

The leptoquark Hunter's guide: Pair production

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Leptoquarks occur in many new physics scenarios and could be the next big discovery at the LHC. I will discuss a model-independent search strategy covering all possible leptoquarks is possible and has not yet been fully exploited. To be systematic we organize the possible leptoquark final states according to a leptoquark matrix with entries corresponding to nine experimentally distinguishable leptoquark decays: any of {light-jet, b-jet, top} with any of {neutrino, e/μ , τ }. The 9 possibilities can be explored in a largely model-independent fashion with pair-production of leptoquarks at the LHC. I will review the status of experimental searches for the 9 components of the leptoquark matrix. Based on current limits, I will derive bounds on a complete set of Minimal Leptoquark models which span all possible flavor and gauge representations for scalar and vector leptoquarks.

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