

# Searches for new resonances decaying to leptons, photons or jets with CMS

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# Why search for new resonances?

We know our understanding of physics is **incomplete**. There are open questions such as

- What is the nature of dark matter? Dark energy?
- How to solve the incompatibility between the Standard Model (SM) and General Relativity at high energies.

**New physics** theories have been proposed to explain these and other questions.

- e.g. supersymmetry (SUSY), grand unification models, models with extra dimensions.
- Looking for **new resonances** predicted by these models is a good way to test them.
- It's also important to have **model-independent** searches, we never know what new physics might be out there.

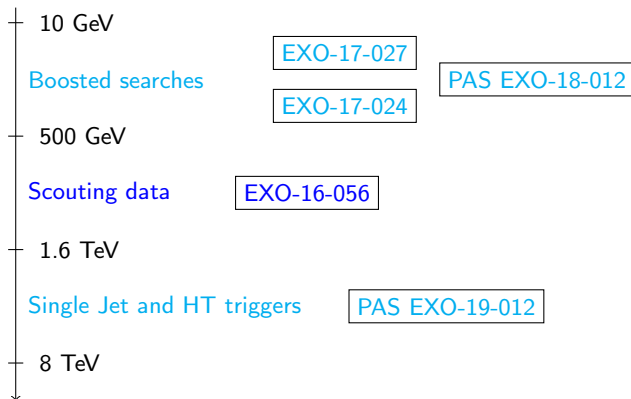
# New resonance searches at CMS

Great variety of [recent](#) searches for new resonances in CMS.  
Included in this presentation (clickable links!) :

- Final states with jets
  - High-mass dijet: CMS PAS EXO-19-012, [JHEP 08 \(2018\) 130](#).
  - Boosted two-parton searches: [PRD 99 \(2019\) 012005](#), [CMS EXO-17-027](#), [CMS PAS EXO-18-012](#).
  - Pair-produced 3-jet resonances: [PRD 99 \(2019\) 012010](#).
- Leptonic final states
  - Dilepton: CMS PAS EXO-19-019.
  - Multilepton: [CMS PAS EXO-19-002](#).
  - Lepton and missing energy (in backup slides) : [JHEP 06 \(2018\) 128](#), [PLB 792 \(2019\) 107](#).
- Diphoton final state (in backup) : [PRD 98 \(2018\) 092001](#).

# Jet resonance searches

Searches for new resonances in two-parton (qq, qg, gg) final states have been performed for invariant masses all the way from  $\sim 10$  GeV to almost 8 TeV. Different trigger strategies are needed for different mass ranges.



# High mass dijet searches

New paper with full Run2 data: [CMS EXO-19-012](#)

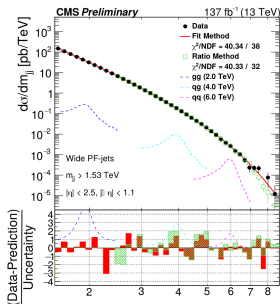
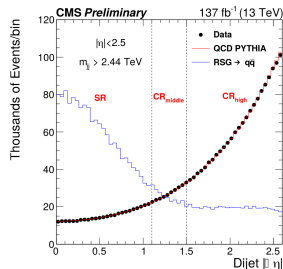
- Trigger:  $H_T$  and single-jet.
- Wide jet construction:  $\Delta R < 1.1$ .
- QCD multijets bg suppressed by  $|\Delta\eta| < 1.1$ .
- QCD modeled by  $\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{jj}} = \frac{P_0(1-x)P_1}{xP_2 + P_3 \ln(x)}$  where  $x = \frac{m_{jj}}{\sqrt{s}}$ .
- **New data-driven method** (based on  $|\Delta\eta|$  side-bands): enhances sensitivity to broad resonances:

$$N_{SR}^{\text{Prediction}} = R \cdot N_{CR_{\text{high}}}^{\text{Data}}$$

$$R = C \cdot \frac{N_{SR}^{\text{Simulation}}}{N_{CR_{\text{high}}}^{\text{Simulation}}}$$

$$C = \frac{R_{\text{aux.}}^{\text{Data}}}{R_{\text{aux.}}^{\text{Simulation}}} = p_0 + p_1 \cdot \left( \frac{m_{jj}}{\sqrt{s}} \right)^3$$

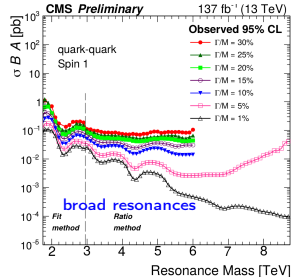
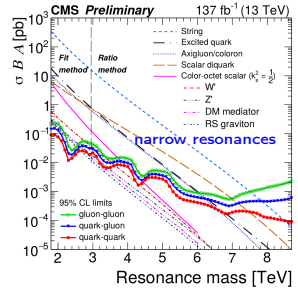
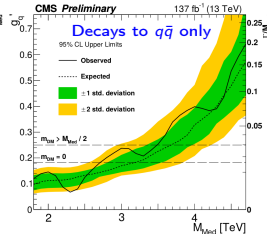
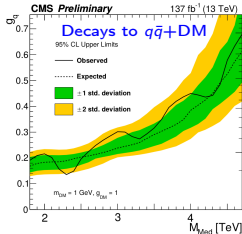
$$R_{\text{aux.}} = \frac{N_{CR_{\text{middle}}}}{N_{CR_{\text{high}}}}$$



# High mass dijet searches: results

Limits considerably improved since JHEP 08 (2018) 130.  
Excluded mass ranges (TeV) at 95% CL:

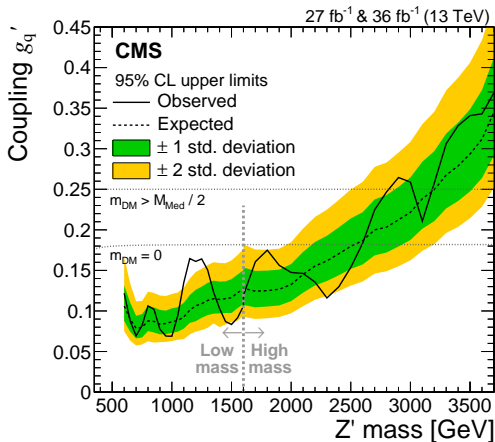
| Model               | Old           | New           |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| String resonances   | <7.7          | <7.9          |
| Scalar diquarks     | <7.2          | <7.5          |
| Axigluons/colorons  | <6.1          | <6.6          |
| Excited quarks      | <6.0          | <6.3          |
| Color-octet scalars | <3.4          | <3.7          |
| SM-like $W'$        | <3.3          | 3.6           |
| SM-like $Z'$        | <2.7          | <2.9, 3.1-3.3 |
| RS gravitons        | <1.8, 1.9-2.5 | <2.6          |
| DM mediators        | <2.6          | 2.8           |



# Intermediate mass searches

JHEP 08 (2018) 130 - CMS  
EXO-16-056 - has results for  
 $0.49 \text{ TeV} < m_{jj} < 1.6 \text{ TeV}$ , with  
scouting data.

- Limited event reconstruction, calo-jets only.
- Trigger:  $H_T > 250 \text{ GeV}$ .
- 2016 data, only  $27 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  because of a loss of trigger efficiency in part of the data.
- QCD background fit with one extra parameter:  
$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{jj}} = \frac{P_0(1-x)^{P_1}}{x^{P_2} + P_3 \ln(x) + P_4 \ln^2(x)}.$$
- Otherwise same strategy as the high-mass search.



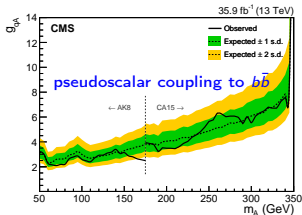
# Low mass (boosted) searches

For dijet masses lower than  $\sim 500$  GeV, it's no longer possible to trigger directly on the jets we wish to study. Even the scouting trigger thresholds are too high.

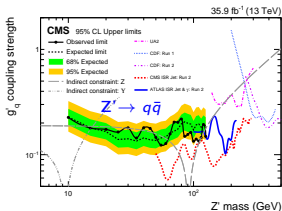
Instead, we look for **boosted events**, with initial state radiation (ISR).

- The two partons recoil against a high  $p_T$  photon or jet.
- In practice, search for one **large-radius jet with a two-pronged substructure**.
- **Soft-drop mass algorithm** to remove soft and wide-angle contributions to the jet.

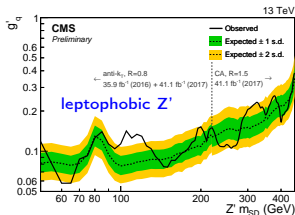
EXO-17-024  
PRD 99 (2019) 012005



EXO-17-027  
Submitted to PRL



PAS EXO-18-012

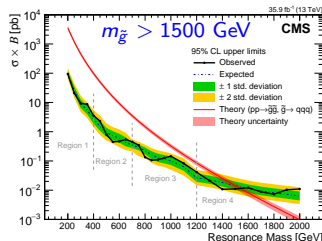
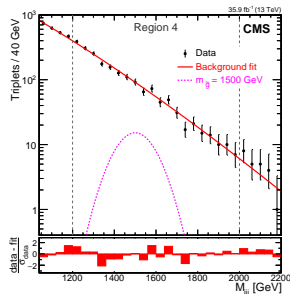




# Pair-produced three-jet resonances

PRD 99 (2019) 012010 - CMS-EXO-17-030

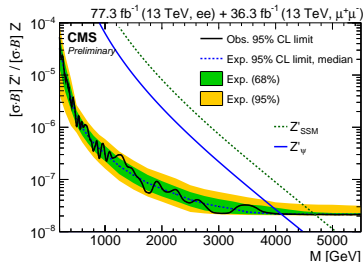
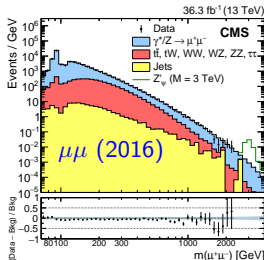
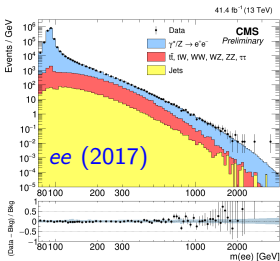
- Theoretical model: RPV gluinos ( $\tilde{g}$ ).
- QCD multijets bg and combinatorial noise.  
Discriminating variables:
  - Mass asymmetry between the two jet triplets
  - Dalitz variables, which exploit topological differences between signal and bg
  - "Delta cut", which exploits the fact that the bg mass scales with the scalar jet  $p_T$  sum, while the signal mass doesn't.
- QCD+combinatorial bg fit to a smooth function.  
In higher mass regions, it's the same as in the dijet searches.
- More details in Kin Ho Lo's presentation.



# Dilepton searches

JHEP 06 (2018) 120 - CMS-EXO-16-047:  $Z' \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$ , with 2016 data.  
CMS PAS EXO-18-006 added 2017 data to the ee final state.

- Selections as model independent as possible.
  - Triggers: single electron and single muon.
  - Electrons: [HEEP ID](#), optimized for high energies.
  - Muons: isolation, dedicated ID when  $p_T > 200$  GeV.
- Backgrounds with real leptons estimated from simulation, normalized to data.
- QCD multijet background estimated by a data-driven method.

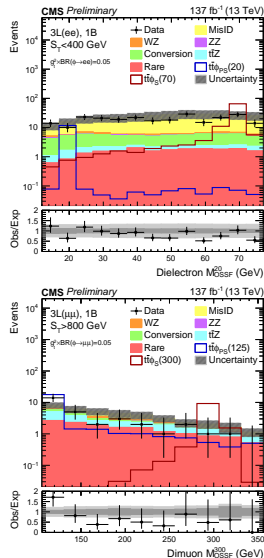


Limits (combined):  $m_{Z'_{SSM}} > 4.7$  TeV,  $m_{Z'_\psi} > 4.1$  TeV

# Multilepton searches

## CMS PAS EXO-19-002

- Resonant model tested: new light (pseudo)scalars, produced in association with  $t\bar{t}$ :  
 $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}\phi \rightarrow bq\bar{q} \bar{b}l^- \nu l'^+ l'^-$
- Events with 3+ leptons are selected.
- Trigger: single electron or muon.
- Two mass ranges: 15-75 GeV and 108-340 GeV.
- Instead of cutting, inclusive binning of the following discriminating variables:
  - $S_T$  (scalar  $p_T$  sum of leptons and jets +  $E_T$ ).
  - number of b-jets (0, 1+).
  - number of leptons (3, 4+).
- Irreducible background estimated from simulation, non-prompt bg from data-driven methods.
- Analysis variable: "attractor mass" of the opposite sign same flavor (OSSF) fermions.
  - 20 GeV for the low mass region:  $M_{OSSF}^{20}$
  - 300 GeV in the high mass region:  $M_{OSSF}^{300}$



# Multilepton searches: results

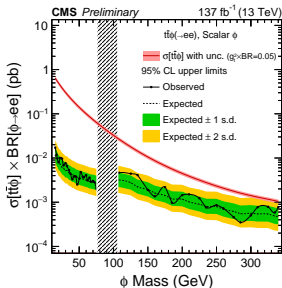
One of the first analysis with **full Run2 results**.

Assuming  $g_t = 1$ ,  
branching ratio limits  
(pseudoscalar) bosons  
 $\rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$ :

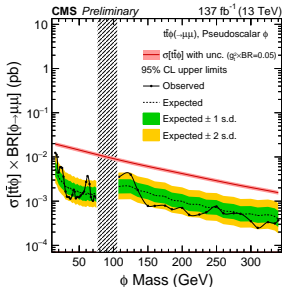
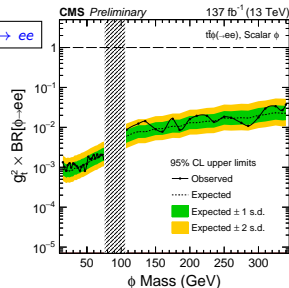
$< 0.003$  ( $0.03$ ) for the  
low mass range.

$< 0.04$  ( $0.03$ ) for the  
high mass range.

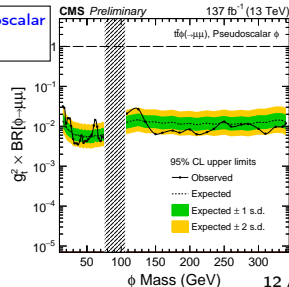
Check out **Maxi's talk**  
for the non-resonant  
part!



scalar  $\rightarrow ee$



pseudoscalar  
 $\rightarrow \mu\mu$



# Summary

Many resonance searches in CMS. Too many to summarize in one slide!

11 papers covered in this talk, others could not be included, such as:

- PRD 98 (2018) 112014 - CMS-EXO-17-021: Search for pair-produced resonances decaying to quark pairs.
- JHEP 05 (2018) 148 - CMS-EXO-17-011: Search for a heavy right-handed W boson and a heavy neutrino in events with two same-flavor leptons and two jets.
- JHEP 04 (2018) 073 - CMS-EXO-16-058: Search for lepton-flavor violating decays of heavy resonances and quantum black holes to  $e\mu$  final states.
- Many SUSY searches, covered in dedicated talks.

Still a productive research area in CMS, more results with full Run2 data are coming soon.

- New techniques used to improve sensitivity and broaden scope of searches.
- Scouting is becoming ever more important to extend the mass reach at lower resonance masses.

Stay tuned for the many other resonance results yet to come!

# Backup

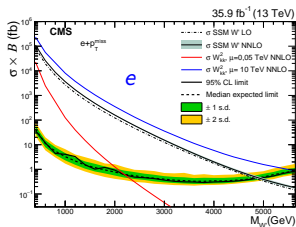
# Lepton + $\cancel{E}_T$

Two recent CMS papers about searches in  $l + \cancel{E}_T$  final states:

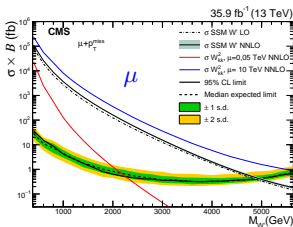
- JHEP 06 (2018) 128 - CMS-EXO-16-033, where  $l = e, \mu$ .
- PLB 792 (2019) 107 - CMS-EXO-17-008, where  $l = \tau$ .

Similar analysis strategies:

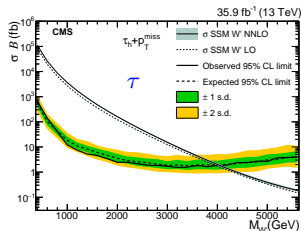
- $e/\mu$  analysis: single  $e/\mu/\gamma$  trigger
- $\tau$  analysis: cross-trigger requiring a hadronic  $\tau$  ( $\tau_h$ ) and  $\cancel{E}_T$ .
- $e/\mu$  are reconstructed in a similar way as in the dilepton search.
- Taus: only well-reconstructed and identified  $\tau_h$  are considered.
- Final analysis variable: transverse mass  $M_T(l, \cancel{E}_T)$ .



$$M_{W'_{SSM}} > 5.0 \text{ TeV}$$



$$M_{W'_{SSM}} > 4.9 \text{ TeV}$$



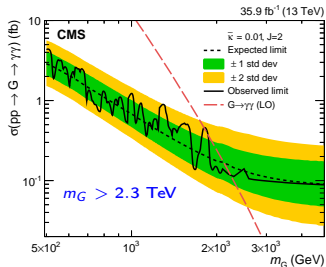
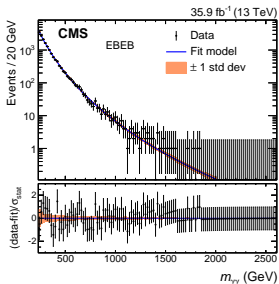
$$M_{W'_{SSM}} > 4.0 \text{ TeV}$$

# Diphoton searches

Latest results from [PRD 98 \(2018\) 092001](#) - [CMS-EXO-17-017](#).

- Trigger: double photon with  $p_T > 60$  GeV.
- Photon ID criteria to suppress electron and jet misID.
- Diphoton vertex reconstructed by MVA algorithm.
- **Dominant background: prompt SM diphoton,** fit to a function:  

$$f(m_{\gamma\gamma}) = m_{\gamma\gamma}^{a+b \log(m_{\gamma\gamma}/\text{GeV})}$$



Spin-2  
RS gravitons

