

Exotic NP searches at high- p_T experiments

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LHC pace up to now

Beam energy rise:

5 fb⁻¹ @ 7 TeV (2011)

25 fb⁻¹ @ 8 TeV (2012)

3 fb⁻¹ @ 13 TeV (2015)

Huge luminosity jump:

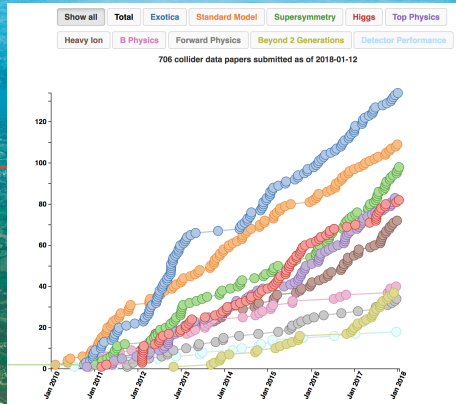
36 fb⁻¹ @ 13 TeV (2016)

46 fb⁻¹ @ 13 TeV (2017)

Next: intellectual rise?

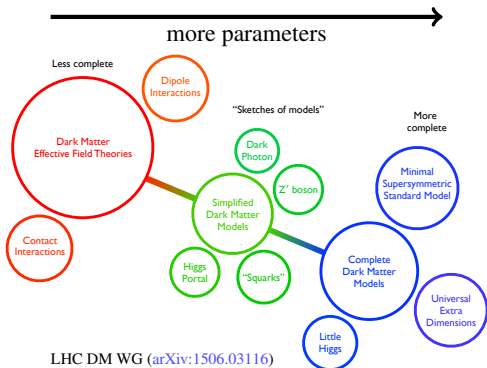


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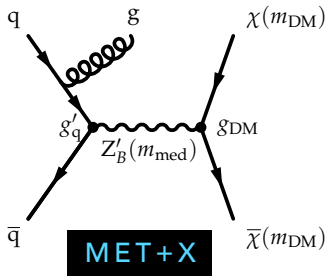
A general purpose detector
Higgs boson discovery (2012)
Wide physics programme

Dark matter searches at the LHC



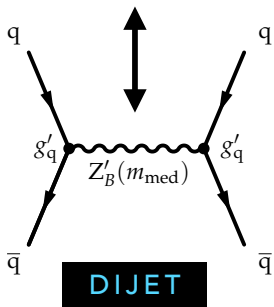
- in Run 2 of the LHC moved from the EFT to the simplified dark matter models description
 - to overcome issues with large momentum transfer at 13 TeV
- major part of possible DM manifestations at the LHC is captured
- and a comparison with the other experiments is done in a consistent way

Simplified DM models guidance



Typical signatures at the LHC:

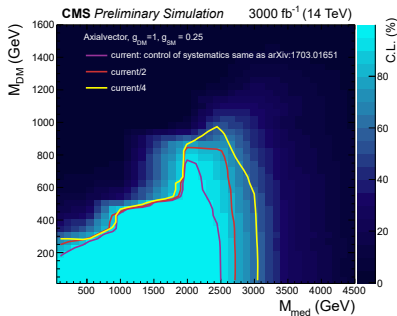
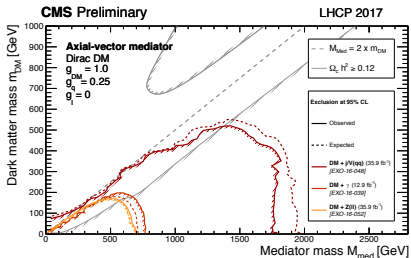
- mono- X ($X = \text{jet, photon, W, Z, H, t}$)
 - jet: generally the most powerful
 - photon: first used for the DM searches
 - W: distinguish DM coupling to u/d-quarks
 - Z: clean signature
 - H: Higgs portal
 - t: coupling to tops
- di- X resonance ($X = \text{jet, photon, W, Z, H, t}$)
 - $X = \text{jet}$ is naturally connected with the DM@LHC
 - others are more model-dependent



4D parameter space: $g_{DM}, g_q, m_{DM}, m_{med}$:

- m_{DM}, m_{med} pushed by energy rise
- g_{DM}, g_q require luminosity

Current snapshot and projections



- current monojet search probes mediator mass up to 1.7 TeV and dark matter mass up to 500 GeV
- after collecting 3000/fb the reach can expand up to

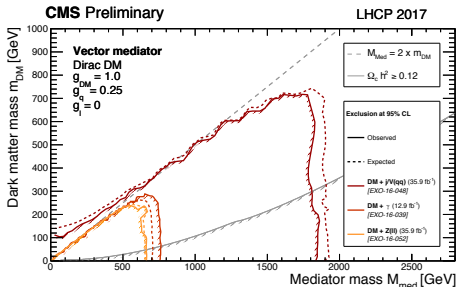
- $m_{med} \sim 2.5-3.0$ TeV
- $m_{DM} \sim 0.8-1.0$ TeV

depending on the systematics treatment

Meanwhile, explore other possibilities!

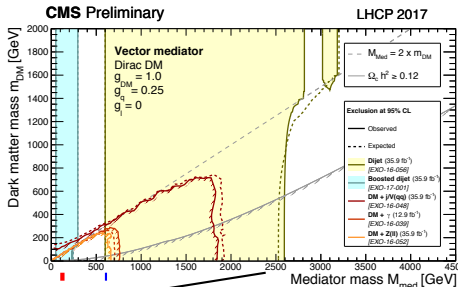
Results complementarity

mono-X + E_T^{miss} searches:



limited by \sqrt{s}

+ dijet resonance searches



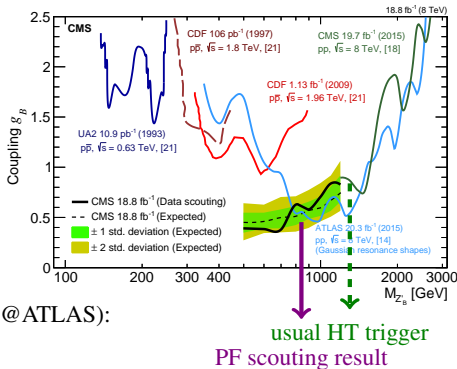
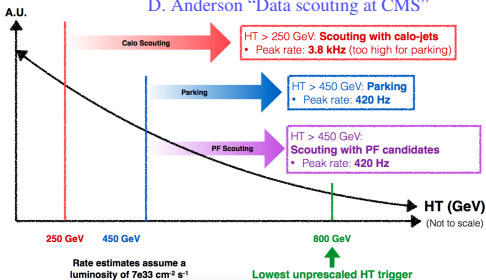
limited by trigger

new ideas and techniques to cover the gaps

Overcoming high trigger rates

An approach already tested in Run 1: store only objects reconstructed with trigger

D. Anderson "Data scouting at CMS"



Data scouting concept (*Trigger-level analysis*@ATLAS):

- physics objects are reconstructed online
- the HLT objects are saved in a minimal format
- no additional offline reconstruction

Reduce event size from 500 kB/event to

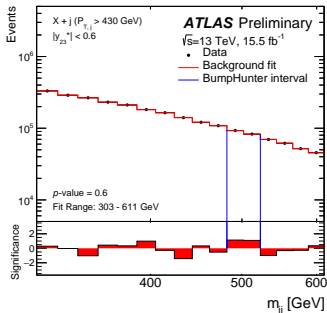
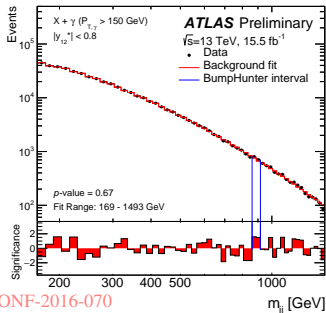
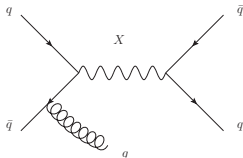
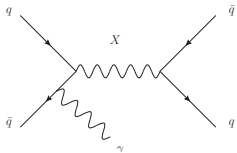
- 10 kB/event: **PF scouting**, $H_T > 450 \text{ GeV}$ (CPU-limited)
- in Run 2: 1.5 kB/event: **Calo scouting**, $H_T > 250 \text{ GeV}$

New ideas: employing ISR to go lower...

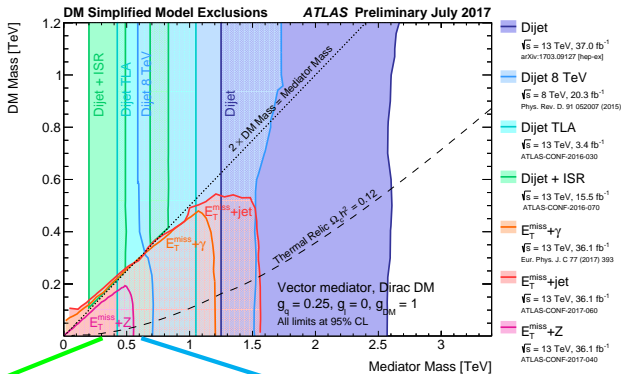
Sacrifice in coupling sensitivity to go lower in mass:

trigger on initial-state radiation (jet or photon) and search for recoiling dijets

- ISR γ threshold: $E_T > 150$ GeV
- ISR jet threshold: $E_T > 430$ GeV



Closing the gaps: ATLAS searches



Dijet + ISR:

- γ ISR: masses between 200 and 1000 GeV
- jet ISR: masses between 450 and 1000 GeV

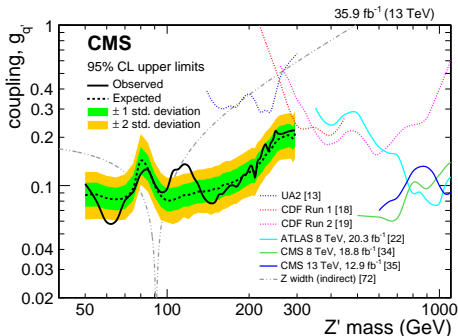
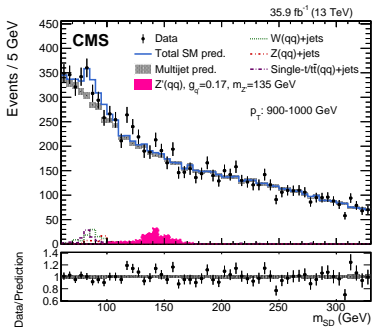
Trigger-level analysis (Dijet TLA):

- masses between 450 and 1100 GeV

Going below 200 GeV: CMS ISR+merged jet search

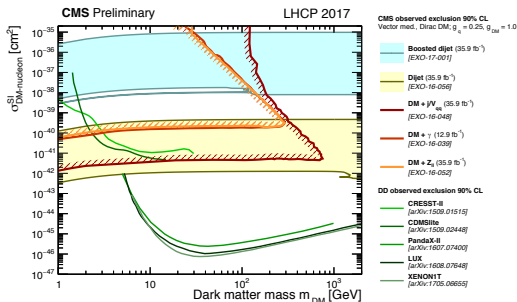
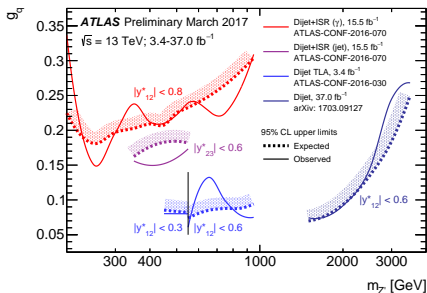
Going even lower in mass: dijets start to merge into one jet with substructure

- exploring masses between 50 and 300 GeV
- a challenge: simple bump-hunt does not work anymore (SM Z boson is in the range)
- use “fail” substructure variable sideband to estimate SM bkg shape and yield



Local (global) significance 2.9σ (2.2σ) at 115 GeV

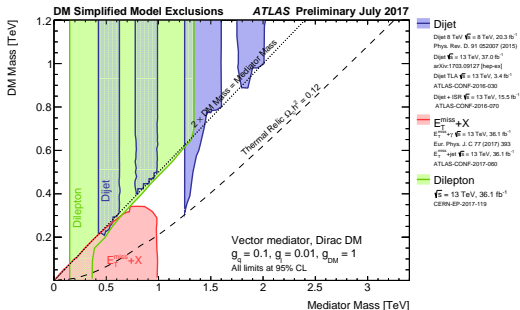
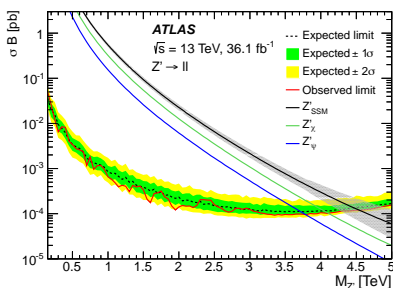
Remembering about other dimensions: g_q



- **TLA/data scouting** probes lower mass and similar coupling as traditional searches
- topologies with **ISR** suffer from reduced acceptance:
 - probed couplings/**equivalent cross sections** are lower

Adding leptons: Z' , dark photon

Assuming in addition mediator coupling to leptons $g_\ell = 0.01$:



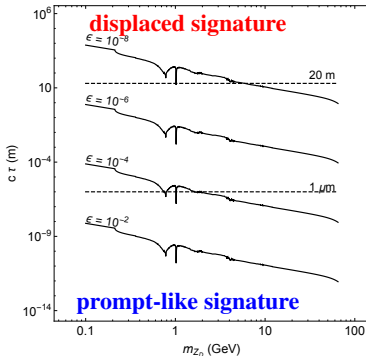
Mediator masses are probed from $m_{med} > 150 \text{ GeV}$

Is there a sensitivity to lower masses at the LHC?

Dark photon framework

Additional broken $U(1)_D$ gauge force in dark (hidden) sector:

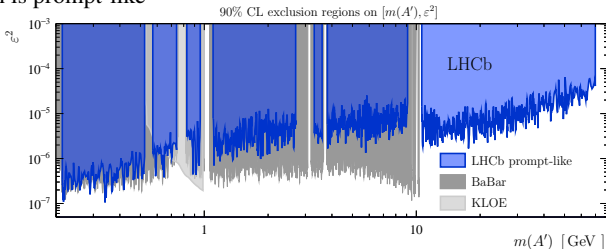
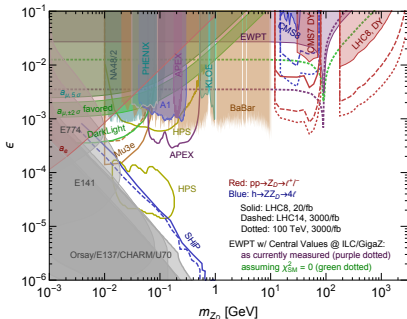
- creates a connection between the SM and possible dark sector
- kinetic mixing term ϵ induces mixing between dark photon Z_D and the SM photon and Z
- ϵ impacts Z and SM fermions coupling at $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$
- if the dark sector is heavy, dark photons decay to SM particles
- their width and lifetime depend on ϵ and m_{Z_D}



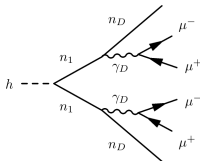
To cover all parameter-space becomes essential to add a new parameter: look for displaced vertices / decay products

Existing constraints on dark photons

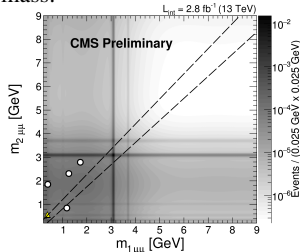
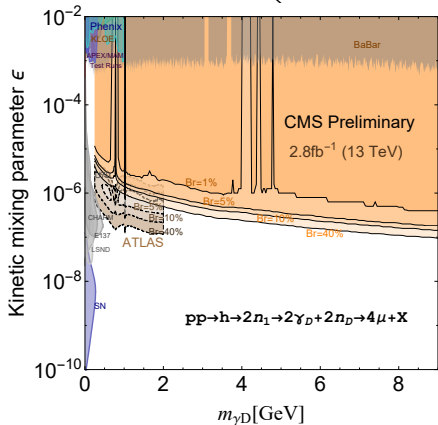
- for $m < 10$ GeV strongest limits come from BaBar
- for $m > 10$ GeV sensitivity comes from Drell-Yan diff. cross-section measurements and EW fit (Z mass and fermion couplings)
- a recent new result from LHCb for $10 < m < 70$ GeV for $\epsilon \sim 10^{-3}$
- no other direct searches at the LHC
- at the coupling $\epsilon \sim 10^{-3}$ the dark photon is prompt-like



Higgs portal: Z_D pair production

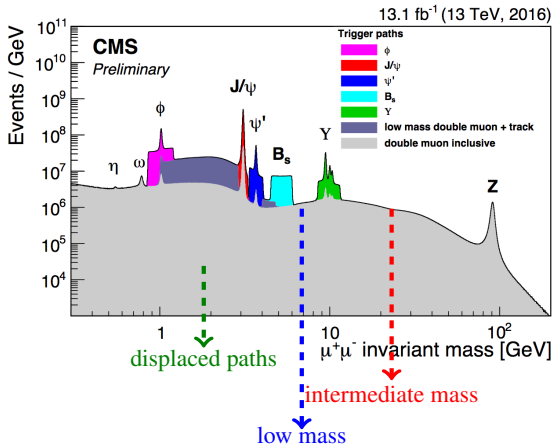


- search for a pair of displaced dimuons
 $0.2 < m_{Z_D} < 8.5$ GeV
- employ a dedicated trimuon trigger w/o a vertex constraint
- special offline muon reconstruction: does not require a pointing to a primary vertex
- allowed displacements are:
 - $L_{xy} < 9.8$ cm (3rd pixel barrel layer)
 - $L_z < 48.5$ cm (2nd pixel endcap disk)
- signal region is defined for dimuon pairs with close mass:



Towards single dark photon search

To overcome high data rate, use scouting techniques for dimuons as done for jets:



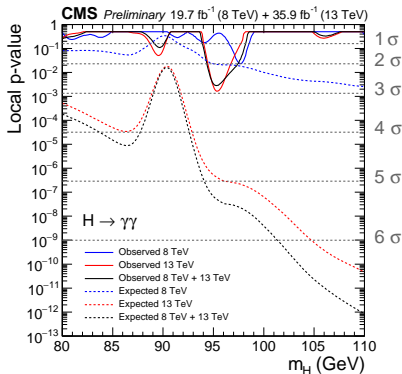
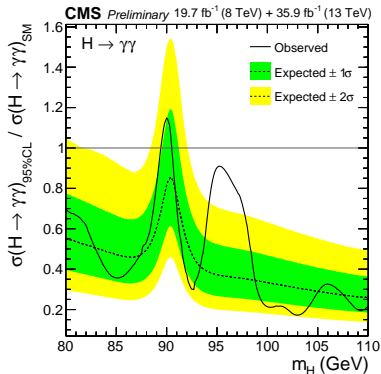
- existing triggers for dimuon ($p_T > 17/8$ GeV) and B-physics
- can provide coverage down to 200 MeV
- additional scouting paths with lower muon p_T thresholds are also employed
- will test feasibility towards higher volumes of data

$X \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: always can bring an excitement

X@750 GeV “closed” in August 2016

X@95 GeV released in August 2017:

- 8 TeV data (2σ @ 97.6 GeV) and 13 TeV (2.9σ @ 95.3 GeV)
- combined leads to a 2.8σ excess at 95.3 GeV



(no ATLAS result for Run 1 and Run 2 yet in this mass range)

Are we looking everywhere?

- most new physics searches are designed to be sensitive to deviation from the SM expectation in a broad phase-space
- in specific cases of extremely low cross sections the optimization is more targeted

To be open to any possibility - cannot stay too specific in new physics searches

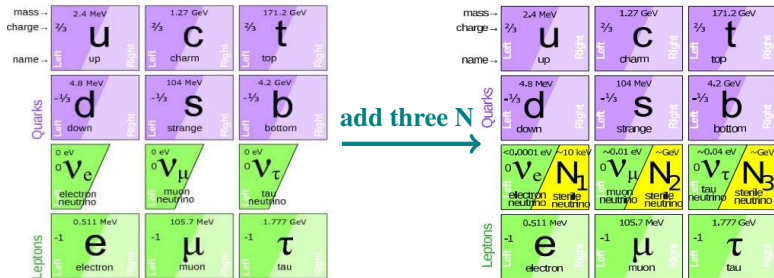
Choose which price to pay: **sensitivity** vs. **generality**



- can check performance of a general new physics search on a new model as an example

What's next? High volumes of data: rare processes

ν MSM - minimal extension of the SM which solves a range of questions:



1 neutrino masses

- via seesaw mechanism

2 matter-antimatter asymmetry

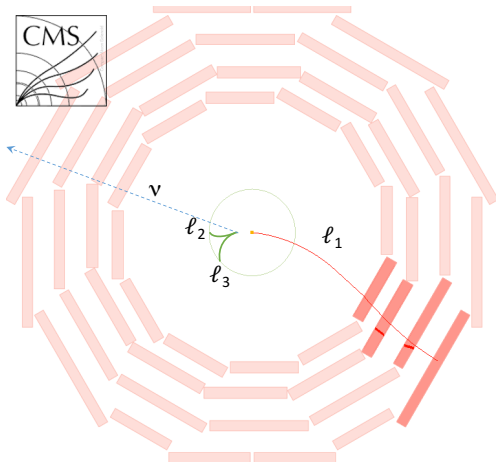
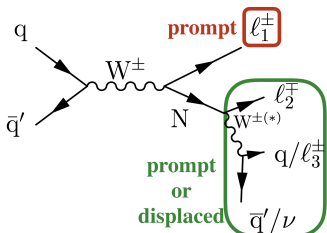
- degenerate N_2 and N_3 (mass from ~ 1 to $\sim 10^2$ GeV) could lead to dramatic increase of CP violation

3 lightest N_1 (a few keV) is a perfect **dark matter candidate**

- observable decay mode $N_1 \rightarrow \nu\gamma$
- search for mono-line in galactic photon spectrum, $E_\gamma = M_{N_1}/2$

Heavier N_2 and N_3 can be searched for at the LHC

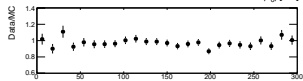
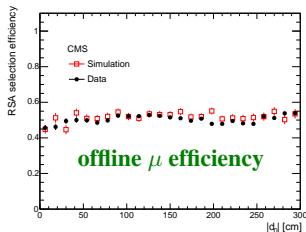
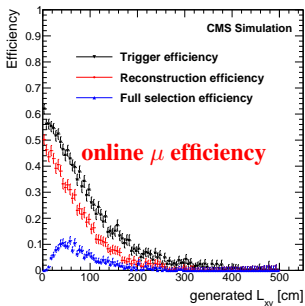
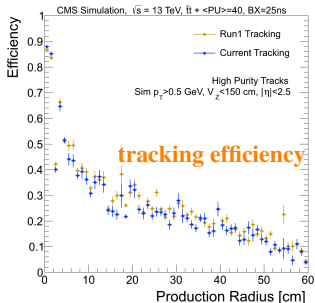
Heavy neutrinos at the LHC



- **N production:** in decays of W bosons
- **N decays:** $N \rightarrow W\ell$ or $N \rightarrow Z\nu$ or $N \rightarrow H\nu$
- **N lifetime:** from very small (**prompt** decays) to macroscopic distances from production vertex (**displaced** decays) as $\tau \propto |V_{\ell N}|^{-2} m^{-5}$

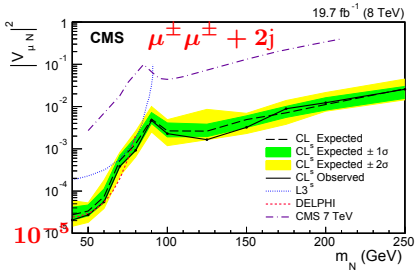
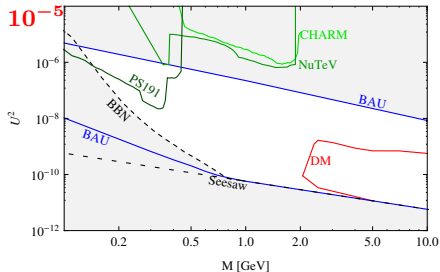
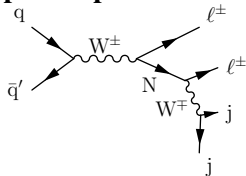
Advantage of some model-dependence

- **tracking efficiency** drops drastically at displacement of ~ 60 cm: to 10%
- using μ reconstructed with **muon chambers only** allows to extend search up to **3m**
- **online (trigger) efficiency** for such muons is poor after ~ 2 m
- if trigger on the prompt lepton in the event - profit from the stable high offline efficiency in all range!



Interesting phase space

- so far dedicated searches were done in prompt same-sign dileptons for high mass
- probed phase-space is far beyond the range of the preferred phase-space derived from BAU

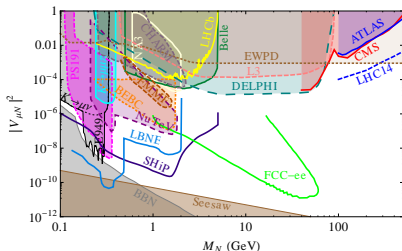


- from cosmology to create needed BAU:
 - $M_N < M_W$ [hep-ph/0505013]
 - or $M_N \sim \text{TeV}$ [hep-ph/0506107]

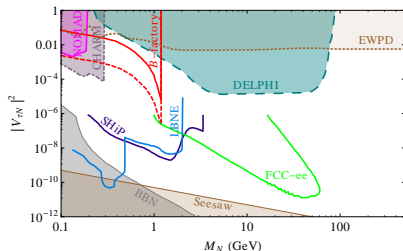
Expanding interesting phase space

- these dedicated searches just start to probe regions not excluded by the electroweak precision data (EWPD)
 - plot: filled areas - excluded; contours - projected experiments

coupling to muons



coupling to taus

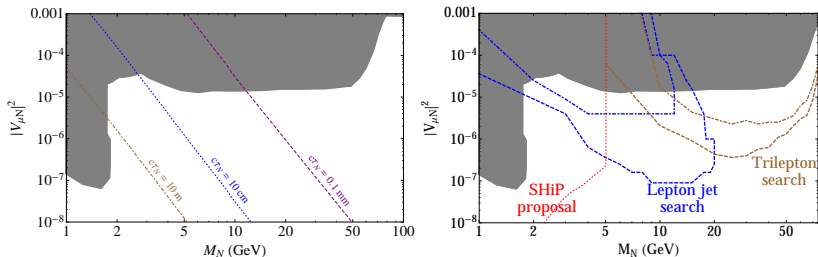


- not in these plots: existing new physics searches at the LHC which are already sensitive to a region of m_N 5-100 GeV with very low couplings

Phenomenological estimates

Reinterpretation of existing multilepton SUSY searches + guesstimates:

arXiv:1504.02470:



- 1 **trileptons**: recasted CMS SUSY multilepton analysis
- 2 **lepton-jet**: 2 displaced leptons sensitivity (background estimated from another topology)

Reach reported for the 20 fb^{-1} @ 8 TeV and for 300 fb^{-1} @ 13 TeV

With the dedicated search and larger dataset could probe interesting phase-space already now!

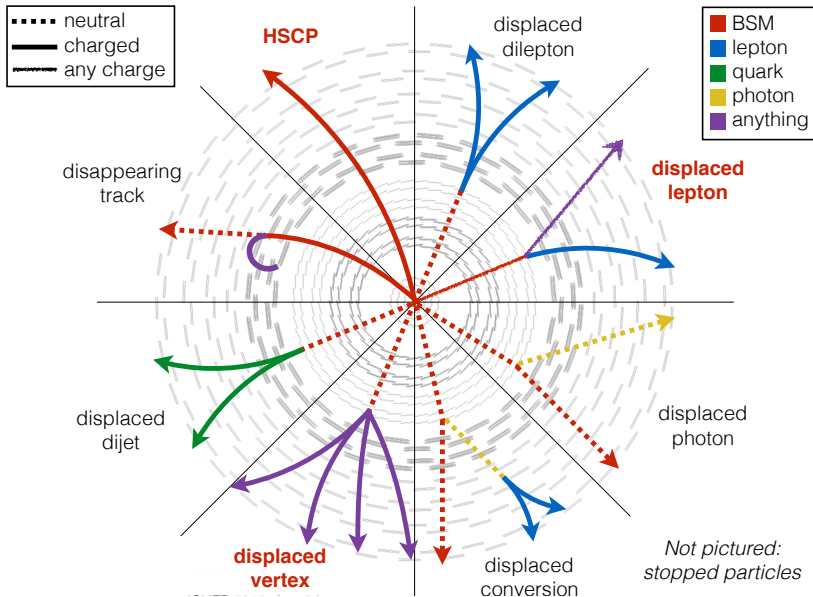
Conclusions

- with the available dataset sensitive to processes with very low rates
- using new data recording and analysis techniques open a window to new phase-space with low masses and low couplings
- existing searches are sensitive to other new physics scenarios:
 - including those which would **appear only in one signature**
 - and those which always **profit from larger dataset**
 - e.g. **dark matter particles with low couplings, hidden sector, sterile neutrinos with low mixing parameter...**

The LHC still gives an opportunity for a discovery!

Long-lived particle signatures in a detector

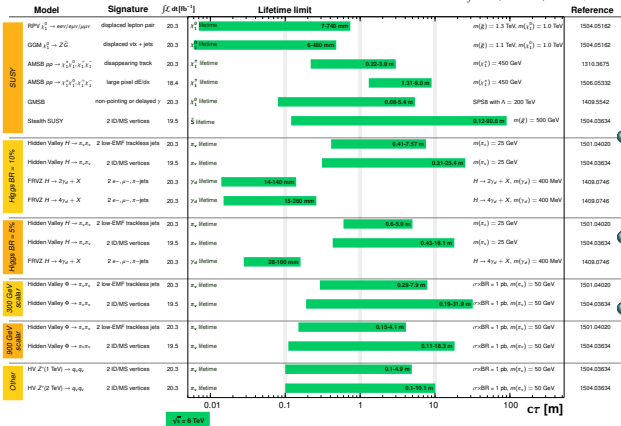
J. Antonelli



Long-lived particle searches: possible new physics scenarios

ATLAS Long-lived Particle Searches* - 95% CL Exclusion
Status: July 2015

ATLAS Preliminary
 $\int \mathcal{L} dt = (18.4 - 20.3) \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$



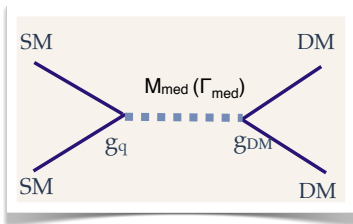
*Only a selection of the available lifetime limits on new states is shown.

- small mass-splittings: close in mass NLSP SUSY particle
- small couplings: RPV SUSY, heavy neutrinos
- hidden valley sector

Dark matter interpretations at the LHC

O. Buchmueller (summary of the LHC DM WG):

See e.g.
[arXiv:1407.8257](https://arxiv.org/abs/1407.8257)
[arXiv:1507.00966](https://arxiv.org/abs/1507.00966)
[arXiv:1603.04156](https://arxiv.org/abs/1603.04156)

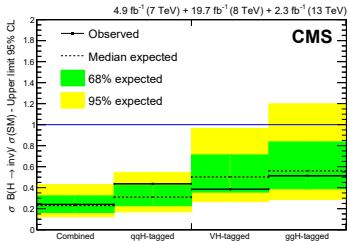
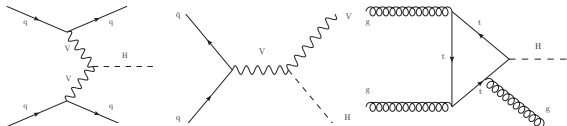


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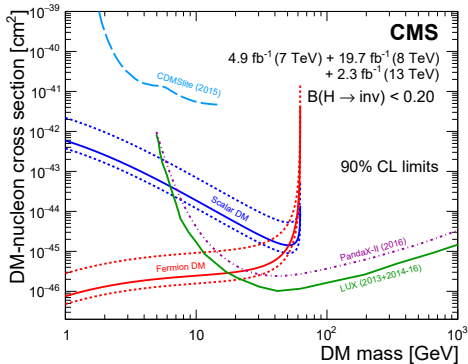
Define simplified model with (minimum) 4 parameters		DM		Consider comprehensive set of diagrams for mediator	
Mediator mass (M_{med})	DM mass (M_{DM})	Dirac fermion	Scalar - real	Vector	Axial-vector
g_q	g_{DM}	Majorana fermion	Scalar - complex	Scalar	Pseudoscalar

Higgs boson portal to new physics

- DM search in the invisible H decays $H \rightarrow \chi\chi$
- combine all H production modes



- $\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \text{inv}) < 0.24$ @ 95% CL
- SM ($H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\nu$) = 1.06×10^{-3}



- complementary constraints on low-mass DM

LFV Higgs boson decays

- look for the off-diagonal Yukawa $\mu\tau$ and $e\tau$ couplings
- analysis is complementary to $\tau \rightarrow 3\mu$ and other LFV processes searches
- upper limits are set at $\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \mu\tau) < 0.25\%$ and $\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow e\tau) < 0.61\%$

