



**Searches for long-lived
particles and other
unconventional signatures**

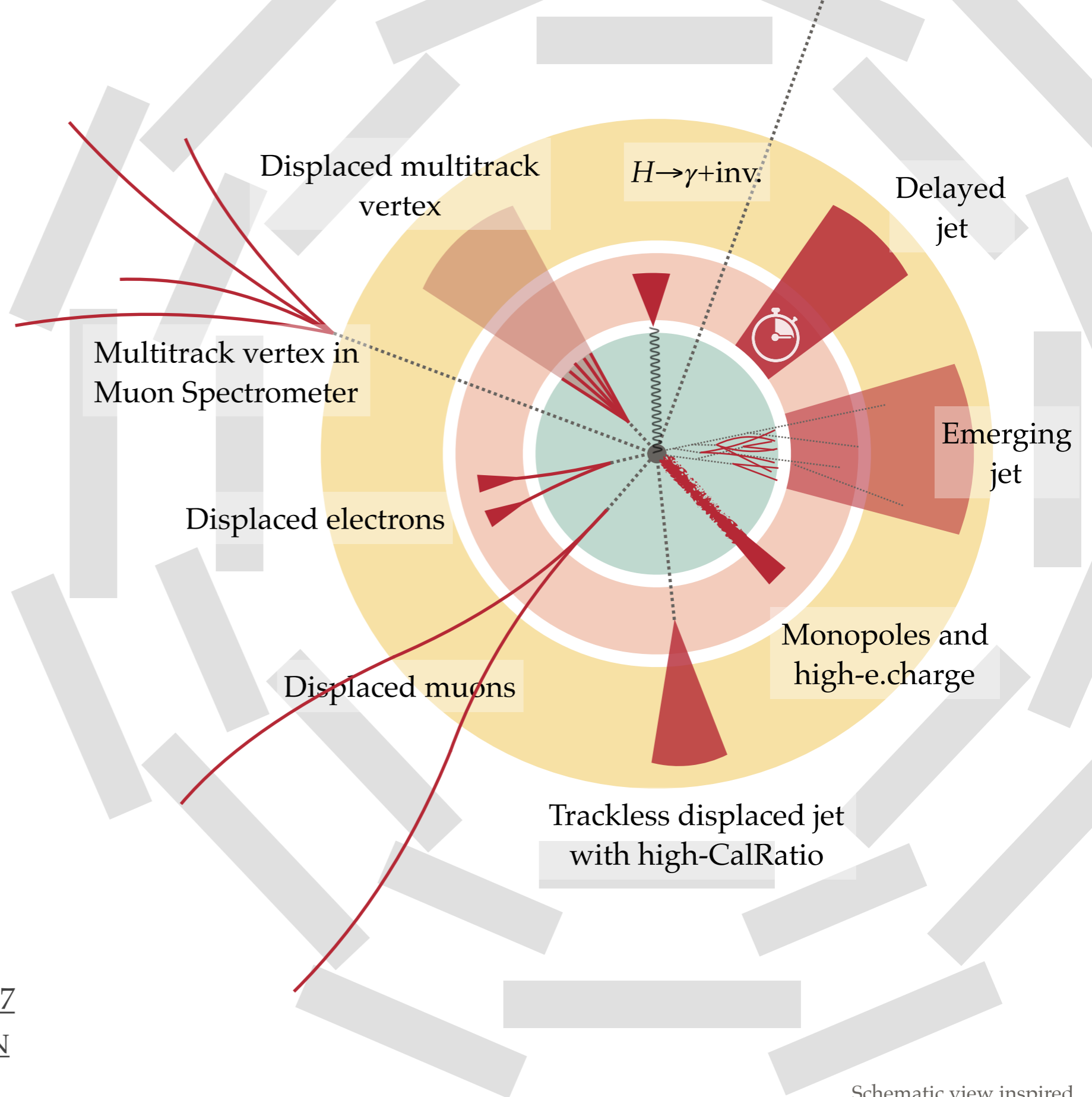
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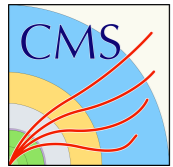
- We need physics Beyond the SM
- No shortage of models
- No precise guidance
- Shift to **signature-first model-second** mindset
- Make sure we do not miss NP at the LHC
- Map signature space
 - Long-lived particles
 - Other unconventional
- LLP@LHC community
 - White paper [arXiv:1903.04497](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.04497)
 - [5th workshop 27-29 May @CERN](#)



Schematic view inspired from [H.Russell's talk](#)

Displaced jets with tracks

◎ CMS search in tracker:



- Phys. Rev. D 99, 032011 (2019)
- 35.9 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV 2016 data
- One displaced dijet (or two displaced jets)
- $L_{xy} < 55$ cm

◎ ATLAS search in Muon Spectrometer

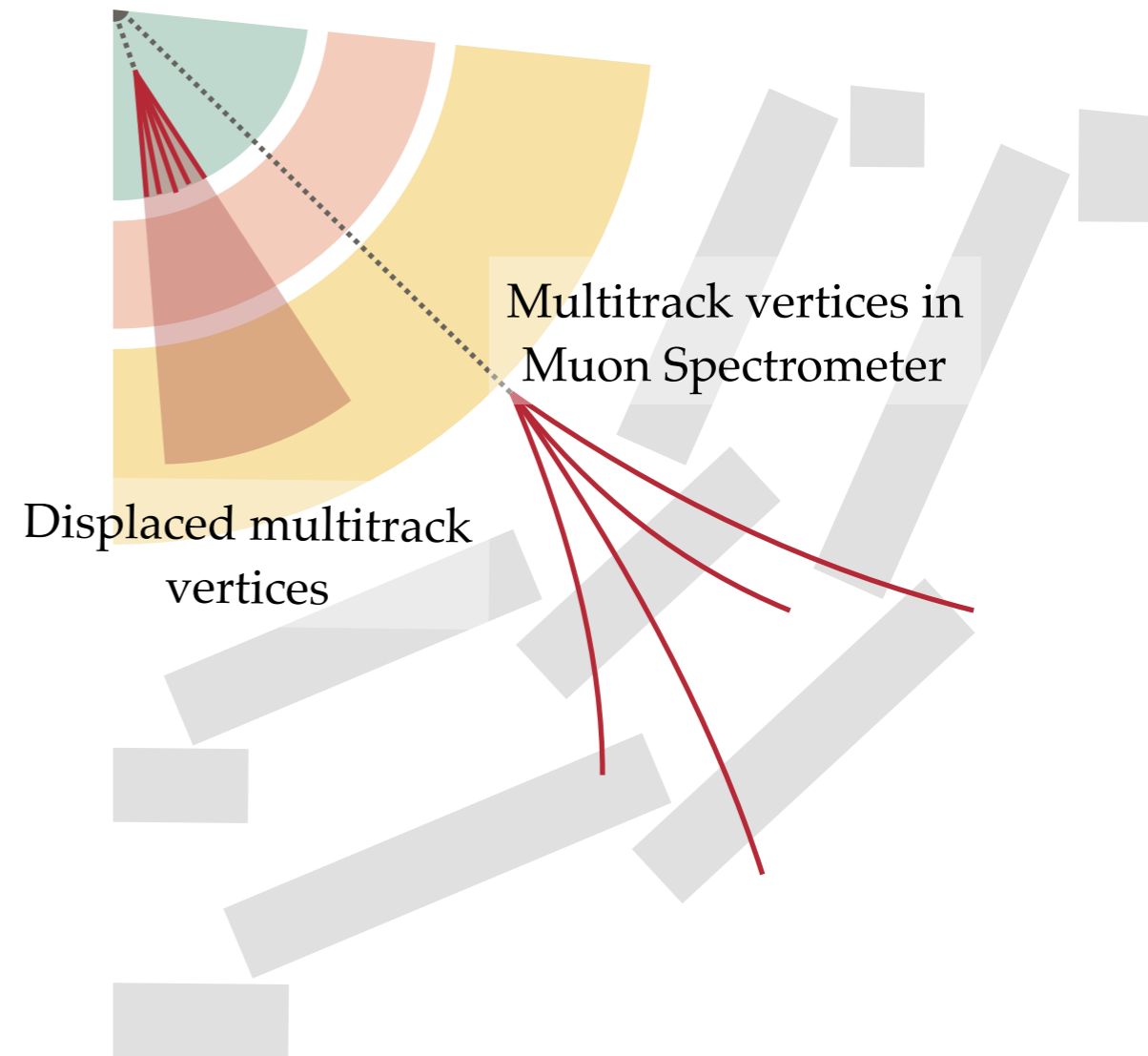


- Phys. Rev. D 99, 052005 (2019)
- 36.1 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV 2016 data
- 2 displ. vertices or one + additional activity
- Barrel: $4 < L_{xy} < 7$ m, Endcap: $6 < L_z < 13$ m

◎ LHCb search in VERtEX LOcator



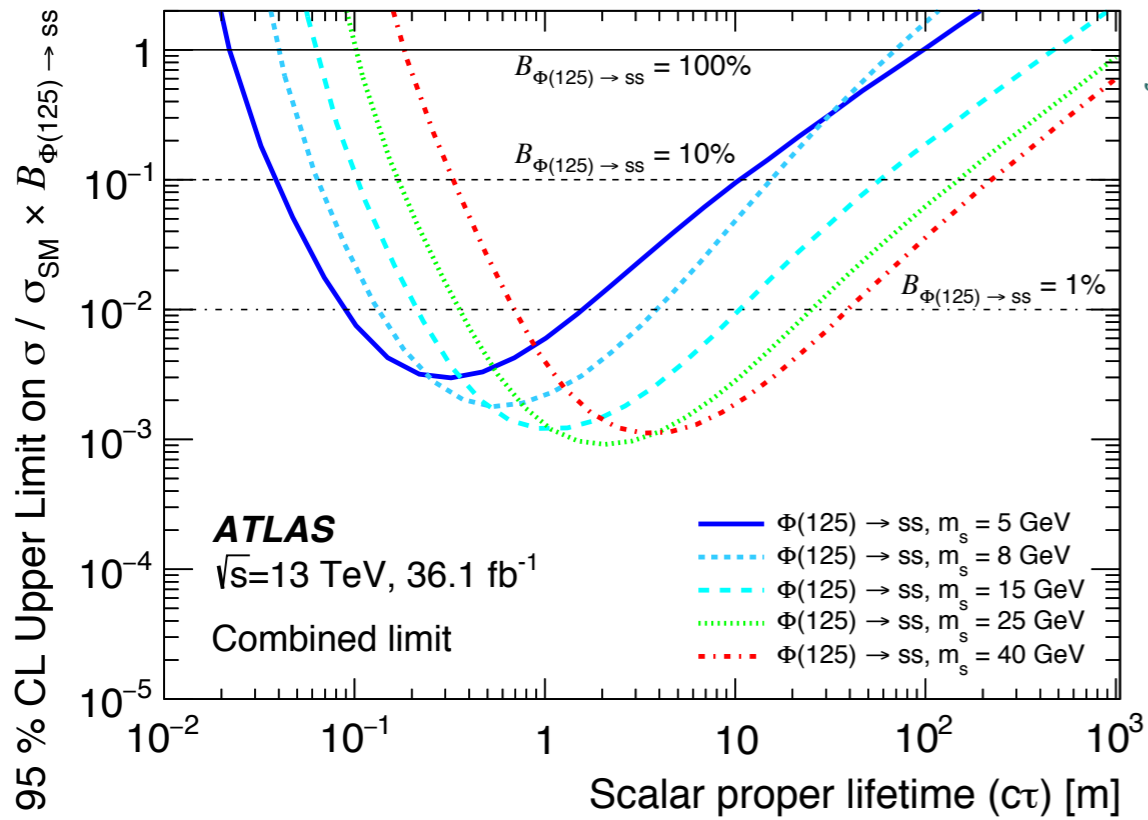
- Eur. Phys. J. C77 (2017) 812
- 2.0 fb⁻¹ of 7-8 TeV data
- One displaced dijet in Vertex Locator
- $L_z < 20$ cm (forward boosted)



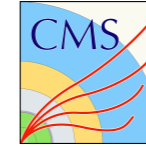
Displaced jets with tracks



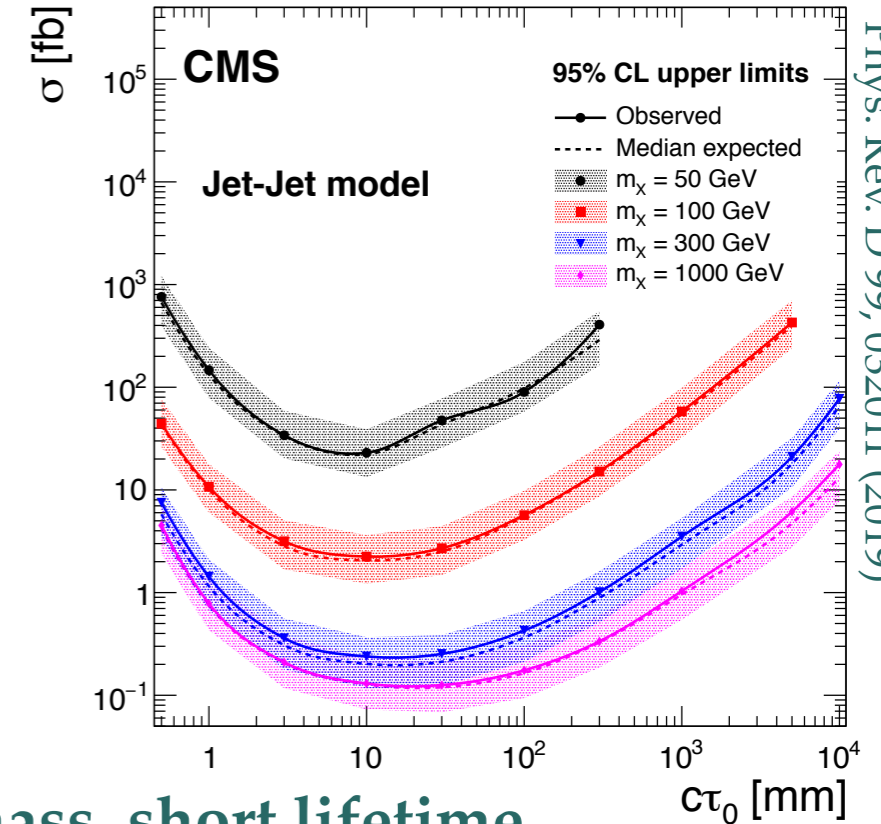
Low mass, long lifetime



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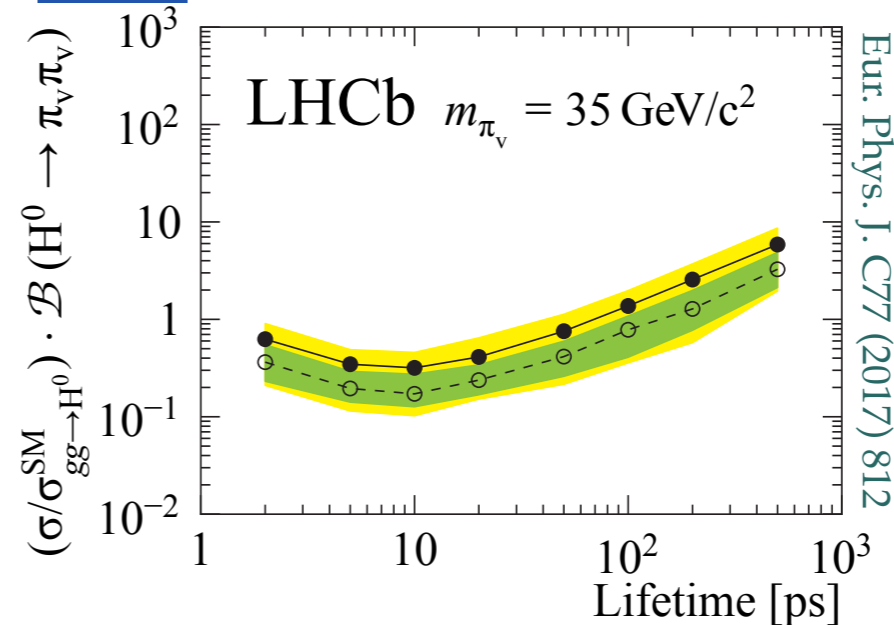
Large mass, short lifetime
35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



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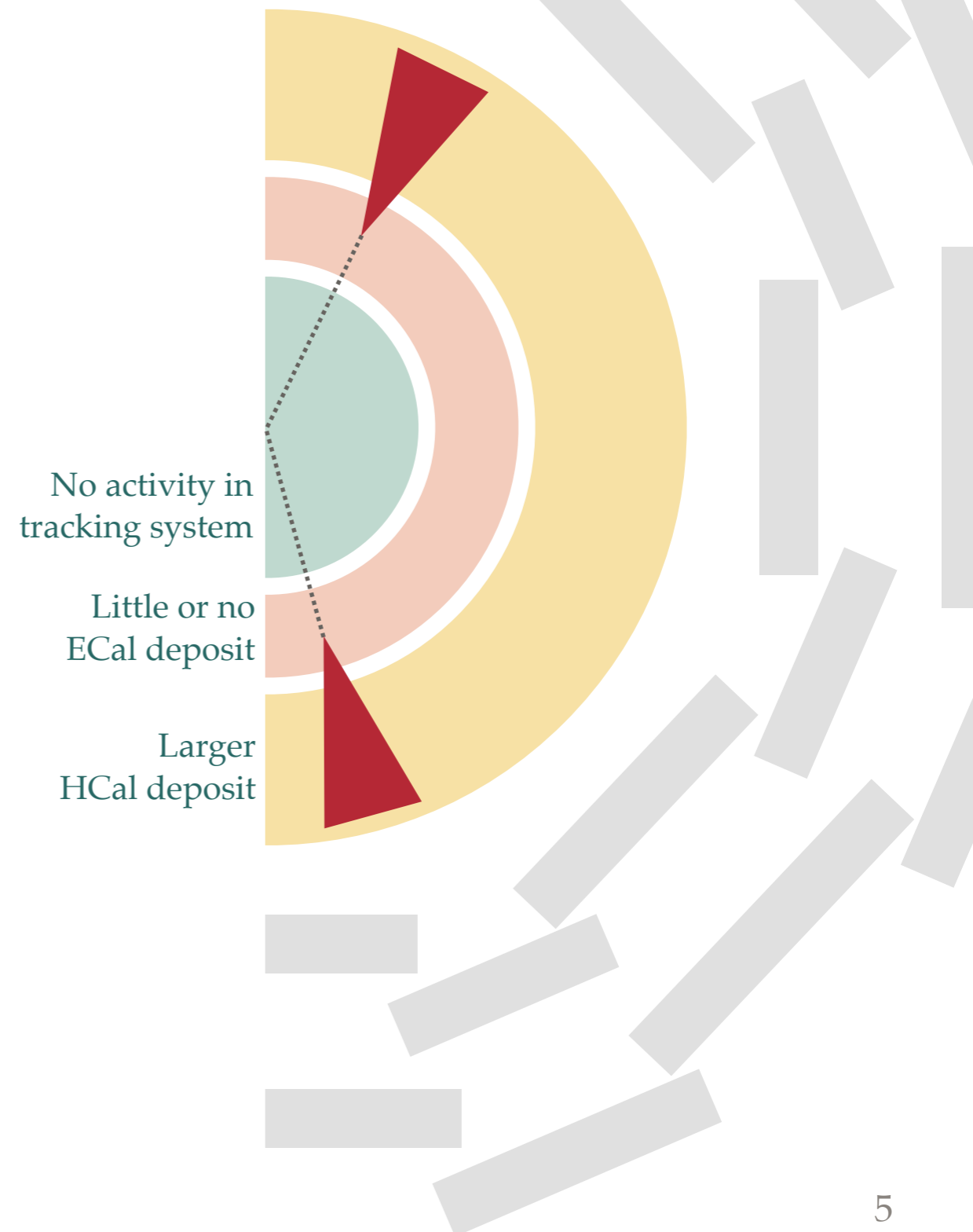


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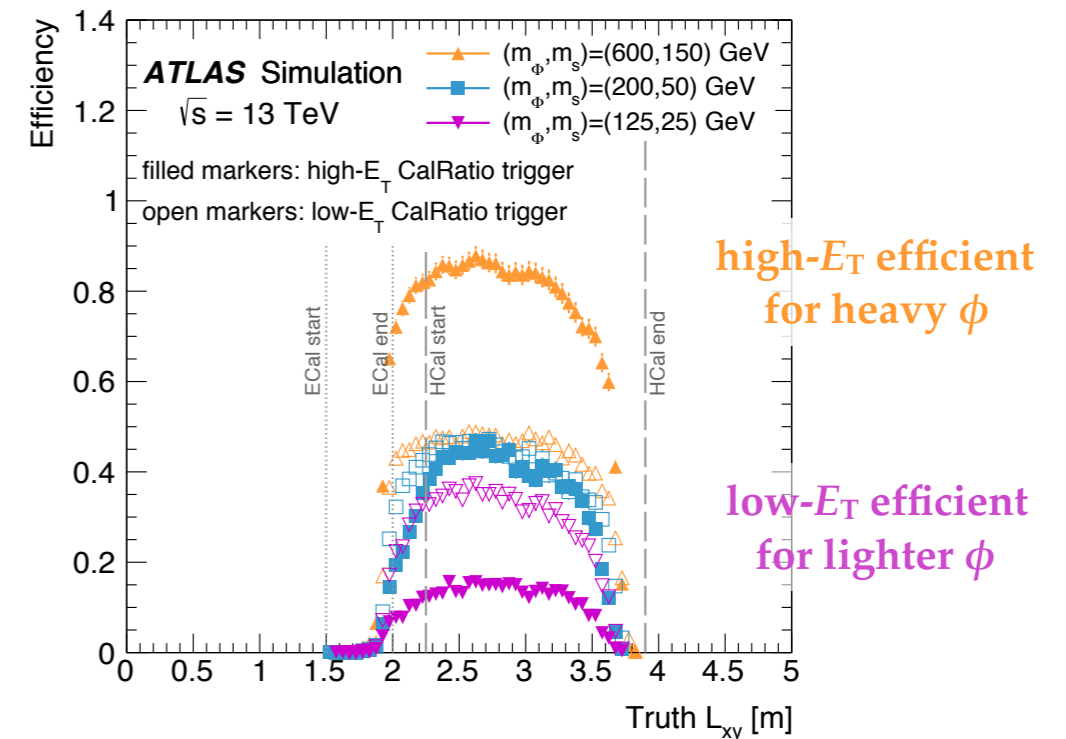
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- ◎ Signature:
 - Pair of displaced jets decaying in calorimeters
 - No associated tracks
 - Narrow jet with high $\text{CalRatio} = E_T(\text{Hcal}) / E_T(\text{ECal})$
- ◎ Dataset:
 - 33.0 fb⁻¹ of 13TeV 2016 data of which 10.8 fb⁻¹ with low-ET trigger
- ◎ Update of 8 TeV result [PLB 743 \(2015\) 15](#) with many improvements



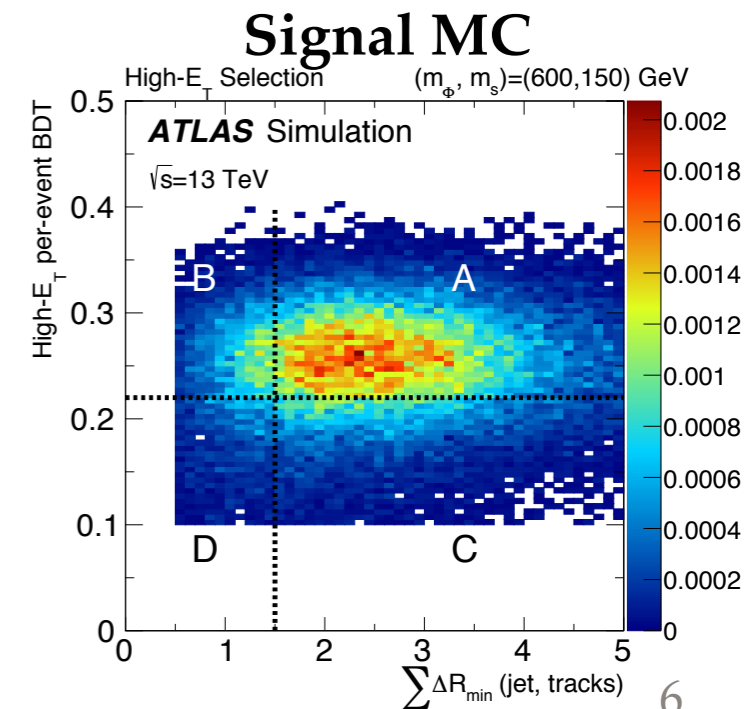
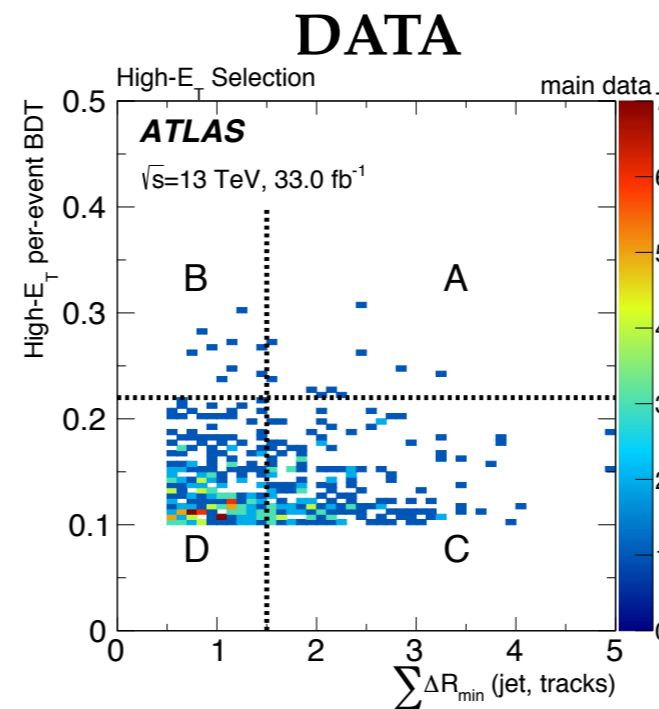
● Hardware triggers:

- **High- E_T jet** with $E_T(\text{HCal}+\text{ECal}) > 60$ GeV
- **Low- E_T jet** with $E_T(\text{HCal}) > 30$ GeV and corresponding $E_T(\text{ECal}) < 3$ GeV
→ Possible in upgraded L1 trigger (Sep 16)

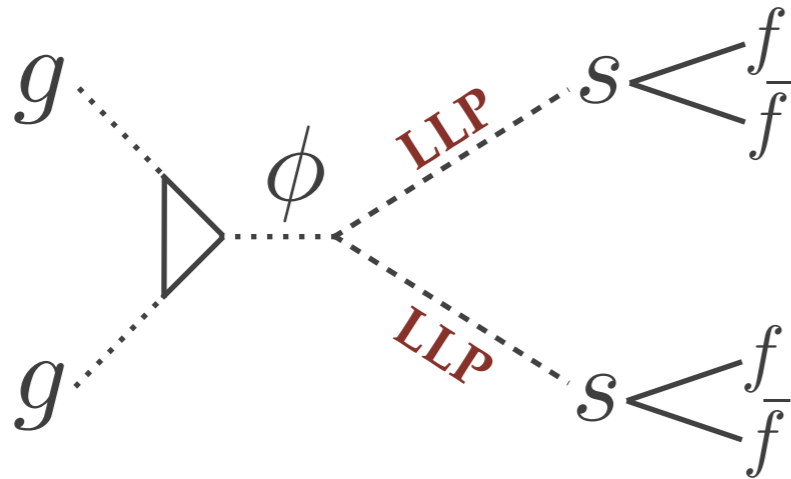


● Background:

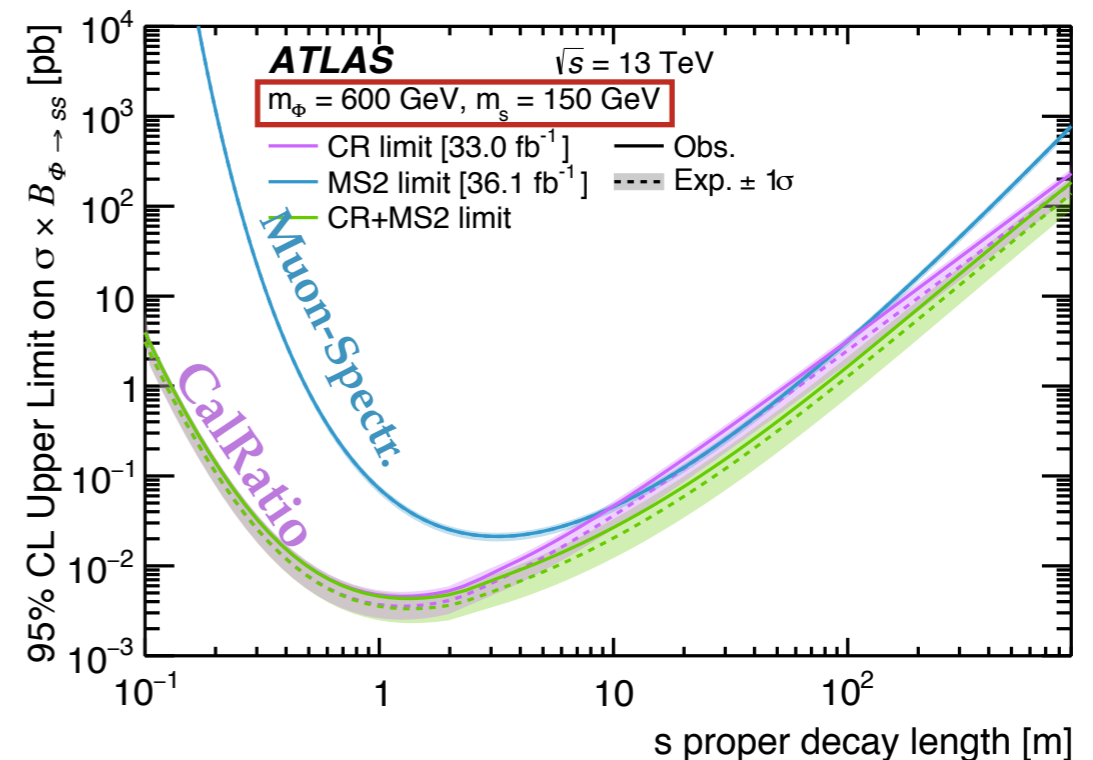
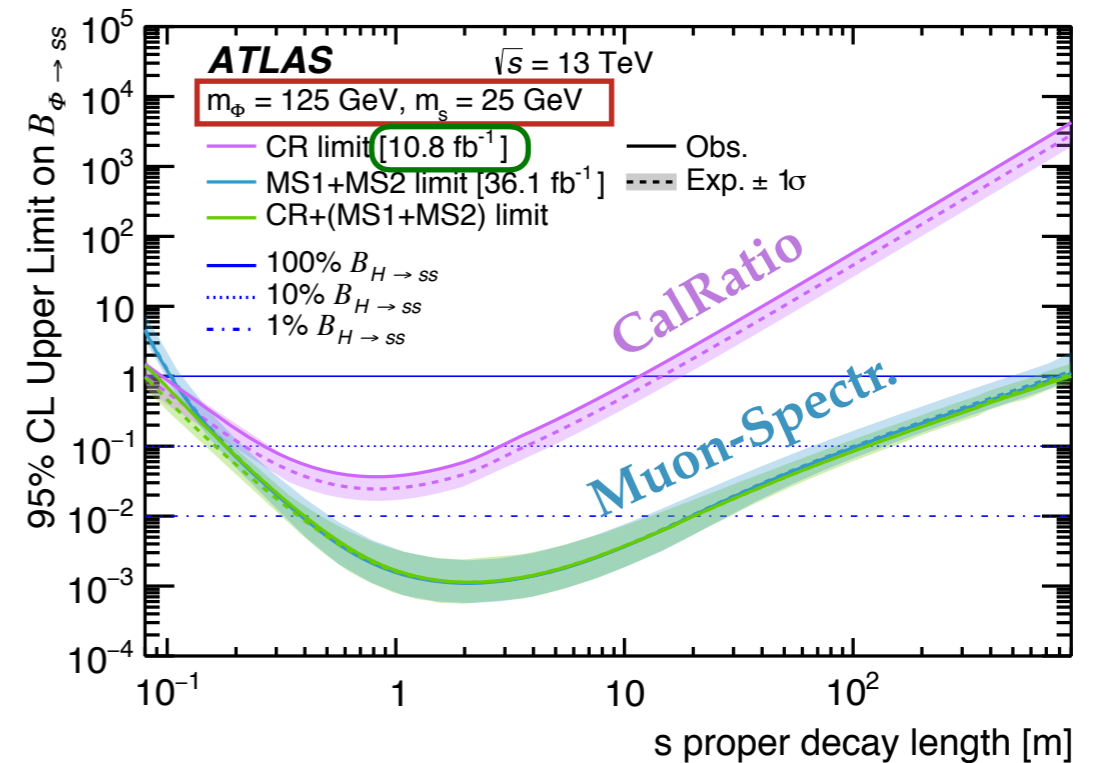
- Prompt multijet dominant
- Estimated with **ABCD method**
 - ▶ BDT for signal-vs-multijet
 - ▶ Proxy of trackless-ness

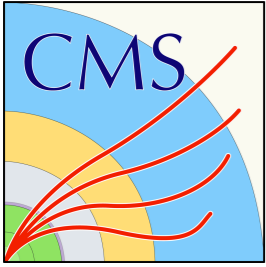


Trackless displaced jets



- Upper limits on $\phi \rightarrow ss$ models (Hidden Valley, Higgs portal)
 - $m_\phi \sim 125 - 1000$ GeV, $m_s \sim 5 - 400$ GeV
 - Improving MS search for lower $c\tau$
 - Good prospects for low- E_T trigger

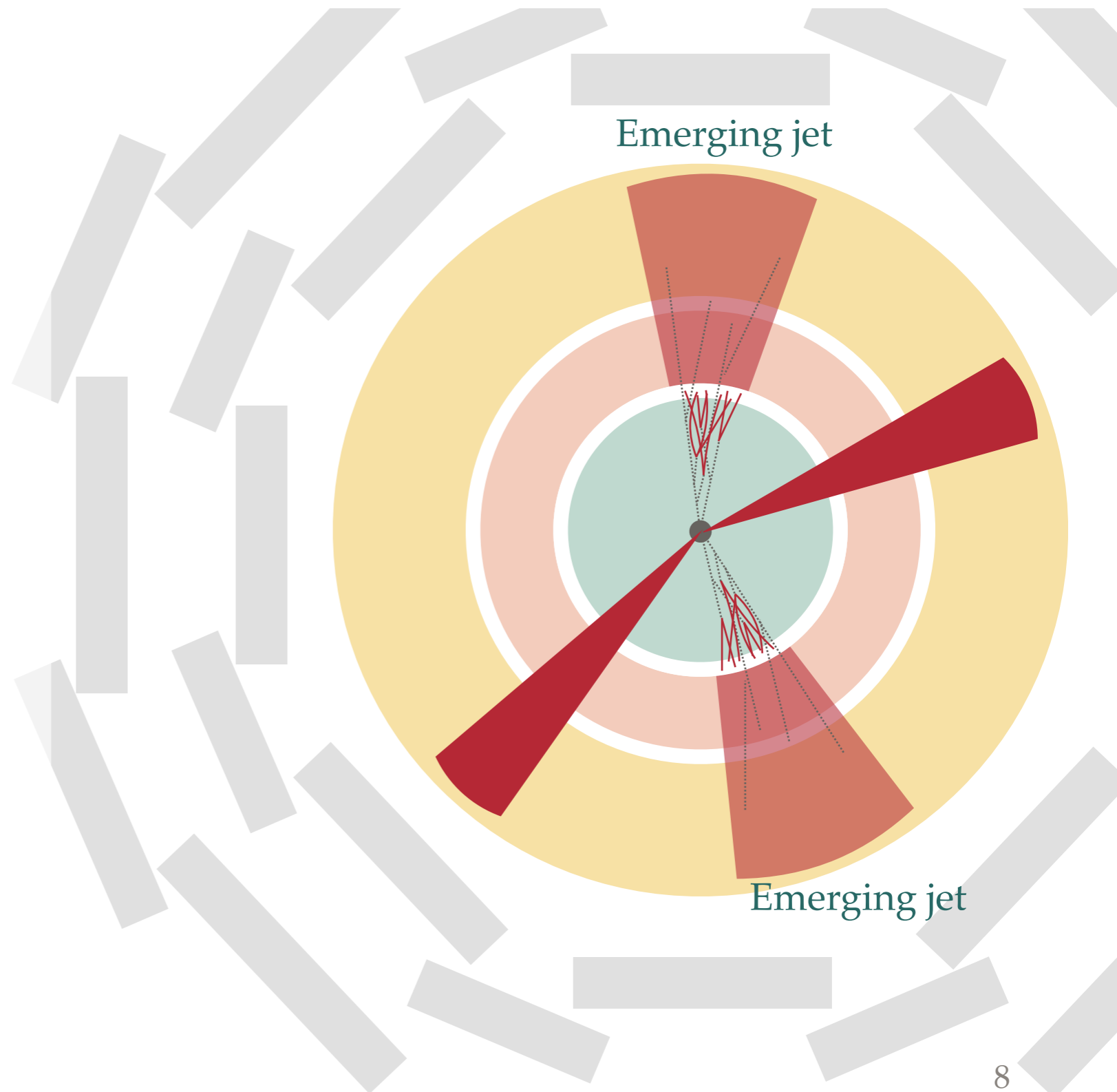


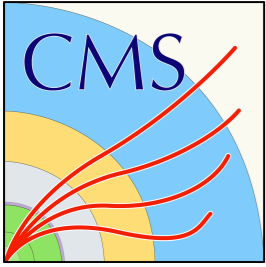


Jet + emerging jet

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- Signature:
 - 2 regular jets + 2 emerging jets (or 1 emerging jet + missing p_T)
 - Emerging jet = containing many displaced vertices
- Dataset:
 - 16.1 fb⁻¹ of 13TeV 2016 data
- First search of this kind





Jet + emerging jet

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Trigger:

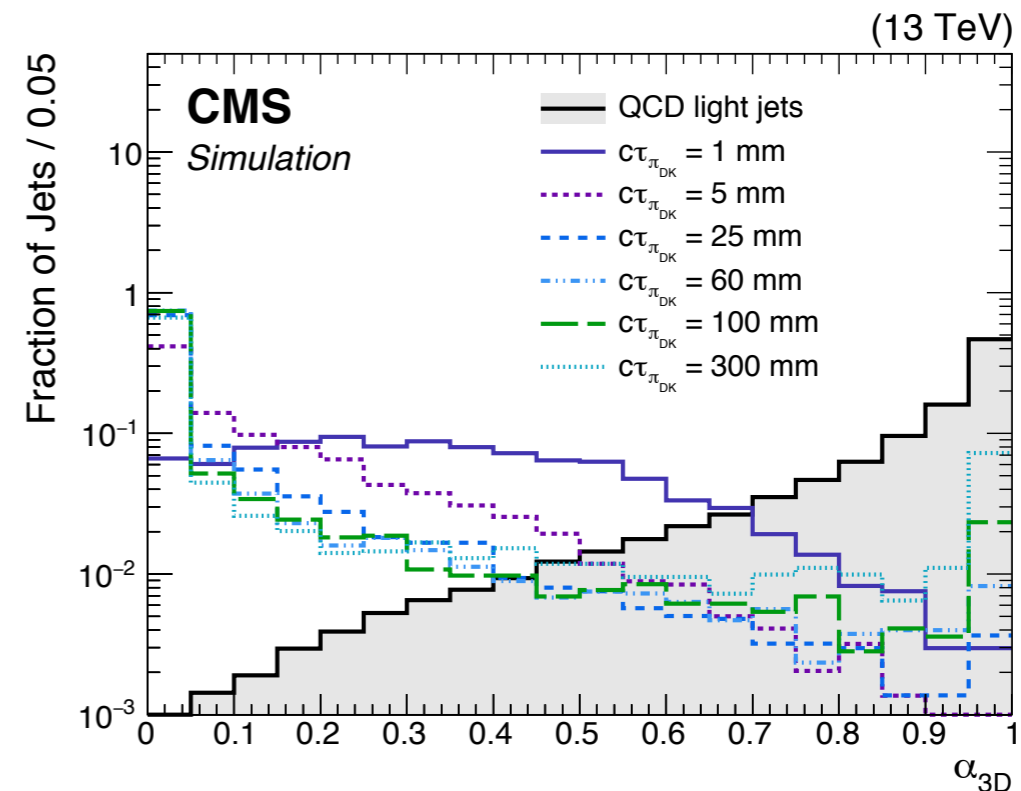
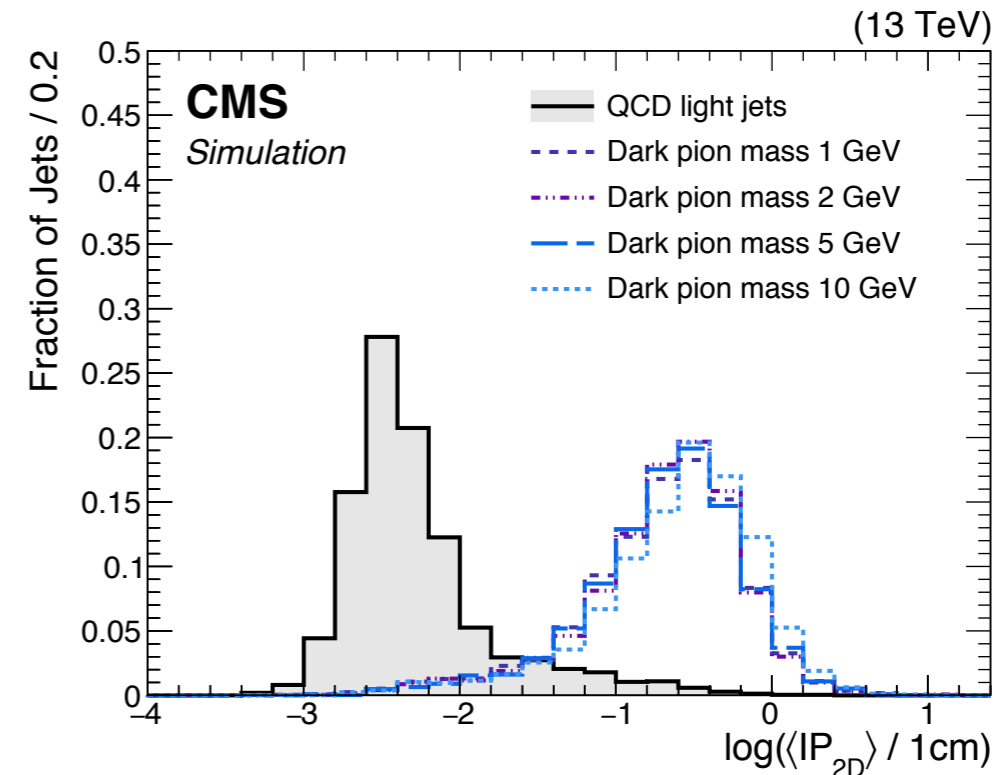
- $\sum p_T(\text{hadronic}) > 900 \text{ GeV}$

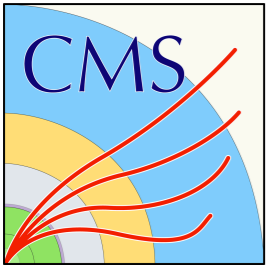
Selection:

- Displaced jets identification:
 - ▶ displaced tracks (large **median 2D IP**)
 - ▶ Small fraction of jet p_T associated with prompt tracks (α_{3D})

Background:

- Data driven with 4-jets events
- MisID probability of light jet as emerging jet modelled depending on parton flavour and jet multiplicity



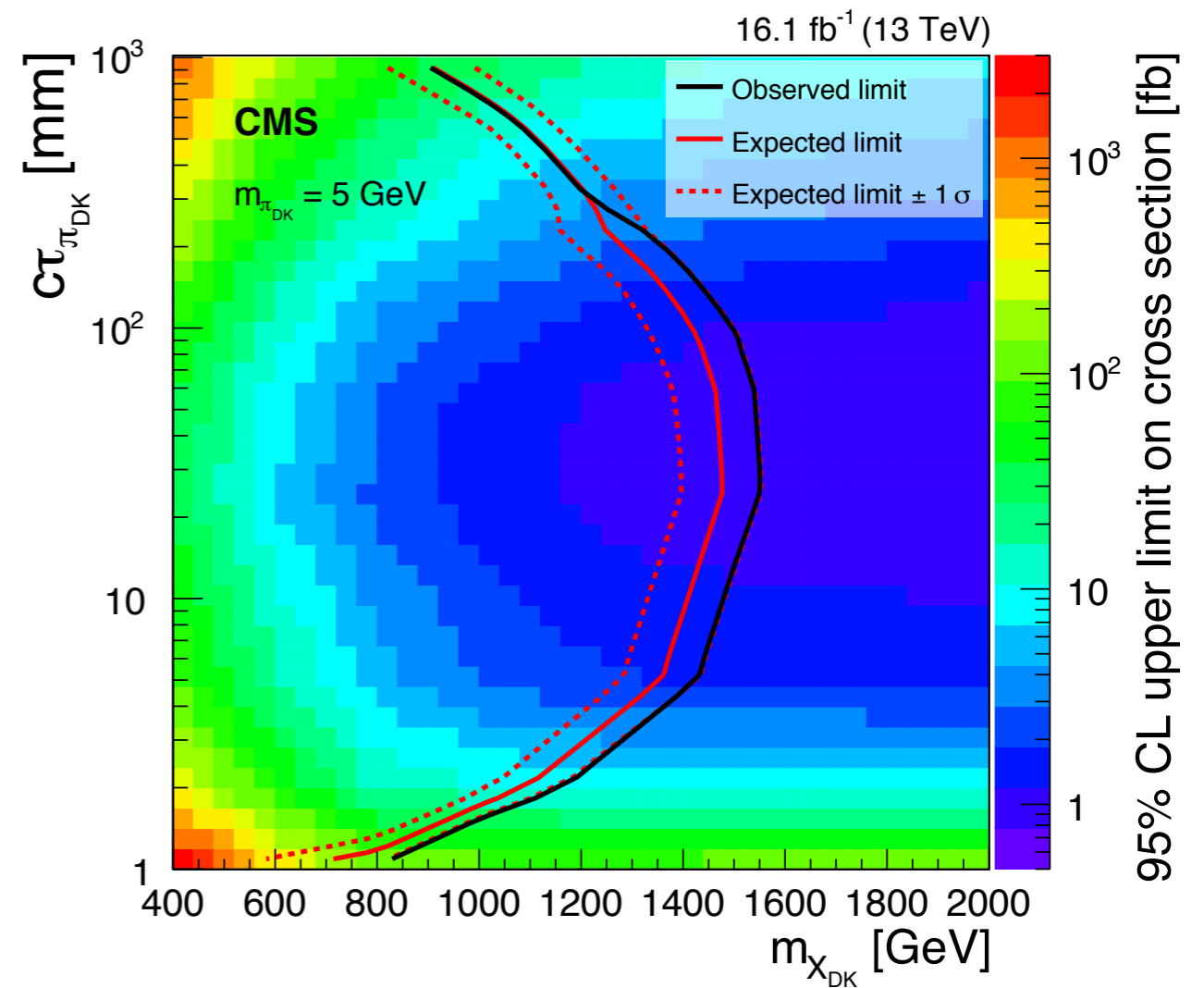
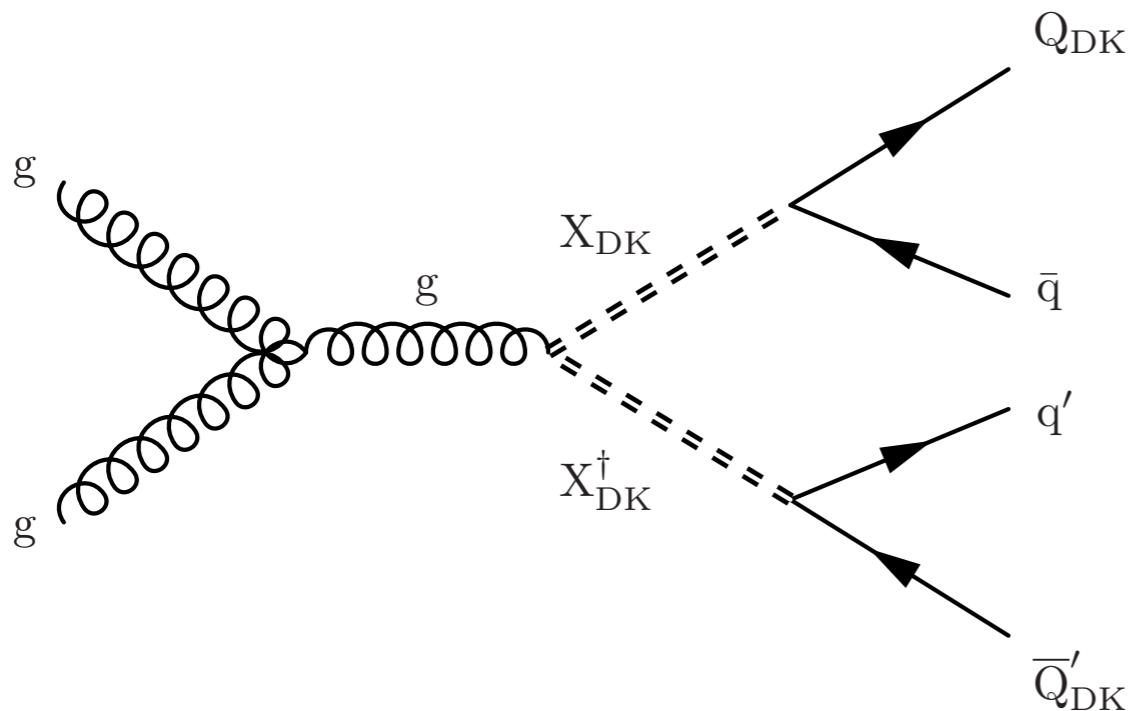


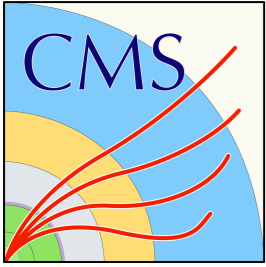
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- ◉ Dark QCD model
- ◉ Signal simulation discussed in P.Schwaller et al [JHEP05\(2015\)059](#)
- ◉ Pair produced heavy mediator X_{DK} (complex scalar)
- ◉ Dark quarks Q_{DK} shower in dark pions (emerging jet)

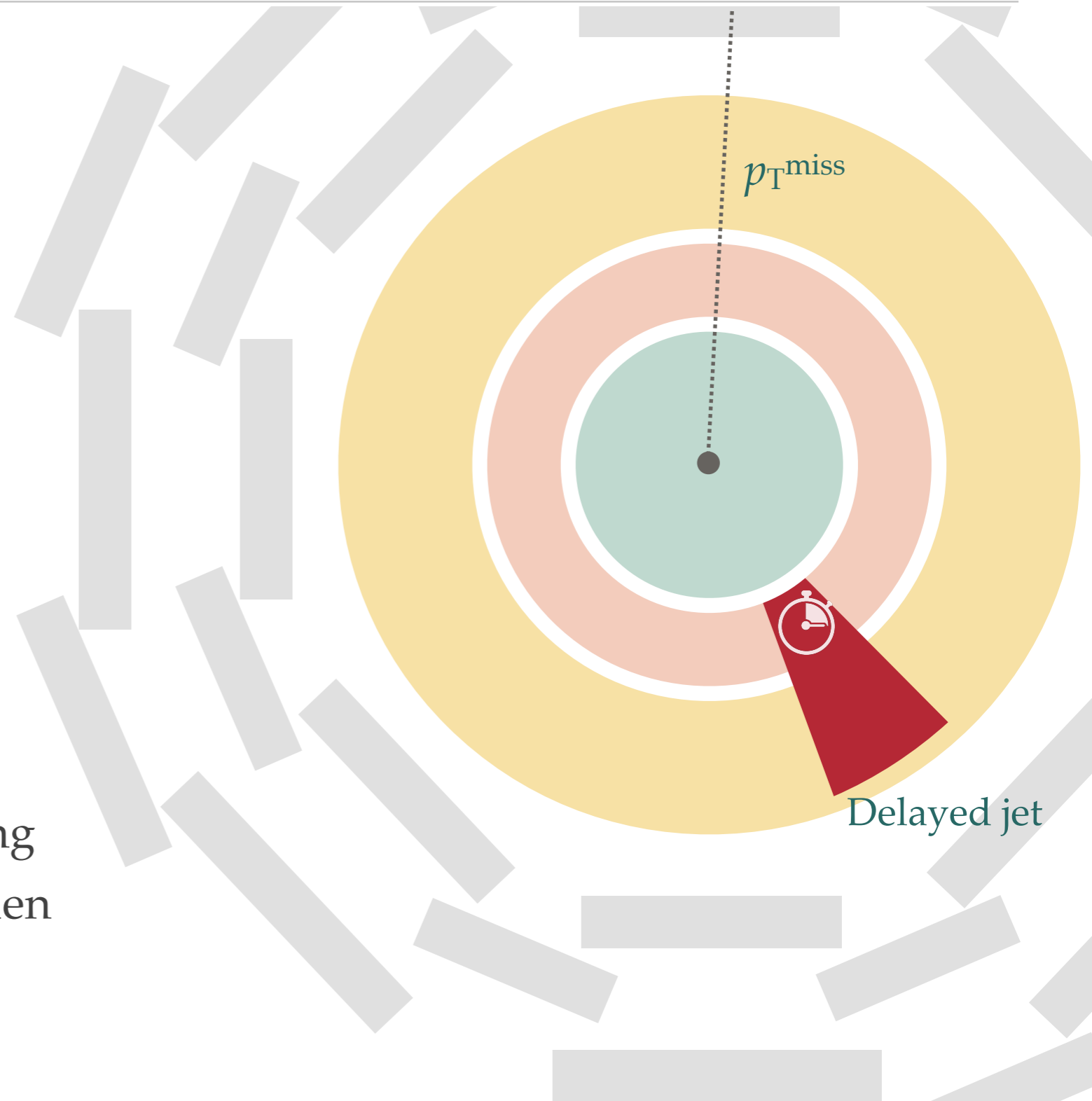


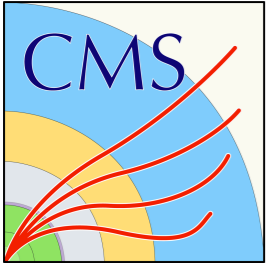


Delayed jet + MET

CMS-PAS-EXO-19-001

- Signature:
 - Missing p_T
 - One delayed jet** ($t_{\text{ECal}} > 3 \text{ ns}$)
- Dataset:
 - Full Run-2:** 137 fb⁻¹ at 13TeV
- Motivation:
 - Gauge-mediated SUSY breaking
 - Split SUSY, stealth SUSY, Hidden Valley, ...

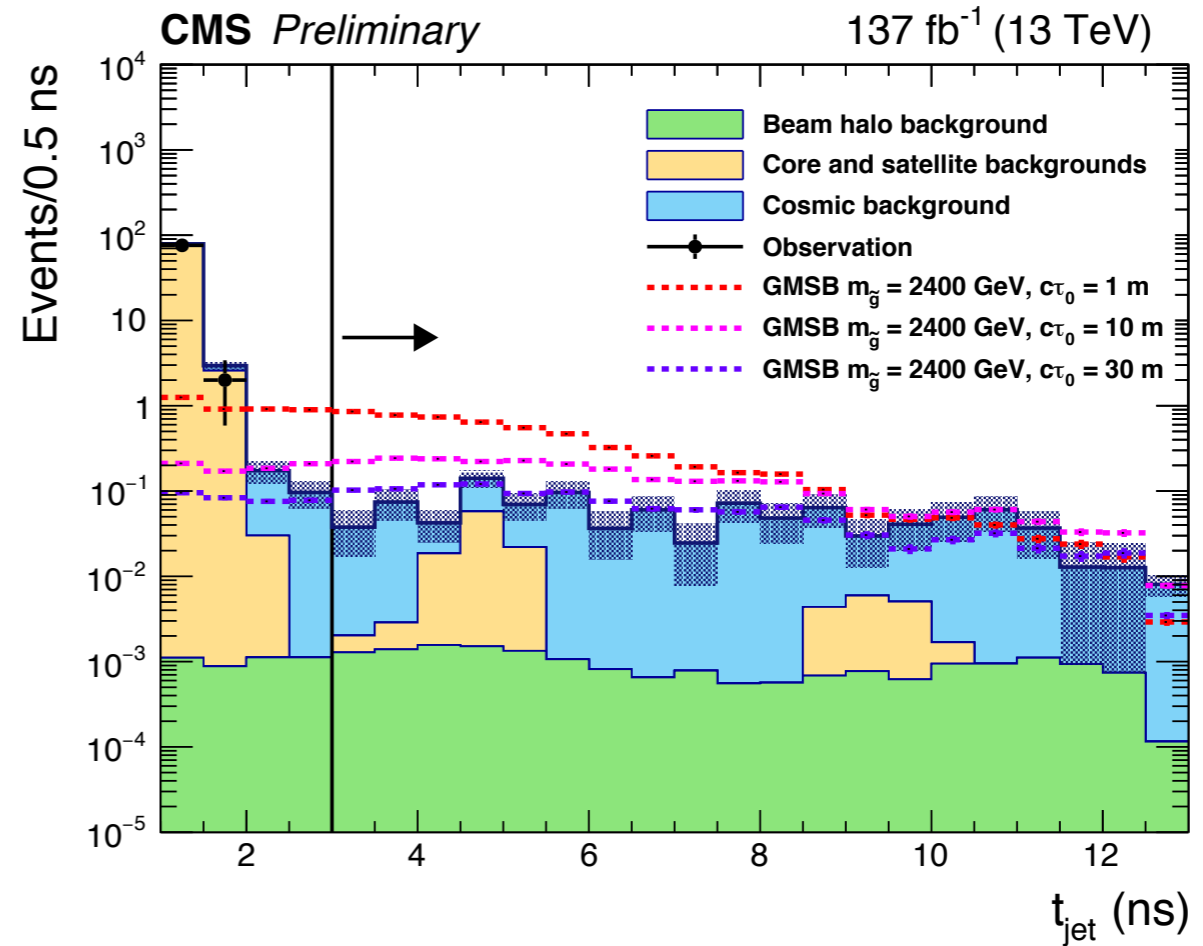




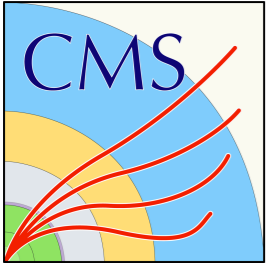
Delayed jet + MET

CMS-PAS-EXO-19-001

- Trigger:
 - $p_T^{\text{miss}} > 120 \text{ GeV}$
- Selection:
 - Jet in barrel ECal
→ better t resolution = 0.2 ns
 - Small jet time RMS
 - $3 \text{ ns} < t_{\text{jet}} < 20 \text{ ns}$
- Background:
 - Estimated with data using various control regions



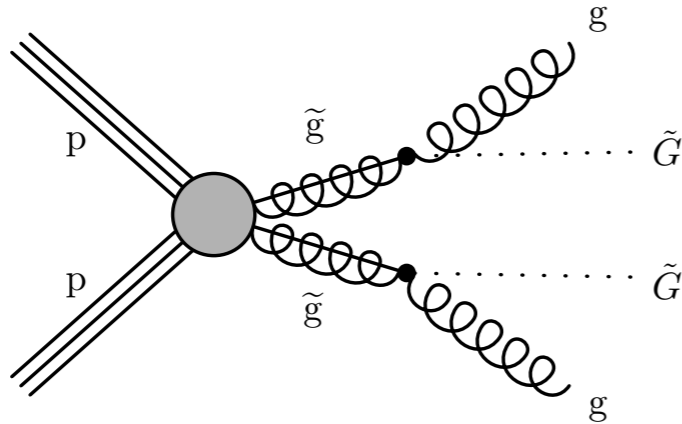
Background	Prediction
Beam halo	$0.02^{+0.06}_{-0.02} \text{ (stat)} \ ^{+0.05}_{-0.01} \text{ (syst)}$
Core and satellite bunches	$0.11^{+0.09}_{-0.05} \text{ (stat)} \ ^{+0.02}_{-0.02} \text{ (syst)}$
Cosmics	$1.0^{+1.8}_{-1.0} \text{ (stat)} \ ^{+1.8}_{-1.0} \text{ (syst)}$



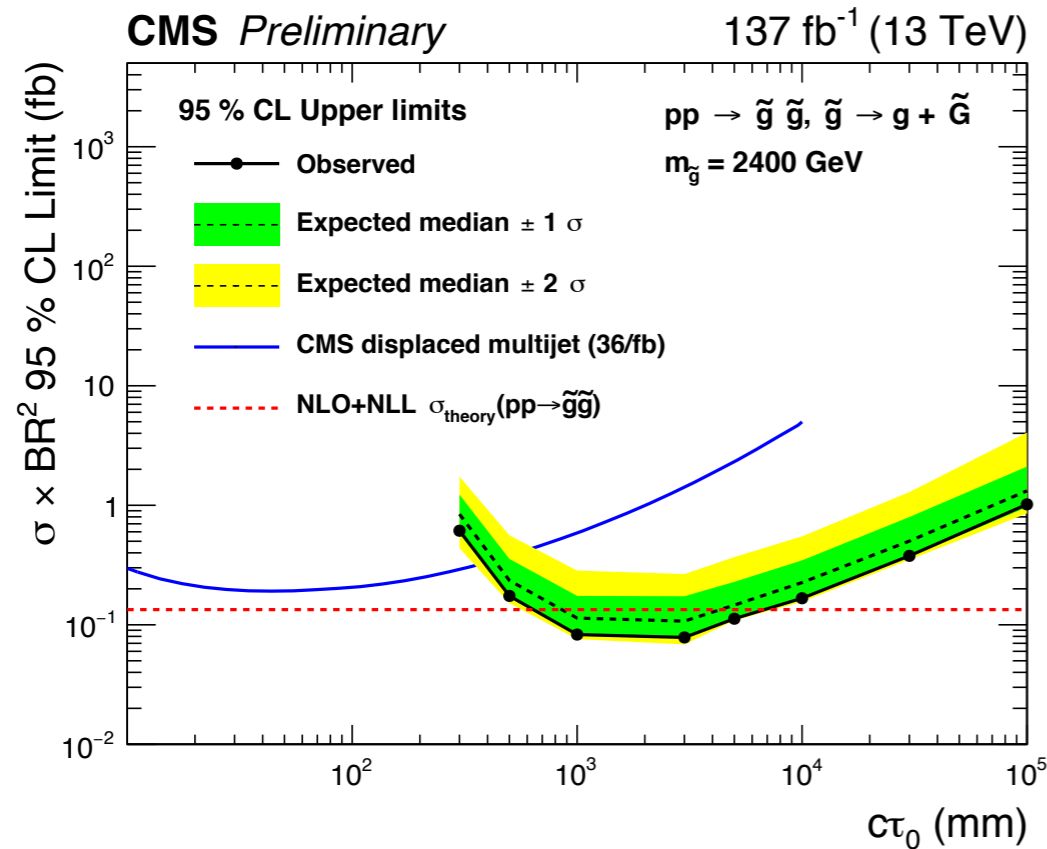
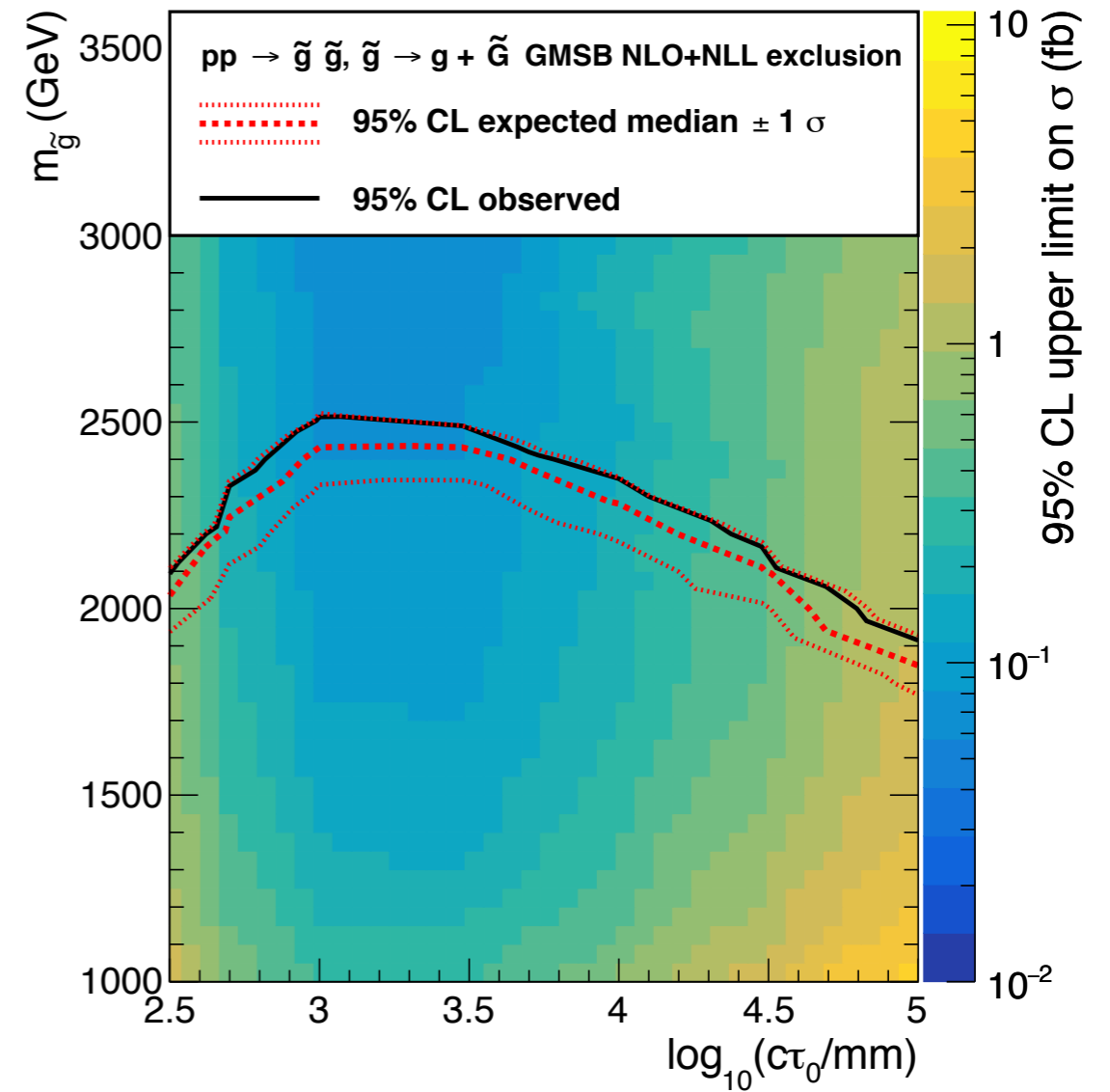
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CMS-PAS-EXO-19-001

Results interpreted in gluino GMSB:



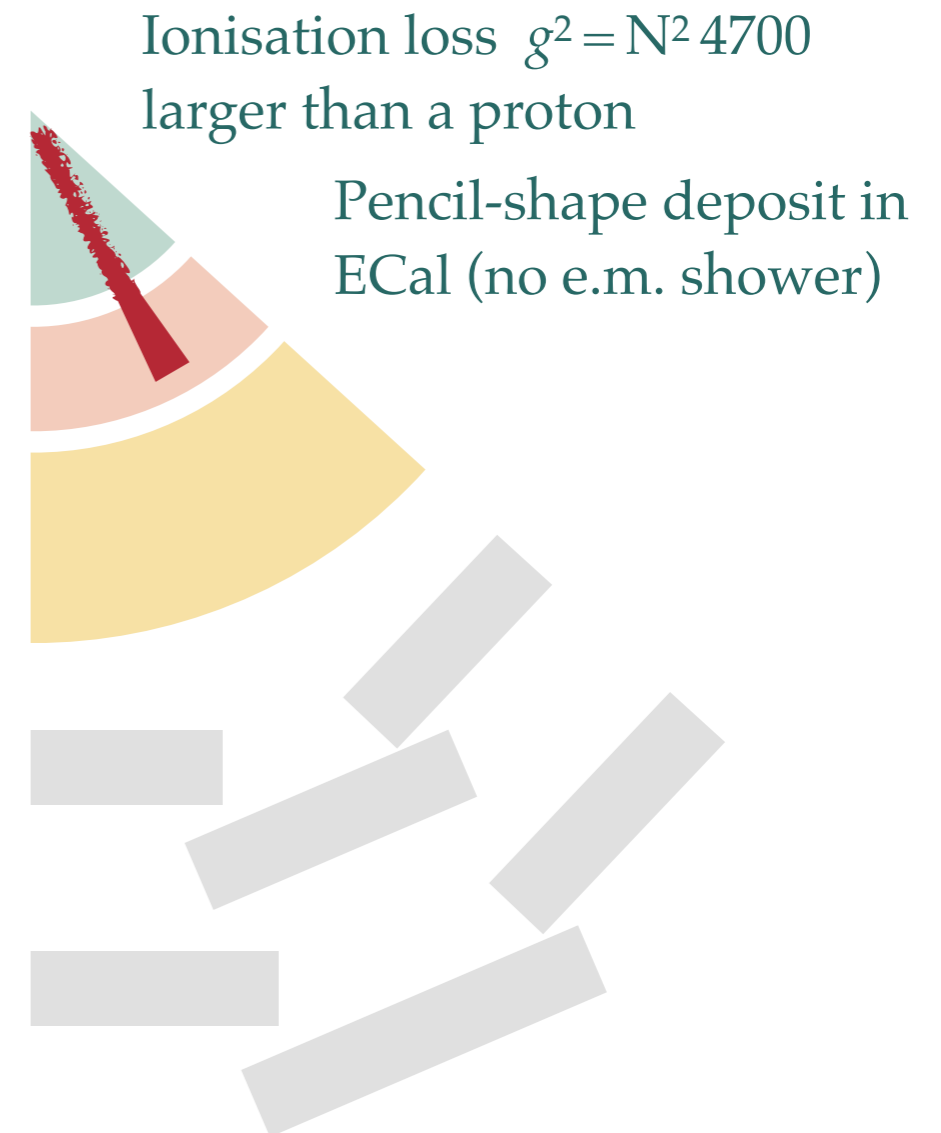
CMS Preliminary 137 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



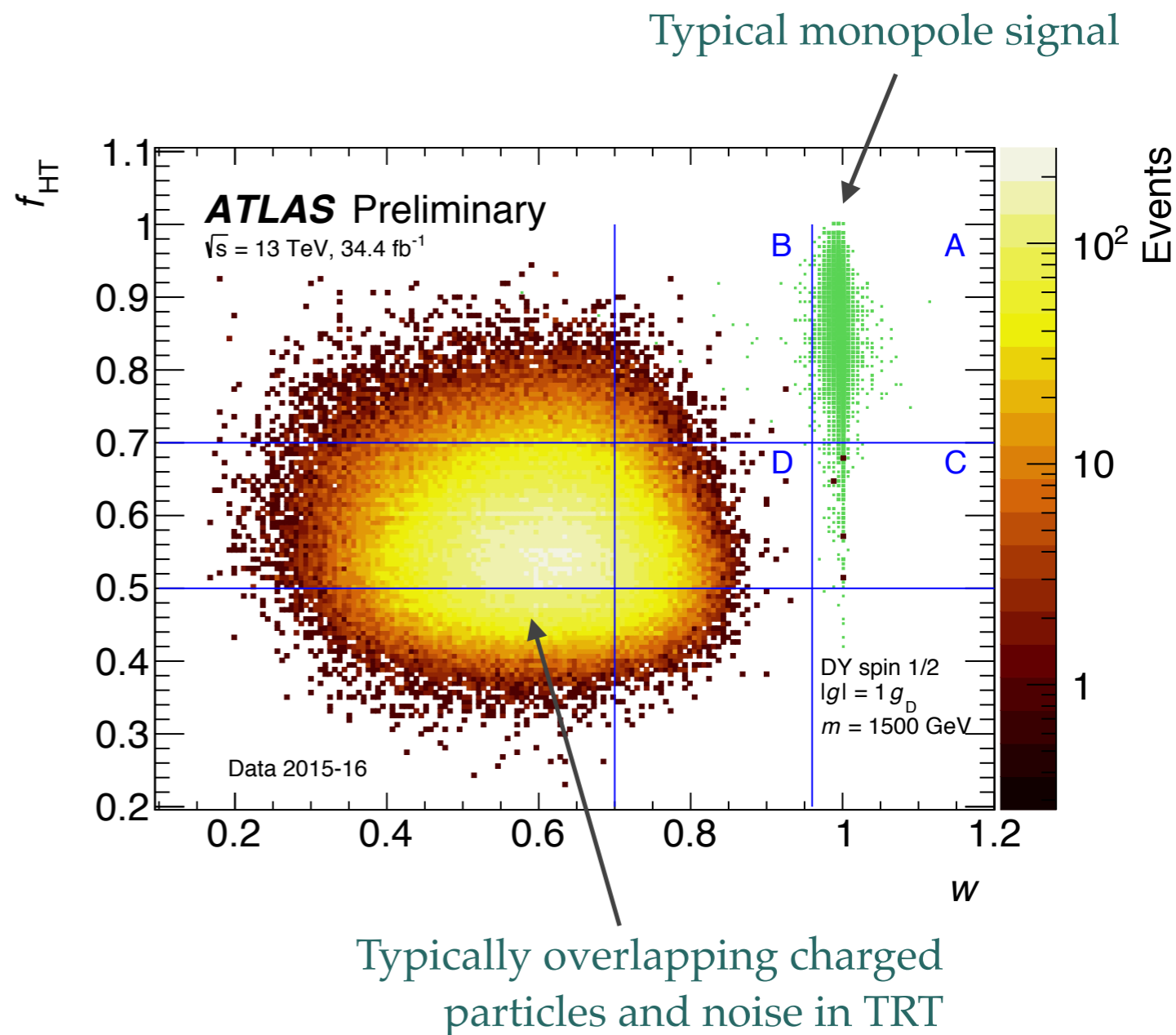
- $m(\text{gluino}) > 2.1 \text{ TeV}$ for $0.3 < c\tau < 30 \text{ m}$
- Extends displ. vertex search to $c\tau > \sim 1 \text{ m}$
- First search of this type!

- ◎ Signature:
 - Single highly ionising particle
 - High ionisation in TRT
 - Pencil-shape deposit in ECal
- ◎ Dataset:
 - 34.4 fb⁻¹ of 13 TeV 2015-16 data
- ◎ Motivation:
 - High-electric-charge objects
 - Dirac magnetic monopoles
 - Can explain charge quantisation
 - Could be accessible at colliders
 - Equivalent to an ion with charge:

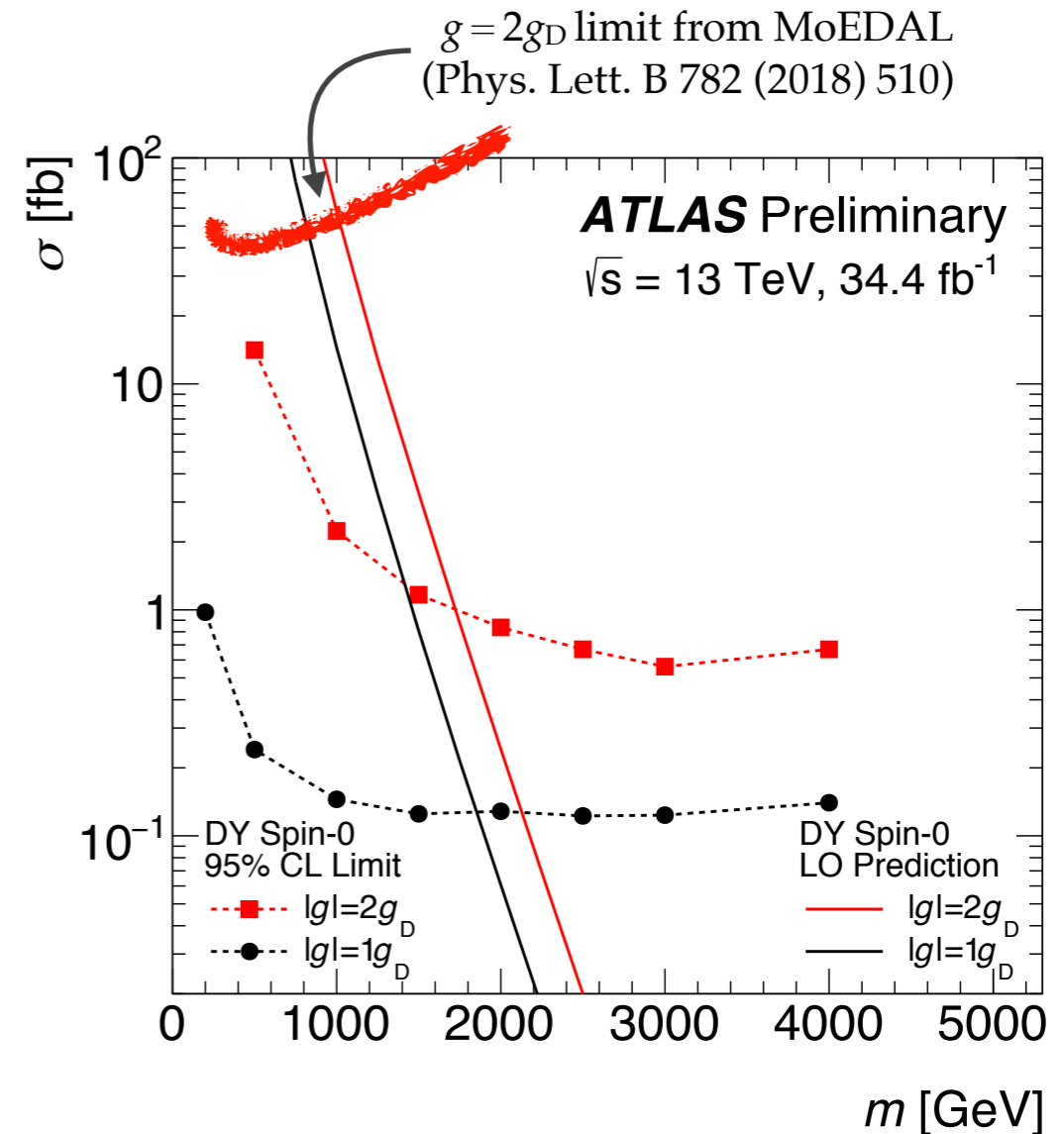
$$g = \frac{N}{2\alpha_{\text{em}}} = N \cdot 68.5$$



- Dedicated trigger:
 - Hardware trigger defines RoI in ECal with $E_T > 22$ GeV
 - Software trigger requires high ionisation in corresponding TRT region
 - Veto HCal deposit only if $E_T < 50$ GeV
 - New in Run2, sensitive to lower z
- Efficiency relies on simulation
 - Monopole acceleration in magnetic field
 - Interaction with detector material
- Search in f_{HT} vs w plane
 - f_{HT} is proxy of high-ionisation (fraction of high-energy hits in TRT cluster)
 - w is proxy of pencil shaped ECal deposit (energy dispersion of ECal cluster)
- Background from data with ABCD
 - In region A expect $N_{bkg} = 0.20 \pm 0.11 \pm 0.40$



- No events observed
 - Limits for charges $20 < |z| < 100$ (first time above $|z| = 60$)
 - Exclude monopoles with $g = 2g_D$ and $m > 1.8 \text{ TeV}$
 - previous best limit from MoEDAL was at $\sim 1.0 \text{ TeV}$
 - Limits on $g = g_D$ surpass by **factor 5** previous ATLAS limits



● Signature:

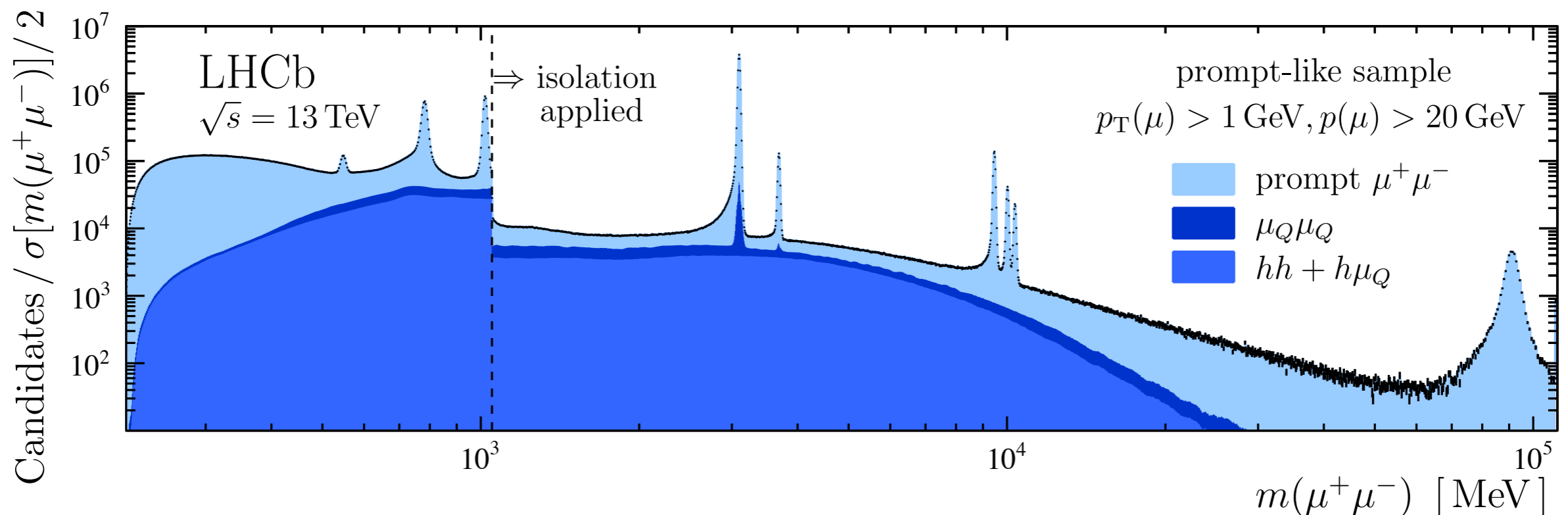
- Inclusive $\mu\mu$ (prompt or displaced)
- Sensitive down to $2 m_\mu$

● Trigger:

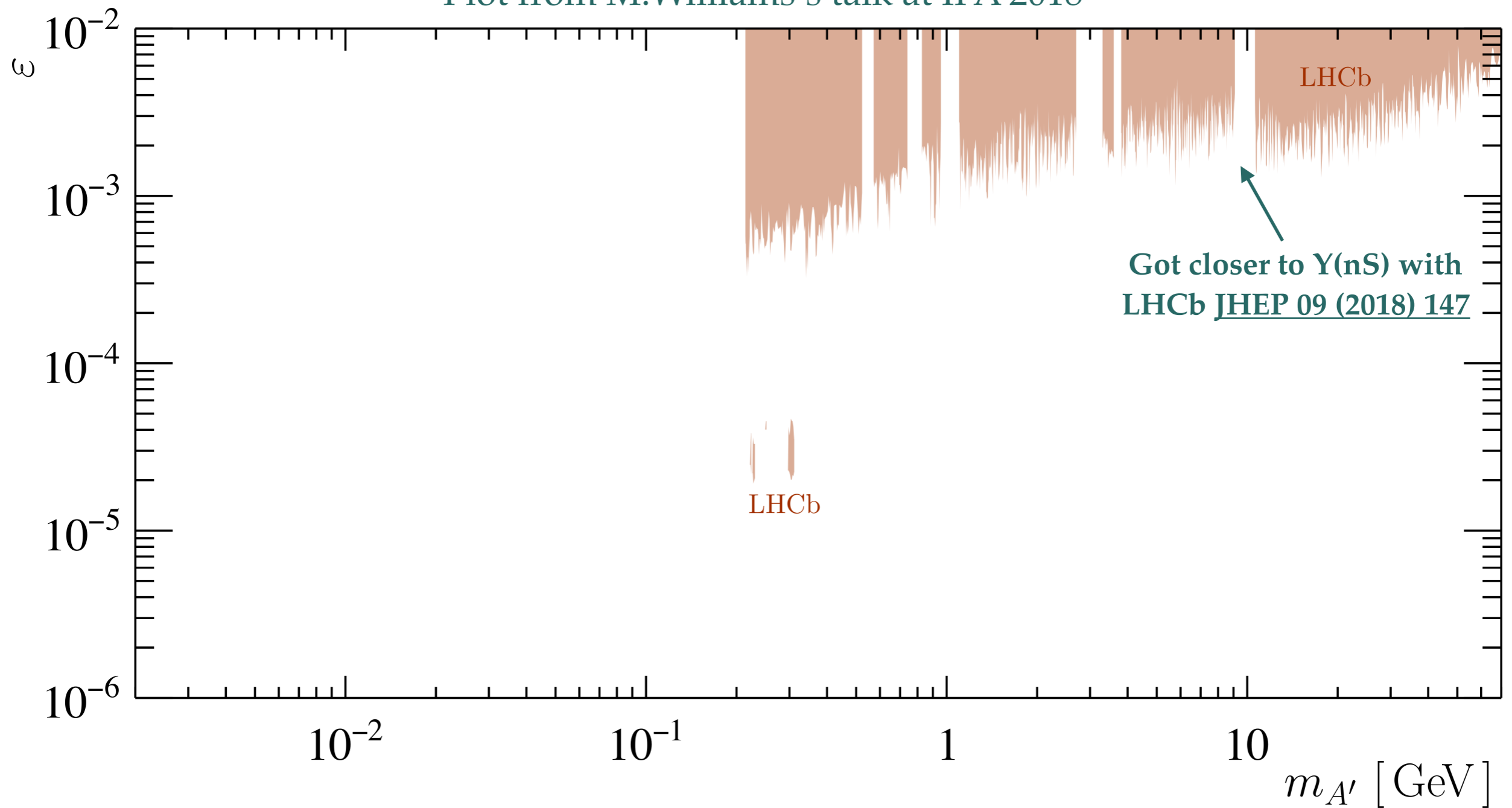
- Hardware $p_T(\mu)$ cut ~ 1.8 GeV
- Real-time analysis including μ -ID allows to avoid prescale

● Analysis:

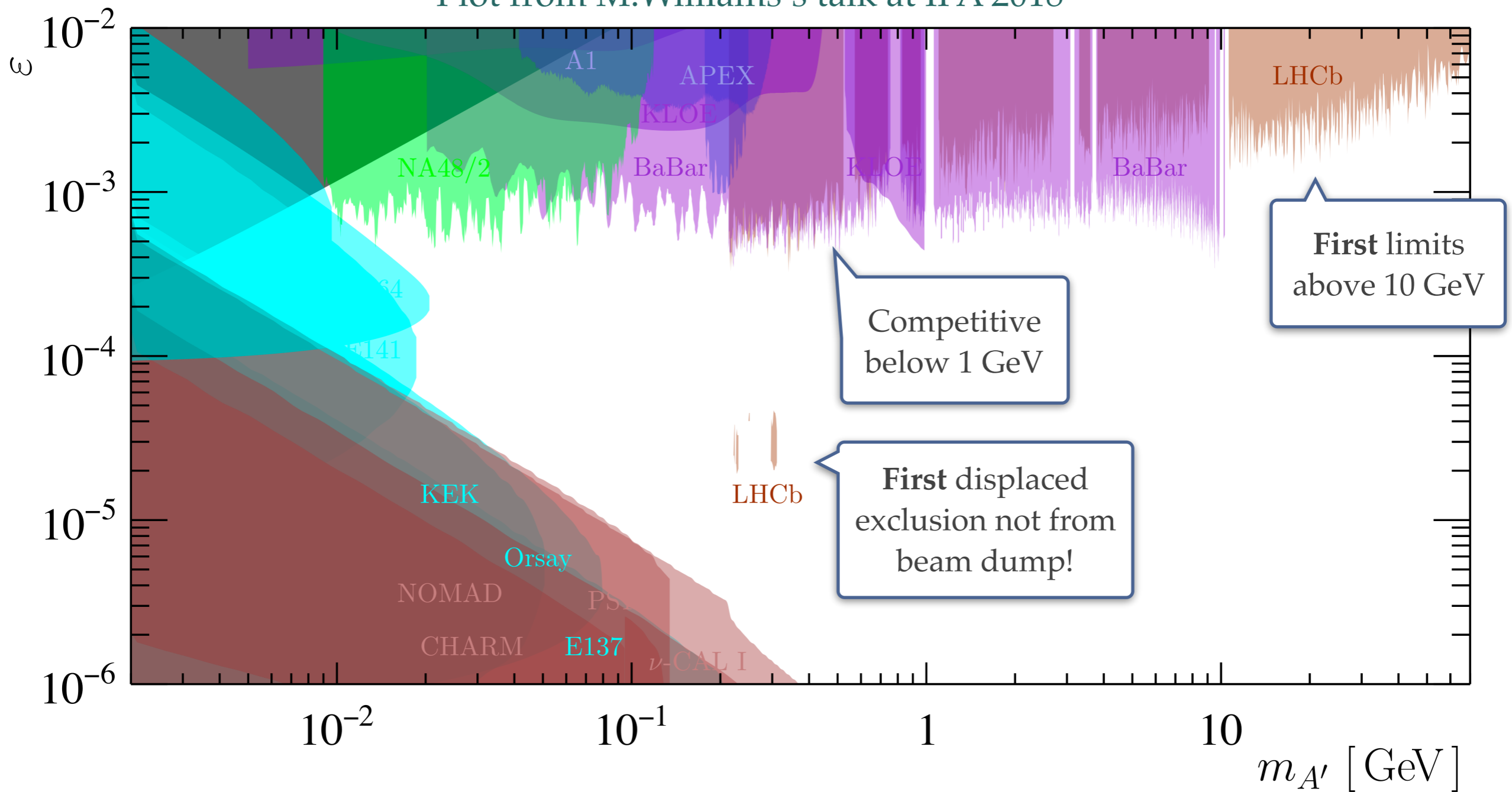
- Template fit to separate prompt dimuons from heavy-flavour
- Bump search on top of γ^* background (auto-normalising)
- Displaced analysis at low mass is almost free of background



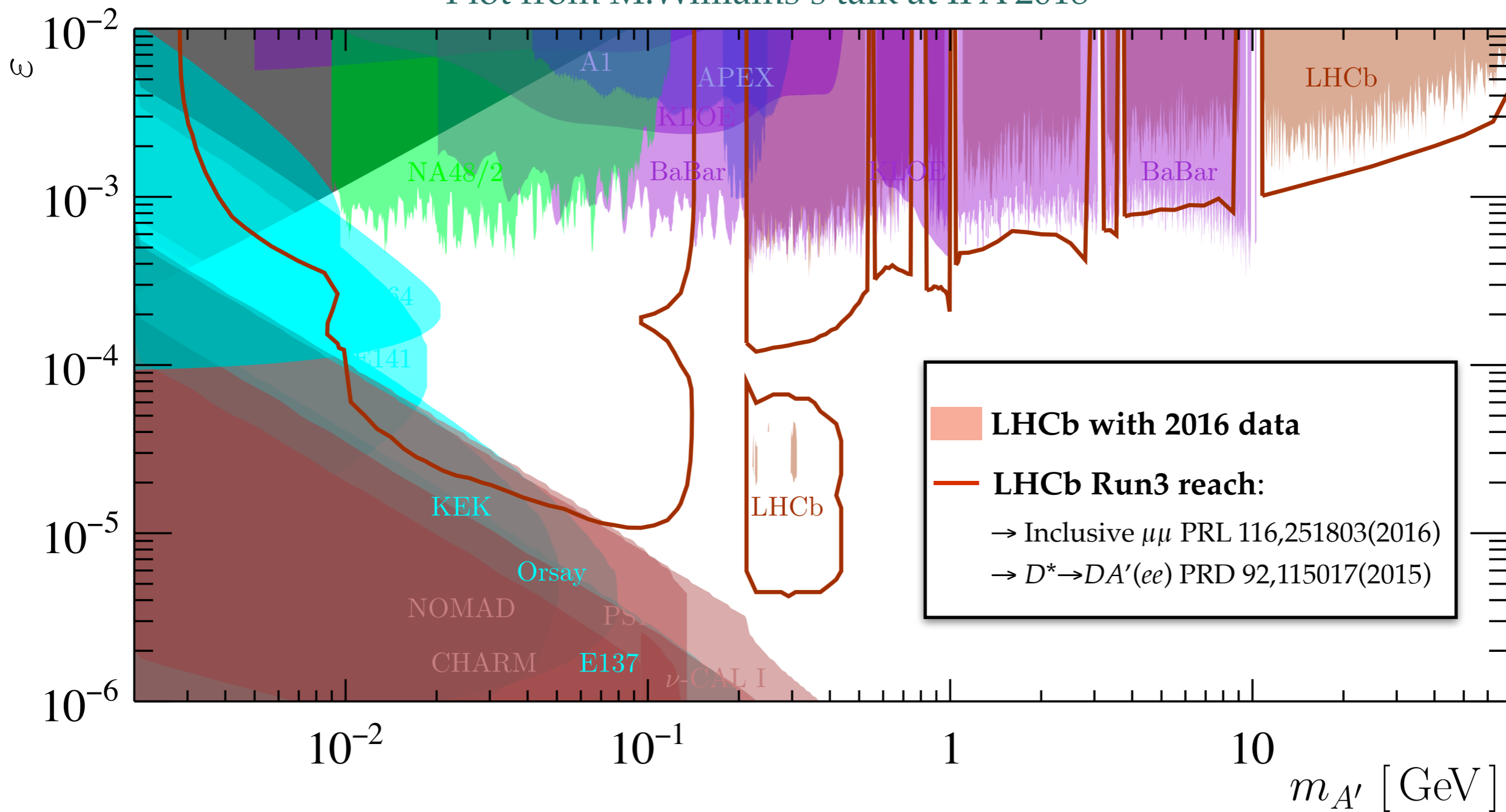
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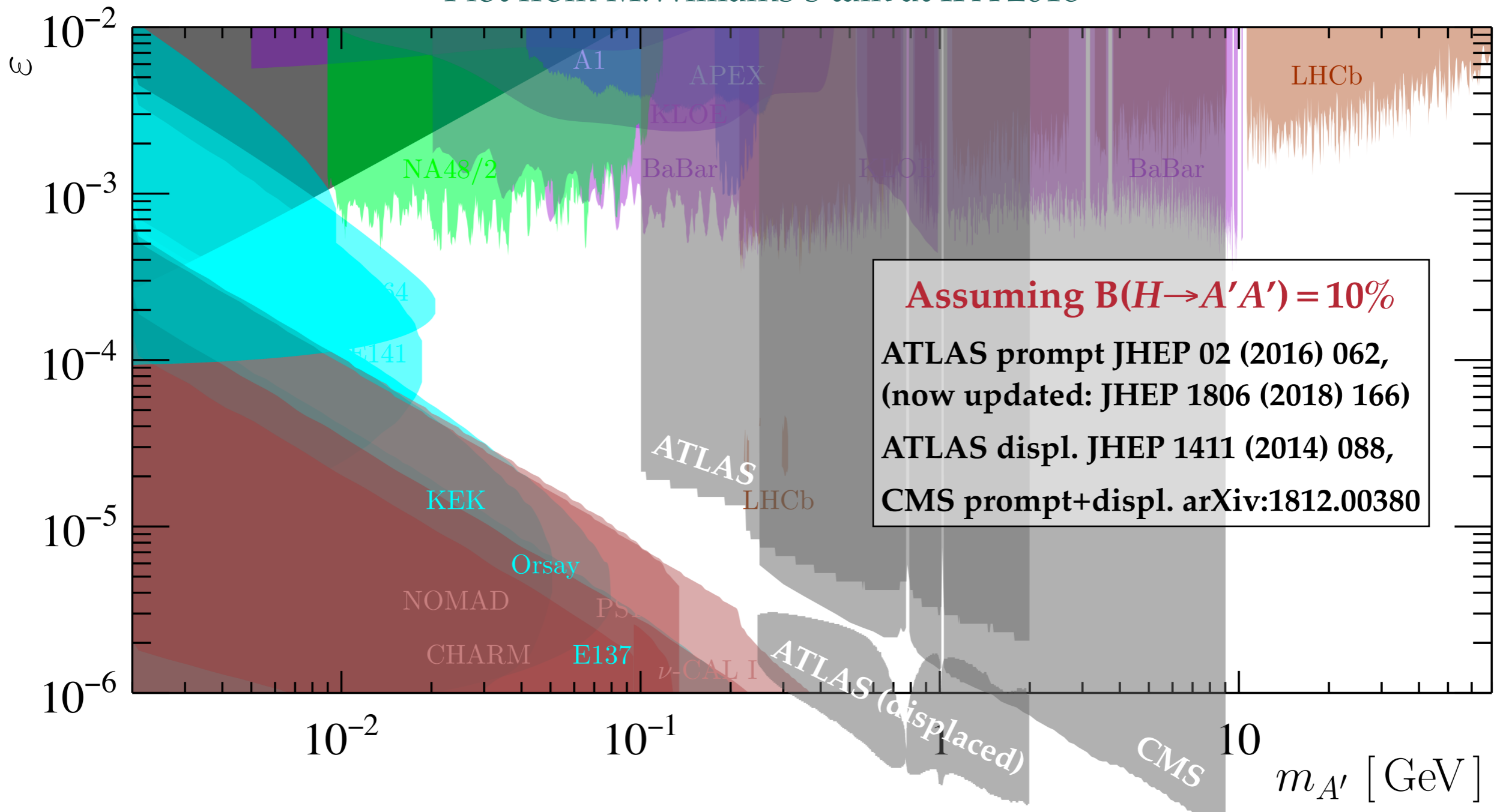


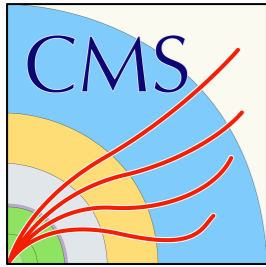
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$H \rightarrow A'(\ell\ell)A'(\ell\ell)$

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Invisible dark photon from H



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Signature:

- (SM) Higgs \rightarrow photon + invisible
- Using ZH associated production

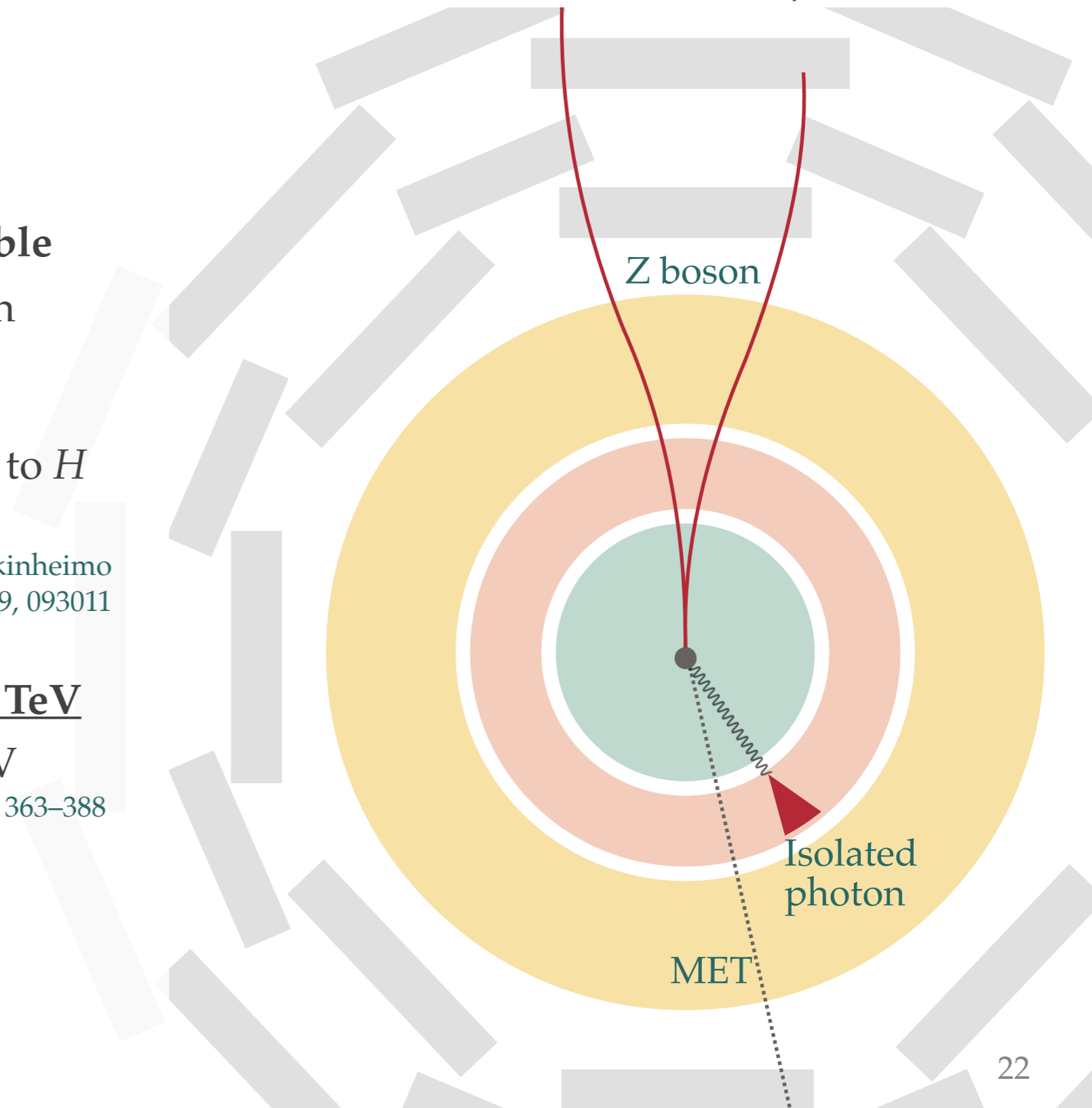
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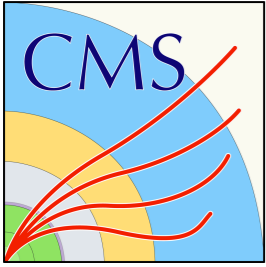
- Massless dark photon coupling to H through charged dark sector

S.Biswas, E.Gabrielli, M.Heikinheimo
Phys. Rev. D93 (2016), no. 9, 093011

Dataset:

- **Full Run-2 data: 137.4 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV**
- Previously with 19.4 fb⁻¹ at 8 TeV
Phys. Lett. B753 (2016) 363–388





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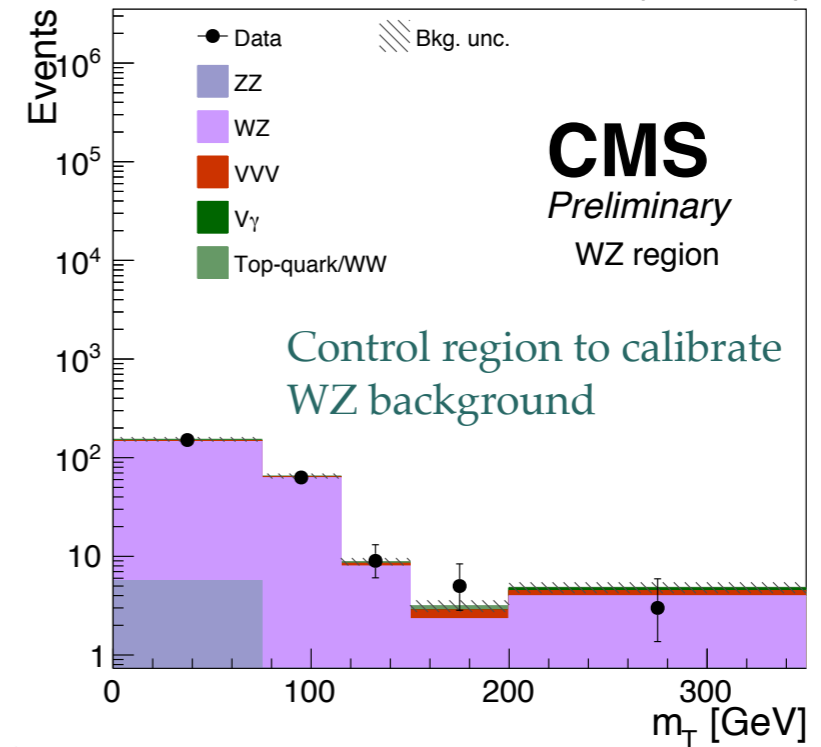


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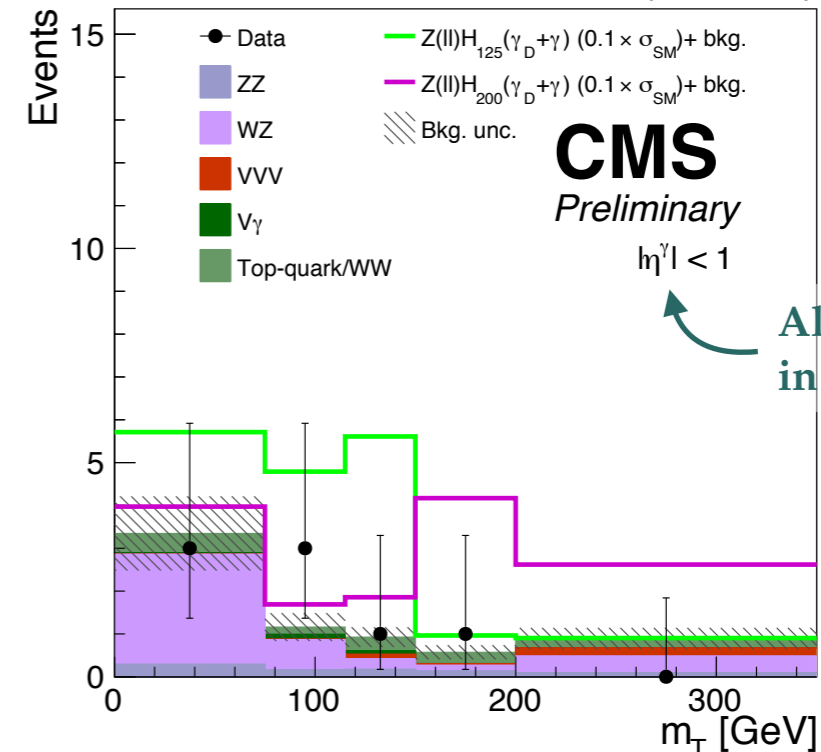
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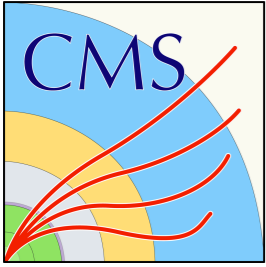
137.4 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

- Trigger using $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$
- Selection:
 - Back-to-back Z and $(\gamma + p_T^{\text{miss}})$
 - Reject events with b -tagged jets (background from top)
- Fit $m_T(\gamma + p_T^{\text{miss}})$ (**new**)
 - Background normalisation from data control regions
 - Gain 30-50% better sensitivity



137.4 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



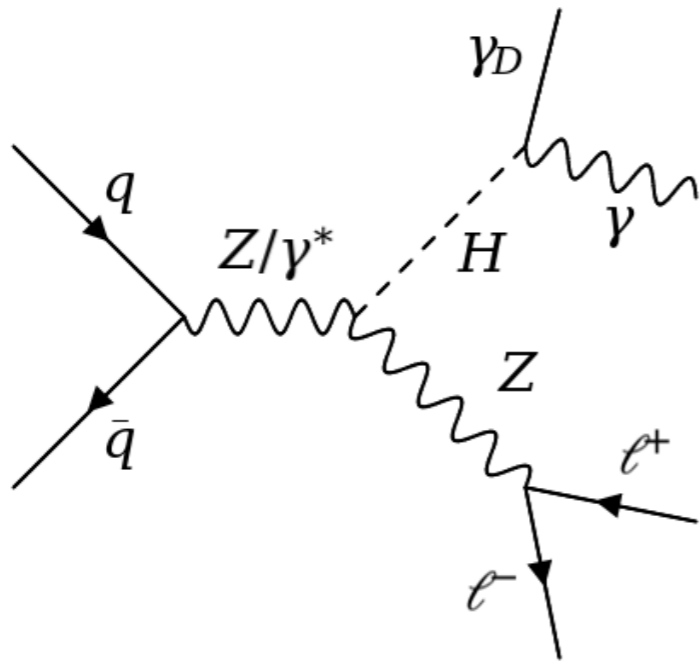


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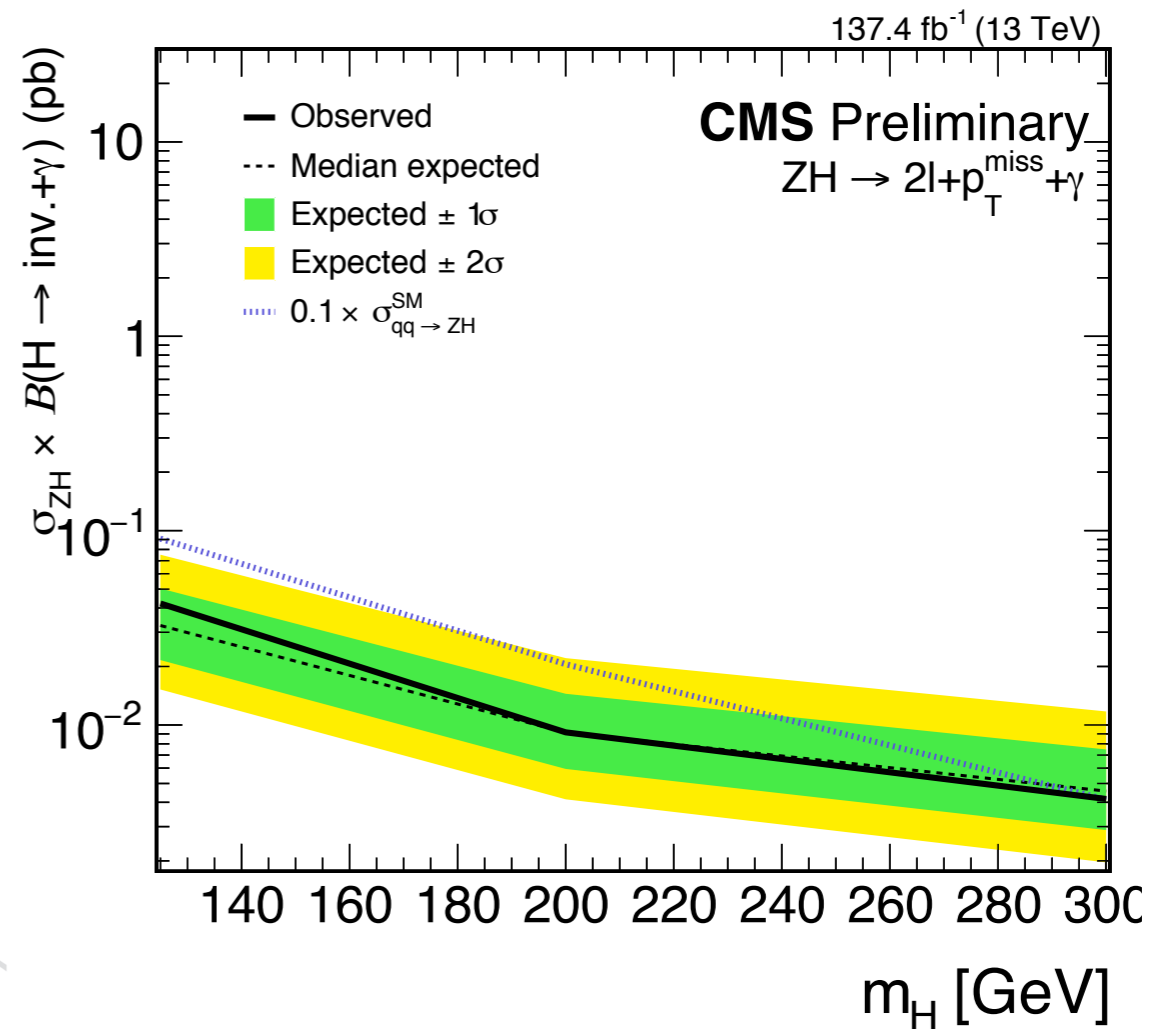


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- Interpreted for the first time as massless invisible dark photon
- Upper limit as a function of m_H
- For $m_H = 125$ GeV
 - $B(H \rightarrow \gamma + \text{inv.}) < 4.6\%$ @95%CL



● B meson decays to search for light (long-lived) objects

● Dark Bosons φ

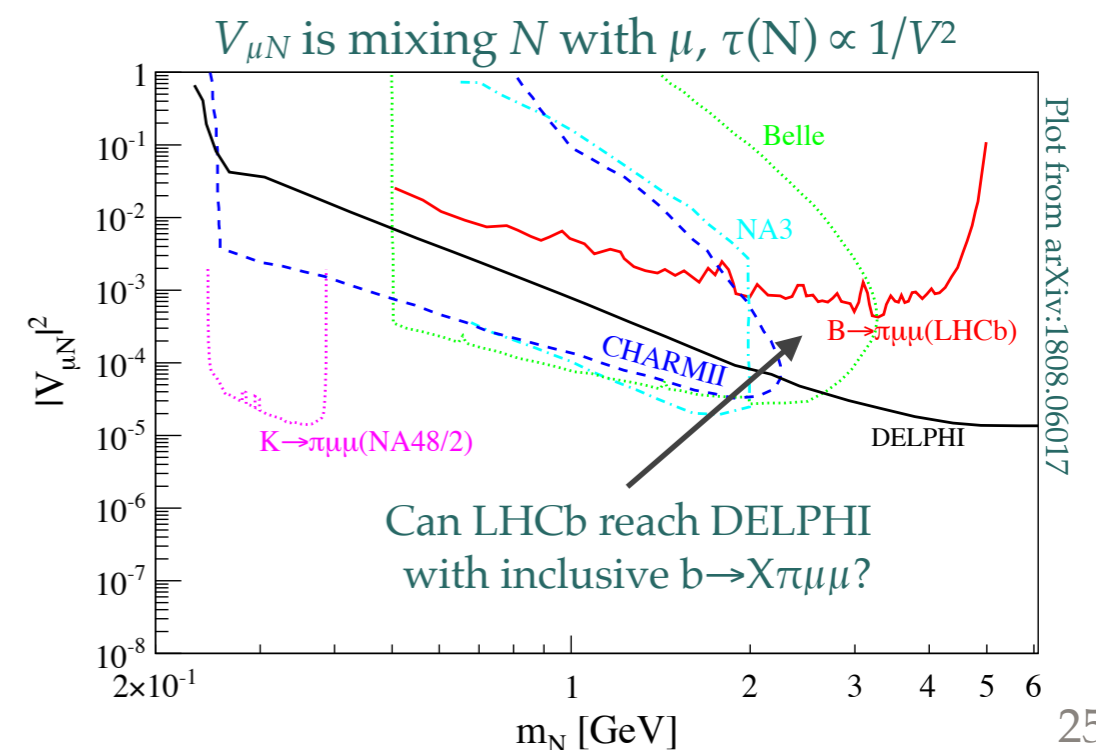
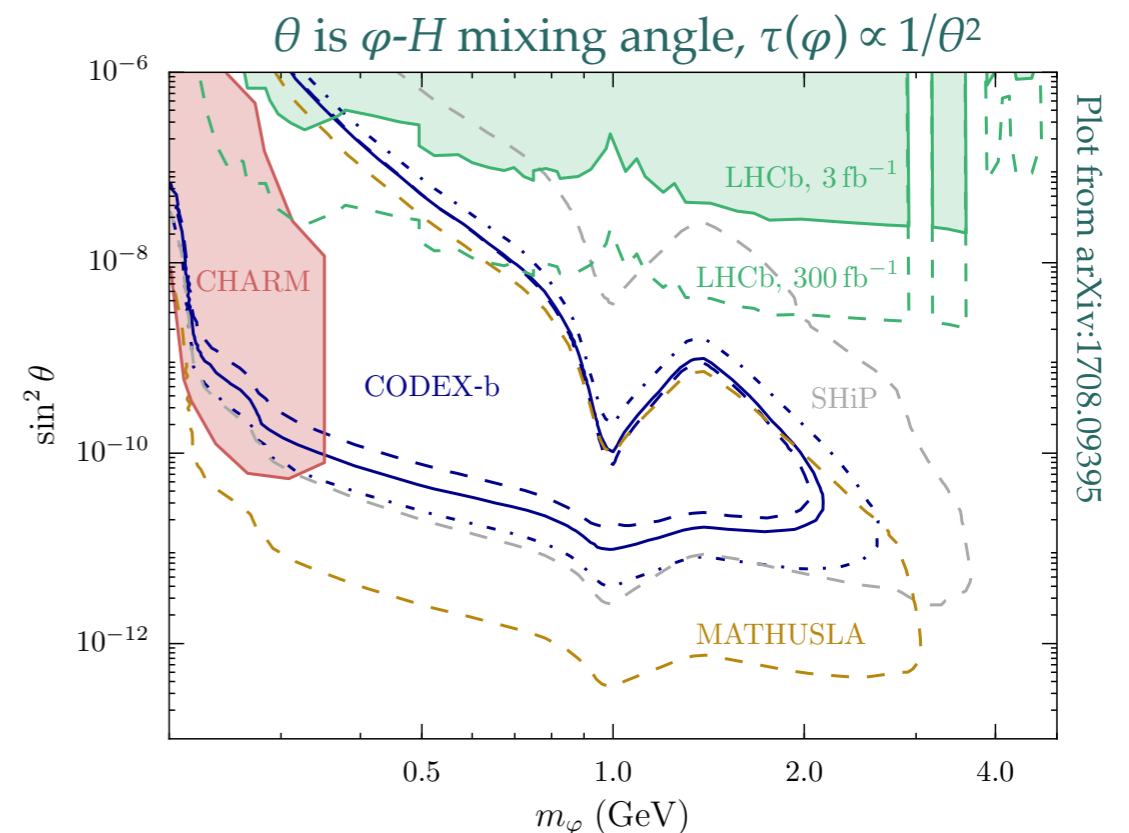
- ▶ In prompt / displaced dimuons
- ▶ Using $b \rightarrow s$ channel $B \rightarrow \varphi(\mu\mu)K^{+/*}$

Phys Rev Lett 115 161802 (2015)
Phys. Rev. D 95, 071101(R) (2017)

● Heavy Neutral Leptons

- ▶ In displaced $\pi^- \mu^+$ resonances
- ▶ Eventually accompanied by same-sign μ^+ from B
- ▶ So far searched only in $B \rightarrow N(\pi^- \mu^+) \mu^+$

Phys Rev Lett 112 131802 (2014)



Conclusions

- ◎ Casting the widest possible net
 - Make sure we don't miss new physics at the LHC
 - Crucial given the importance of triggering
- ◎ Very interesting and fun activity
 - Need out-of-the-box thinking to identify signatures
 - Unconventional searches come with unconventional backgrounds (and unconventional systematics)
- ◎ Presented a wealth of results for LLPs and others
 - Two new results with the full Run 2 dataset!
 - Many more to come

*“If I know what I shall find,
I do not want to find it”*

Erwin Chargaff

BACKUP