

MoEDAL physics results and future plans

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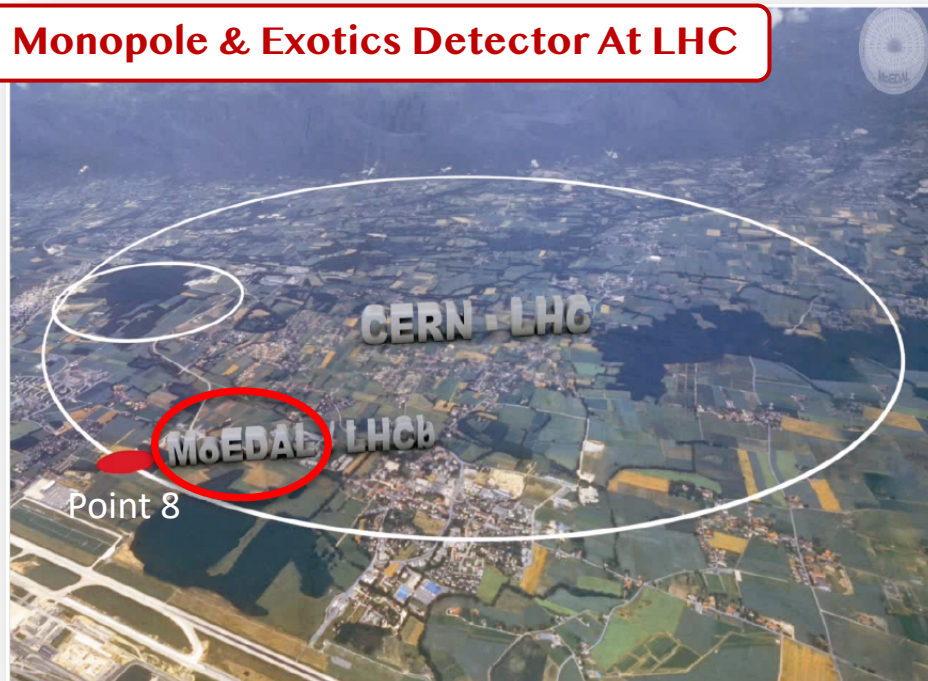
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MoEDAL at LHC

Monopole & Exotics Detector At LHC



International collaboration
~70 physicists from 22 institutions

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Key feature: high ionisation

charge
velocity: $\beta = v/c$

$$= z/\beta$$

MoEDAL detectors can have a threshold as low as $z/\beta \sim 5$

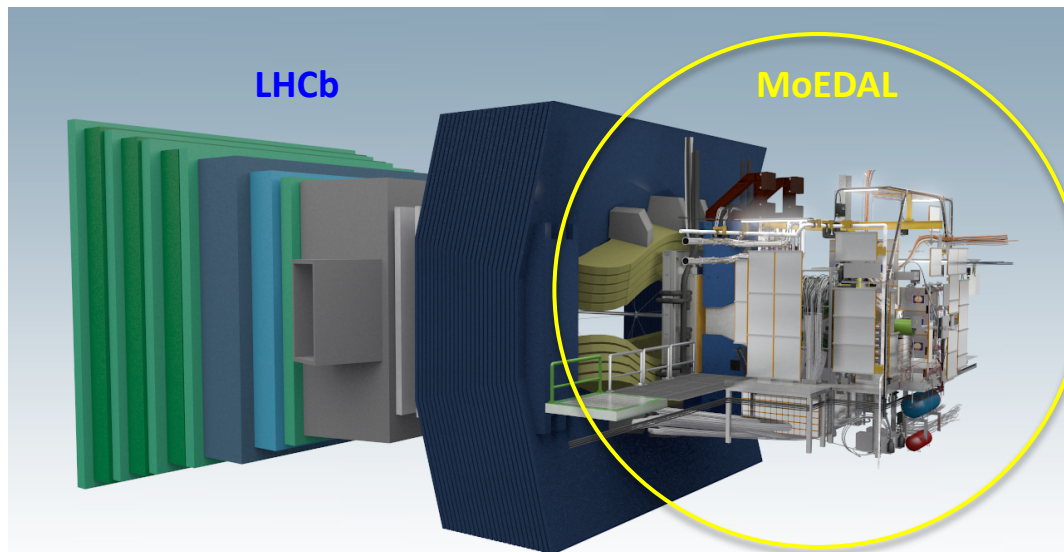
$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = K \frac{Z}{A} \frac{1}{\beta^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{2m_e c^2 \beta^2 \gamma^2 T_{\max}}{I^2} - \beta^2 - \frac{\delta}{2} \right]$$

Bethe-Bloch formula

- Achieved, e.g., by **magnetic monopoles** due to ionisation $68.5^2 \approx 4700$ times higher than minimum ionising particle
- Actually **any heavy, stable, electrically charged particle (HSCP)**, either stable or metastable, will be slow moving, hence it should give a track in MoEDAL
 - H^{++} , Q-balls, black hole remnants, SUSY partners, etc.
- For **singly-charged** particles to be detected in nuclear track detectors, velocity should be $\beta \lesssim 0.1-0.2$

Particles must be **massive**, **long-lived** & **highly ionising** to be detected at MoEDAL

The MoEDAL detector



- Mostly **passive detectors**; no trigger; no readout
- Largest deployment of passive **Nuclear Track Detectors (NTDs)** at an accelerator
- First time that **trapping detectors** are deployed as a detector

DETECTOR SYSTEMS

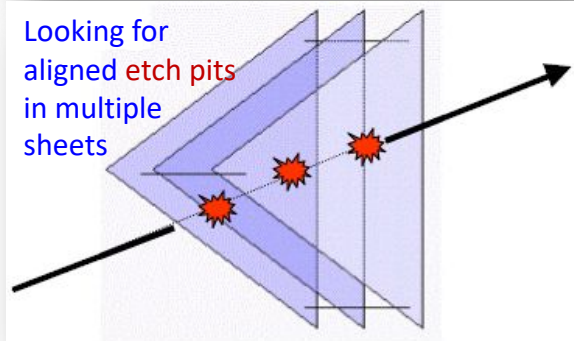
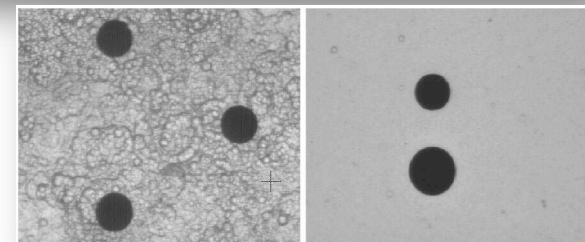
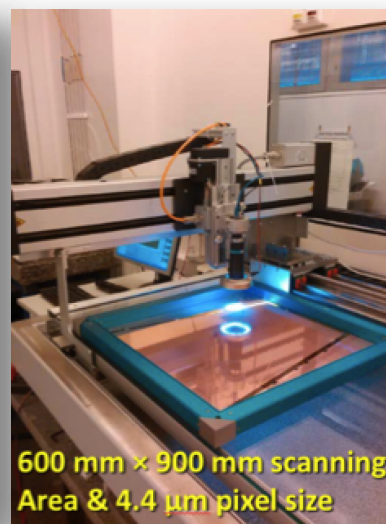
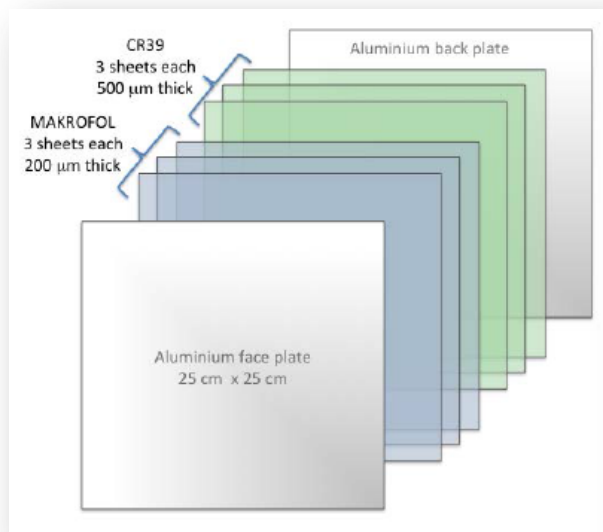
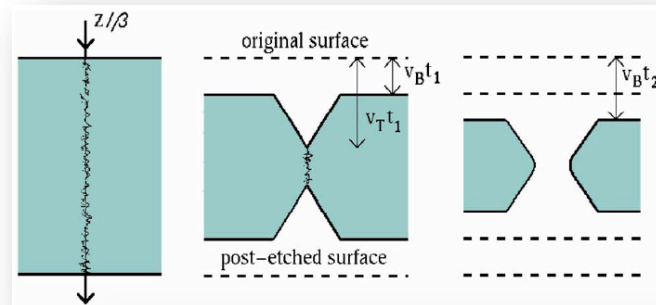
- ① Low-threshold NTD (**LT-NTD**) array
 - $z/\beta > \sim 5-10$
- ② Very High Charge Catcher NTD (**HCC-NTD**) array
 - $z/\beta > \sim 50$
- ③ **TimePix** radiation background monitor
- ④ Monopole Trapping detector (**MMT**)

MoEDAL physics program

[Int. J. Mod. Phys. A29 \(2014\) 1430050](#)

1 & 2 HI particle detection in NTDs

- Passage of a highly ionising particle through the plastic NTD marked by an invisible damage zone (“**latent track**”) along the trajectory
- The damage zone is revealed as a **cone-shaped etch-pit** when the plastic sheet is chemically **etched**
- Plastic sheets are later **scanned** to detect etch-pits



1 & 2 NTDs deployment

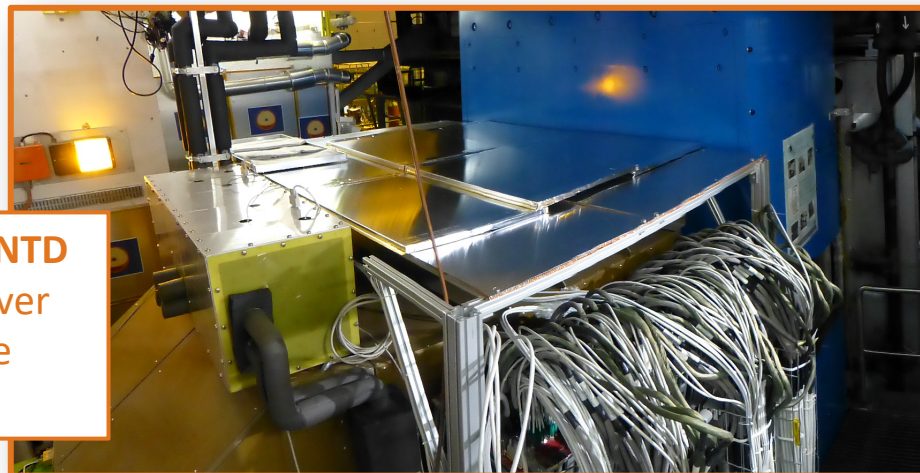
2012: LT-NTD

NTDs sheets kept in boxes mounted onto LHCb VELO cavern walls



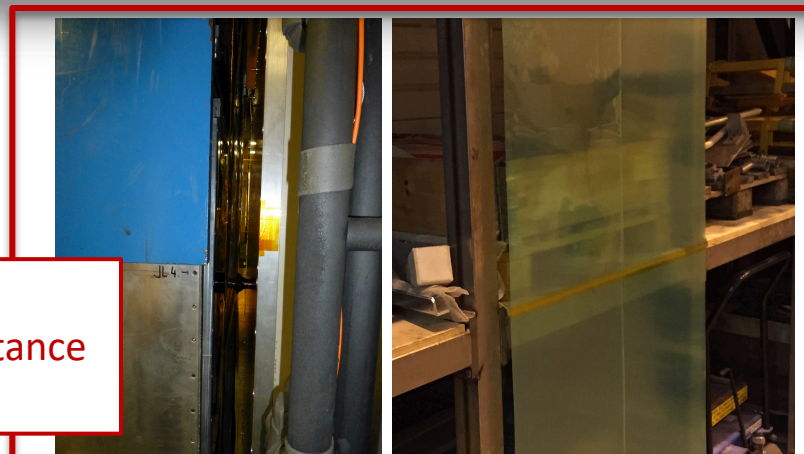
2015-2018: LT-NTD

Top of VELO cover
Closest possible
location to IP



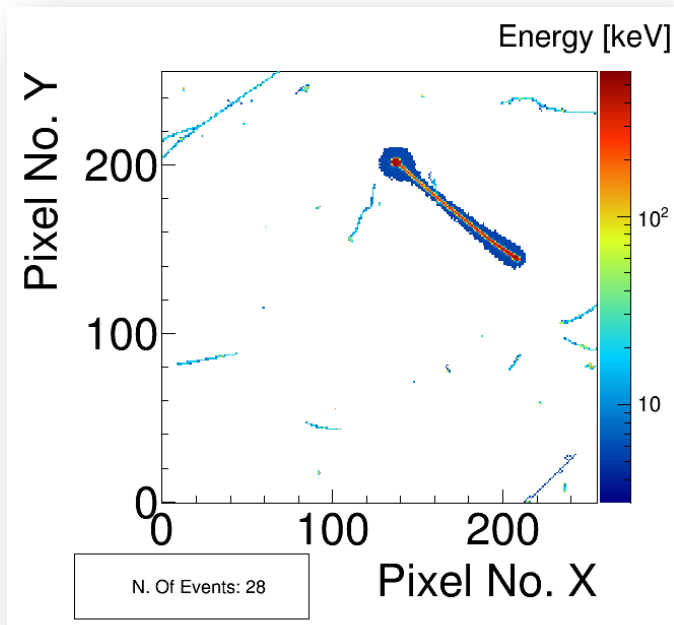
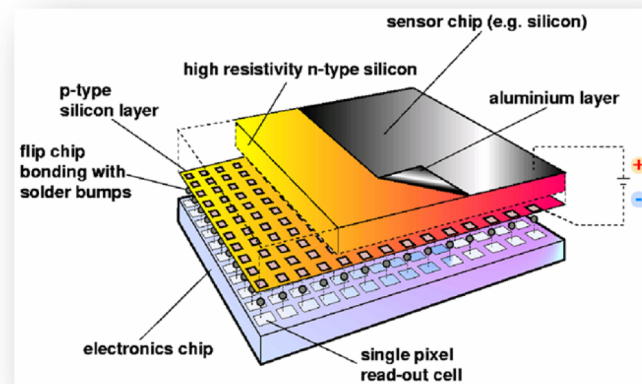
2015-2018: HCC-NTD

Installed in LHCb acceptance
between RICH1 and TT



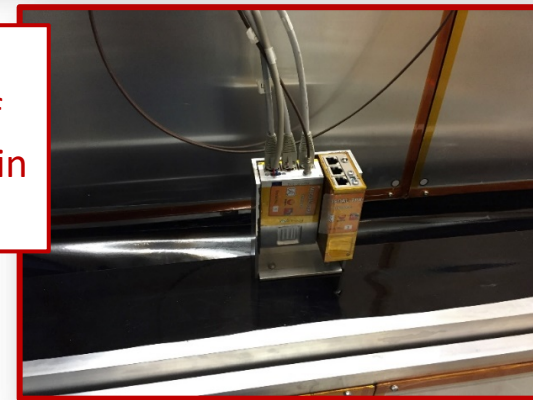
3 TimePix radiation monitor

- Timepix (MediPix) chips used to measure online the radiation field and monitor spallation product background
- Essentially act as little electronic “bubble-chambers”
- The only active element in MoEDAL



Sample calibrated
frame in MoEDAL
TPX04

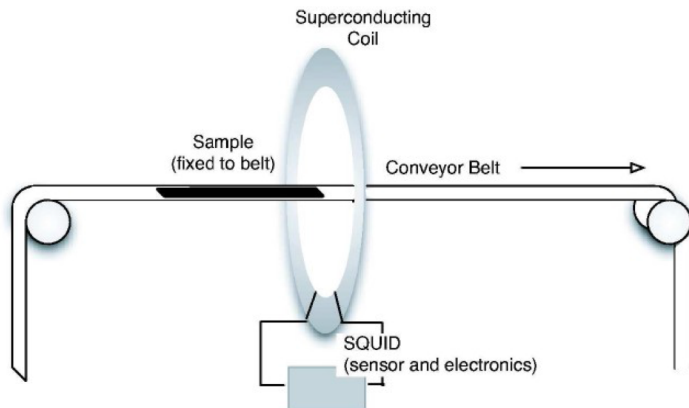
2015
deployment of
MediPix chips in
MoEDAL



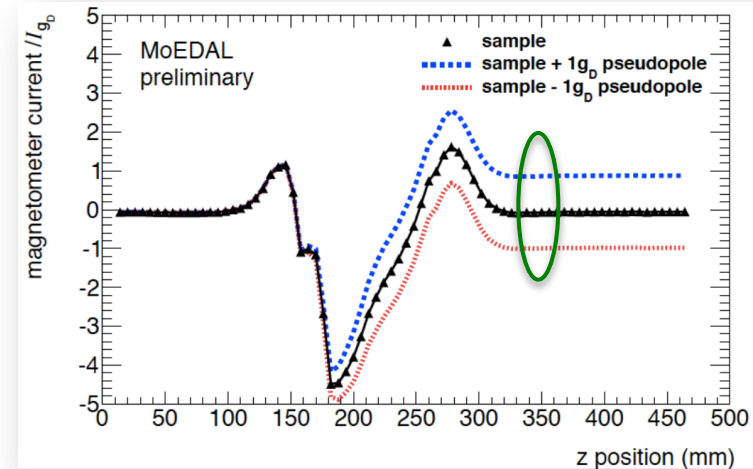
- 256×256 pixel solid state detector
- 14×14 mm active area
- amplifier + comparator + counter + timer

4 MMT: Magnetic Monopole Trapper

- Monopoles can bind to nuclei
 - large binding energy $\sim \mathcal{O}(100 \text{ keV})$
- Monopole trapping volumes analysed with superconducting quantum interference device (SQUID)
- **Persistent current:** difference between resulting current after and before
 - first, subtract current measurement for empty holder
 - calibration constant $P = 32.4 \text{ g}_D / \text{A}$
 - if difference other than zero \rightarrow *monopole signature*



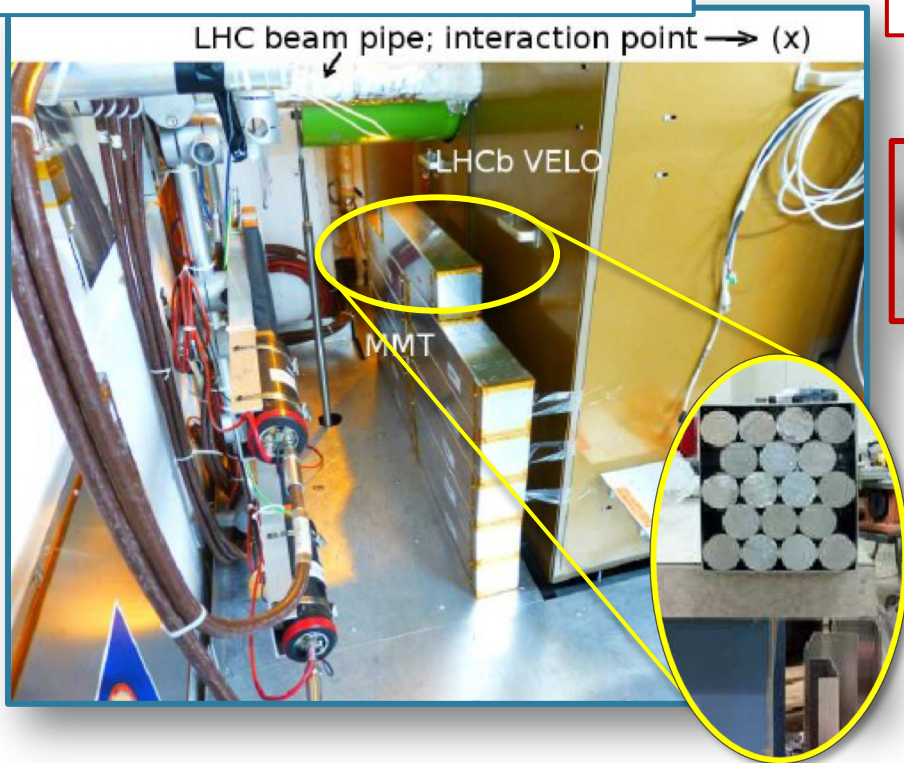
Typical sample & pseudo-monopole curves



MMTs deployment

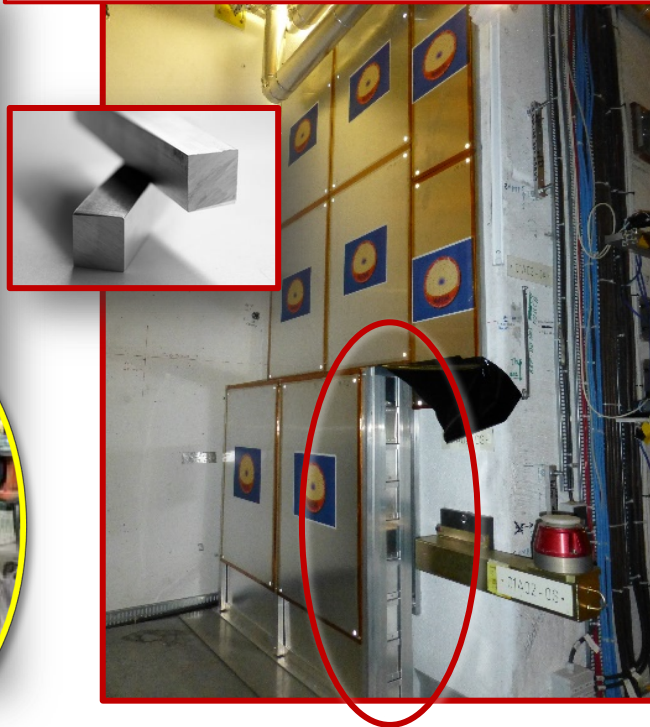
2012

11 boxes each containing 18 Al rods of 60 cm length and 2.54 cm diameter (**160 kg**)



2015-2018

- Installed in forward region under beam pipe
- Installed in **sides A & C**, too
- Approximately **800 kg** of Al
- Total 2400 aluminum bars



Searches for magnetic monopoles

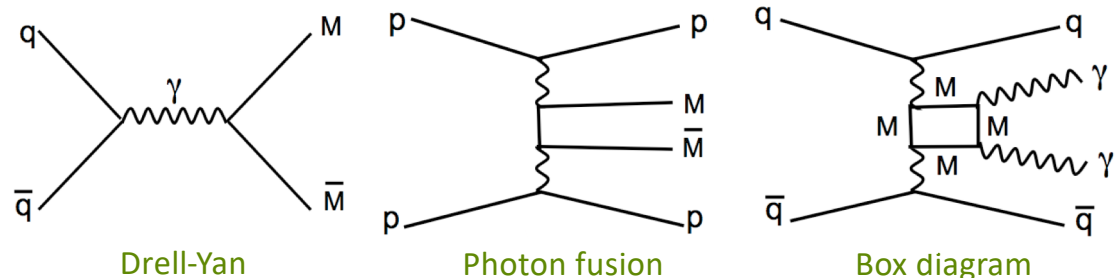
- Magnetic monopoles
- Production at LHC via photon fusion
[Baines, Mavromatos, VAM, Pinfeld, Santra, [Eur.Phys.J. C78 \(2018\) 966](#)]
- Latest MoEDAL MMT search [B. Acharya et al, [Phys.Rev.Lett. 123 \(2019\) 021802](#)]

Magnetic monopoles

- Motivation
 - symmetrisation of Maxwell's equations
 - electric charge quantisation
- Properties
 - single magnetic (Dirac) charge:
 - $g_D = 68.5e \rightarrow$ highly ionising
 - magnetic charge = ng_D
 - large coupling constant
 - $g/\hbar c \sim 20$
 - (precise value depends on units)
 - spin and mass not predicted

Laws	Without monopoles	With magnetic monopoles
Gauss's law	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho_e$	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = 4\pi\rho_e$
Gauss's law for magnetism	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$	$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 4\pi\rho_m$
Faraday's law	$-\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$	$-\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + 4\pi\mathbf{J}_m$
Ampère's law	$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + 4\pi\mathbf{J}_e$	$\nabla \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} + 4\pi\mathbf{J}_e$

Production mechanisms at LHC



- Feynman-like diagrams do *not* account for **non-perturbative** nature of large monopole-photon coupling
- Tree-level calculations for cross section are only used indicatively



Electric-magnetic duality

- The monopole enters the field as a matter field in a U(1) gauge theory
 - $S = 0$: Scalar Quantum Electrodynamics
 - $S = \frac{1}{2}$: Dirac Quantum Electrodynamics
 - $S = 1$: Lee-Yang Field Theory

$$\frac{g}{c} \rightarrow \frac{e}{v_0}$$

- β -dependent coupling

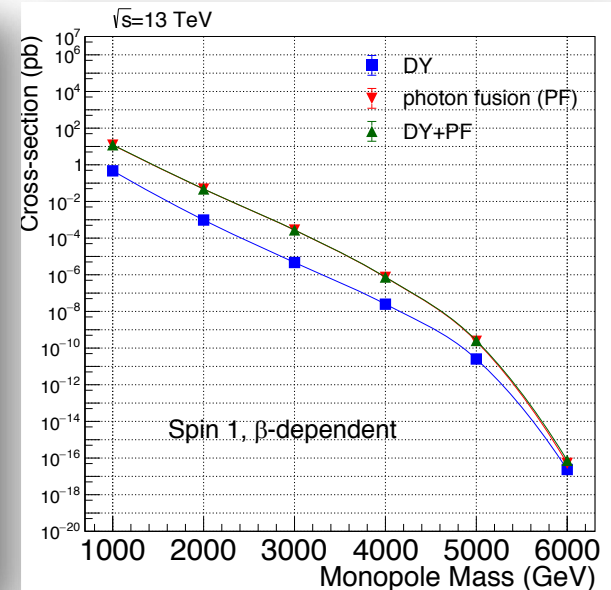
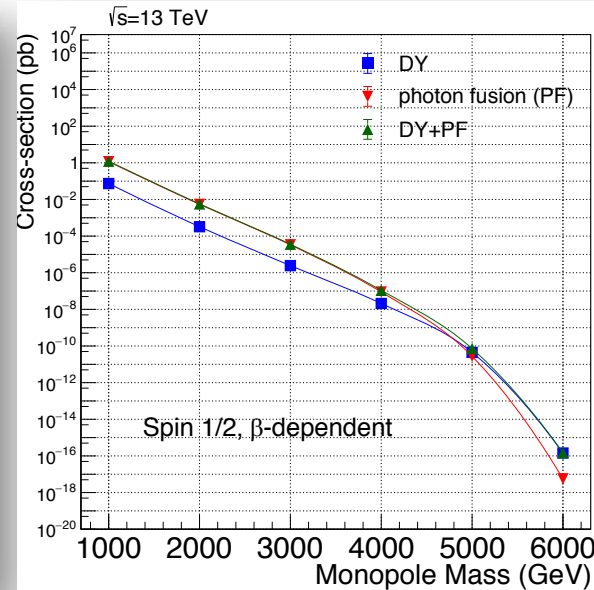
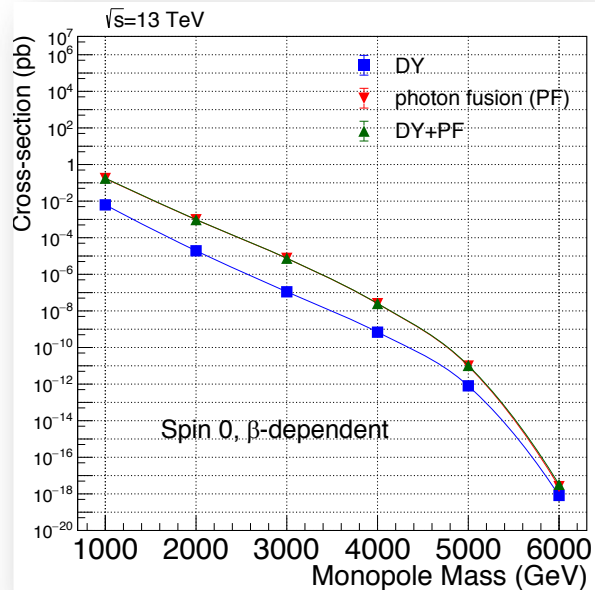
- monopole boost expressed by $\beta = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4M^2}{s}}$
- calculations hold in both the *β -dependent* ($g\beta$) and *β -independent* (g) cases

- New magnetic-moment parameter κ

- **Spin $\frac{1}{2}$** : SM case: $\tilde{\kappa} = 0$ ($\tilde{\kappa}$ dimensionless parameter), unitary & renormalisable
- **Spin 1**: SM case: $\kappa = 1$, unitary, renormalisable, no ghosts or gauge fixing
- lack of **unitarity** and **renormalisability** in the non-SM cases not necessarily an issue, from an effective-field-theory point of view \rightarrow possibility of restoration of unitarity in extended theoretical frameworks with new degrees of freedom

Cross section comparison

- Photon fusion most abundant than DY for almost the whole mass range at LHC energies
 - important to be included in interpretations of searches at colliders
- No interference effects between Drell-Yan and $\gamma\gamma$ processes
 - total cross section = sum DY + $\gamma\gamma$

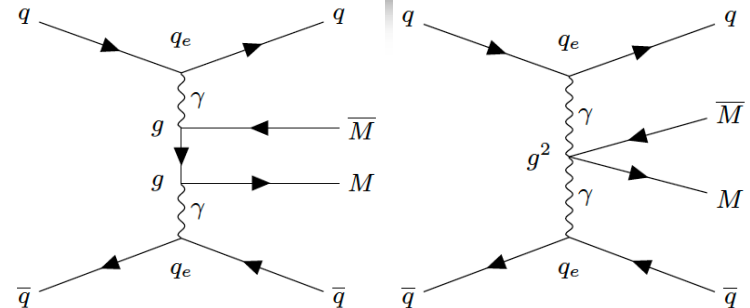
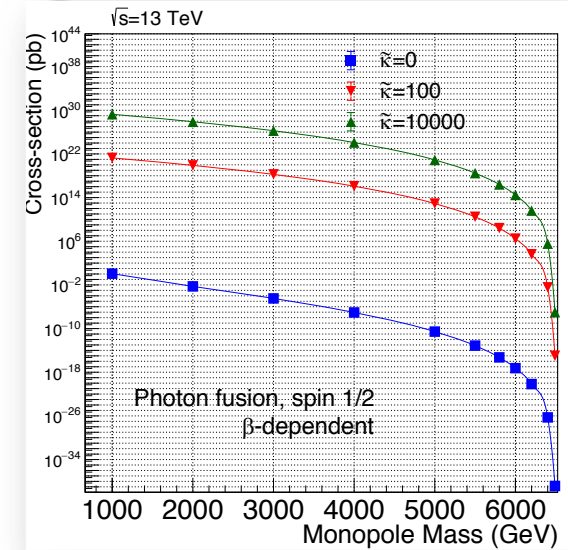


Photon fusion & perturbative couplings

- Both photon fusion and Drell-Yan processes suffer from large γ MM coupling making perturbative calculations problematic
- This situation may be resolved in **photon fusion** with
 - β -dependent photon-monopole coupling
 - magnetic-moment parameter κ
- In this case, perturbative treatment may be guaranteed for
 - very slow monopoles, $\beta \rightarrow 0$
 - parameter κ becomes very large, $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$
 - condition for perturbative coupling:

$$g\kappa\beta^2 < 1$$

- Cross section remains finite at this limit for photon fusion while it vanishes for Drell-Yan



(c) Three-vertex PF process.

(d) Four-vertex PF process.

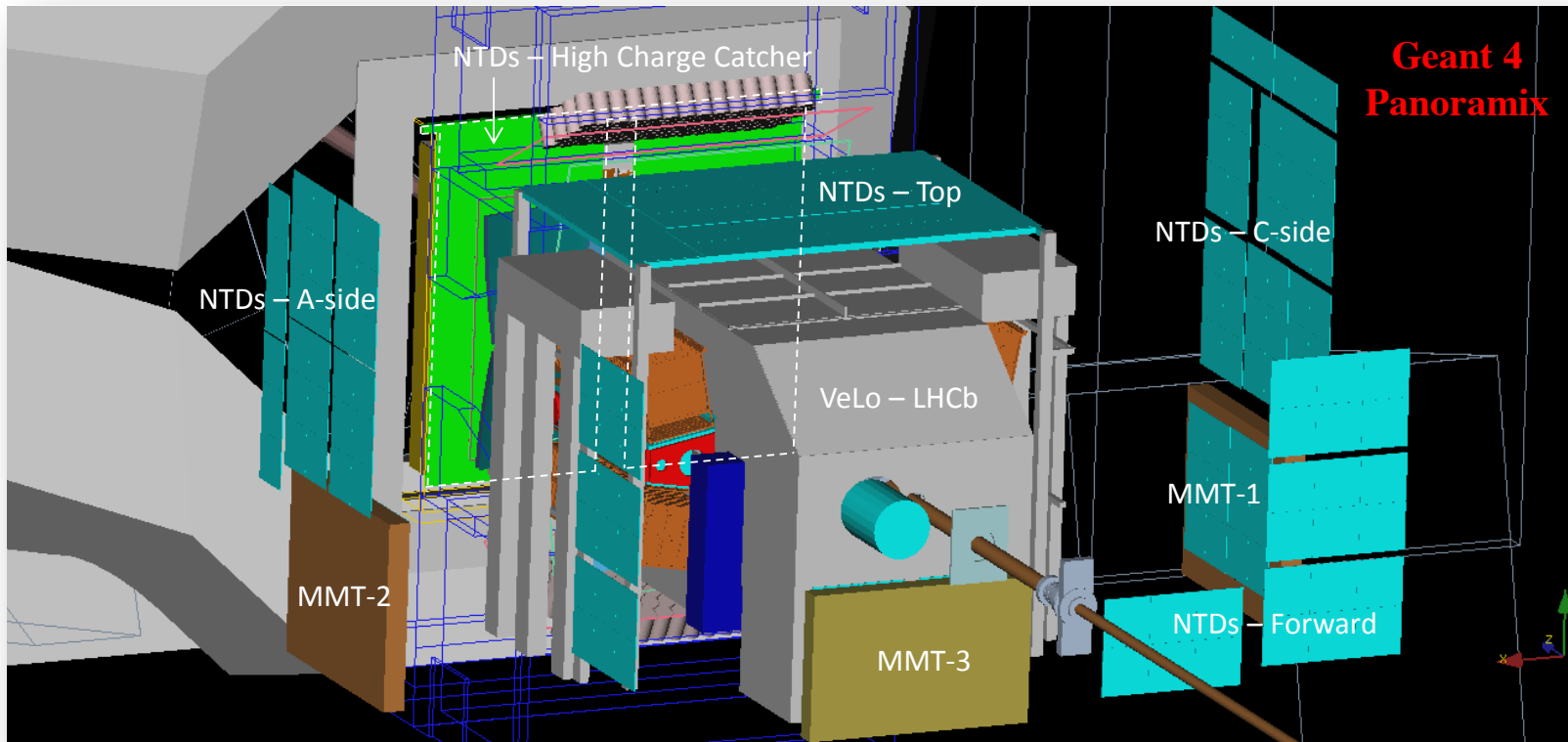
MoEDAL monopole results

- **2016** – First MMT results: Drell-Yan for spin 0 and spin $\frac{1}{2}$ monopoles @ 8 TeV [CERN Press Release](#)
[JHEP 1608 \(2016\) 067](#) [[arXiv:1604.06645](#)]
- **2017** – First results @ 13 TeV
[Phys.Rev.Lett. 118 \(2017\) 061801](#) [[arXiv:1611.06817](#)]
- **2018** – MMT results with
 - spin-1 monopoles
 - β -dependent $\gamma M\bar{M}$ coupling[Phys.Lett.B 782 \(2018\) 510–516](#) [[arXiv:1712.09849](#)]
- **2019** – MMT results with
 - full MMT detector – ~ 4 times than previous
 - ~ 2 more integrated luminosity
 - **photon fusion interpretation**[Phys.Rev.Lett. 123 \(2019\) 021802](#) [[arXiv:1903.08491](#)]



2015-2017 MoEDAL deployment

- Latest analysis is based on data extracted from all three MMT components
- **MMT-1** and **MMT-2** (sides) are newly added with respect to previous MoEDAL analyses



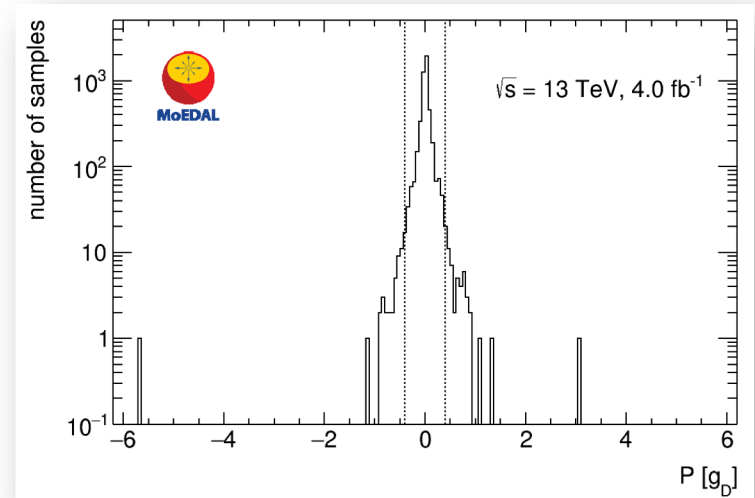
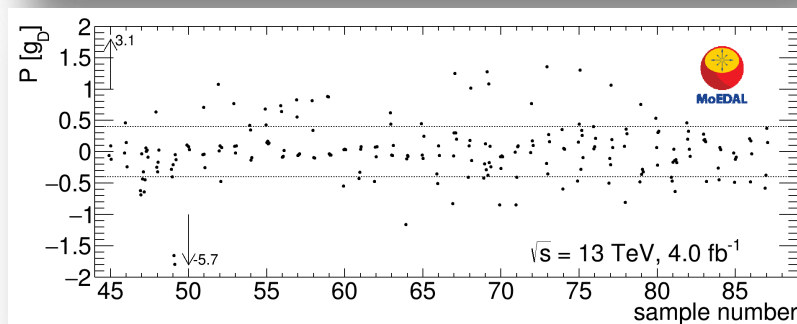
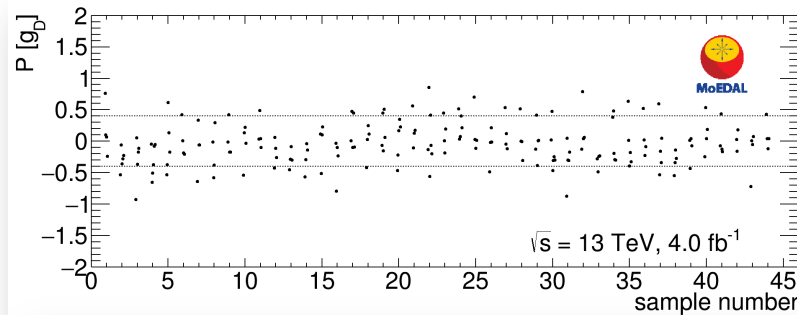
MMT 2015-2017 scanning

- Analysed with SQUID at ETH Zürich
- Excellent charge resolution ($< 0.1 g_D$)

Detector: **794 kg** of aluminium bars

Exposure: **4.0 fb^{-1}** of **13 TeV** pp collisions during 2015-2017

Persistent current after first two passages for all samples

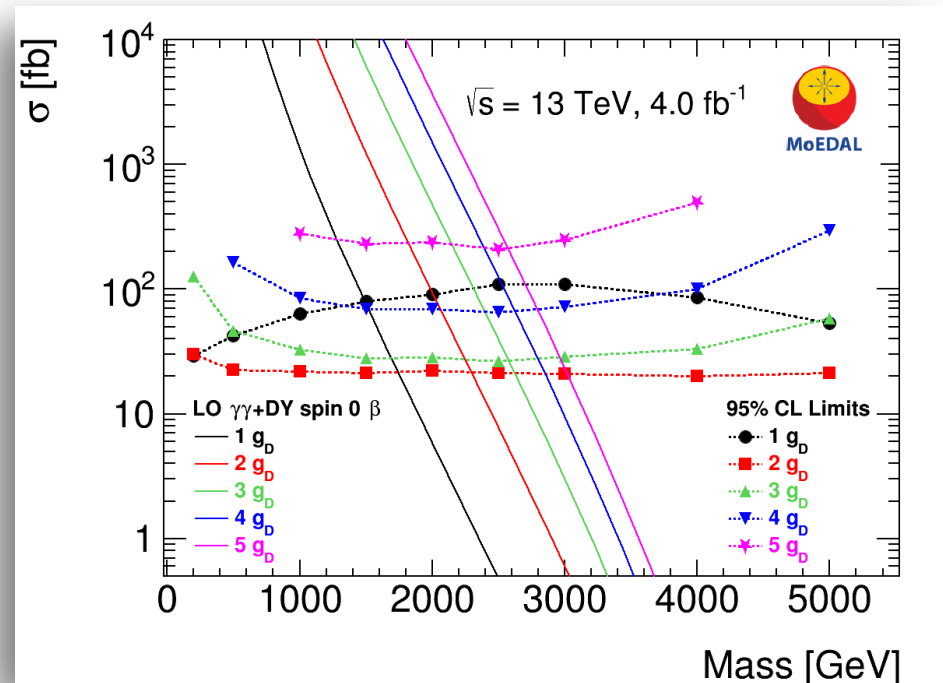


MoEDAL, [PRL 123 \(2019\) 021802](#)

No monopole with charge $> 0.5 g_D$ observed in MMT samples

MMT 2015-2017 results 1

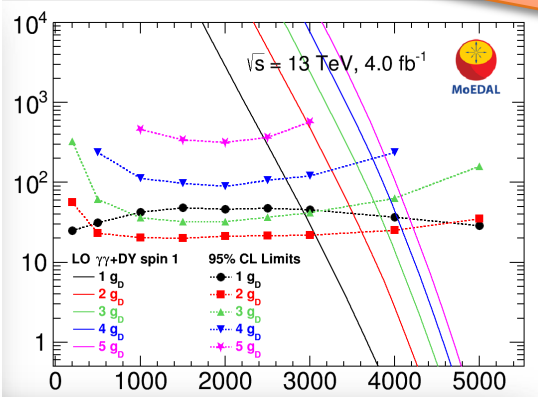
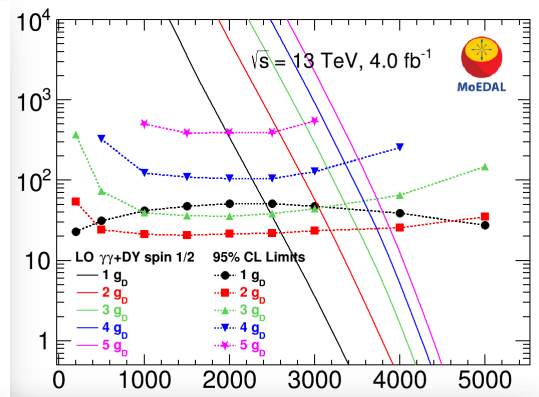
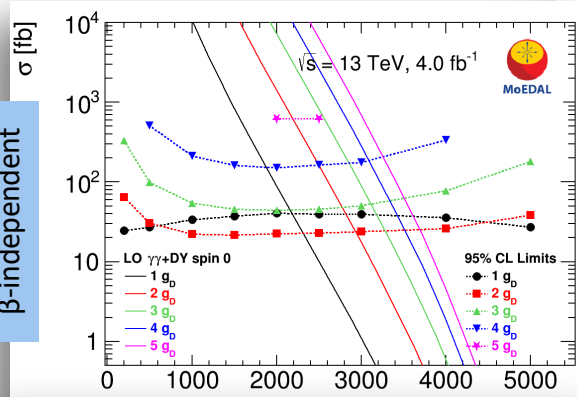
- Acceptance losses
 - $|g| = g_D$: predominantly from punching through the trapping volume,
 - $|g| > g_D$: stopping in the material upstream of the trapping volume
- Acceptance $< 0.1\%$ for monopoles of $6g_D$ or higher
 - insufficient energy to traverse upstream material



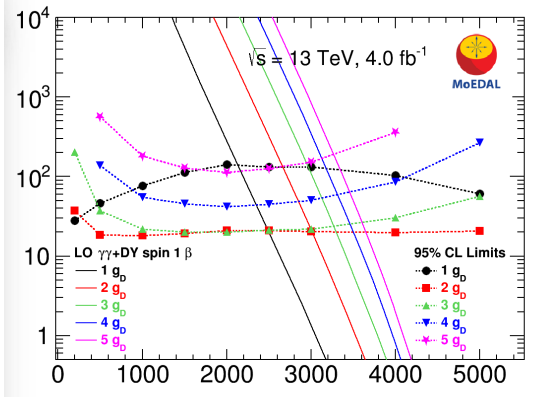
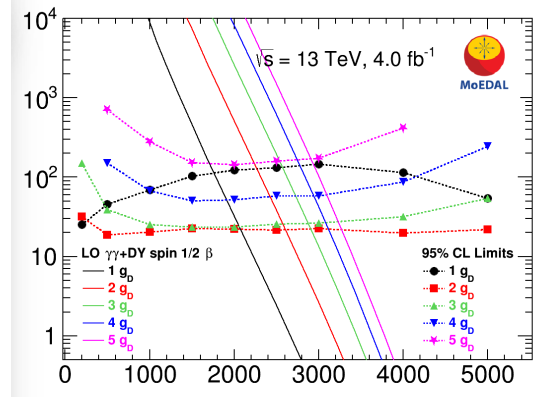
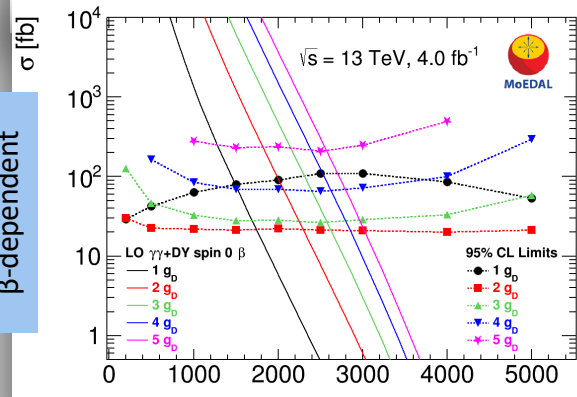
MMT 2015-2017 results II

First results for γ -fusion production at LHC

β -independent



β -dependent

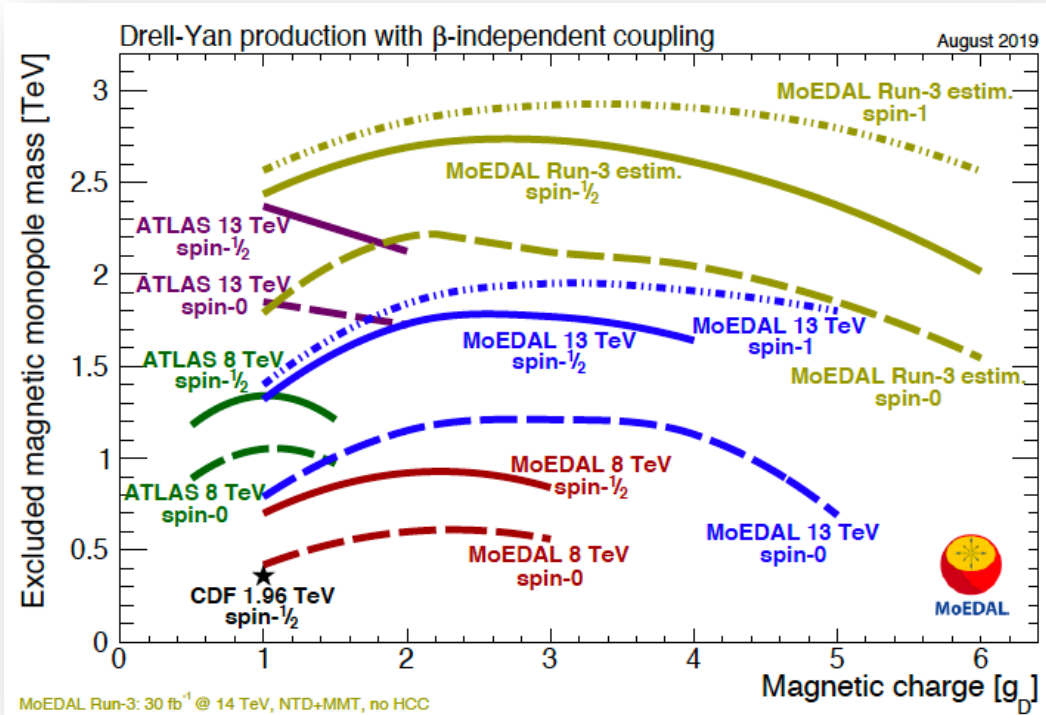


$\gamma\gamma$ +DY spin-0 Mass [GeV]

$\gamma\gamma$ +DY spin-1/2 Mass [GeV]

$\gamma\gamma$ +DY spin-1 Mass [GeV]

Magnetic monopoles summary



Mass limits calculated with Feynman-like diagrams. They *only* serve as benchmarks to facilitate comparisons



MoEDAL has set the world-best collider limits for $|g| > 2 g_D$

Possible solutions to *perturbative* treatment of monopole production in colliders

1. thermal Schwinger production in heavy-ion collisions [Gould & Rajantie, [Phys.Rev.Lett. 119 \(2017\) 241601](#)]
2. photon fusion: perturbative coupling can be achieved for [[Eur.Phys.J. C78 \(2018\) 966](#)]
 - very slow monopoles, $\beta \rightarrow 0$, AND
 - very large magnetic-moment parameter, $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$

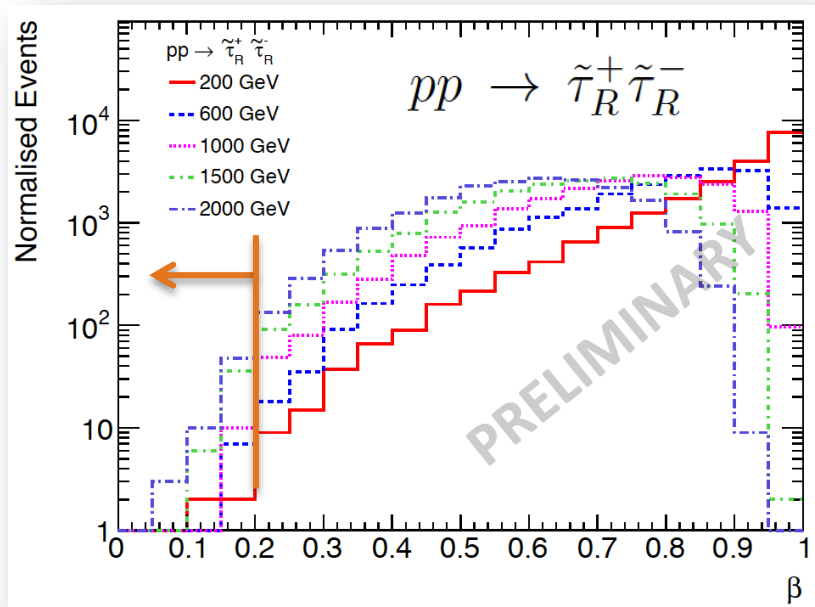
Beyond magnetic monopoles

- What about *electrically*-charged particles?
- Focusing of **supersymmetric** partners

[K. Sakurai, D. Felea, J. Mamuzic, N.E. Mavromatos, VAM, J.L. Pinfeld, R. Ruiz de Austri, A. Santra, O. Vives, [arXiv:1903.11022](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.11022) [hep-ph]]

$\tilde{\tau}$ direct production

- For the metastable particle to have high probability to reach the NTDs a lifetime of $\tau \gtrsim 10^{-8} \text{ s}$ is required
- High geometrical acceptance in central region $\eta \approx 0$
 - back-to-back pair production \Rightarrow high probability that at least one HSCP hits an NTD

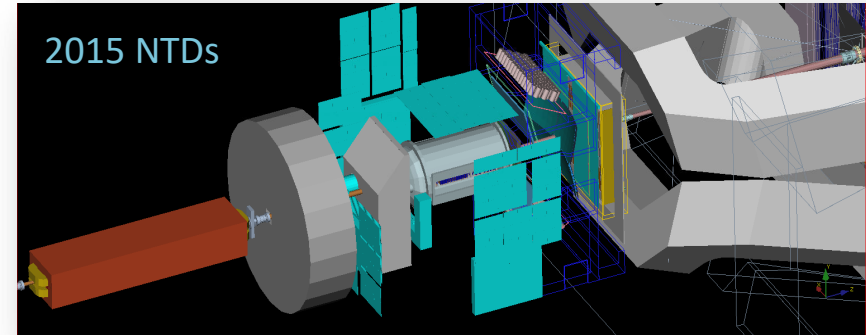
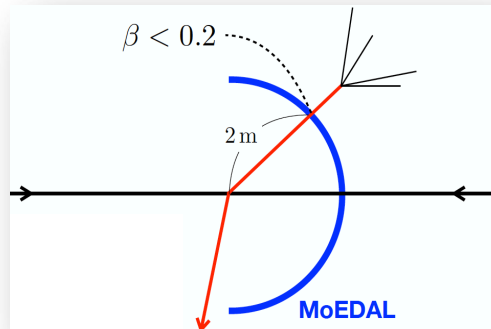


- Light particle
 - \Rightarrow high cross section 😊
 - \Rightarrow large β 😞
- 👉 Need **heavy particle** to achieve low β and increase acceptance

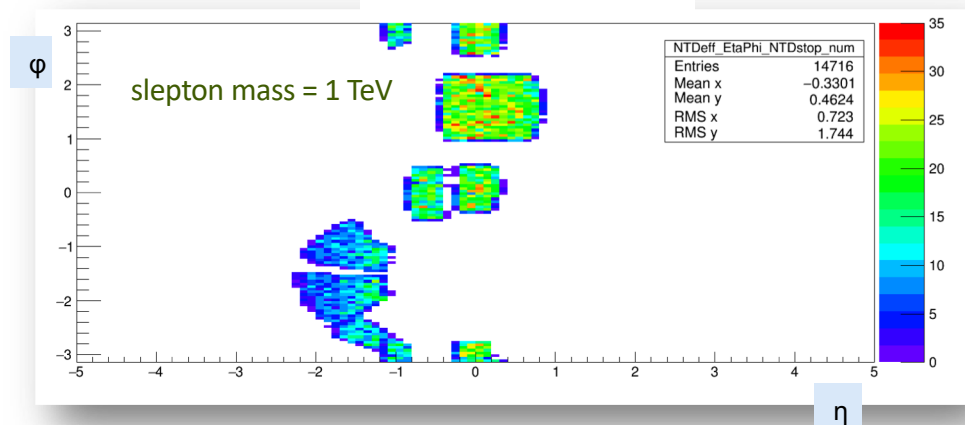
NTD geometry & efficiency

- MoEDAL geometry modelling
 - spherical NTD coverage at **2 m** distance from interaction point
 - some NTDs nearer to IP: ~ 0.5 m
 - factor for NTD coverage: $\sim 18.7\%$
- For particles over z/β threshold, detection efficiency 100%
 - for singly-charged particles, $\beta_{\max} \approx 0.1 - 0.2$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{cases} 1, & \beta \leq \beta_{\max} \\ 0, & \beta > \beta_{\max} \end{cases}$$



NTD position in η, ϕ



Relaxing constraints in CMS selections

- Example: CMS dE/dx analysis @7-8 TeV [[JHEP07 \(2013\) 122](#)]
- Applying recast recipe provided by CMS [[Eur.Phys.J. C75 \(2015\) 325](#)]

	tracker+TOF	tracker-only
$ \eta $	<2.1	
p_T (GeV/c)	>45	
d_z and d_{xy} (cm)	<0.5	
σ_{p_T}/p_T	<0.25	
Track χ^2/n_d	<5	
# Pixel hits	>1	
# Tracker hits	>7	
Frac. Valid hits	>0.8	
$\Sigma p_T^{\text{trk}}(\Delta R < 0.3)$ (GeV/c)	<50	
# dE/dx measurements	>5	
dE/dx strip shape test	yes	
$E_{\text{cal}}(\Delta R < 0.3)/p$	<0.3	
I_h (MeV/cm)		>3.0
ΔR to another track		—

Long-lived charged track must point to the primary vertex

- imposed against cosmic-ray background
- if a particle in the decay chain is long-lived and a kink is present, event may be missed

Requires presence of charged particle in the Pixel detector

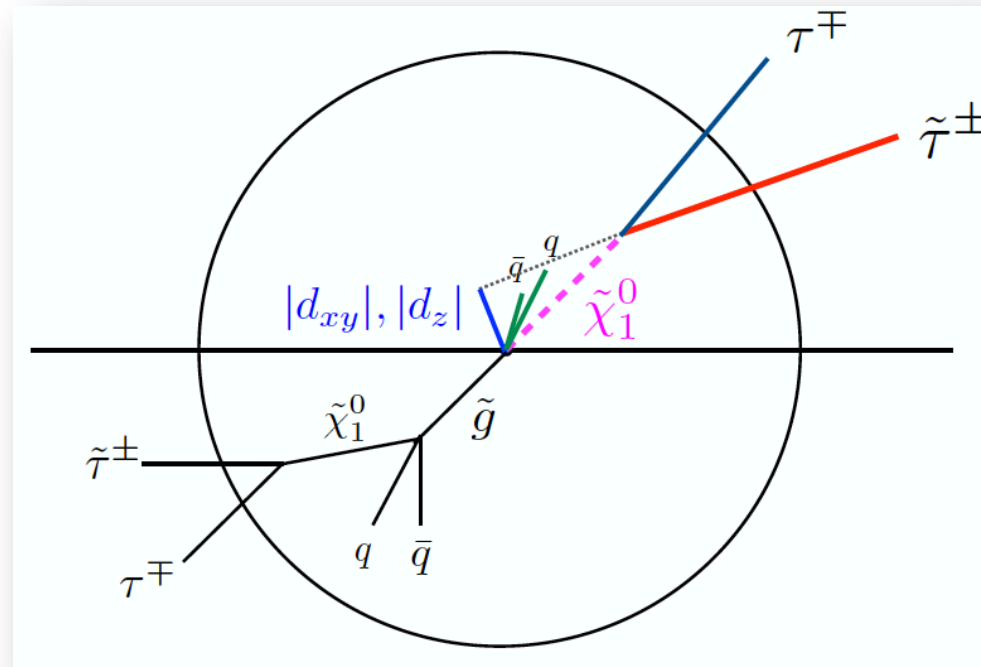
- if \tilde{g} decays via long-lived *neutral* particle, event may be missed
- candidate: **neutralino**

$$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \quad \tilde{g} \rightarrow jj\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \quad \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \tau^\pm \tilde{\tau}_1 \quad (1)$$

$\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ long-lived despite large mass split between $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ and $\tilde{\tau}_1 \rightarrow$ decays in tracker

τ^\pm produces a kink between $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ and $\tilde{\tau}_1$ tracks \Rightarrow large impact parameter d_{xy}, d_z

$\tilde{\tau}_1$ metastable, e.g. gravitino LSP \rightarrow detected by MoEDAL



CMS sensitivity suffers two-ways:

- no pixel hit due to long-lived neutralino
- too large impact parameter for stau

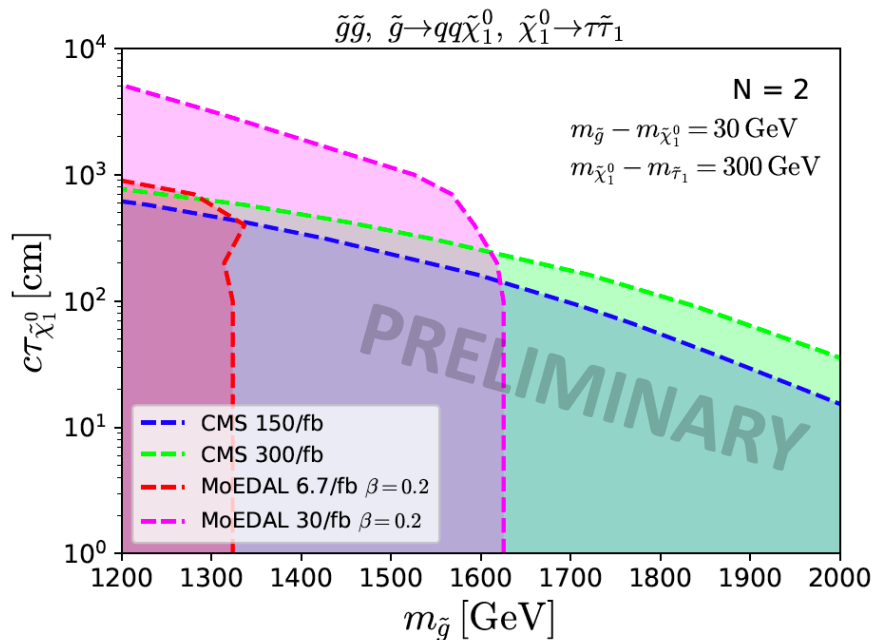
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Run 2 (2018, 13 TeV) vs. Run-3 (2023, 14 TeV) luminosity



Comparison of CMS *exclusion* with MoEDAL *discovery* potential requiring 2 signal events for MoEDAL

MoEDAL can cover long-lifetime region with nominal NTD performance $z/\beta > 5$

Future developments

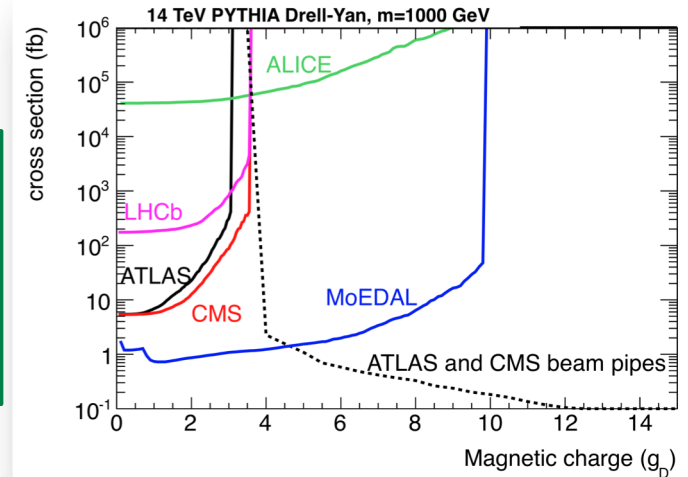
- CMS beam pipe
- MAPP – Monopole Apparatus for Penetrating Particles
- MALL – Monopole Apparatus for very Long Lived particles

CMS beam pipe

Beam pipe

- most directly exposed piece of material
- covers very high magnetic charges, which may be trapped in upstream material before reaching MoEDAL

- **1990's**: materials from CDF, D0 (Tevatron) and H1 (HERA) subject to SQUID scans for trapped monopoles
- **2012**: first pieces of CMS beam pipe tested [[EPJC72 \(2012\) 2212](#)]; far from collision point
- **Feb 2019**: CMS and MoEDAL collaborations signed agreement transferring ownership of the Run-1 CMS beam pipe to MoEDAL
 - beryllium (highly toxic); 6 m long; \varnothing 4 cm
- **Status & plans**
 - beam pipe cut into small pieces at Univ. Alberta, Canada
 - scanned in SQUID at ETH Zurich



De Roeck et al, [EPJC72 \(2012\) 1985](#)

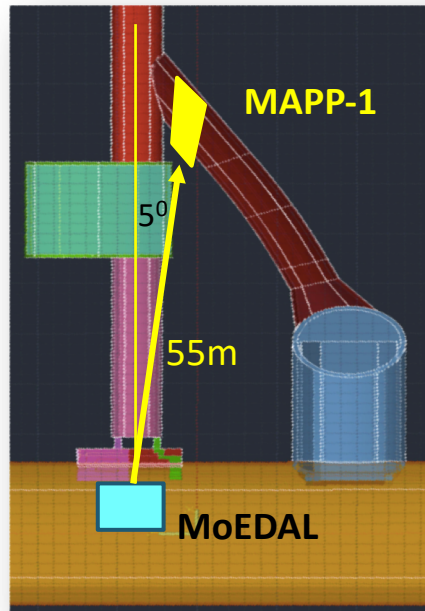


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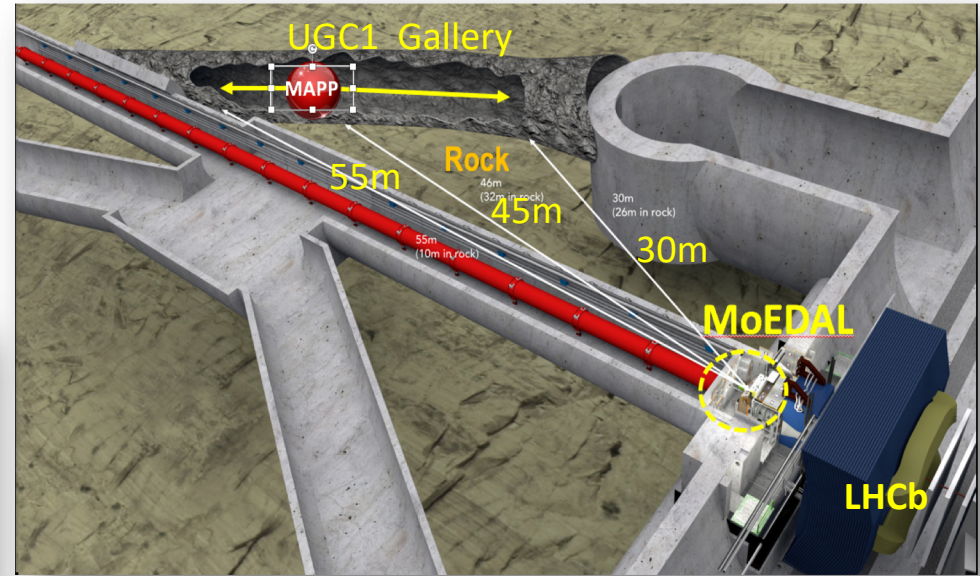
MAPP – MoEDAL Apparatus for Penetrating Particles

MAPP (to be installed for LHC Run-3) has 3 motivations

- particles with charges $\ll 1e$ (ATLAS & CMS sensitive to particles of charge $e \gtrsim 1/3$)
- new pseudo-stable weakly interacting neutrals with long lifetime
- anomalously penetrating particles



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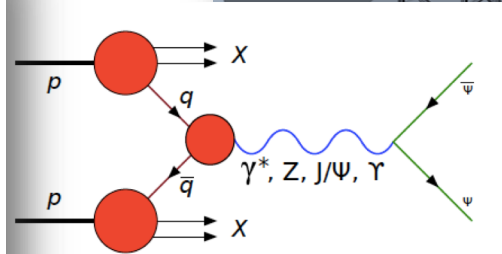
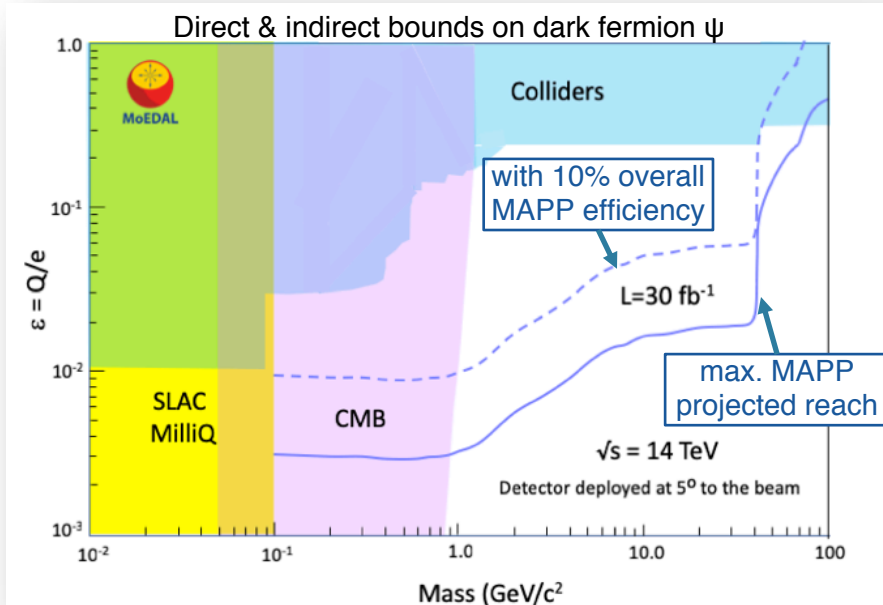
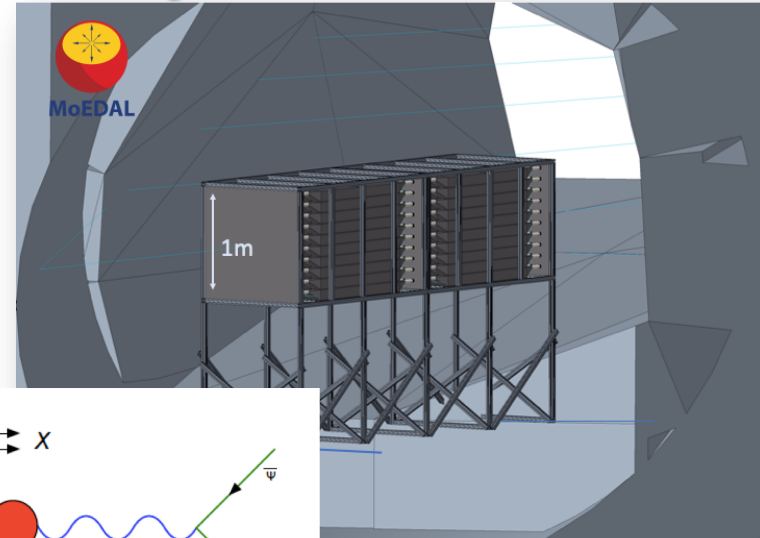
Prototype installed in 2017

- 3x3 bars ($\sim 30 \times 30$ cm)
- $\sim 10\%$ of full detector

MAPP – mQP detector & sensitivity

Central milli-charged (mQP) detection section

- 100 × (10 cm × 10 cm × 75 cm) scintillator bars in each of 4 (2×2) sections readout by 4 low-noise PMTs in coincidence
- no background from dark counts or radiogenic bkg.



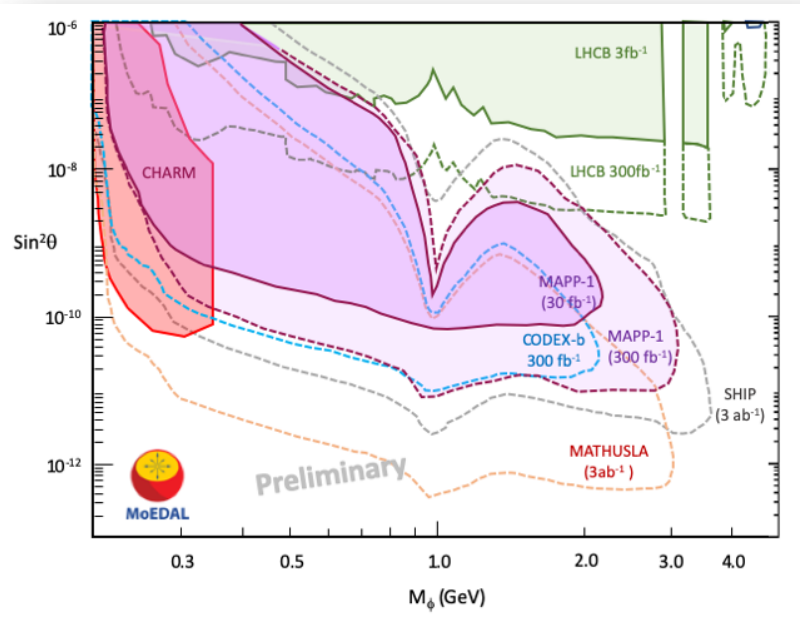
Dark photon scenario: massless dark photon which mixes with γ/Z & mQP dark fermion ψ

- MAPP sensitivity to a charge of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$ – $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2}) e$ for mass of $\mathcal{O}(1)$ GeV & charge $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2}) e$ for mass of $\mathcal{O}(10)$ GeV

MAPP – LLP detector & sensitivity

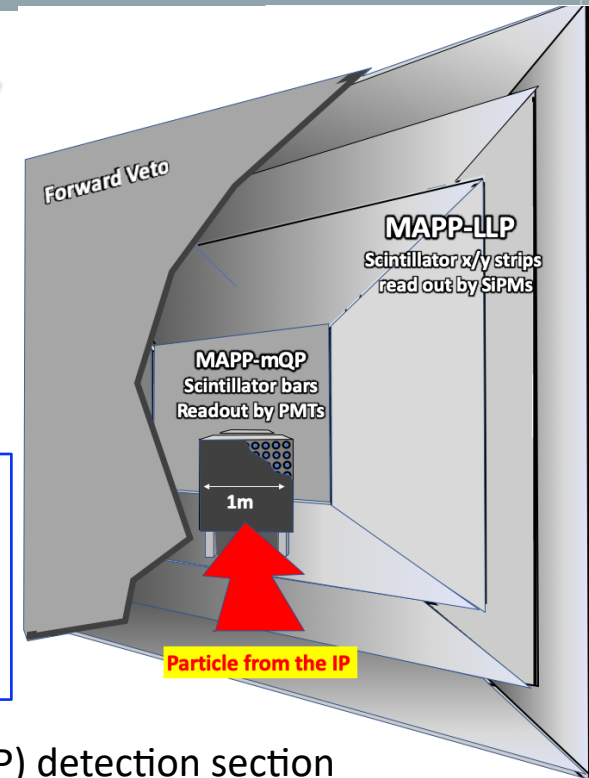
Full MAPP detector planned to operate in Run-3 (2021–2024)

- max. fiducial efficiency for $B \rightarrow X_S \phi$ is $\sim 5 \times 10^{-4}$
- background from K_L^0 , n , μ & ν under study with full GEANT simulation incl. detectors, beamline and surrounding material



Benchmark scenario:

dark Higgs ϕ mixes with SM H^0 ($\theta \ll 1$), leading to exotic $B \rightarrow X_S \phi$ decays with $\phi \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$

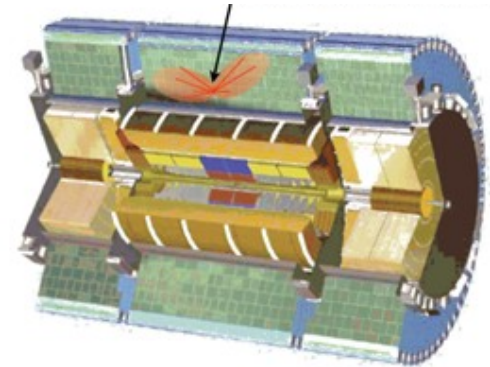
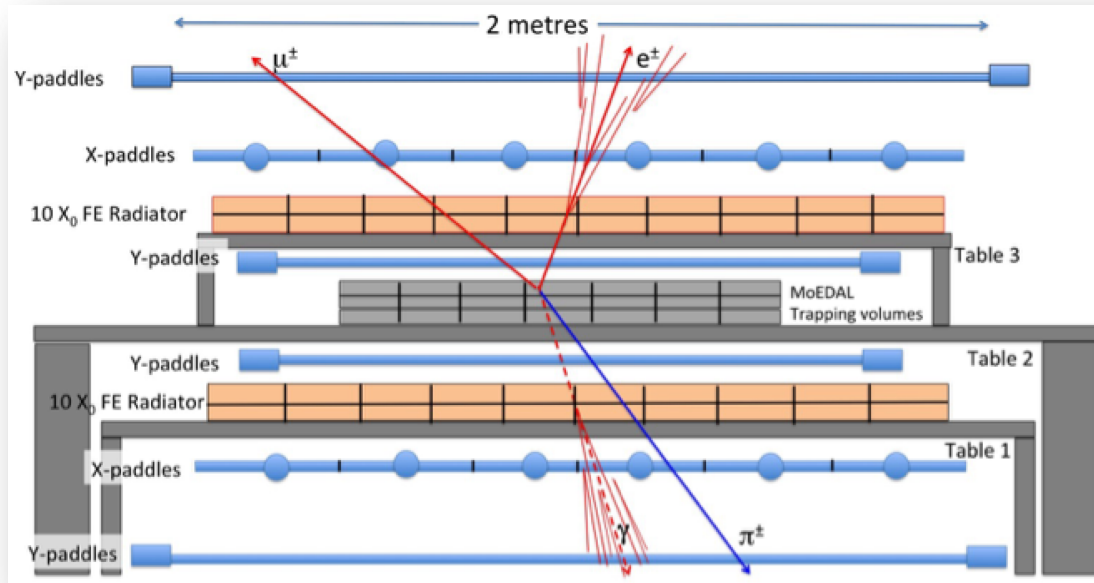


Long Lived Particle (LLP) detection section

- scintillator x/y strip “hodoscope-type” planes
- 3 sets of detectors nested in “Russian Doll” configuration
- outer set: front veto layer forms front face
- envisaged ToF resolution ~ 500 ps with spatial resolution $\sigma_{x/y} \sim 1$ cm

MALL – MoEDAL Apparatus for very Long Lived particles

- After exposure and SQUID scan, MoEDAL MMTs will be monitored for decaying *electrically charged* particles that may have been trapped in their volume
 - ATLAS & CMS similar analyses in empty bunch crossings for trapped R-hadrons decaying into jets
- Sensitive to charged particles and to photons with energy as small as $1 \sim \text{GeV}$
- MALL planned to be installed deep underground at SNOLAB in Canada



Estimated MALL probed lifetimes ~ 10 yrs

Summary

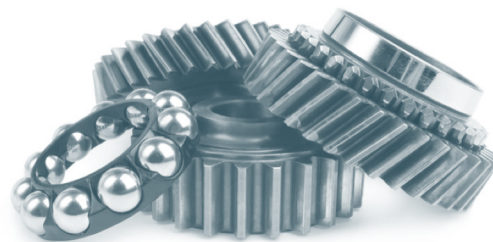
- Magnetic monopoles continue to excite interest and have been the subject of numerous experimental searches
- The MoEDAL experiment at the LHC is one of the key players in this quest
 - search for dyons in progress
- MoEDAL can also search for **(meta)stable *electrically-charged* massive particles**
 - such particles arise in numerous **supersymmetric** scenarios
 - search for HECOs is underway
- Much higher charges can be probed by looking for trapped monopoles, e.g. CMS run 1 beam pipe
- Further **detector extensions** in various stages of advancement
 - in particular, **MAPP** searching for penetrating particles
- **Stay tuned for upcoming results !**



Thank you for
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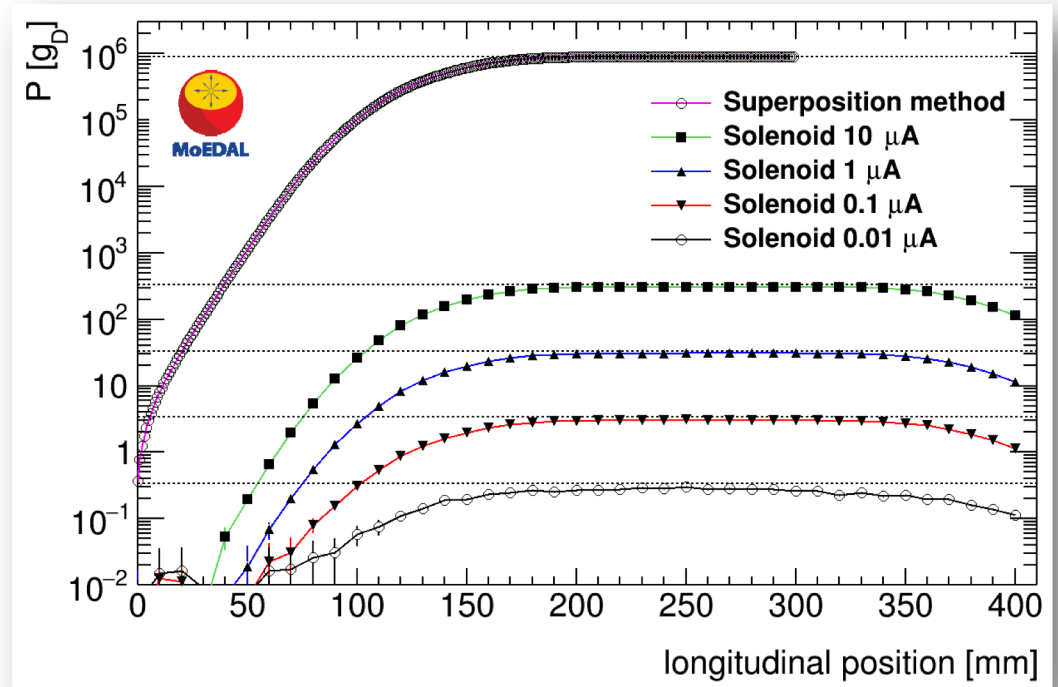


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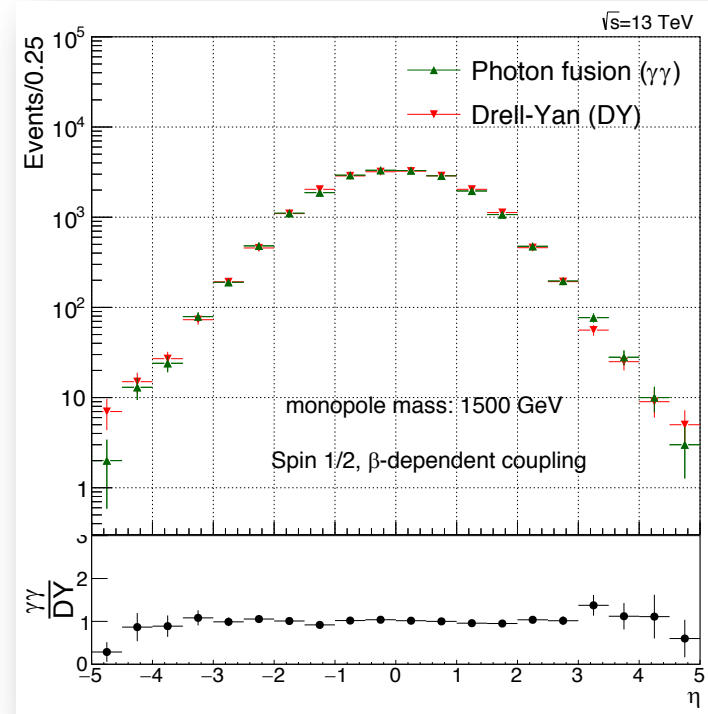
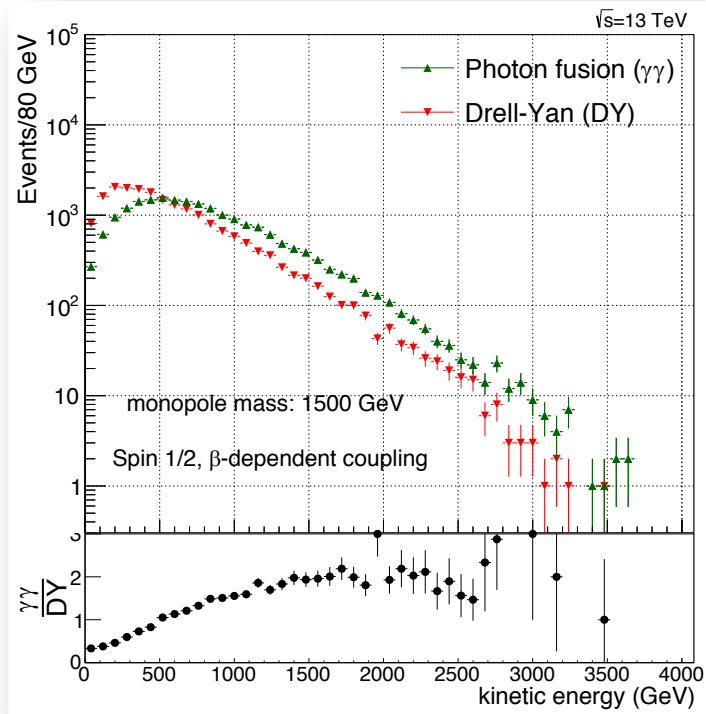


SQUID calibration

- Calibration measurements
 - superposition method using a magnetic dipole simple
 - solenoid method with $P = 32.4 \text{ g}_D / \text{A}$ and various currents

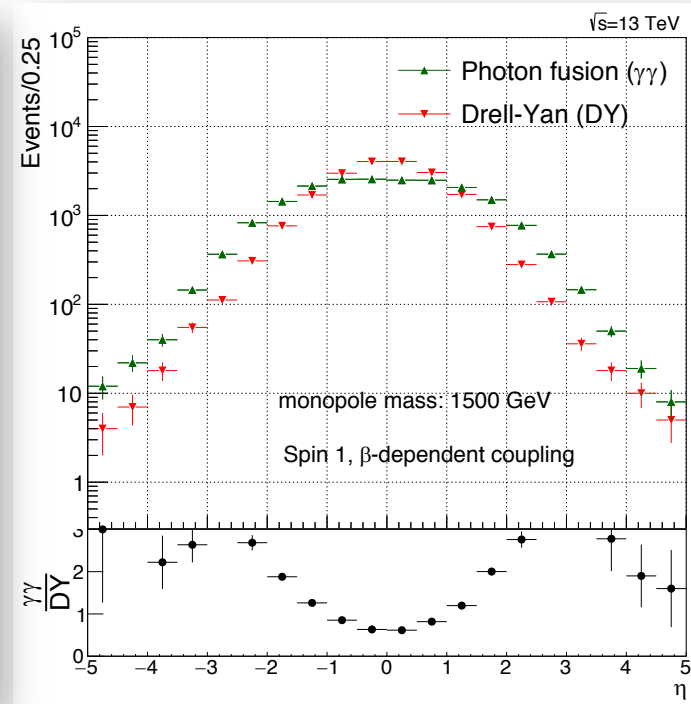
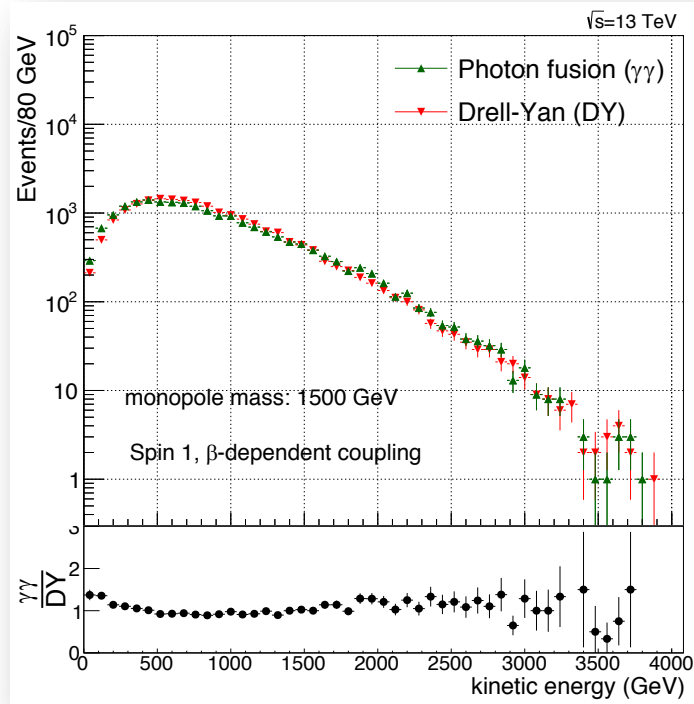


Drell-Yan vs. γ -fusion: spin $\frac{1}{2}$



- DY events have a significantly “softer” spectrum than PF
- Angular distributions are similar

Drell-Yan vs. γ -fusion: spin 1

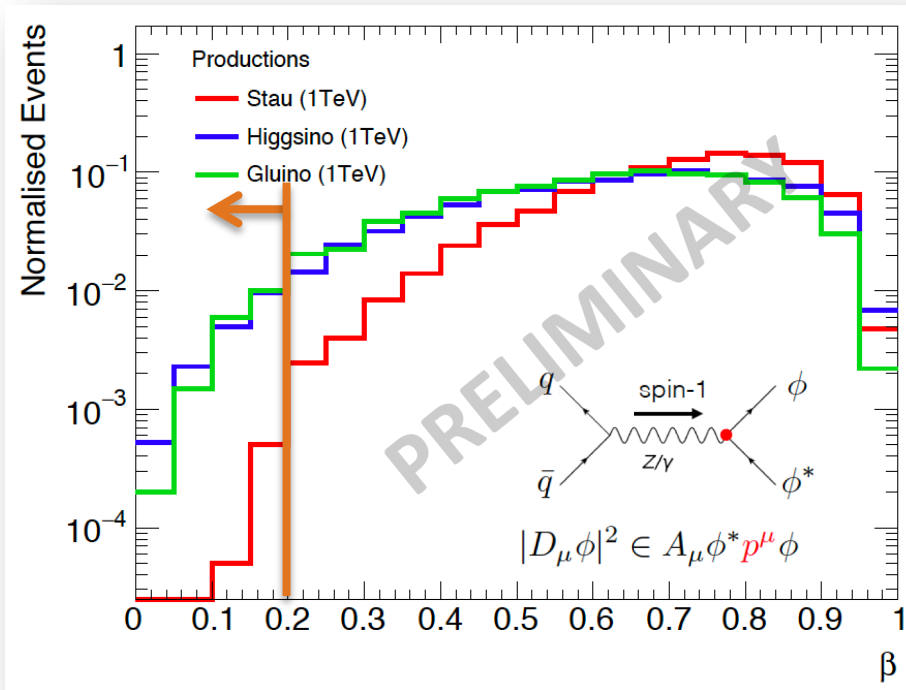


- DY events are characterised by a slightly “harder” spectrum and are more centrally produced than PF
- PF-DY comparison similar to scalar monopoles

Why MoEDAL when searching for HSCPs?

- **Trigger**
 - ATLAS/CMS must use trigger \Rightarrow decreased efficiency even when using specialised triggers
 - MoEDAL has no trigger
- **Event selection**
 - ATLAS/CMS apply strict kinematic cuts to suppress background \Rightarrow complex systematics estimation
 - in MoEDAL analyses are hardware oriented \Rightarrow simple and robust
 - MoEDAL mostly limited by geometrical acceptance and low- β requirement
- **Timing**: signal from (slow-moving) HSCPs should arrive within the correct bunch crossings for ATLAS/CMS
 - MoEDAL is time-agnostic \Rightarrow no problem with very slow particles
- When looking for ***trapped particles***
 - monitoring of detector volumes in an underground/basement laboratory has less background than using empty bunches in LHC cavern (MALL)

Velocity vs. type of particle



Sakurai et al, [arXiv:1903.11022](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.11022)

- Scalar (spinless) pair production (stau) undergoes p -wave suppression, unlike fermion (spinful) production
- The velocity is smaller for **fermion** pair production scalar
 - **gluinos**
 - higgsinos / binos / winos
- Detectable particles must be *charged*
 - sleptons, i.e **staus** for most models/parameter space
 - charginos
 - gluinos

Study **slepton (stau)** detection in **gluino**-mediated production

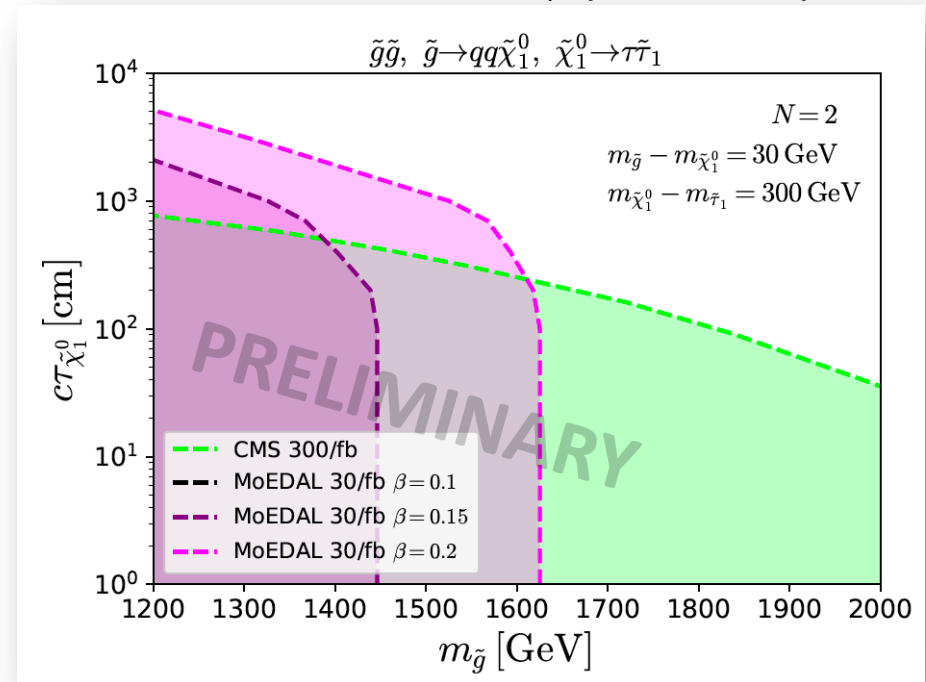
$$\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \quad \tilde{g} \rightarrow jj\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \quad \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \tau^\pm\tilde{\tau}_1 \quad (III)$$

- Studying sensitivity with different β thresholds:
 - 0.1 ($z/\beta=10$)
 - 0.15 ($z/\beta \approx 6.7$)
 - **0.2 ($z/\beta=5$)**

MoEDAL can cover long-lifetime region with less-than-nominal NTD performance $z/\beta > 6.7$

Other decay chains studied too,
 e.g. $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g} \rightarrow jj\tilde{\chi}_1^0, \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \pi^\pm\tilde{\tau}_1$
 $\tilde{g}\tilde{g}, \tilde{g} \rightarrow jj\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm, \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \nu_\tau\tilde{\tau}_1$

End-of-run-3 (2023, 14 TeV) projected luminosity



SUSY charged long-lived particles

- Long-lived sleptons (staus mostly)

- **Gauge-mediated symmetry-breaking (GMSB):**
stau NLSP decays via gravitational interaction to gravitino LSP

$$\Gamma(\tilde{l} \rightarrow l\tilde{G}) = \frac{1}{48\pi M_*^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{l}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{l}}^2} \right]^4$$

- **Coannihilation region in CMSSM:** long lived stau, when $m(\tilde{\tau}) - m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) < m(\tau)$
→ naturally long lifetime for stau in both cases

$$\tilde{\tau} \rightarrow \tau\tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

- R-hadrons

- **Gluinos in Split Supersymmetry:** $\tilde{g}q\bar{q}$, $\tilde{g}qqq$, $\tilde{g}g$
 - long-lived because squarks very heavy
 - gluino hadrons may flip charge as they pass through matter

- **Stops:** $\tilde{t}\bar{q}$, $\tilde{t}qq$

- e.g. stop NLSP in gravitino dark matter

$$\tilde{t} \rightarrow t\tilde{G}$$

- e.g. as LSP in R-parity violating SUSY, long-lived when RPV coupling(s) small

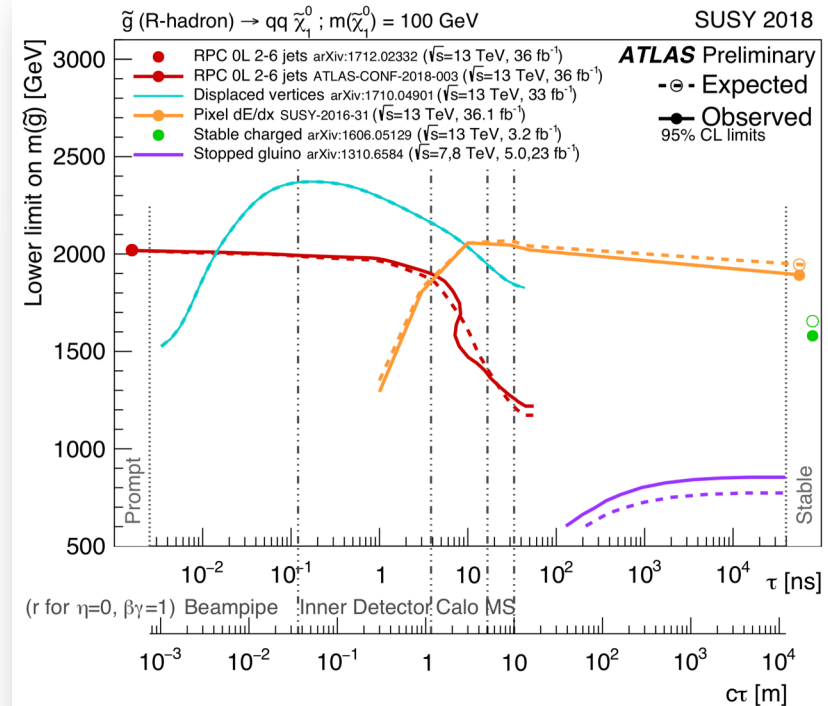
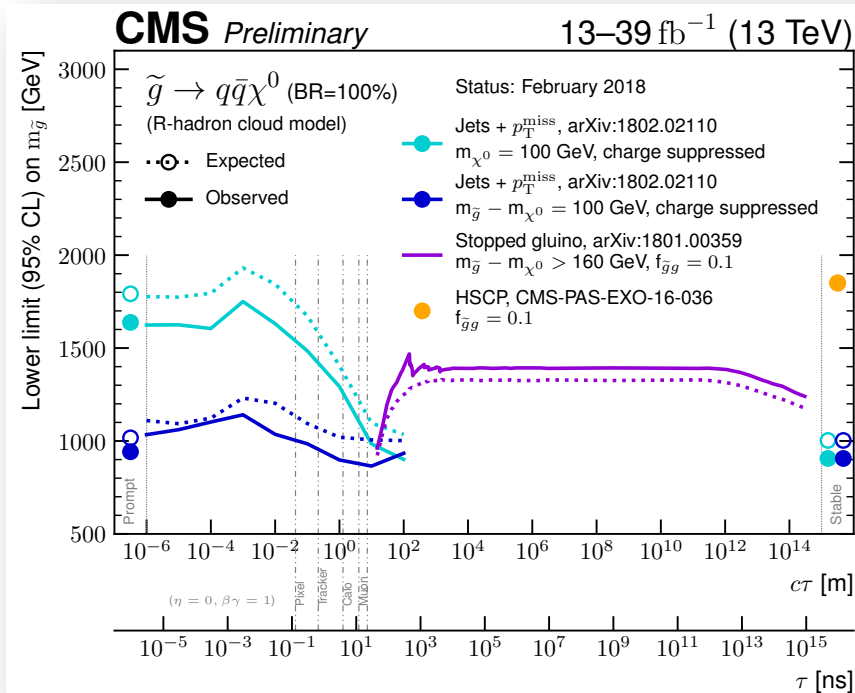
- Long-lived charginos

- **Anomaly-mediated symmetry-breaking (AMSB):** $\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ and $\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ are mass degenerate $\Rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^\pm$ becomes long-lived

$$\tilde{\chi}_1^\pm \rightarrow \pi^\pm \tilde{\chi}_1^0$$

ATLAS & CMS limits on LL gluinos

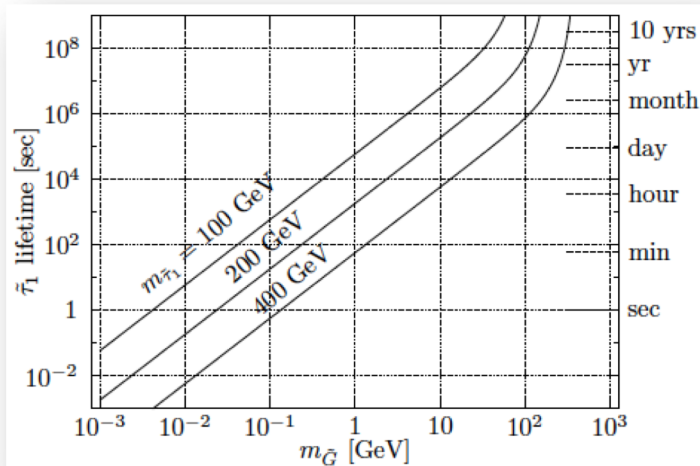
1. Energy deposition (dE/dx) in inner tracker, e.g. Pixel detector
2. Time-of-flight in outer muon system



Detector response not fully calibrated for HIPs

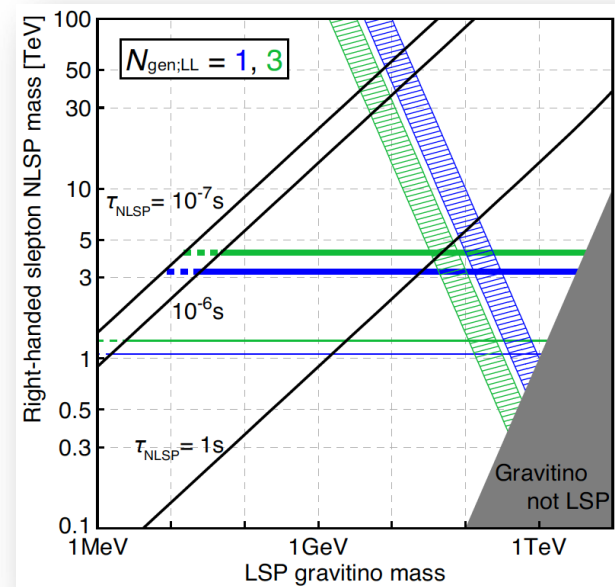
Long-lived sleptons – GMSB

- Gauge-mediated Supersymmetry-Breaking (GMSB)
- Stau NLSP decays via gravitational interaction to gravitino LSP
 - naturally long lifetime
 - LSP dark matter candidate
- Long-lived sleptons
 - may be slow-moving when produced at LHC
 - → high ionisation



Hamaguchi, Nojiri, De
Roeck, JHEP 03(2007)046

$$\Gamma(\tilde{l} \rightarrow l\tilde{G}) = \frac{1}{48\pi M_*^2} \frac{m_{\tilde{l}}^5}{m_{\tilde{G}}^2} \left[1 - \frac{m_{\tilde{G}}^2}{m_{\tilde{l}}^2} \right]^4$$



Feng, Iwamoto, Shadmi, Tarem,
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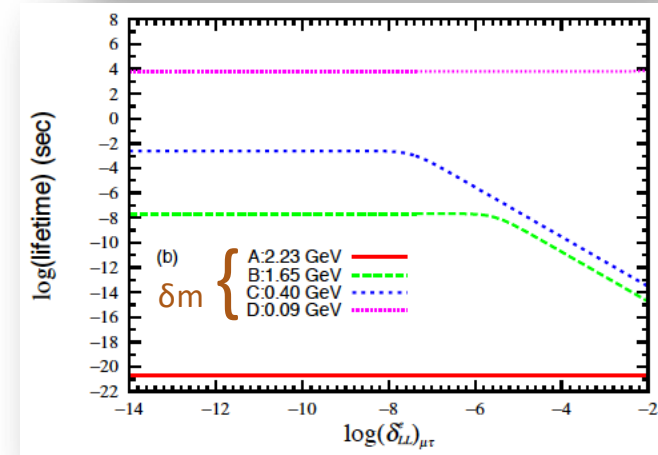
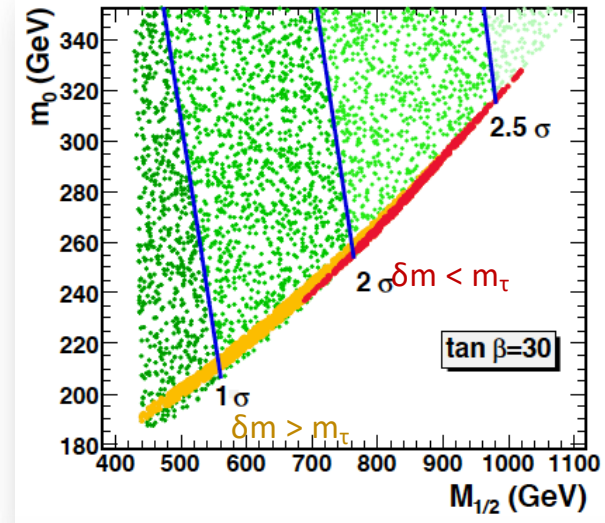
Long-lived sleptons – CMSSM

- Stau becomes long lived in MSSM when $\delta m = m(\tilde{\tau}) - m(\tilde{\chi}_1^0) < m(\tau)$
 - e.g. $\tau = 10^{-3} \text{ s}$ (10^3 s) for $\delta m = 0.4 \text{ GeV}$ (0.1 GeV)
- Coannihilation region in CMSSM
- Consistent with cosmological constraints
- Lepton Flavour Violating (LFV) elements in slepton mass matrix may decrease stau lifetime

$$(\delta_{RR/LL}^e)_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\Delta M_{RR/LL}^{e2}}{M_{R/L\alpha}^e M_{R/L\beta}^e},$$

- Stau remains metastable in large regions of parameter space

$$\Gamma_{2\text{-body}} = \frac{g_2^2}{2\pi m_{\tilde{\tau}_1}} (\delta m)^2 (|g_{1\alpha 1}^L|^2 + |g_{1\alpha 1}^R|^2),$$



R-hadrons

- Gluinos in Split Supersymmetry

- long-lived because squarks very heavy
- possible gluino hadrons: $R = \tilde{g}q\bar{q}, \tilde{g}qqq, \tilde{g}g$
- gluino hadrons may flip charge as they pass through matter
 - e.g., $\tilde{g}u\bar{u} + uud \rightarrow \tilde{g}uud + u\bar{u}$
 - \tilde{g} may be missed by ATLAS and CMS

- R-parity violating SUSY

$$W_{RV} = \lambda''_{ijk} \bar{U}_i \bar{D}_j \bar{D}_k + \lambda'_{ijk} L_i Q_j \bar{D}_k + \lambda_{ijk} L_i L_j \bar{E}_k + \mu_i L_i H;$$

- if small λ' or $\lambda'' \neq 0$ and stop LSP \rightarrow stop R-hadron
 - \rightarrow metastable charged particle in material
 - \rightarrow detection in MoEDAL, if sufficiently slow
- Moreover R-hadrons may be “trapped” in MMTs and decay at later times \rightarrow monitoring of MMTs after SQUID tests

$$\tau \simeq 8 \left(\frac{m_S}{10^9 \text{ GeV}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{1 \text{ TeV}}{m_{\tilde{g}}} \right)^5 \text{ s}$$

Diaz-Cruz et al, JHEP 0705 (2007) 003

