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# Experimental Coverage WG: Report

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# WG goals

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- ❖ This working group originally aims at identifying the most obvious gaps in coverage of the current studies.
- ❖ Byproduct: provide a concise summary of searches, inviting to challenge the shortcomings and caveats (some already in the lightning round!).
- ❖ By definition: we exclude Hidden Valley signatures and dedicated experiments such as MoEDAL, MilliQan (they get their own section!).
- ❖ Status: Internal note (almost) finished, a 1st “public” draft is expected after the workshop (so we can add your feedback).
- ❖ Should we transform the summary above in a library / webpage / catalog with all LLP studies linked? (à la HXSWG)



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# Classification

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- ❖ Any classification attempt is arbitrary, but within the options we concentrate in the final state products: hadronic, leptonic, semi-leptonic, photonic.
- ❖ Whatever does not fall in the categories above goes into the “non-standard”\* track section (/dev/null).
- ❖ Backgrounds are (fairly well) understood, I won’t cover them. The main limitations in coverage arise from:
  - ❖ triggers (recycling prompt ones vs dedicated strategies).
  - ❖ object properties (pT thresholds, location in the detector, etc).
  - ❖ targeted topology (e.g: 1 vs 2 LLPs).

\* Includes all sorts of unconventional signatures: quirks, monopoles, disappearing tracks, etc...

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# Fully hadronic decays: landscape

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- ❖ ATLAS:
  - ❖ two DVs decaying in:
    - ❖ HCAL: ATLAS-CONF-2016-103
    - ❖ MS and ID: CERN-PH-EP-2015-071
    - ❖ ID (+ MET): ATLAS-CONF-2017-026
  - ❖ DV + X (X=muon, electron, jet, MET): CERN-PH-2015-065
- ❖ CMS:
  - ❖ inclusive displaced jets and leptons: CMS PAS-EXO-16-003
  - ❖ displaced jets: CMS PAS-EXO 2013-037
- ❖ LHCb: looks for SM Higgs / scalar decaying into LLPs:
  - ❖ 1 LLP: LHCb-PAPER-2016-065 (the other LLP lost in acceptance).
  - ❖ 2 LLP: LHCb-PAPER-2016-014



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# Fully hadronic decays@ATLAS+CMS

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- ❖ ATLAS:

- ❖ Large radius tracking (LRT): Left-overs hits from normal tracks give *displaced tracks*. (see M.Lutz's talk)
- ❖ Dedicated triggers in HCAL (*CalRatio*)/MS (*MuonRoI*). FTK can improve these! (see T. Holmes and L. Horyn talks)
- ❖ DV+X: use standard "X" triggers.
- ❖  $c\tau \sim [0.1-10] \text{ m}$  constrained for rates of  $\sim 50\text{fb}^{-1}$ .

- ❖ CMS:

- ❖ Dedicated off-line *displaced jet (DJ)* tagger triggering on large  $H_T > 350-500 \text{ GeV}$ .
- ❖ Fails for  $c\tau < 3 \text{ mm}$  ( $> 1\text{m}$ ) due to SM B-physics backgrounds (no decays on tracker).
- ❖ 2 DJs are kept (1 DJ used as control sample, no coverage for single LLP.)
- ❖ Theory recast of this search for SM Higgs [arXiv:1508.01522]

- ❖ Most searches require pairs of DVs.

- ❖ Sensitivity degrades for low masses: CMS,  $c\tau=30 \text{ mm}$ , efficiency of 2 (41)% for 50 (100) GeV.

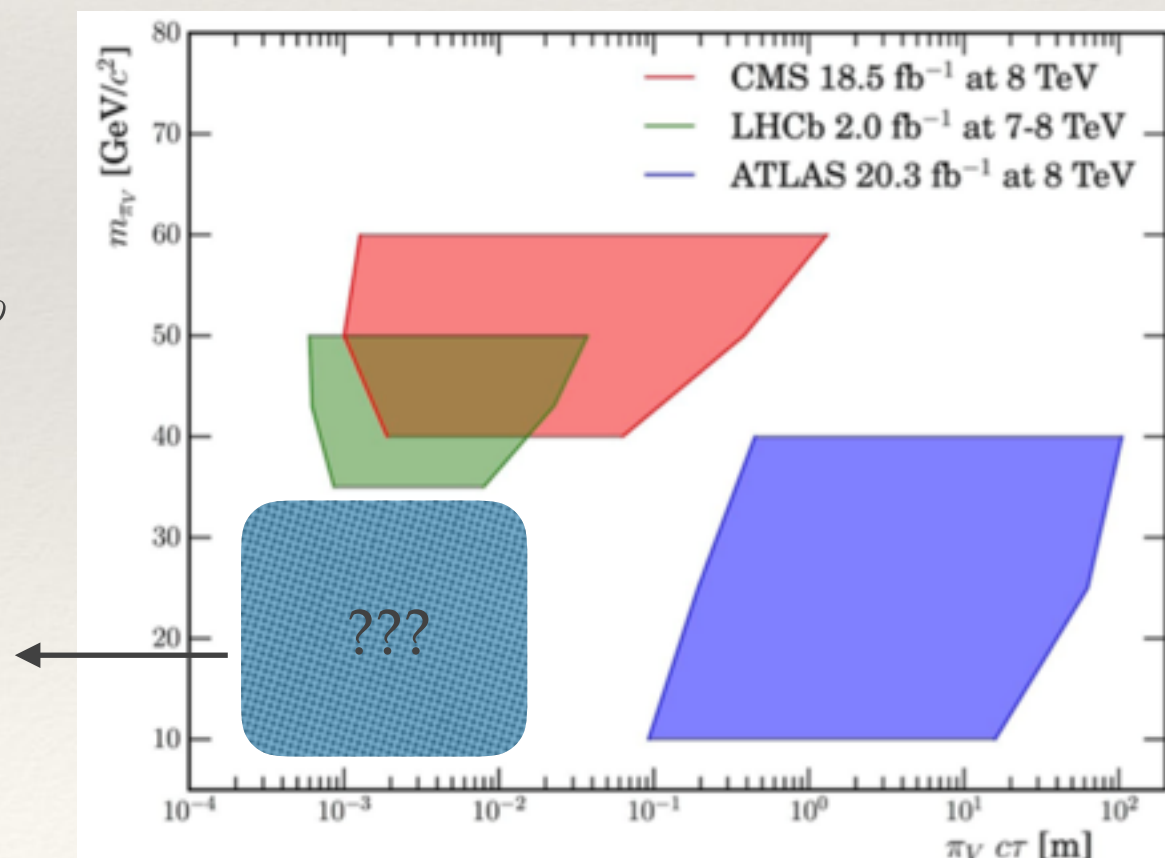
# Fully hadronic decays@LHCb

- ❖ Focuses on scalars decaying into pairs of dark pions ( $\pi_V$ )
- ❖ Trigger on DVs ( $d_T > 4$  mm) with 4+ tracks.
- ❖ Improvements: shorter  $c\tau$  (understanding detector) and lower masses (higher boosts using jet-substructure). See C.Vasquez Sierras's talk yesterday

$H(125) \rightarrow \pi_V \pi_V$

$BR(H \rightarrow \pi_V \pi_V) < 50\%$

Do we give-up  
on this region?



CMS-EXO-12-038  
LHCb-PAPER-2016-065  
CERN-PH-2015-065

Borrowed / stolen  
from M. Borsato



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# Leptonic decays

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- ❖ ATLAS:
  - ❖ 2 displaced OS lepton pairs: CERN-PH-2015-065
  - ❖ displaced lepton-jets: ATLAS-CONF-2016-042 (also prompt in CERN-PH-2015-242)
- ❖ CMS:
  - ❖ 2 displaced OS lepton pairs: CMS PAS EXO 12-037, only MS: CMS PAS EXO 14-012.
  - ❖ displaced lepton jets: CMS-HIG-13-010
  - ❖ 1 e + 1  $\mu$  with large impact parameter (0.2-20 mm) CMS-EXO-16-022  
Nothing else is required (the tracks do not even point to a common vertex!)
- ❖ LHCb: light neutral LLPs going into  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  from B->K decays.
  - ❖ neutral B: LHCb-PAPER-2015-036.
  - ❖ charged B: LHCb-PAPER-2016-052.

\* Lepton-jet is a highly collimated lepton, decaying from O(GeV) parent particles.

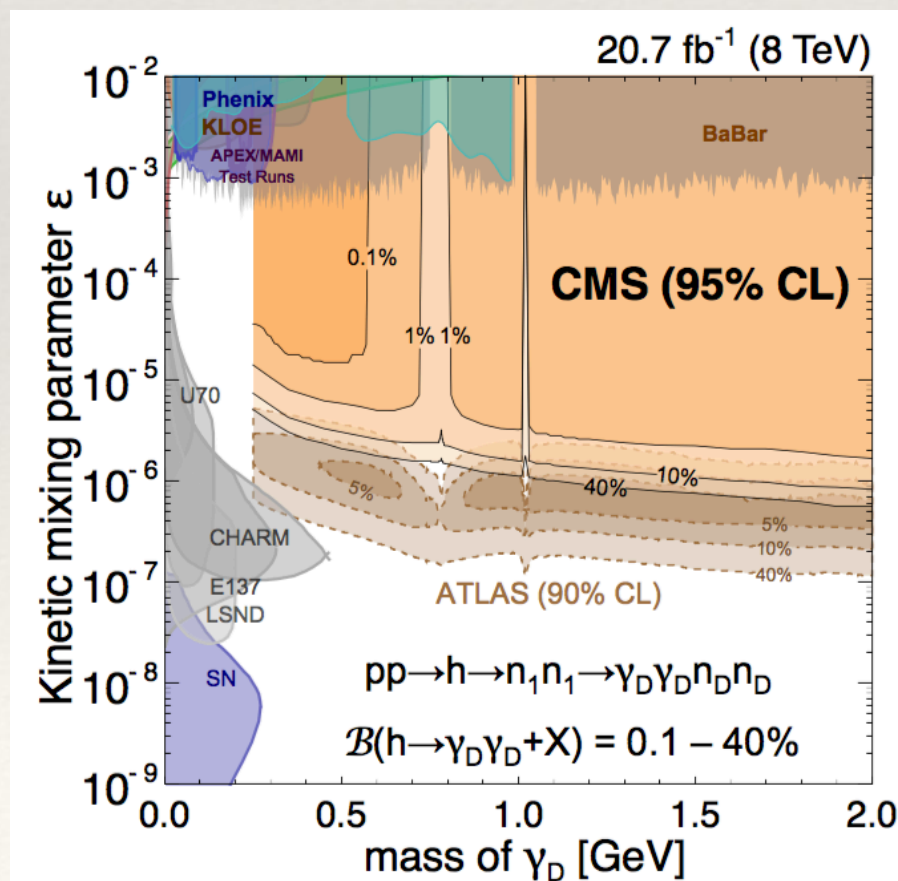
# Leptonic decays@ATLAS+CMS

- ❖ ATLAS:
  - ❖ Trigger on  $\mu, \gamma$  (large impact e more difficult to reconstruct)
  - ❖ Form DV ( $> 4$  mm from PIP) with OS leptons (no flavor bias) and outside of dense material regions (to avoid photon conversion).
- ❖ CMS:
  - ❖ Standard lepton triggers.
  - ❖ PIP with 4+ tracks and  $\mu$  displaced  $< 24$  (2) cm along (transverse) to the beam.
  - ❖ DV with two OS leptons and pT cut (26,36,21) for  $(\mu, e_1, e_2)$ .
- ❖ CMS high impact electron+muon:
  - ❖ Dedicated trigger for displaced e- $\mu$  pairs, using only pT information (no tracking!) (see Keller's talk)
  - ❖  $|d_0| / \mu\text{m}$  defines “prompt” ( $< 100$ ), “control” (100-200) and “signal” ( $> 200$ ) region (SM lepton-free).
- ❖ These searches do not include:  $e^+ e^-$ ,  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  not from same vertex, SS leptons, prompt 3rd lepton, hadronic  $\tau$ s.



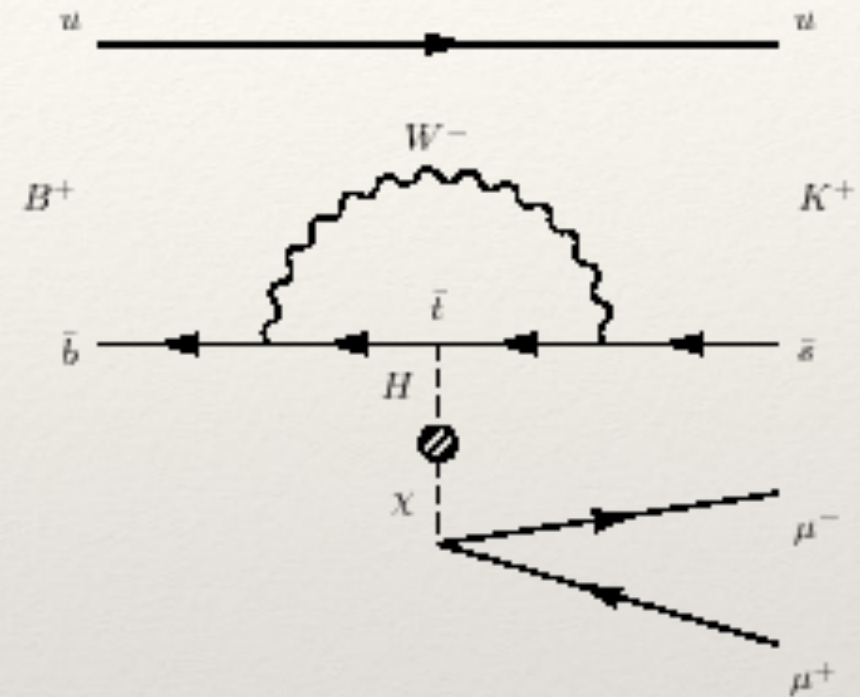
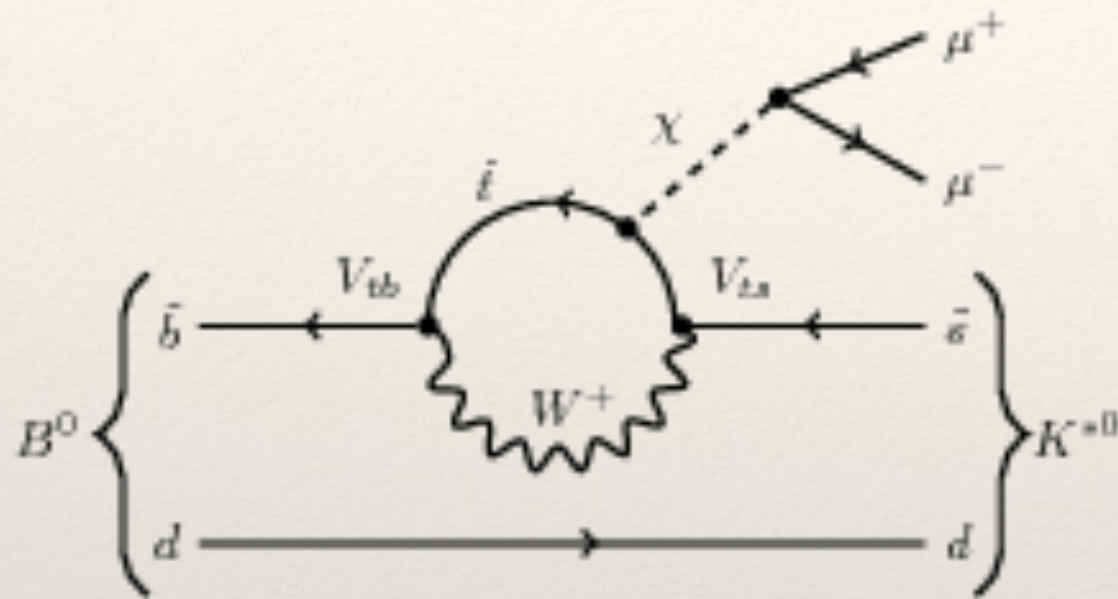
# Displaced lepton-jets@ATLAS+CMS

- ❖ CMS: Trigger on  $\mu$ 's with standard isolation requirements.  
Request  $4\mu$  only, using 2 pairs of 2 OS (electrons, taus are lacking!)
- ❖ ATLAS: Dedicated triggers *CalRatio*, *MuonRoI*.  
Cluster lepton-jets (fixed-cone size) and tag them by  $(\mu, \text{jet})$  content.



- ❖ Interpretation done in terms of light scalars going to  $\mu$ , dark photons ( $\gamma_D$ ).
- ❖ How smooth is the transition from displaced leptons-jets to 'standard displaced' leptons?  
Are we covering intermediate masses?

# Leptonic decays@LHCb



- ❖ Uses LHCb capabilities to identify the B-mesons, Kaons.
- ❖ Scan on  $m(\mu^+\mu^-)$ .  $X \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  is not necessarily displaced (prompt X).
- ❖ Reach limited due to the kinematics of the event (What if  $m_X > 5 \text{ GeV}$ ?)



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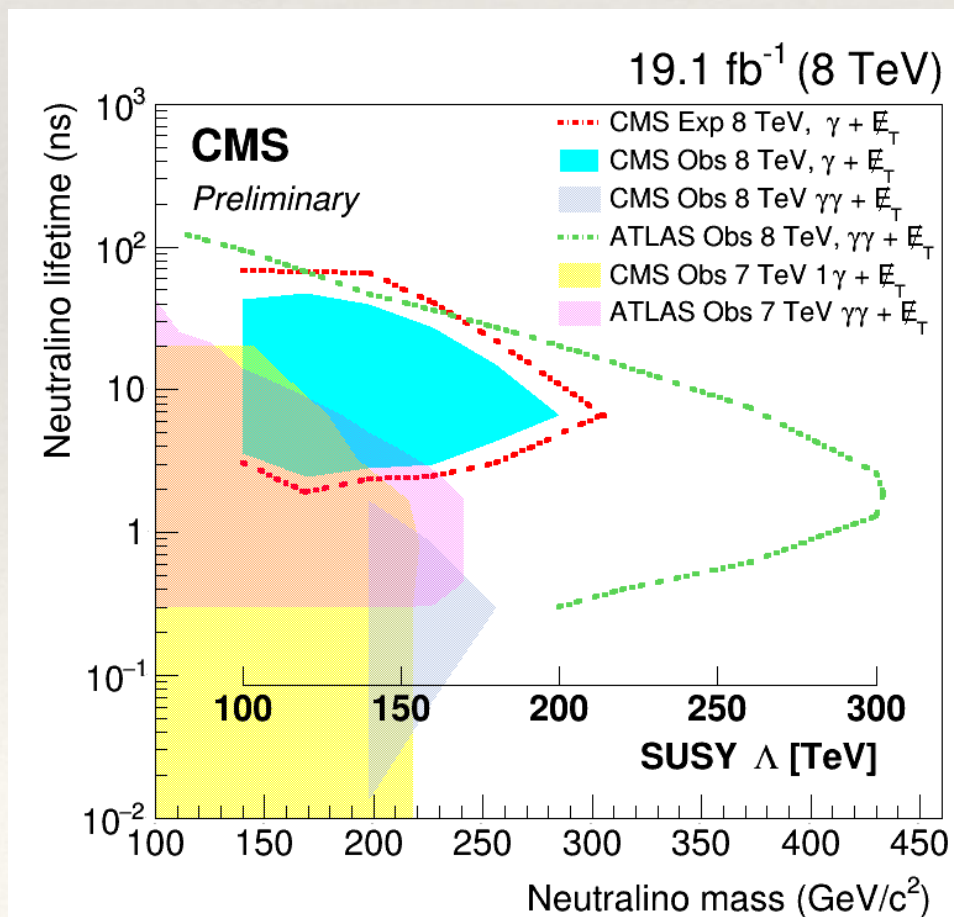
# Semi-Leptonic decays

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- ❖ Many leptonic and hadronic searches partially cover this case:  
ATLAS  $e, \mu$  + tracks (CERN-PH-2015-065), CMS inclusive DV search (CMS PAS-EXO-16-003), CMS large impact  $e, \mu$  (CMS-EXO-16-022)
- ❖ LHCb-PAPER-2016-047: dedicated search for semi-lep decaying LLPs.  
Triggers on  $\mu$ , selects offline a DV and does MVA on  $p_T(\mu)$  and  $d_0(\mu)$ .  
Optimisation on LLP mass and muon isolation.  
Covers  $c\tau$  between 1.5 and 30 mm.
- ❖ How does the simultaneous presence of jets and leptons affect the selection / analysis?  
For instance: prompt jet searches veto non-standard jets.  
Lepton isolation will miss highly-boosted LLP decaying to  $e+j$ ,  $\mu+j$ ?  
See J.Evans's talk yesterday for more examples.

# Photonics decays

- ❖ Non-standard  $\gamma$ s: not coming from PV (*non-pointing*) and / or arrive late at ECAL (*delayed*).
- ❖ ATLAS all-in-one: CERN-PH-EP-2014-215.  
CMS: delayed CMS-PAS-EXO-012-35, non-pointing CMS-PAS-EXO-14-017.
- ❖ ATLAS triggers on two loose  $\gamma$ s, CMS on  $\gamma + 2j$ . Veto on standard  $\gamma$ .



## ❖ Gaps:

- 1) prompt- $\gamma$  (they are vetoed!)
- 2) no-MET final states ( $\gamma\gamma, \gamma l, \gamma j$ )
- 3) single  $\gamma$
- 4) ... (BYOG)



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# Non-standard tracks

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- ❖ The signatures that failed the “final state” categorisation attempted before is mostly due to unusual tracks appearing in the detector.
- ❖ In more detail, I will briefly go over:
  - ❖ Heavy Stable Charged Particles (HSCP)
  - ❖ Stopped Particles (SP)
  - ❖ Magnetic Monopoles (MM)
  - ❖ Quirks (Q)
  - ❖ Strongly Interacting Massive Particles (SIMP)
  - ❖ Disappearing tracks (DT)

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# Heavy Stable Charged Particles (HSCP)

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CMS-EXO-12-026, CMS PAS EXO-16-036, CERN-PH-EP-2014-252, CERN-EP-2016-131

- ❖ HSCP searches @ ATLAS, CMS rely on two key properties:
  - ❖  $|q| \neq e$ : ionization loss ( $dE/dx$ ) different than SM particles.
  - ❖ Large mass  $\rightarrow \beta=v/c < 1$ : longer time-of-flight (TOF) to calorimeters.  
TOF information used optionally (partonic exchange can change  $q$ ).
- ❖ Trigger on single muon or MET + offline “good track” selection.
- ❖ Common benchmarks: colored (weak) HSCPs: R-hadrons (sleptons)
- ❖ LHCb: no radiation in the ring imaging Cherenkov detector (RICH).  
Requests two OS  $\mu$  with  $m(\mu\mu) > 100$  GeV,  $\beta > 0.8$  (muon chamber rec.) + ANN.
- ❖ No obvious weak points found. Improvements?



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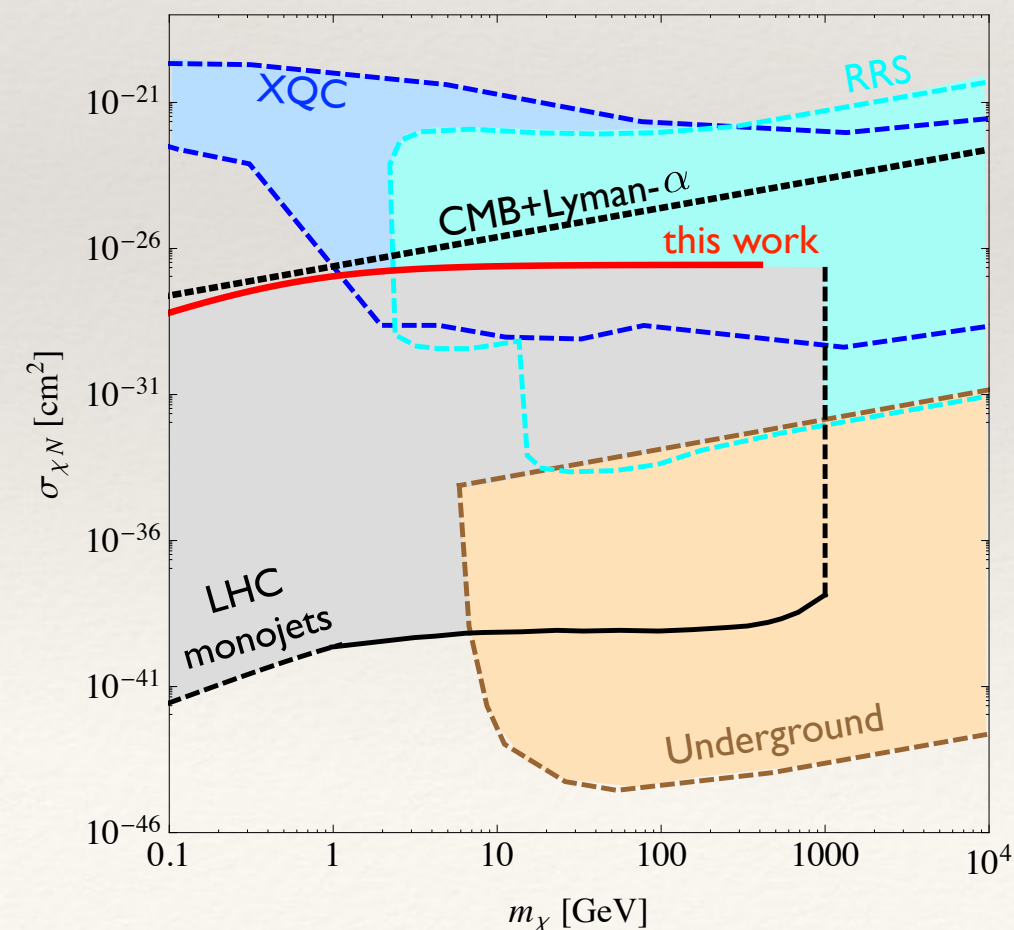
# Stopped particles (SP)

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- ❖ HSCP with very low kinetic energy gets stopped (most likely in the dense calorimeters) and decays when no collisions take place (out-of-time decays).
- ❖ Refs: CERN-PH-EP-2013-061, CMS PAS EXO-16-004, CMS PAS EXO-17-004.
- ❖ Dedicated trigger selecting crossings without nearby bunches + hard jet. ATLAS also requests  $|\eta| < 1.3$  and  $\text{MET} > 50 \text{ GeV}$ .
- ❖ The action happens in the muon systems, as the Stopped Particles make themselves cozy in the calorimeter.
- ❖ Main bgds: cosmic muons, beam halos (protons interacting with beampipe).
- ❖ No obvious weak points found. Improvements?

# Strongly Interacting Massive Particles (SIMPs)

- ❖ Based on: Daci, de Bruyn, Lowette, Tytgat, Zaldivar, 1503.05505.
- ❖ Motivated by self-interacting DM (missing satellites, core-cusp).
- ❖  $\chi$  colored, simplified model with  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow M \rightarrow \chi\chi$ ,  $M \sim 1$  GeV.

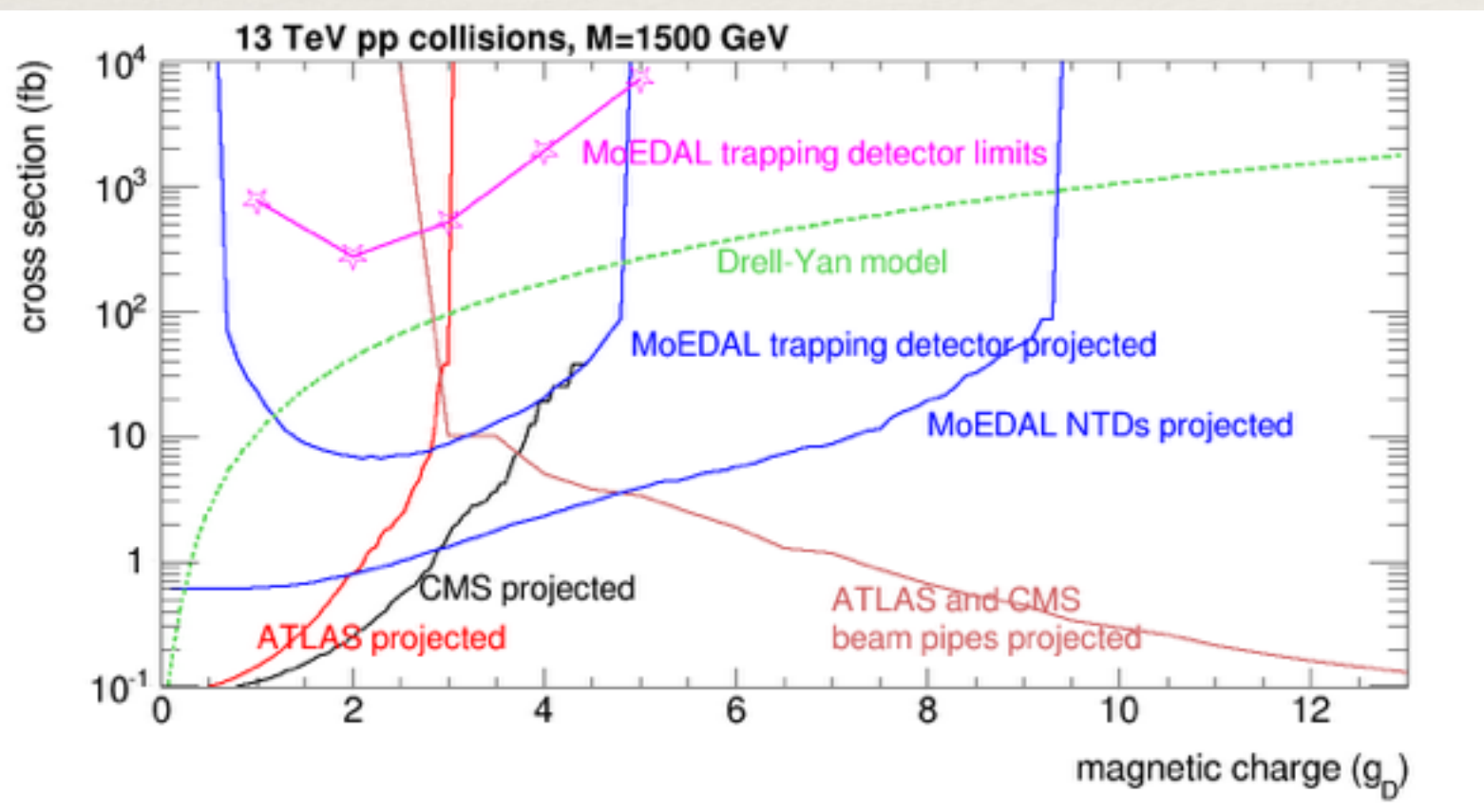


- ❖ Signature: HCAL deposit without associated track (2 trackless jets!). Pheno similar to emerging jets.
- ❖ Trick: small charged energy fraction.
- ❖ Analysis underway by CMS! (see talks by S. Lowette @ April's workshop and A. de Roeck yesterday.)



# Magnetic Monopoles (MM)

- ❖ ATLAS [CERN-PH-EP-2015-174] looks for highly-ionising particles (HIPs). HIPs encompass a variety of BSM scenarios: magnetic monopoles, stable microscopic black holes, dyons, etc. Focus on MM for the sake of the argument, results are recastable.



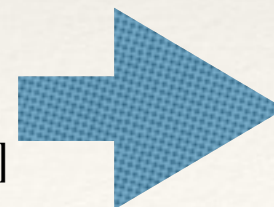
- ❖ Magnetic charge quantized in units of  $g_D \approx 68.5$ .
- ❖ Behaves as a particle with  $q/e = n \cdot 68.5$ , ionisation power  $4700 n^2$  times the electron.
- ❖ HUGE coupling constant, forbids any reasonable/possible perturbative calculation beyond LO.

# Quirks (Q)

- ❖ Quirks are particles charged under both SM and a new confining gauge group  $SU(N)$ , such that the quirk masses are above the confinement scale  $\Lambda$  (no hadronization).
- ❖ Quirk-antiquirk pair can form a bound state while being separated by a distance  $l$  (string scale). This generates a tension in the pair, leading to a trajectory different from the SM helix.
- ❖ Contrary to popular lore, quirks are not HV exclusive!
- ❖ Only existing search... D0! (FERMILAB-PUB-10-324-E)
- ❖ No spoilers! Details in the forthcoming talks by **M. Farina and S. Knapen**

M. Farina and M. Low [arXiv:1703.00912].

S. Knapen, H. K. Lou, M. Papucci, and J. Setford [arXiv:1708.02243]

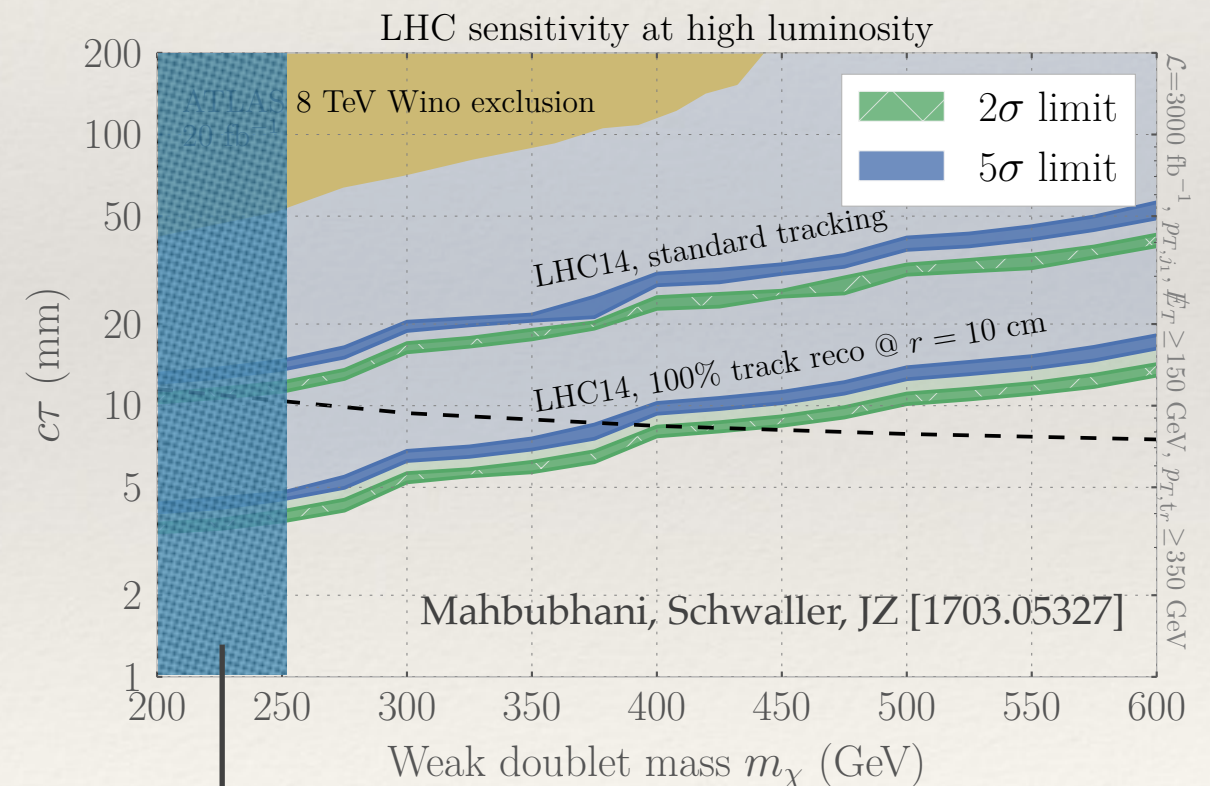
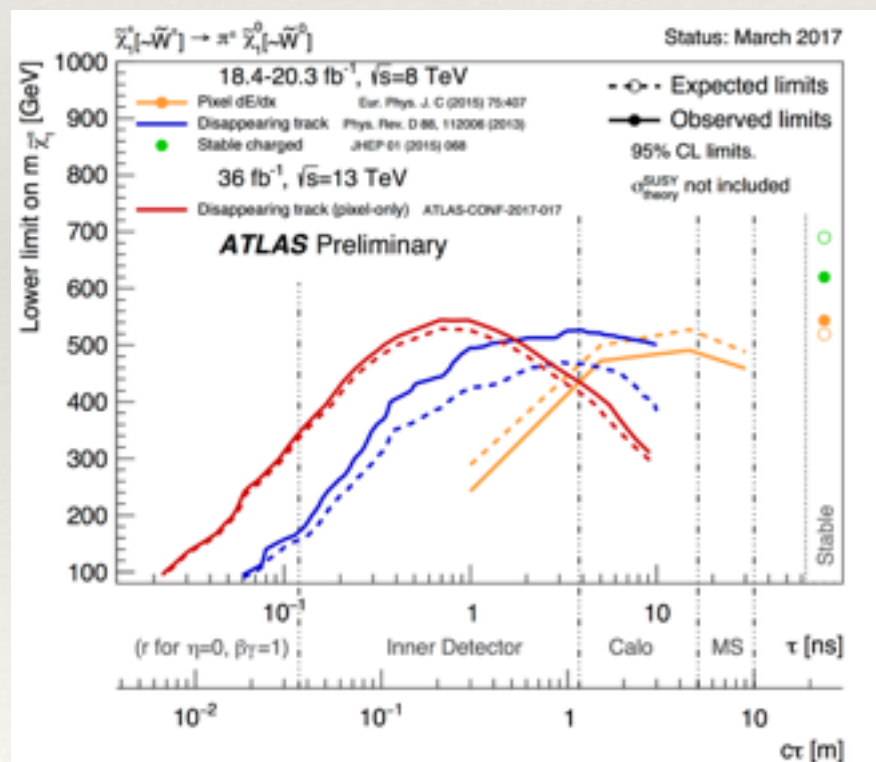


15:30 → 17:20	Experimental coverage -- Part 2
	Quirks -- Part 1
	Speakers: Marco Farina (Sezione di Pisa (IT)) , Marco Farina (Cornell University)
	Quirks -- Part 2
	Speaker: Simon Knapen (Lawrence Berkeley National Lab)



# Disappearing track (DT)

- ❖ Charged particle decays into neutral particle plus a soft charged one (e.g:  $X^+ \rightarrow X^0 + \pi^+, \mu^+$ ). Track vanishes in thin air. Trigger on hard jet + MET.
- ❖  $c\tau$ : ATLAS went from 30 to 12 cm with 4th layer. CMS pixel detector upgrade?
- ❖ Wino (Higgsino)  $c\tau = 55$  (6.6) mm. Scalar models have no preferred value!



- ❖ How low can we go in  $c\tau$ ?

Mono jet + soft-leptons:

Schwaller, JZ [1312.7350], Low and L.-T. Wang, [1404.0682],  
Barducci, Belyaev, Bharucha, Porod, Sanz [1504.02472].

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# Conclusions

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- ❖ Broad overview of existing searches presented here.
- ❖ The goal is to provide all essential information for the non-expert reader, and refer the avid one to the original publications.
- ❖ Need to discriminate between intrinsic limitations and possible improvements: EXP feedback needed!
- ❖ Need to have comparisons of the EXP capabilities in a few BSM scenarios: common benchmark(s) appreciated.
- ❖ Not the whole landscape covered here: heavy neutral leptons, magnetrons, kinked tracks, fractionally(milli) charged particles, emerging jets,...
- ❖ This chapter should motivate improvements and wild ideas (stay tuned for the forthcoming lightning round)
- ❖ If you wanna join or contribute, just ping us!