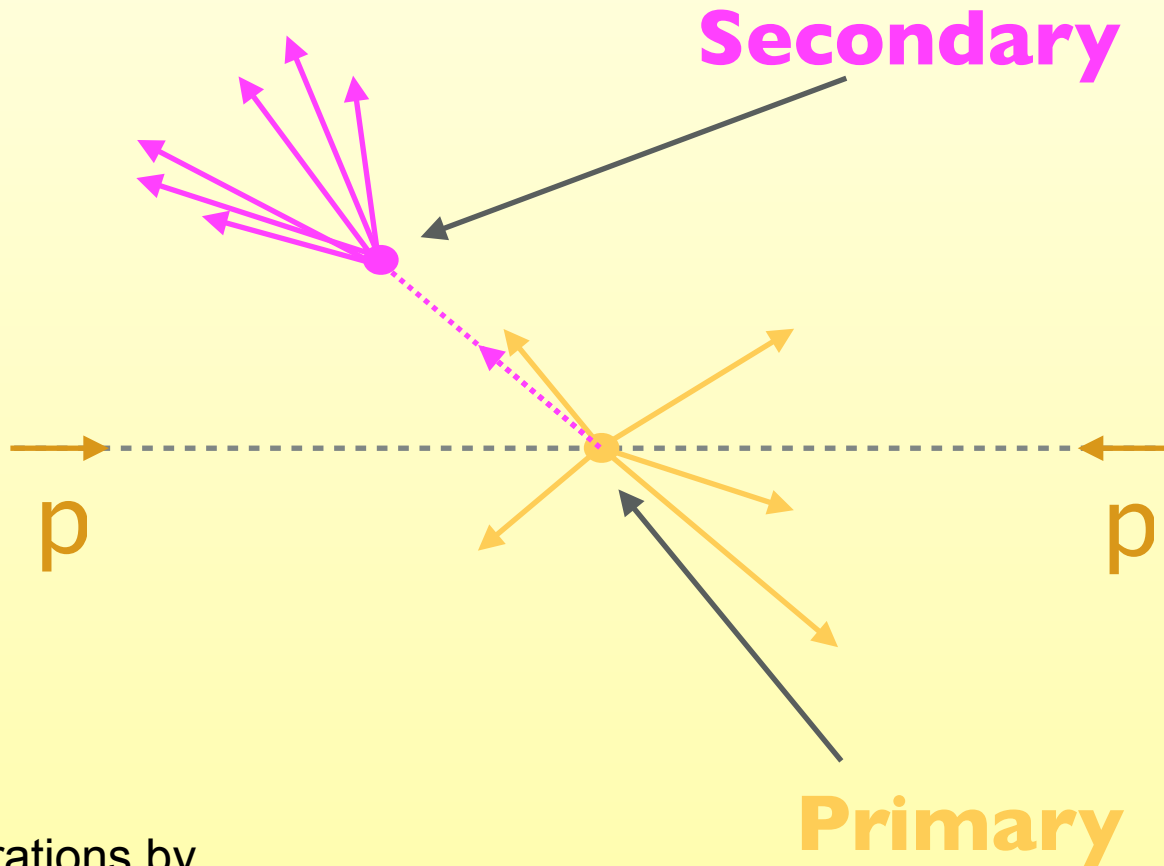
(Curtin, Verhaaren)

$$\log_{10} c\tau/m$$



# A displaced vertex at the LHC

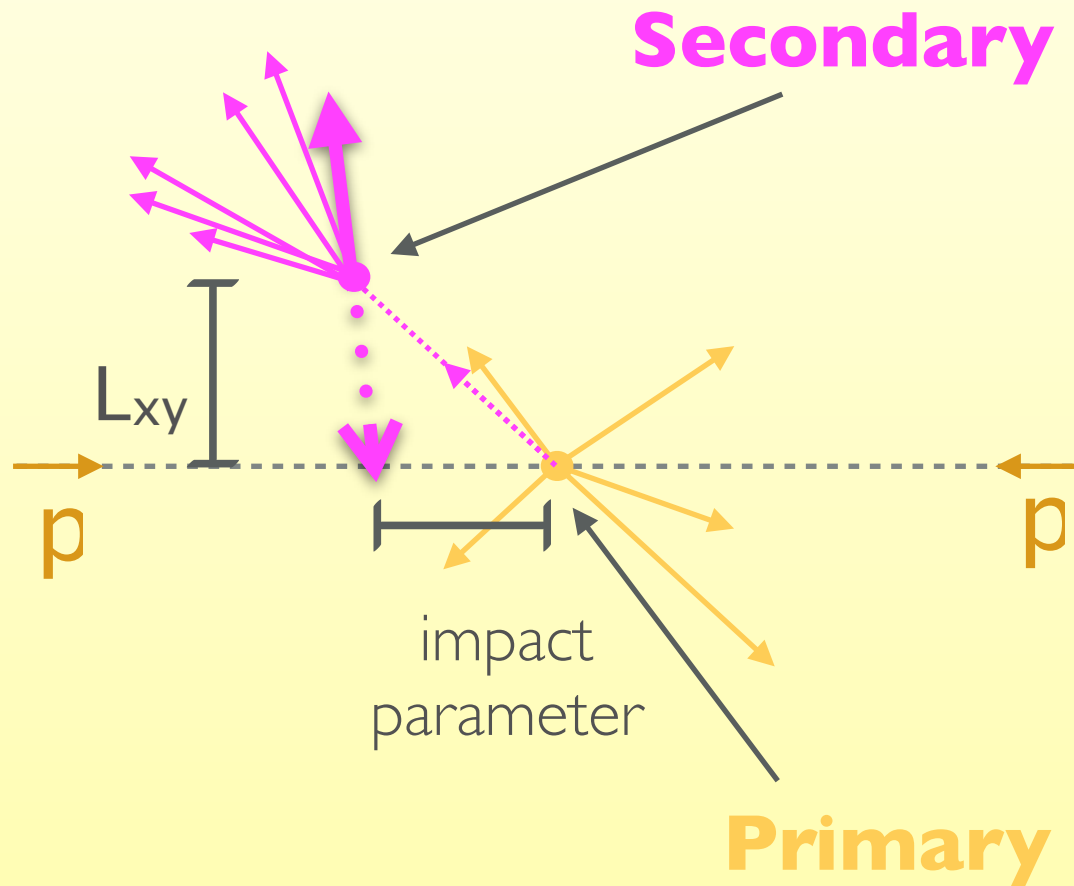
- A vertex in the tracker **not aligned** with beam axis (tracks **not** pointing back to primary vertex)



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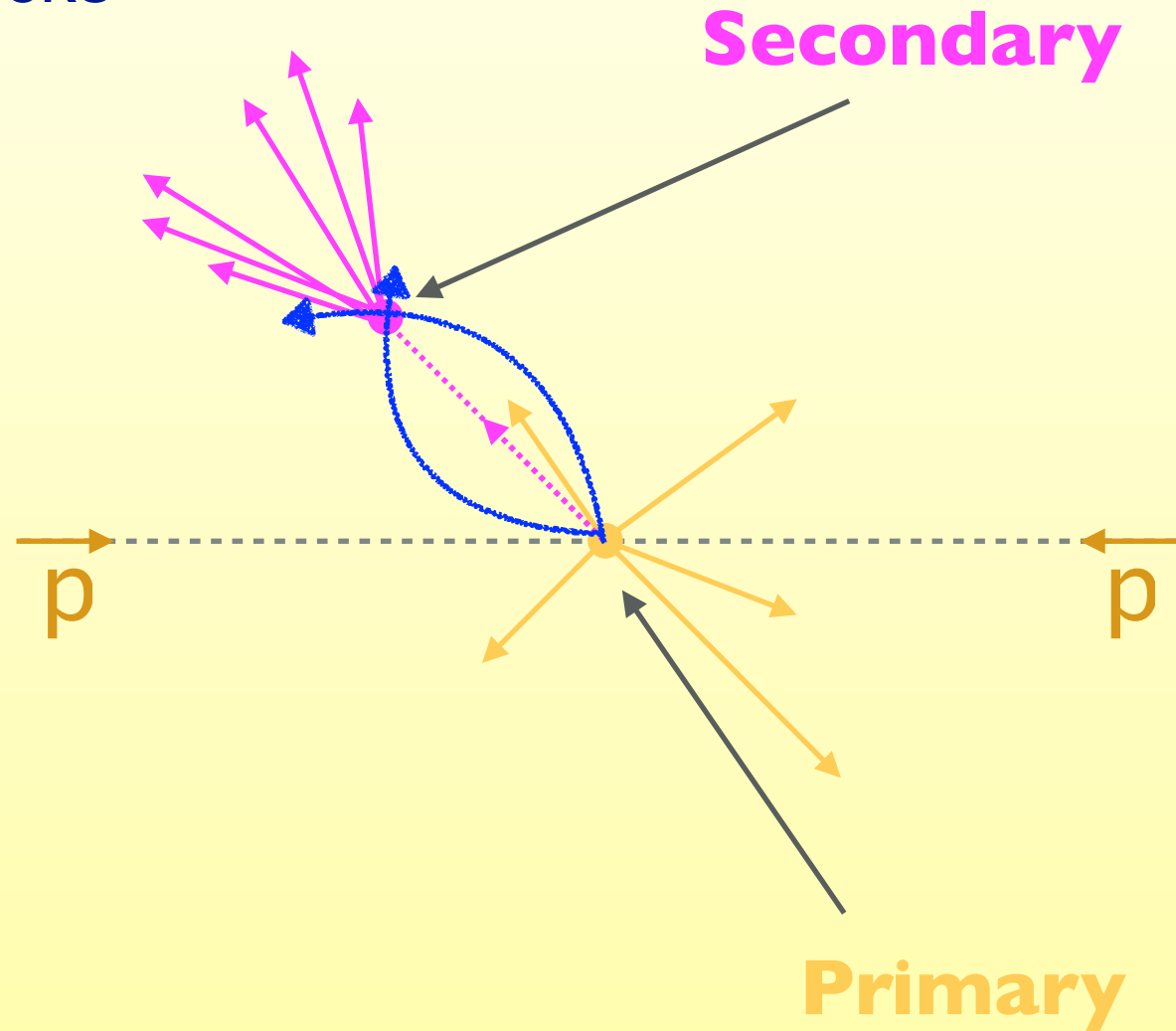
- **Quantities** characterizing displaced vertex



- Tracker **sensitive** to  $L_{xy} \sim 50$  cm, IP  $\sim 0.5$  mm to 30 cm acceptance

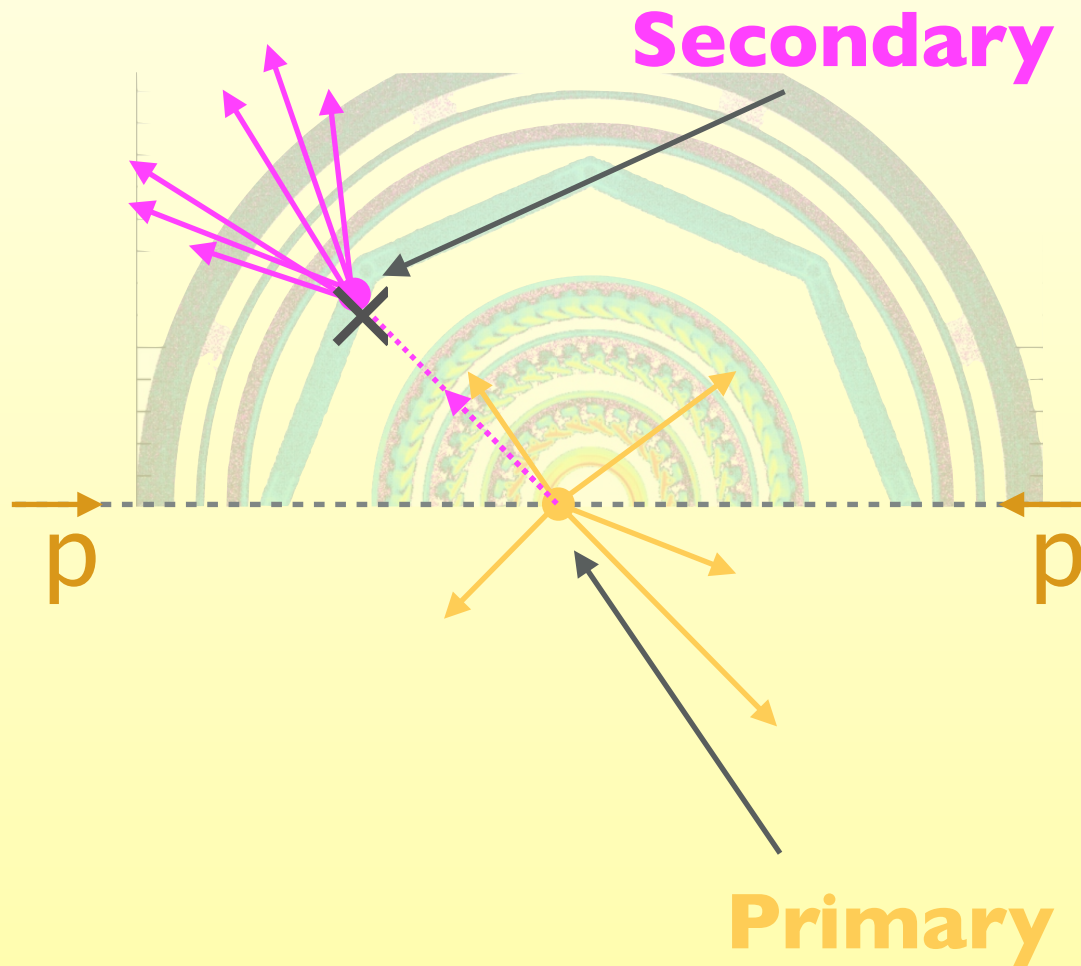
# Backgrounds for displaced vertices

- Crossing tracks



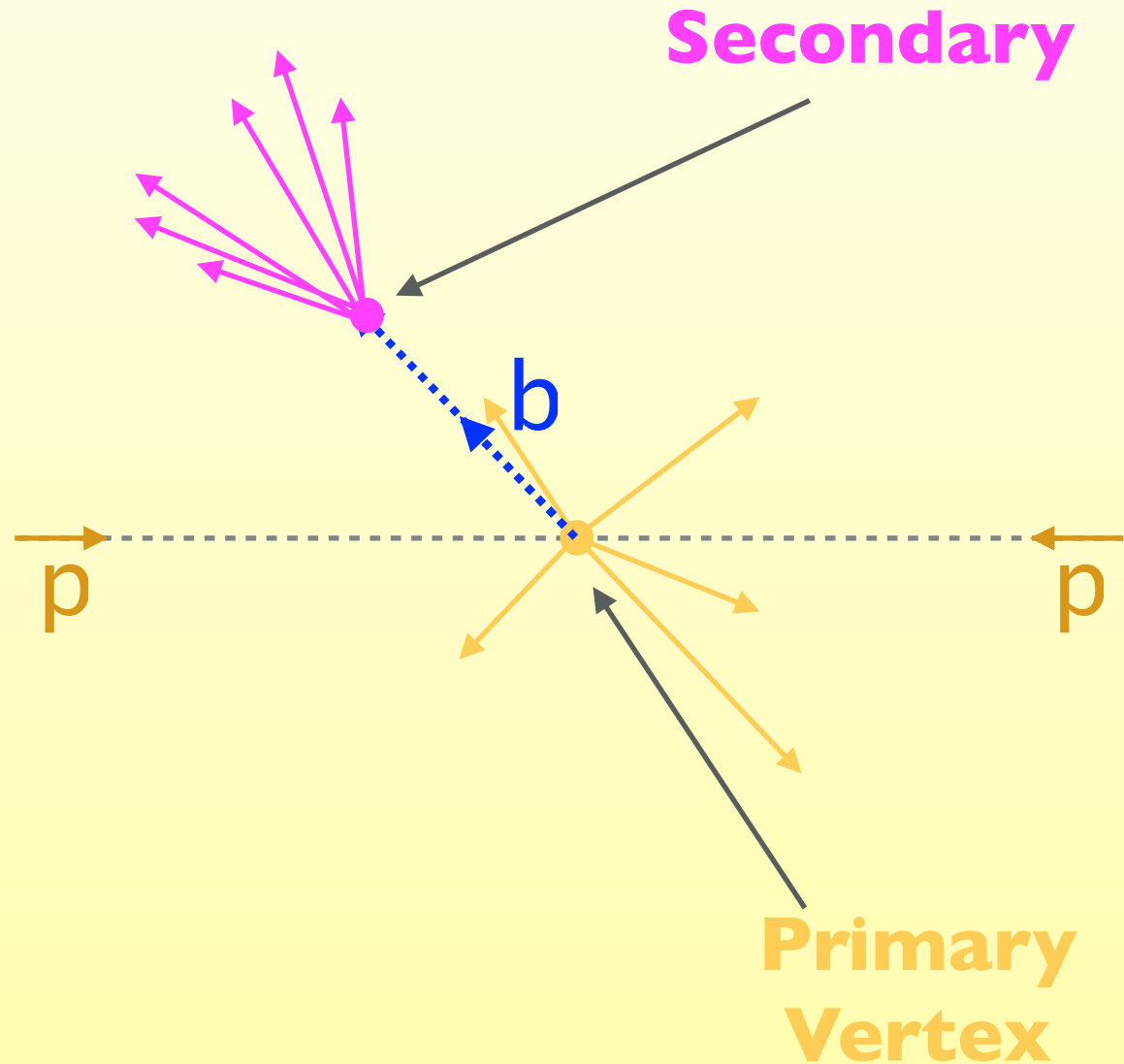
# Backgrounds for displaced vertices

- Interaction with detector material



# Backgrounds for displaced vertices

- **b-jets**
- $c\tau \sim 0.5 \text{ mm}$





## Experimental searches

- **Displaced vertex** searches in tracker by ATLAS, CMS

ATLAS DV +  $\mu/e$ /jets/MET

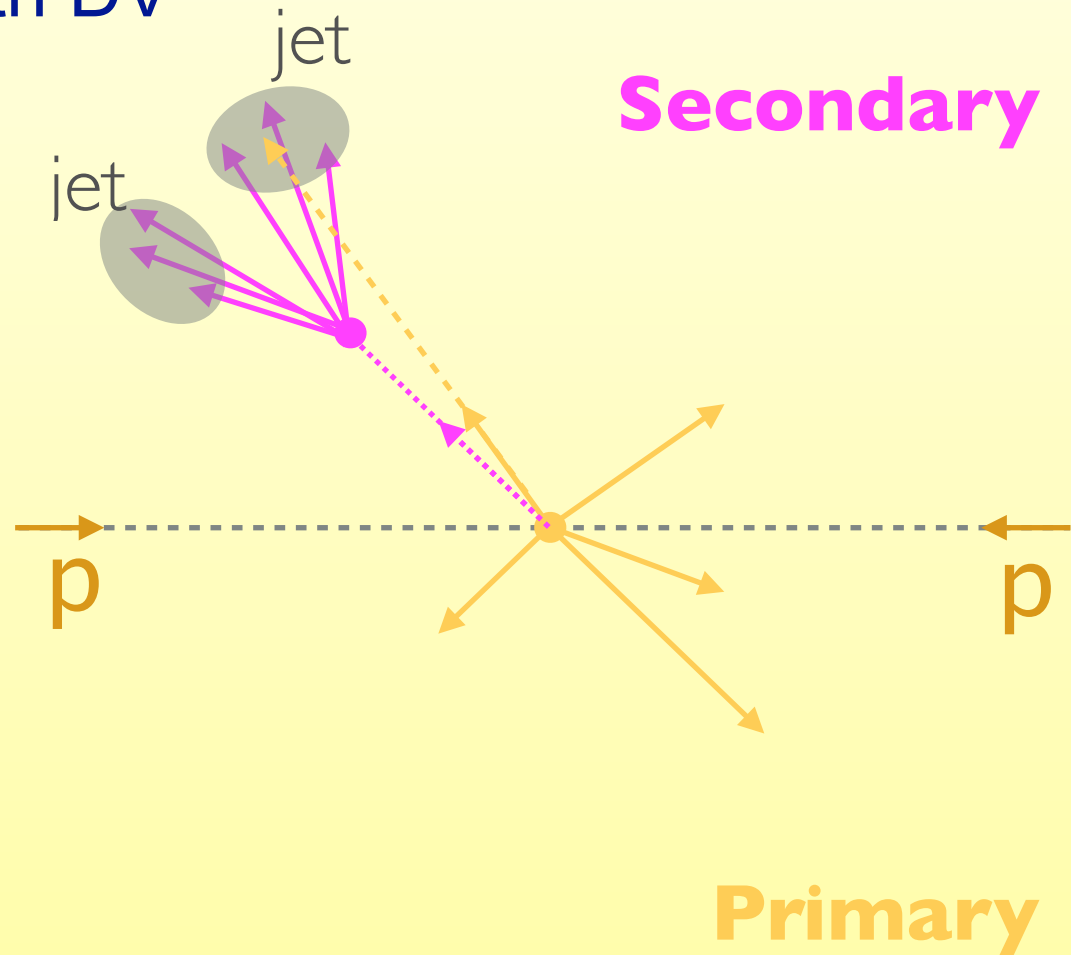
- 8 TeV, 20 fb<sup>-1</sup>, DV in inner tracker + (1) muon (2) electron (3) jets (4) MET
- All background **free**

CMS Displaced Dijet

- 8 TeV, 18.6 fb<sup>-1</sup>, dijets originating from DV. **Not restrictive** to just models with jets. Isolated leptons treated as jets, three jets also have large efficiency to be captured

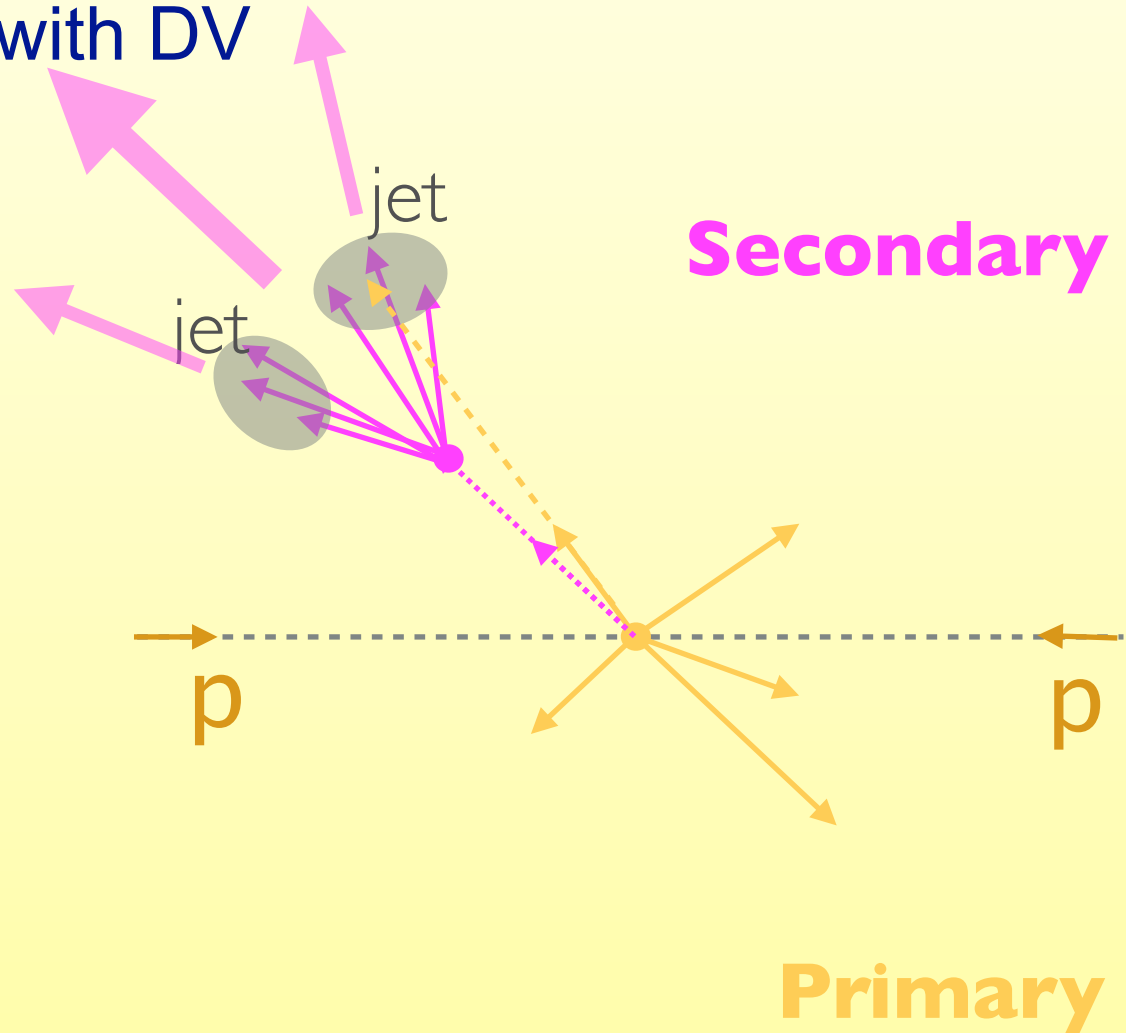
# CMS displaced dijet search

- Two displaced jets  $p_T > 60$  GeV
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- **At most** one prompt (IP  $< 0.5$  mm) track per jet
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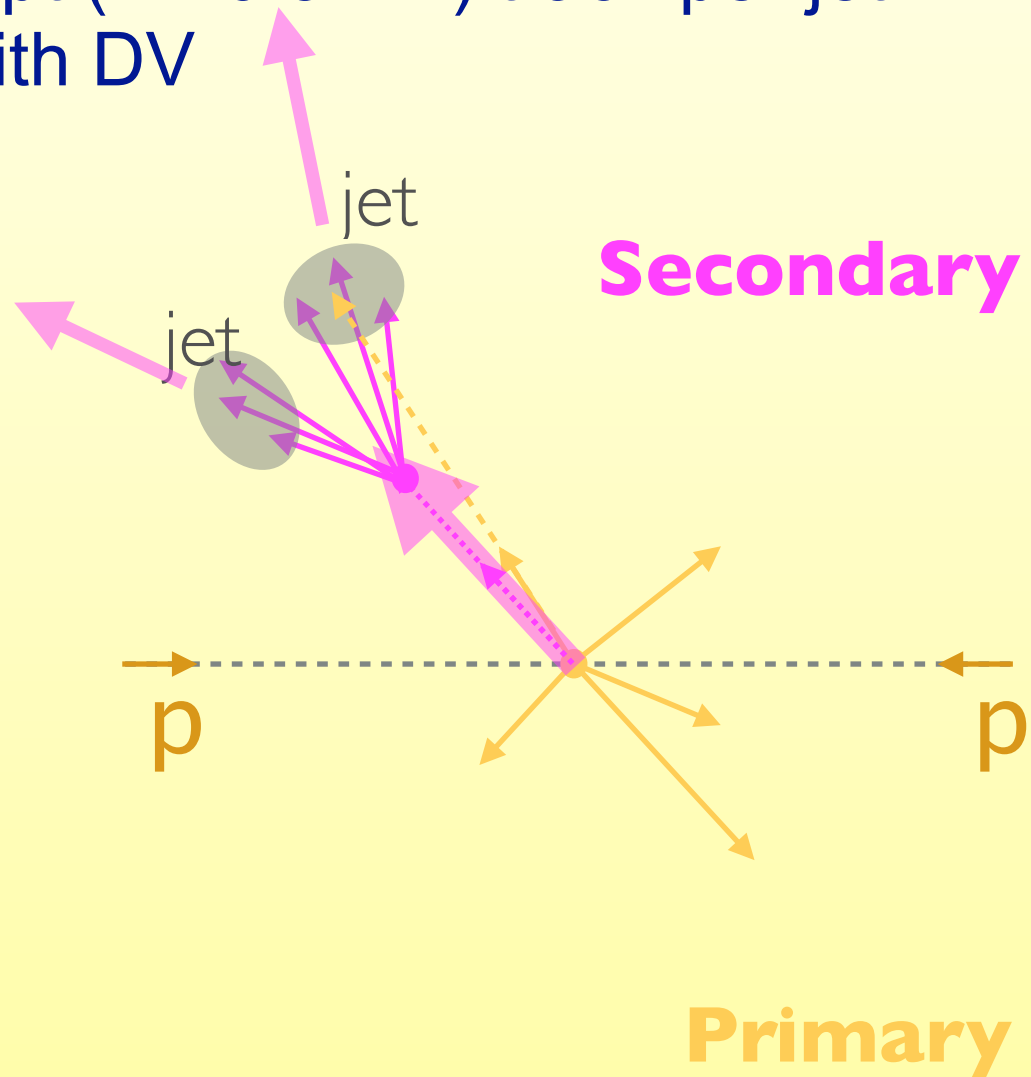
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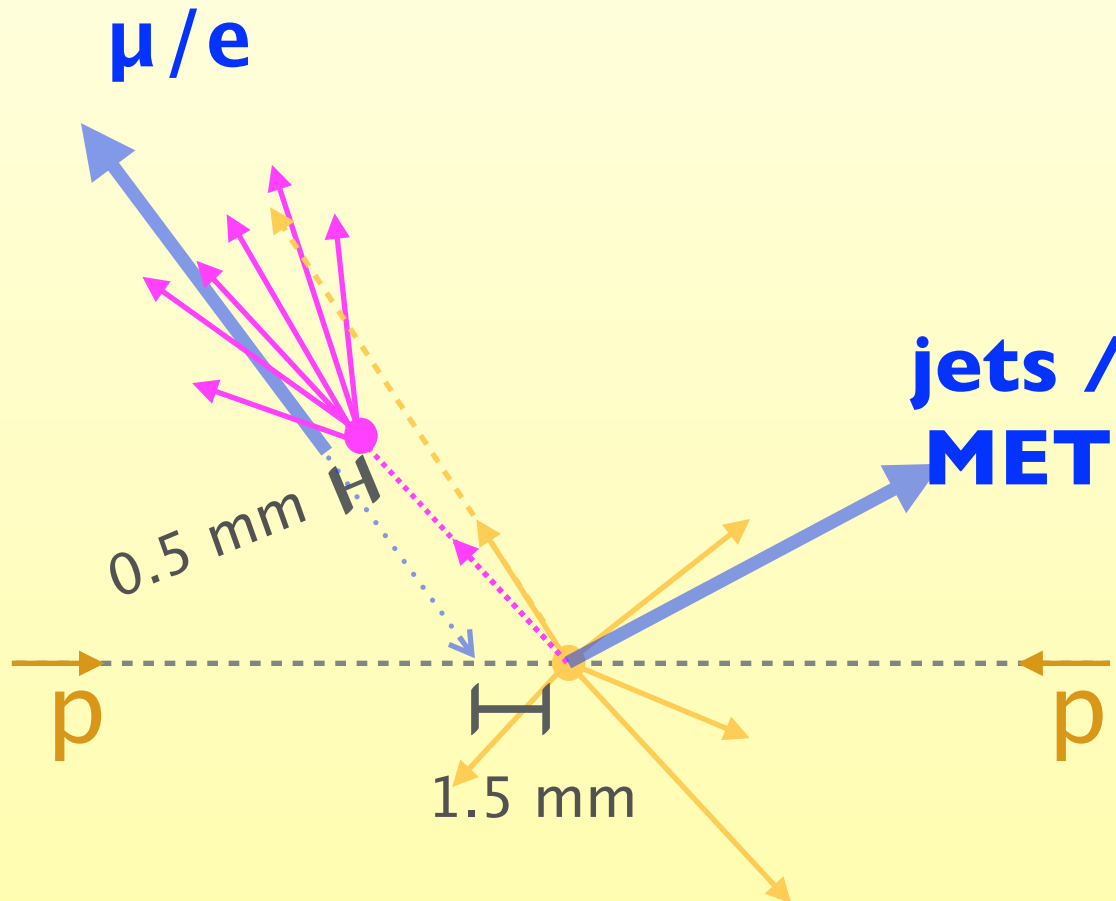
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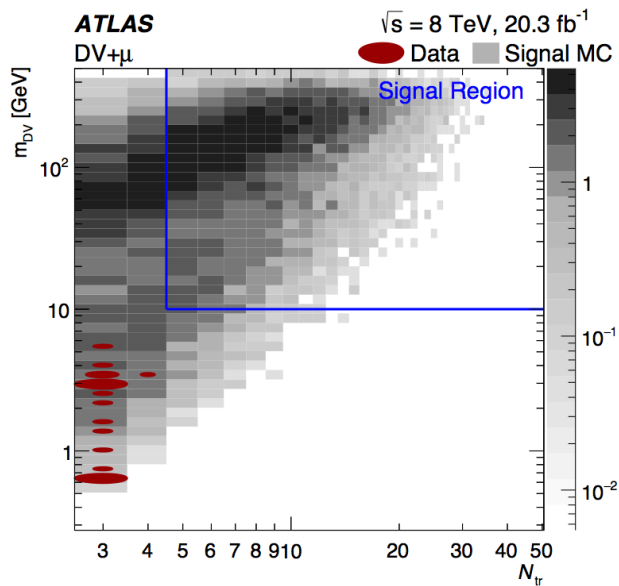


# ATLAS DV+ muon/e/jets/MET

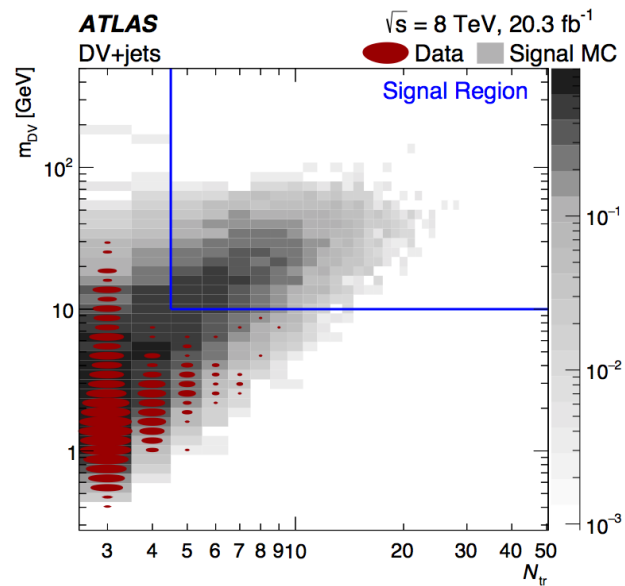
- DV with  $m_{DV} > 10$  GeV,  $N_{\text{tracks}} > 5$
- Trigger on associated object muon  $p_T > 55$  GeV, e  $p_T > 125$  GeV, MET  $> 180$  GeV, jets 4,5,6



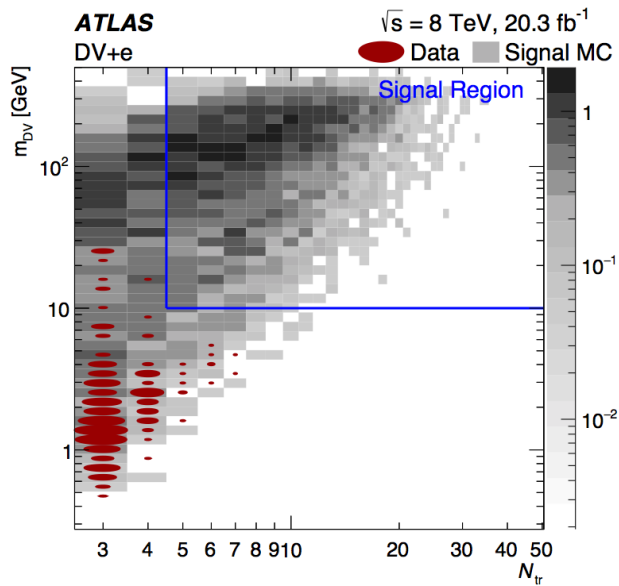
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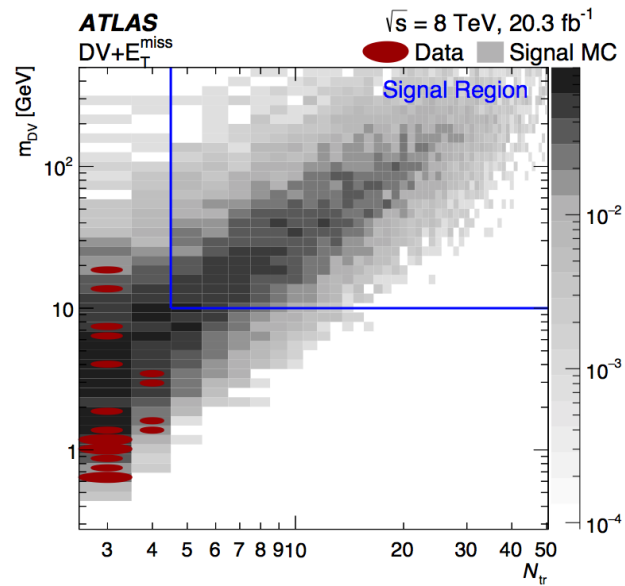
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# Displaced Higgs decays

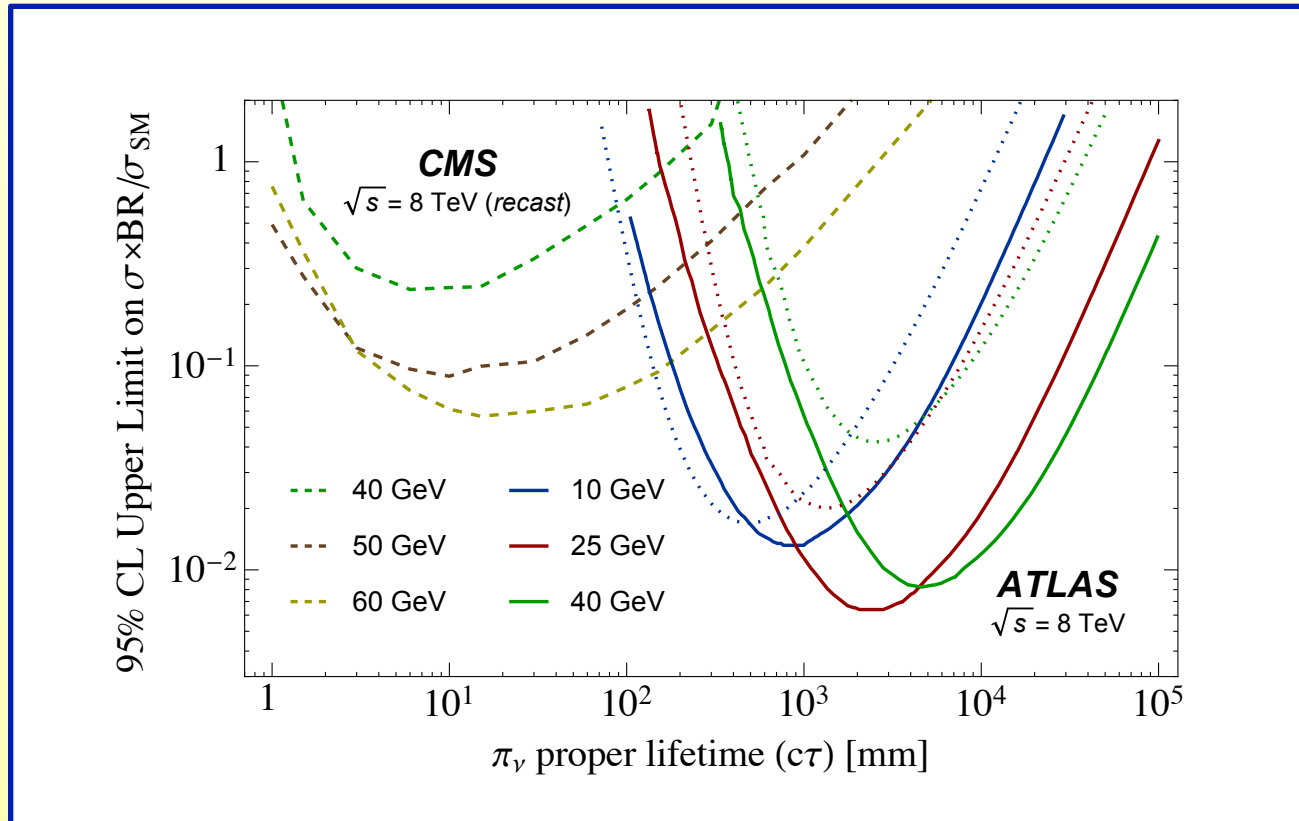
(Kuflik, Lombardo, Slone, C.C.)

- **Run I** analysis: assuming Higgs decays to 2 invisible particles, which in turn decay with couplings set by the SM Higgs couplings (but branching ratios differ due to phase space)
- **Existing ATLAS** analysis: require **two displaced** decays in same event. Two possible signals
  - Decays in **muon chamber** (solid line)
  - Decays in **hadronic calorimeter** (dashed line)
- **No sensitivity** for smaller lifetimes - most **unconstrained** region for twin Higgs type models



# Bounds from Run I

- **First bounds** on short lifetimes  $\leq 10$  cm from CMS displaced dijet search



# Results

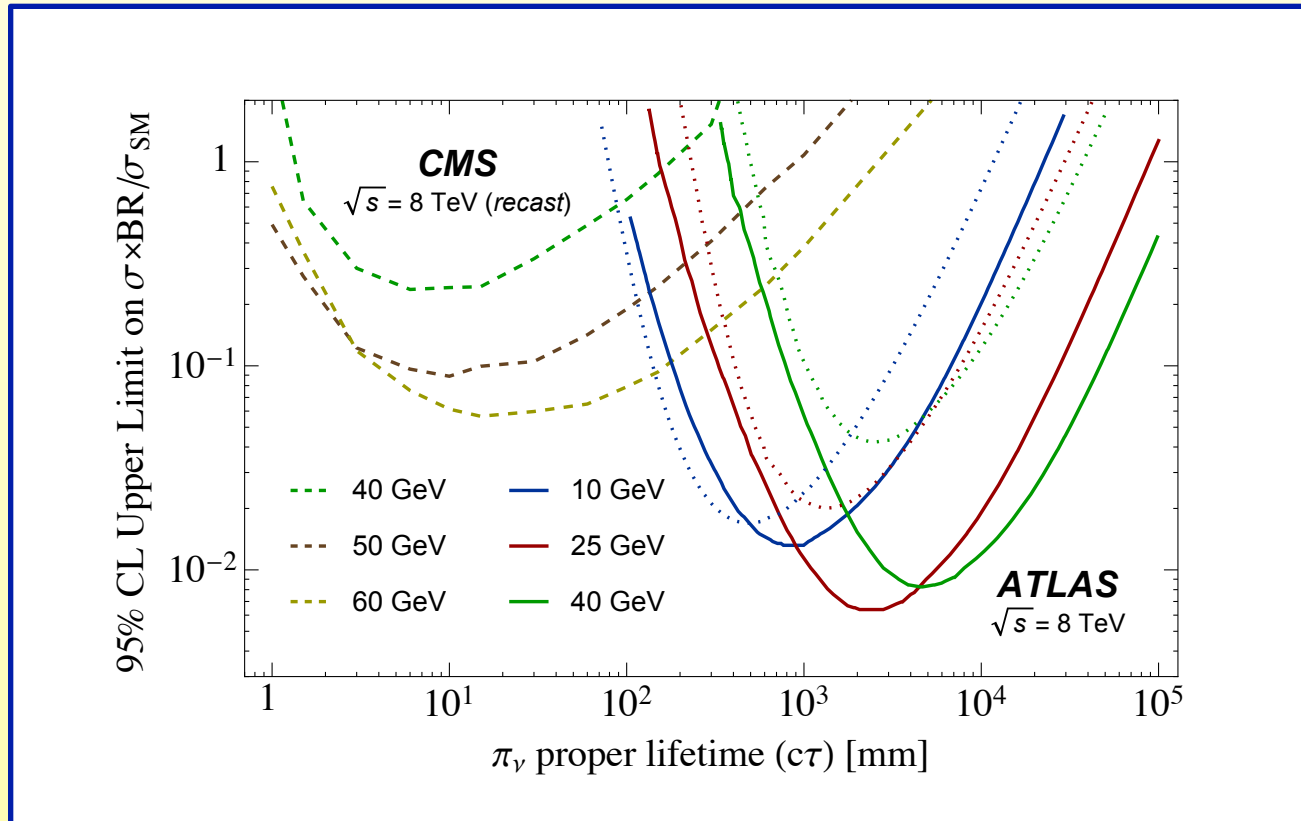
- **Generated**  $10^4/\epsilon$  events for 10, 25 and 40 GeV  $m_{\pi}$  and lifetimes from 0.1 mm to 10m
- Feynrules → Madgraph → Pythia → Delphes3 pipeline
- Applied all **cuts** and **reconstruction** procedure of all displaced searches

## Displaced Higgs decays

- Used **existing tracker analysis** to set bounds from existing Run I data on smaller lifetimes
- Used **CMS displaced dijet** search based on displaced jet trigger (requiring two displaced jets)
- ATLAS displaced tracker searches give **no constraint** - usually require **higher momentum triggers**, but Higgs 125 GeV, intermediate particles 10-60 GeV mass, nothing really hard...
- Also light particles imply **low track multiplicities**, and typical DV searches require  $\geq 5$  tracks.

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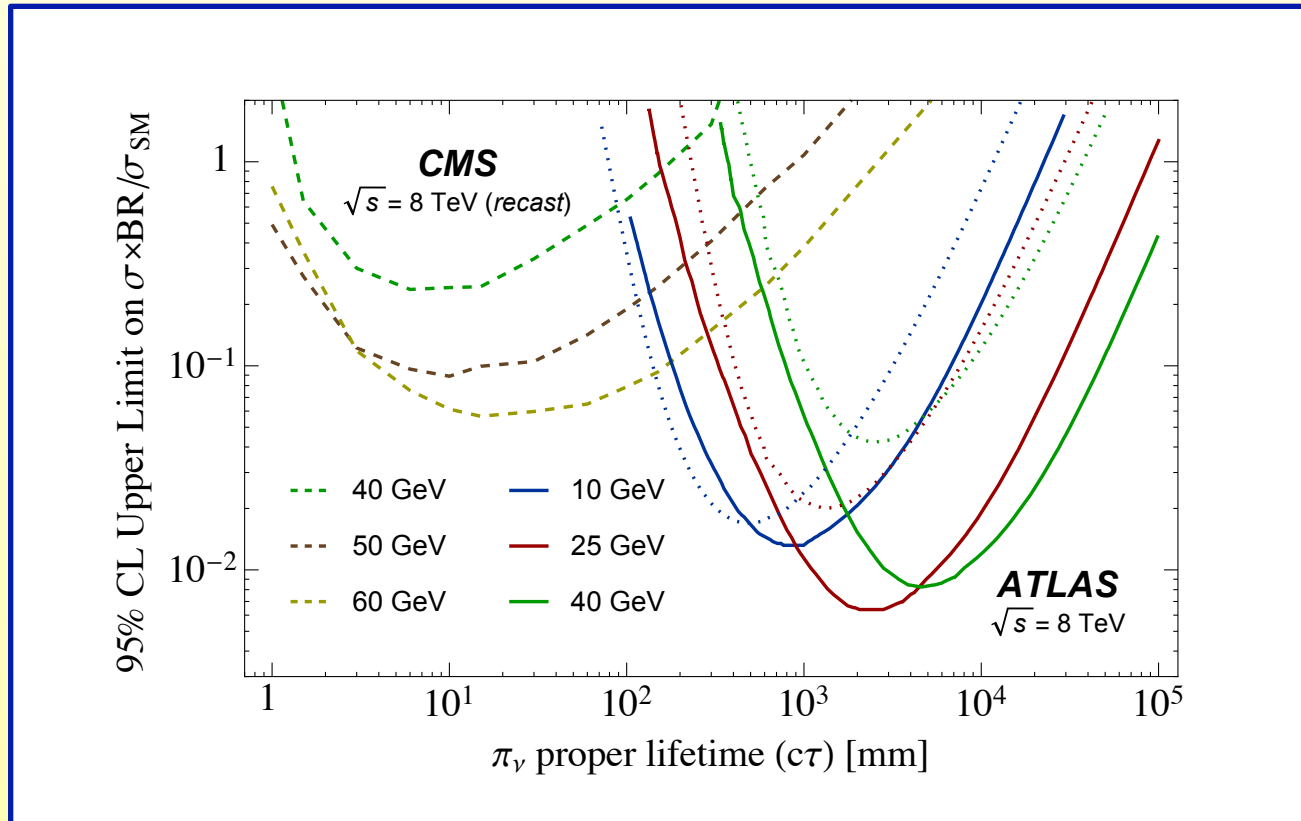


## Displaced Higgs decays

- CMS displaced dijet trigger has track displacement requirement in the trigger
- ATLAS associated object trigger requirement is too high for a 125 GeV Higgs. None will pass.
- CMS trigger has lower momentum thresholds helping to pick up decay products from 125 GeV Higgs. Limiting factor still HT 350GeV trigger.
- This issue is also relevant for Run II

# Bounds from Run I

- **First bounds** on short lifetimes  $\leq 10$  cm from CMS displaced dijet search



# Triggers for Run II

Trigger	Trigger Requirement
Displaced jet <sup>a</sup>	$H_T > 175$ GeV or three jets with $p_T^{j_{1,2,3}} > (92, 76, 64)$ GeV, $ \eta_{j_{1,2,3}}  < (5.2, 5.2, 2.6)$ with $ \eta_{j_1} $ or $ \eta_{j_2}  < 2.6$ , and two jets satisfying $m_{jj} > 500$ GeV and $\Delta\eta > 3.0$ . A displaced jet satisfying $p_T > 40$ GeV, at most 1 prompt track (2D IP $< 2.0$ mm), and at least 2 displaced tracks.
Inclusive VBF	Two jets with $ \eta_{j_1, j_2}  > 2$ , $\eta_{j_1} \cdot \eta_{j_2} < 0$ , $ \eta_{j_1} - \eta_{j_2}  > 3.6$ and $m_{j_1, j_2} > 1000$ GeV.
VBF, $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	Three jets with $p_T^{j_{1,2,3}} > (112, 80, 56)$ GeV and $ \eta_{j_{1,2,3}}  < (5.2, 5.2, 2.6)$ and at least one of the two first jets with $ \eta_{j_1} $ or $ \eta_{j_2}  < 2.6$ .
Isolated Lepton	One lepton with $p_T > 25$ GeV, $ \eta  < 2.4$ , and 3D IP $< 1$ mm. Isolation requires the summed $p_T$ of all tracks with $p_T > 1$ and within $\Delta R < 0.2$ of the lepton is less than 10% of the lepton $p_T$ .
Trackless jets	A jet with $p_T > 40$ GeV and $ \eta  < 2.5$ matched with a muon with $p_T > 10$ GeV within $\Delta R = 0.4$ . No tracks with $p_T > 0.8$ GeV in the ID within a $\Delta\phi \times \Delta\eta$ region of $0.2 \times 0.2$ .



## Triggers for Run II

- **CMS displaced jet trigger**: weak VBF signature trigger plus one displaced jet (but 4 x larger Impact Parameter than Run I displaced dijet)
- **VBF**: usual VBF trigger - forward and backward jet, large invariant mass
- **Isolated lepton**: isolated from jets (to exclude decays from heavy quarks), for  $V_h$  production
- **Trackless jets** (ATLAS only): jets w/o tracks in pixel detector, only good for longer lifetimes

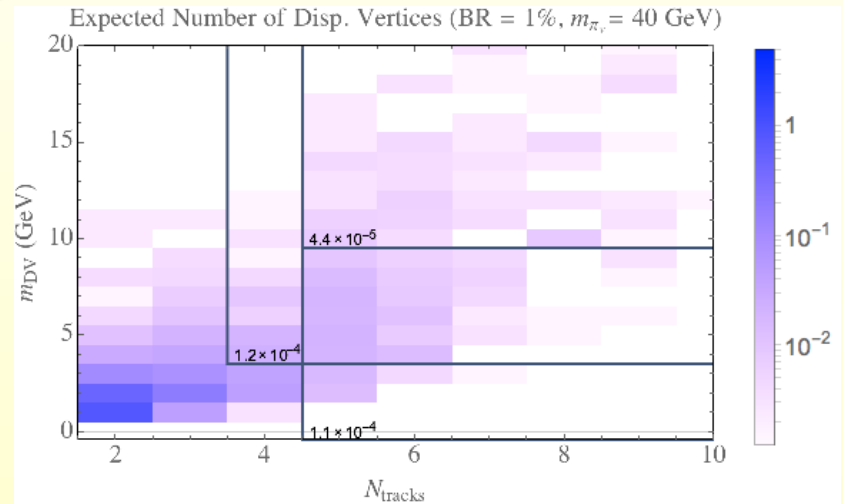
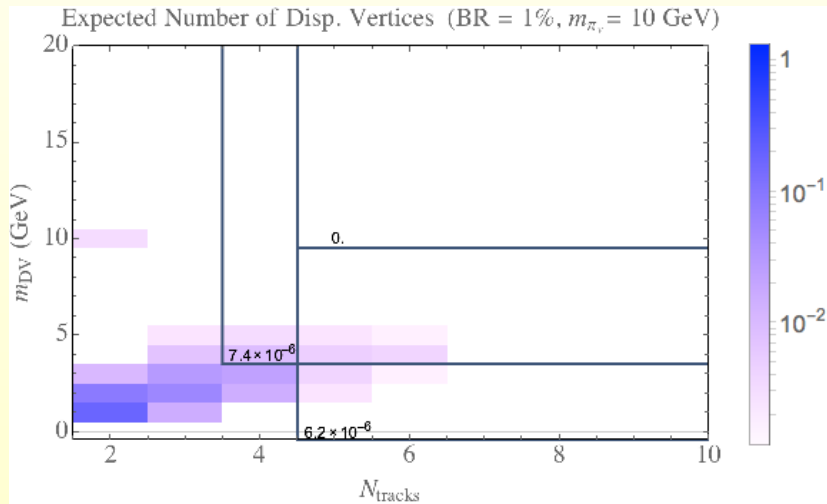
# Acceptances

Trigger	$m_{\pi\nu}$ (GeV)	$c\tau = 1$ mm				$c\tau = 10$ mm				$c\tau = 100$ mm			
		$\epsilon_{\text{ggF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VBF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VH}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{Total}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{ggF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VBF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VH}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{Total}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{ggF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VBF}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{VH}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{Total}}$
Displaced jet	10	0.03%	1.3%	1.1%	<b>0.2%</b>	1.0%	30.0%	25.1%	<b>3.9%</b>	1.0%	42.0%	34.7%	<b>5.1%</b>
	25	0.01%	0.8%	0.7%	<b>0.09%</b>	0.7%	20.4%	16.9%	<b>2.7%</b>	1.5%	45.3%	37.3%	<b>5.9%</b>
	40	0.02%	1.0%	0.9%	<b>0.1%</b>	0.6%	19.7%	16.4%	<b>2.5%</b>	1.4%	44.6%	36.3%	<b>5.7%</b>
Inclusive VBF	10	1.9%	15.5%	0.8%	<b>2.8%</b>	1.8%	15.5%	0.7%	<b>2.8%</b>	1.6%	15.1%	0.6%	<b>2.6%</b>
	25	1.7%	15.3%	0.7%	<b>2.7%</b>	1.7%	15.3%	0.7%	<b>2.7%</b>	1.6%	15.2%	0.6%	<b>2.6%</b>
	40	1.6%	15.2%	0.7%	<b>2.6%</b>	1.6%	15.2%	0.7%	<b>2.6%</b>	1.6%	15.2%	0.6%	<b>2.6%</b>
VBF, $h \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	10	5.8%	20.3%	13.1%	<b>7.2%</b>	5.8%	20.2%	13.0%	<b>7.2%</b>	3.5%	13.3%	8.1%	<b>4.4%</b>
	25	4.6%	16.6%	10.9%	<b>5.8%</b>	4.7%	16.7%	10.9%	<b>5.9%</b>	4.2%	15.2%	9.7%	<b>5.3%</b>
	40	4.0%	14.2%	9.2%	<b>5.0%</b>	4.0%	14.2%	9.2%	<b>5.0%</b>	3.8%	13.9%	8.9%	<b>4.8%</b>
Isolated Lepton	10	3.6%	3.7%	14.7%	<b>4.1%</b>	1.0%	1.0%	12.5%	<b>1.5%</b>	0.1%	0.2%	11.8%	<b>0.6%</b>
	25	1.0%	1.5%	13.0%	<b>1.6%</b>	0.3%	0.4%	11.9%	<b>0.8%</b>	0.05%	0.07%	11.7%	<b>0.6%</b>
	40	1.0%	1.4%	12.6%	<b>1.6%</b>	0.3%	0.4%	11.9%	<b>0.8%</b>	0.05%	0.07%	11.6%	<b>0.6%</b>
Trackless jet	10	0.02%	0.04%	0.04%	<b>0.02%</b>	0.8%	1.5%	1.3%	<b>0.9%</b>	2.0%	2.4%	2.2%	<b>2.0%</b>
	25	0.02%	0.04%	0.06%	<b>0.02%</b>	0.5%	1.0%	0.8%	<b>0.6%</b>	3.6%	5.9%	5.0%	<b>3.8%</b>
	40	0.01%	0.02%	0.03%	<b>0.01%</b>	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%	<b>0.1%</b>	2.1%	4.1%	3.3%	<b>2.3%</b>

- VBF with additional  $b\bar{b}$  is best

- Displaced jet competitive for larger lifetimes, likely has less background

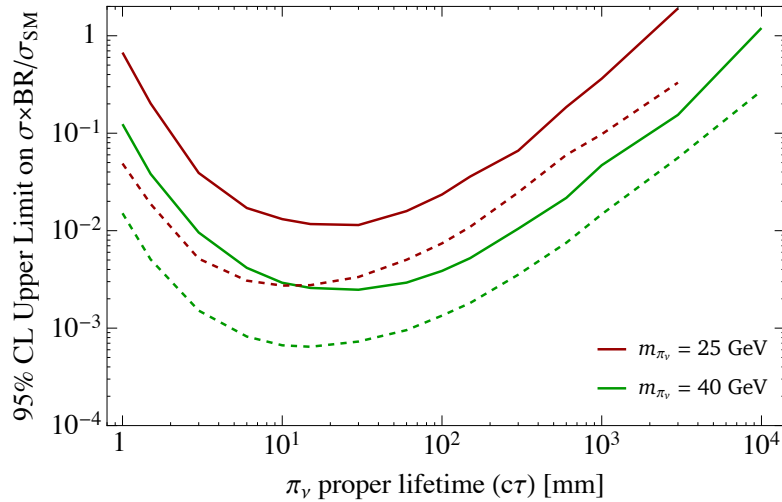
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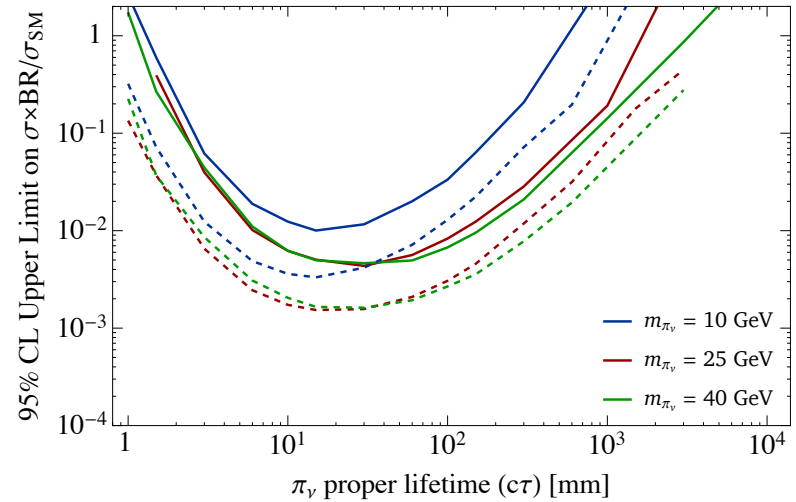
- Not only trigger issue - also difficult to reconstruct a high quality vertex from light long-lived particles
- Boxed regions: **signal regions** (# of tracks vs. mass of displaced vertex) - detector backgrounds **outside**
- **Top right**: existing single DV searches, **bottom right** existing two DV searches. Ideal: **middle**
- **Low** track multiplicity and mass! Need to **modify tracker** searches for light intermed. particles!

# Projected Sensitivities Run II 20 1/fb

Projections for Search I,  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

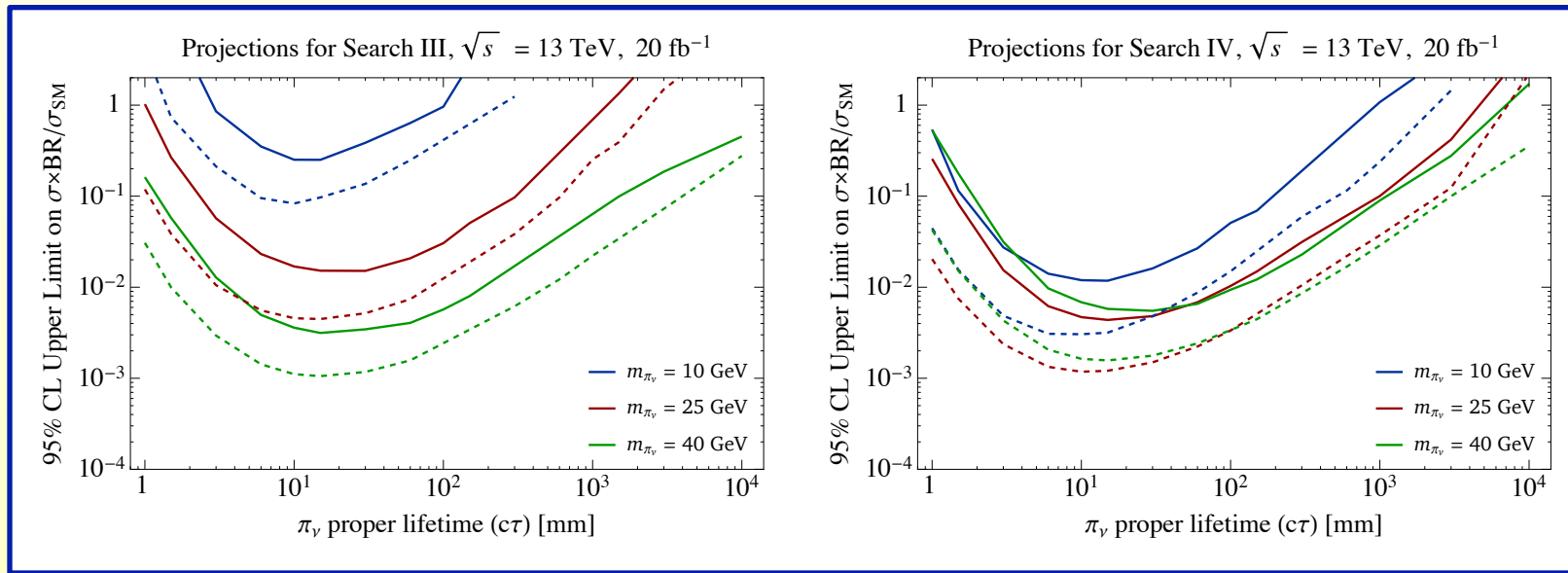


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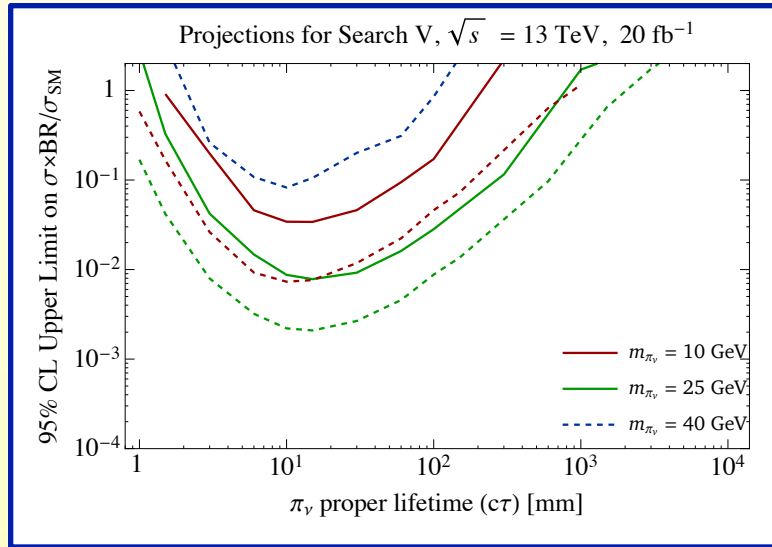
- **Search I:** one high mass ( $\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$ ) and  $\geq 5$  tracks single DV based on ATLAS search. Good for high mass  $\geq 40 \text{ GeV}$  (dashed: VBFbb, solid: displaced jet)
- **Search II:** One DV with high track multiplicity, no mass requirement to allow softer objects, but reproduce Higgs and intermed. particle masses

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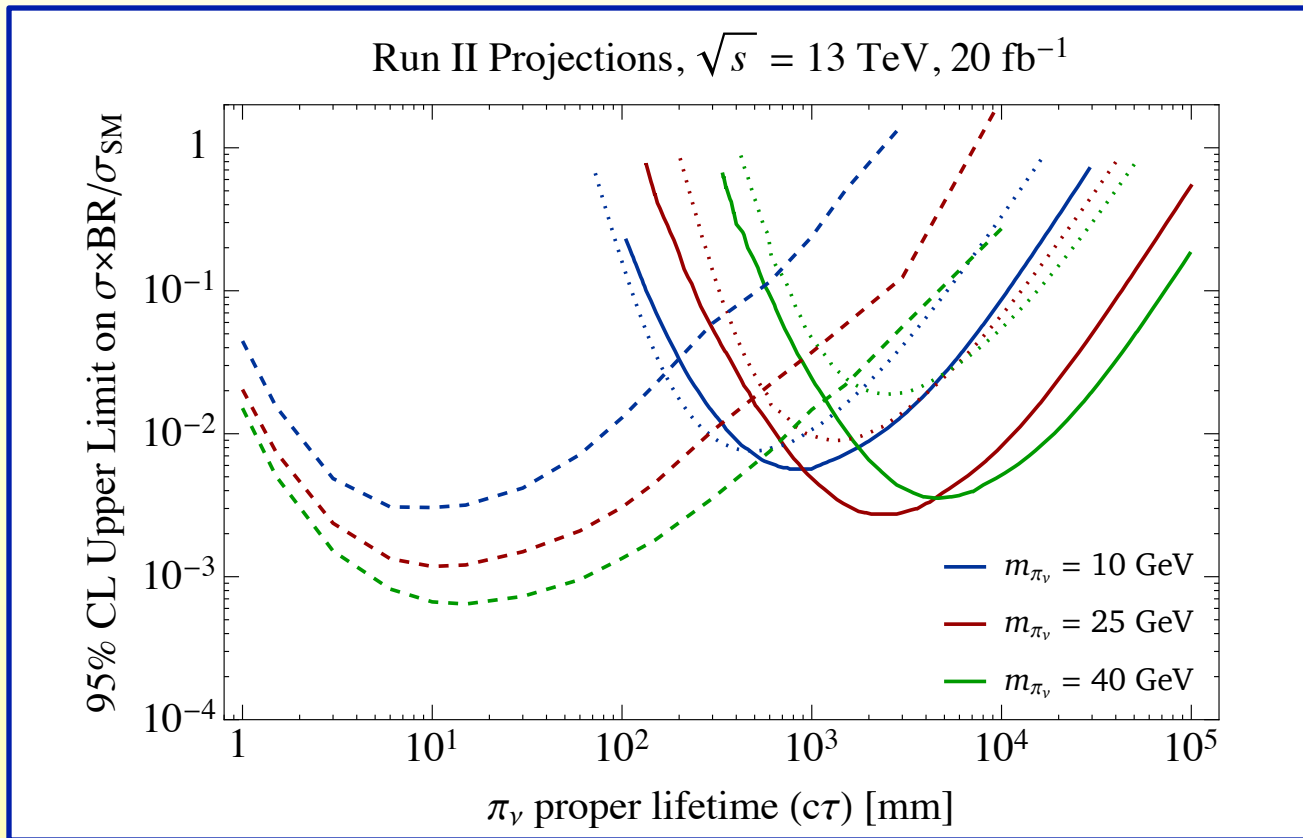
- **Search III:** one high mass ( $\geq 4 \text{ GeV}$ ),  $\geq 4$  tracks,  $p_T \geq 8 \text{ GeV}$  single DV with displaced dijet, similar to CMS dijet search
- **Search IV:** Same DV requirements as III but within a displaced jet with 2-prong substructure

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- **Search V:** two DV's with  $\geq 5$  tracks, as in ATLAS searches.

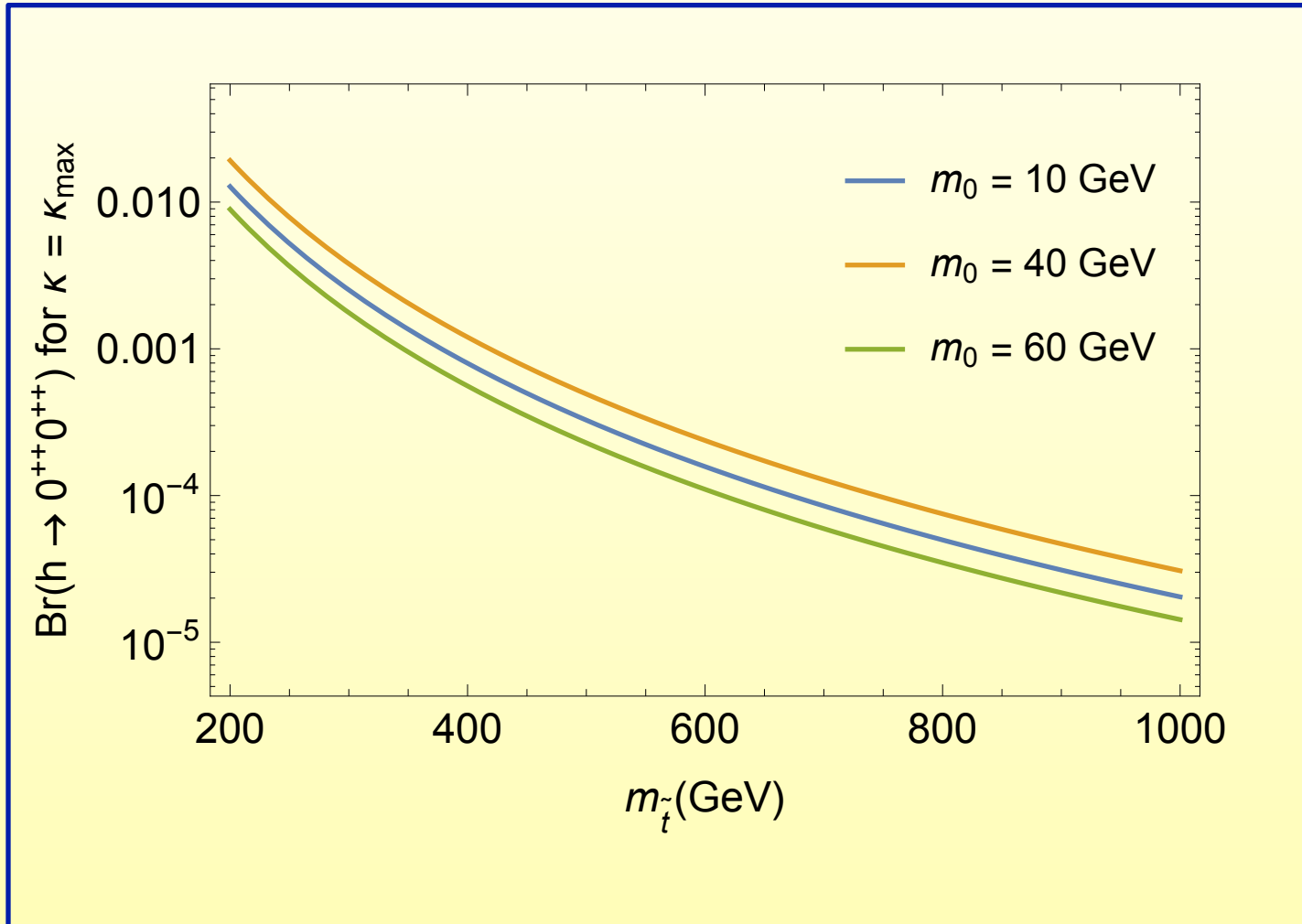
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- **Combined** best sensitivities for five tracker searches and **projected ATLAS** result based on rescaling cross sections (10 GeV Search IV, 40 GeV: all reasonably effective)

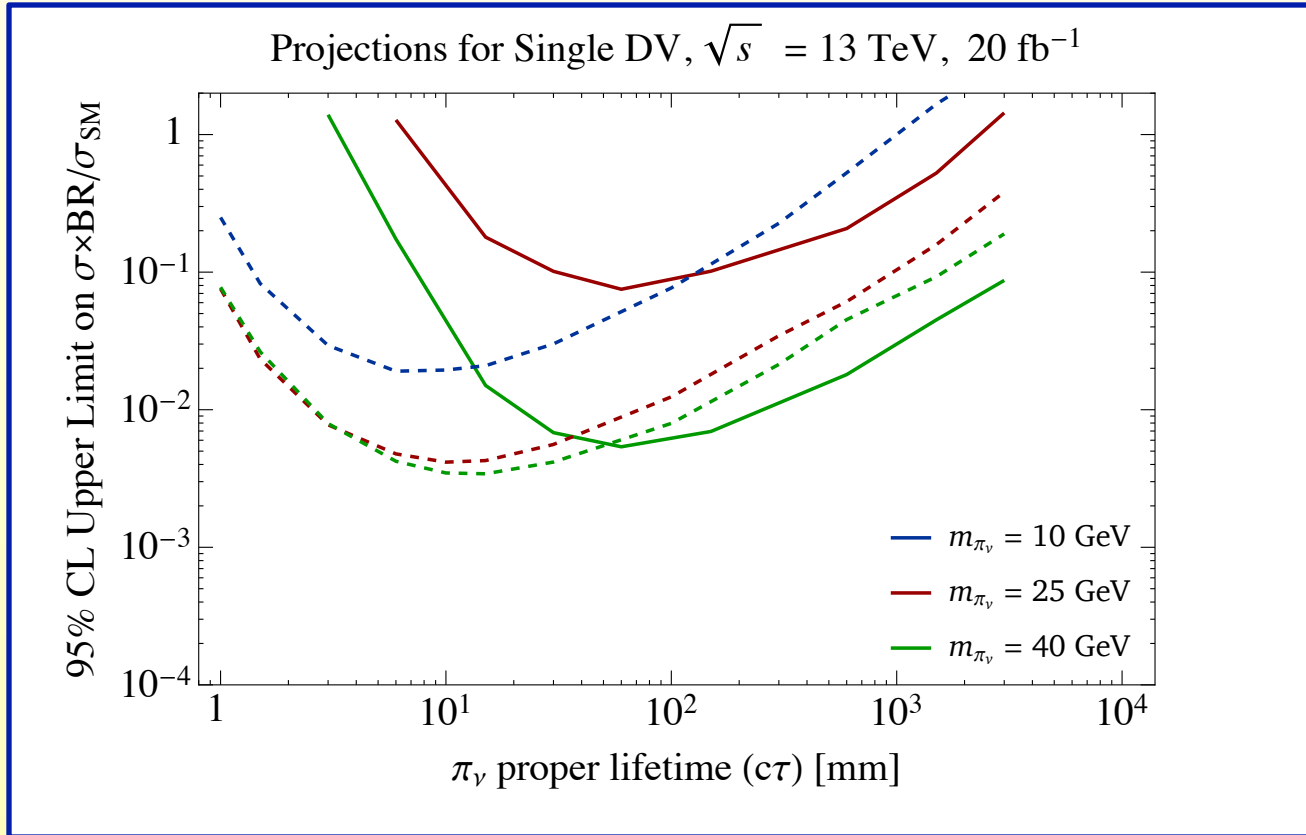


# Typical branching ratios



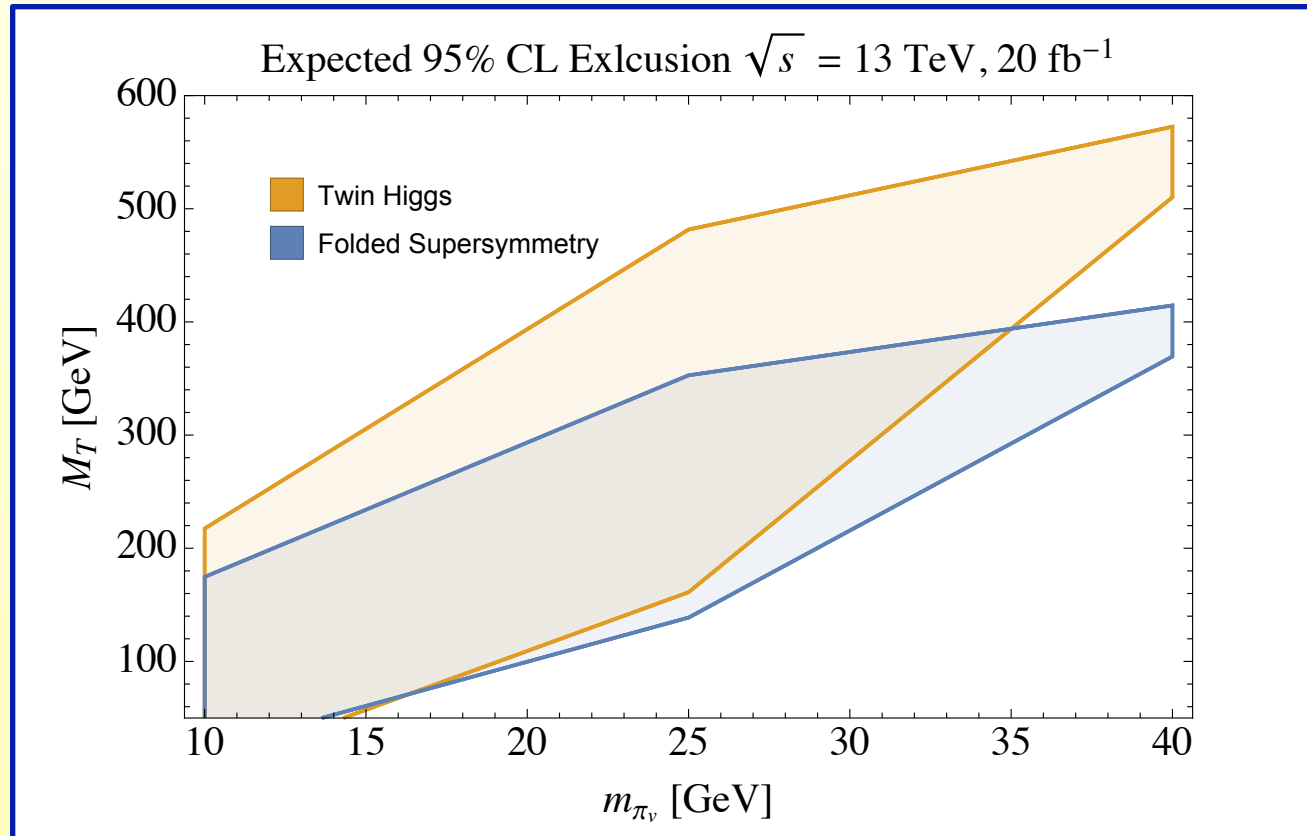
- Folded **SUSY** example (Curtin & Verhaaren)

# Projected Sensitivities Run II 20 1/fb



- **Combined sensitivity** for case with just **one displaced vertex**, assuming the second particle just escapes the detector.

# Projected Sensitivities Run II 20 1/fb



- **Exclusion regions** for top-partner mass vs. mirror glueball mass in Fraternal Twin Higgs (mirror top) and Folded SUSY (stop) models expected in Run II (thanks to David Curtin)

# Summary

- Twin Higgs can avoid LHC bounds and have low tuning
- Models models often result in displaced Higgs decays
- Considered shorter lifetime tracker searches for displaced Higgs decays.
- Main issue is difficult to trigger on since everything soft
- First weak bounds from Run I for shorter lifetimes based on CMS displaced dijet search
- Run II at 20 1/fb can have sensitivities down to  $\sim 10^{-3}$  branching ratios. Main triggers VBF-like, searches similar to existing ATLAS and CMS searches with small additional modifications.