Looking for Long Lived particles at the LHC

Based on

Discrimination between prompt and long-lived particles using convolutional neural network BB, Swagata Mukherjee and Rhitaja Sengupta.

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Novel signature for long-lived particles at the LHC

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Large Hadron Collider: History and Current Status

1976: story began in 1976 European particle physics community started discussing about the Large Electron Positron (LEP) collider at CERN.

1977: Building of LEP tunnel, with a possibility of another ring of superconducting magnets to enable the acceleration of protons.

1994: Approval by CERN Council (1993: SCC cancelled)

2009-2010: LHC restarted (actual start : September, 2008)

2019-2020: Long Shutdown, preparing for run 3. (Data collected so far ~ 160 ifb (Run2) + 30 ifb(Run1))

2021-2024: Run 3(6.5 TeV or 7 TeV ?) Total int luminosity~ 300-400ifb

2026: HL-LHC will start

2037-: beyond LHC .. new proposals

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Physics beyond the Standard Model

Many BSM models: SUSY, Extra dimensions..., A large number of possible signatures, parameter dependence, assumptions on the interpretations of the available results

Everything looks consistent With standard model

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Three possible scenarios

Possibility I

BSM particles are much heavier than LHC reach / (no TeV Scale SUSY ...)

LHC will only reverify the correctness of Standard Model

Nightmare scenario!!



Possibility II

BSM particles are just above LHC current bound

LHC will discover BSM particles soon

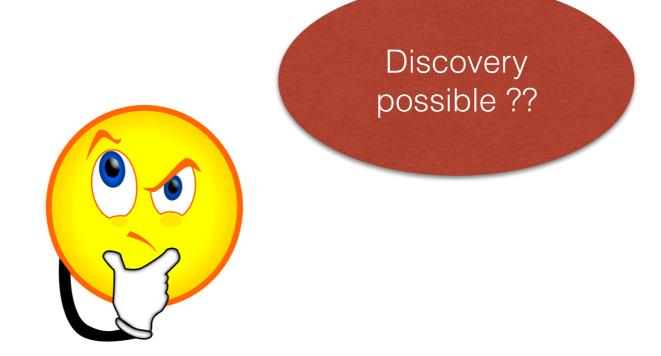
Best case scenario



Possibility III

BSM particles are light however LHC search channels are not very sensitive

Are we missing something?



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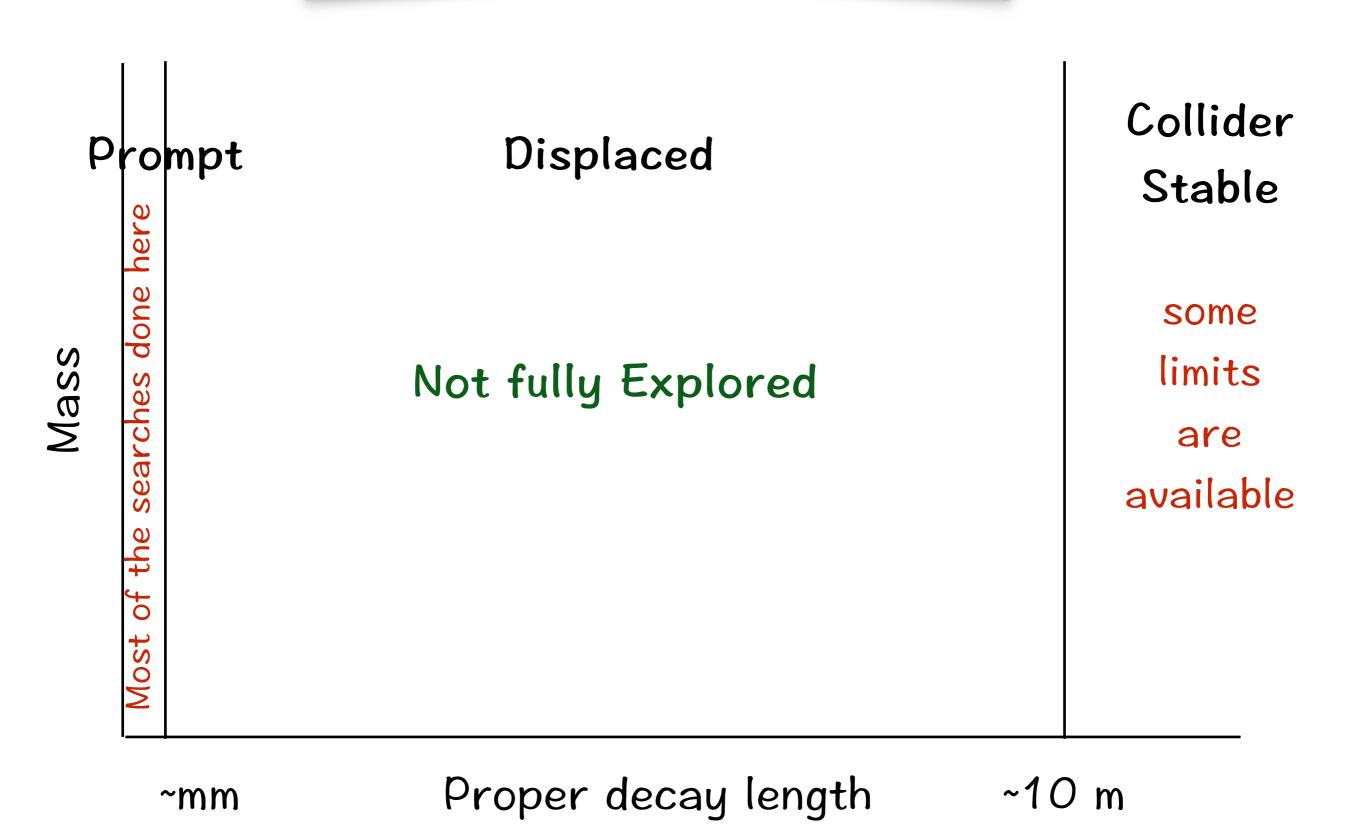
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One such possibility: Long lived Particles at the LHC

LHC: PROMPT vs DISPLACED



Long lived particles

Long lived particles(LLP) are present in the Standard Model (charged pion, neutron, ..)

Two possible reasons:

Small coupling

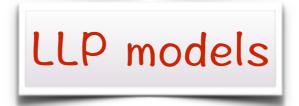
Suppression in the phase space

approximate symmetry,

higher dimensional operator

Example: RPV decay modes

decay of pure charged wino



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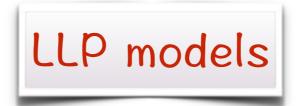
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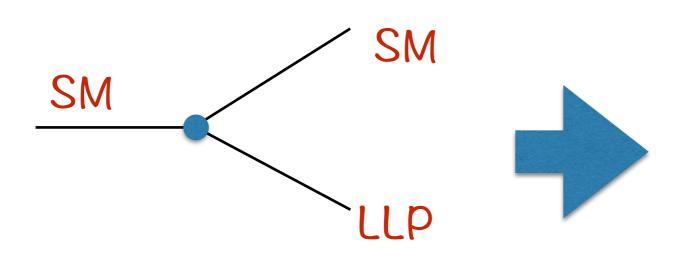
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How do we produce LLP at the LHC?

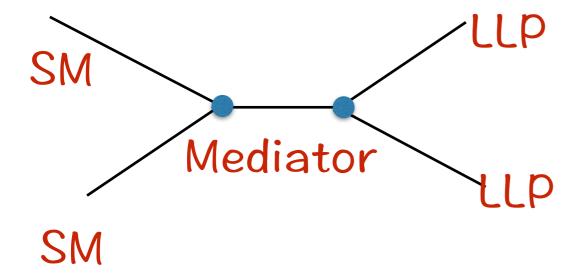
Production of LLP



Should be suppressed otherwise LLP-> SM SM will be prompt

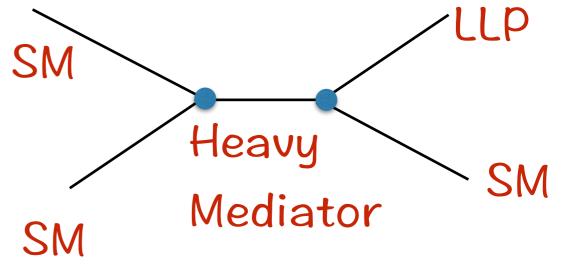
Single production cross section of LLP through only SM particles will be small

Mostly pair production of LLP considered



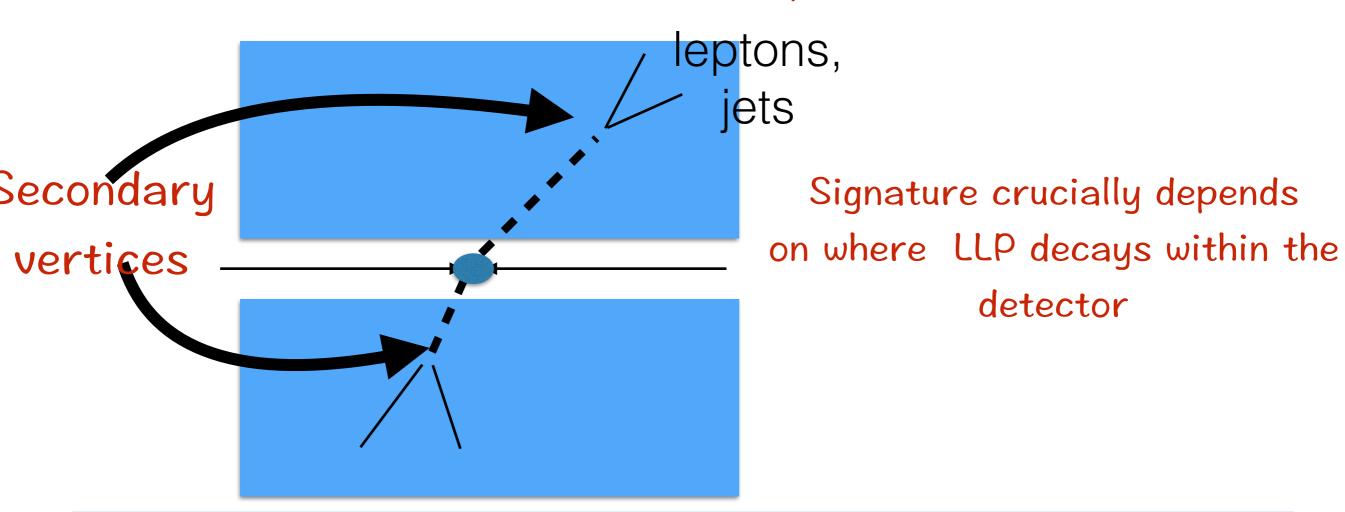
Mediator can be SM particles like Higgs, Z, etc or new particles that couples to both the SM and LLP

single production also possible with heavy BSM mediators



A. Search for displaced vertex

Pair production of neutral LLP LLP -> standard model particles



Two ways to search for LLPs:

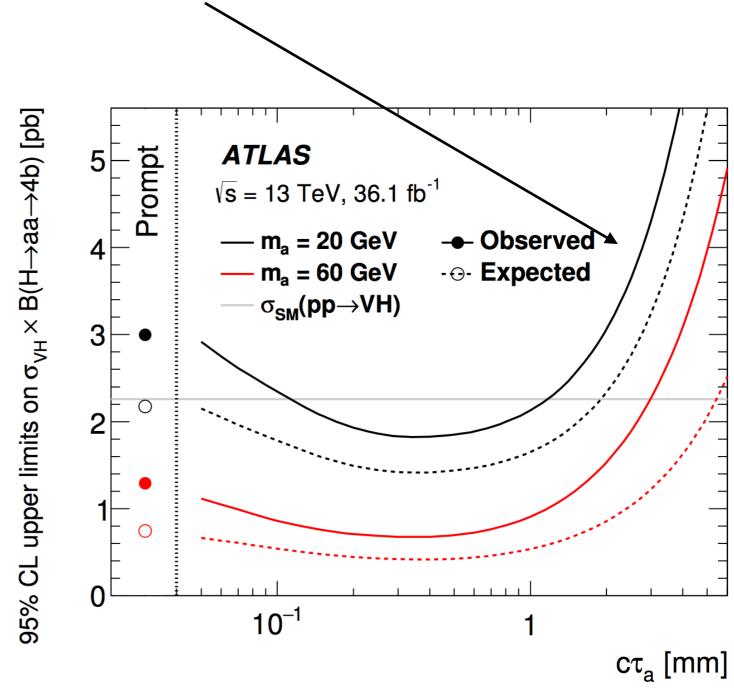
- A. Use standard Trigger made for prompt analysis and identify LLP offline
- B. Dedicated Triggers for LLP

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quickly losing sensitivity in the lifetime range >3-4mm

Prompt search somewhat sensitive for the decay length of a ~ mm

The b-tagging algorithm is efficient in identifying jets containing b-hadrons with efficiency largest for proper lifetimes of $c\tau \sim 0.5$ mm and decreases for longer lifetimes.



CMS LLP --> Displaced Di-jets

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Dedicated Trigger developed for LLP identification

PP -> Z*-> LLP LLP

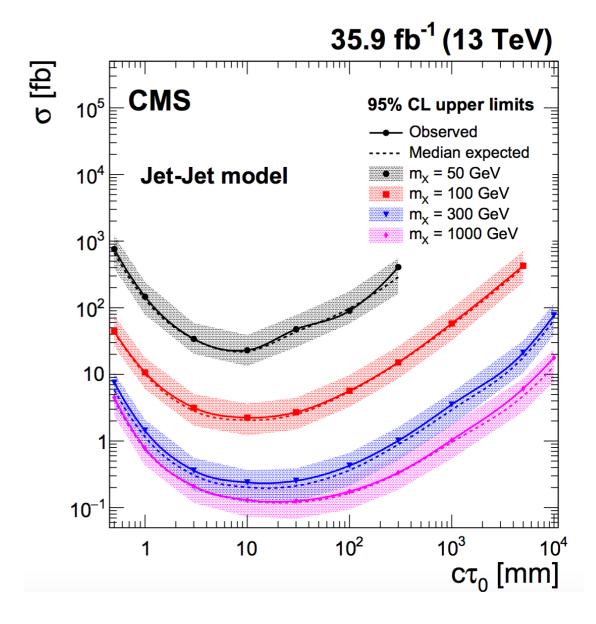
Displaced Jet trigger:

 $H_T > 350~\text{GeV}$ (H_T scalar sum of the transverse momenta of all jets satisfying pT > 40 GeV and $|\eta|$ < 2.5)

Unusual jets:

at most two associated prompt tracks having a transverse impact parameter (with respect to the leading primary vertex) smaller than 1.0 mm

at least one associated displaced track, defined as a track with a transverse impact parameter (with respect to the leading primary vertex) larger than 0.5 mm,

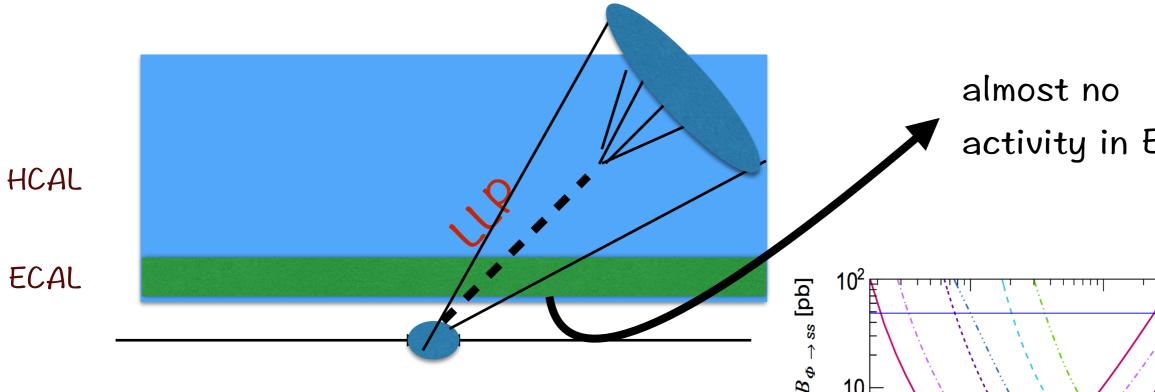


vertex up to 55 cm in the transverse plane is identified Sensitive even for 50 GeV LLP

ATLAS LLP -> Displaced Di-jets

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Dedicated Trigger developed for LLP decaying inside HCAL

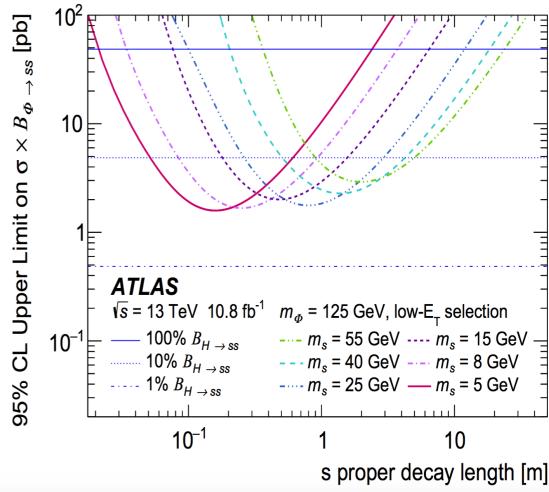


activity in ECAL

Unusual jets

typically have no associated activity in the tracking system.

often have a high ratio of energy deposited in the HCal (EH) to energy deposited in the ECal (EM).

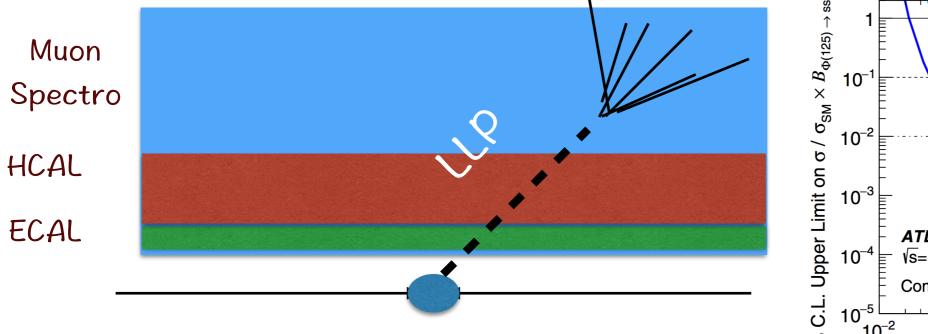


This ratio, EH/EM, is referred to as the CalRatio

ATLAS LLP —> Displaced Di-jets

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Dedicated Trigger developed for LLP decaying Muon Spectrometer



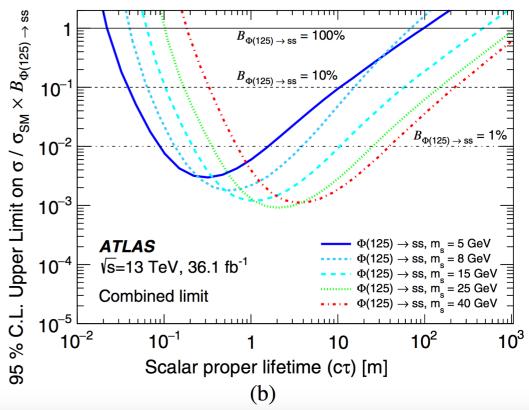


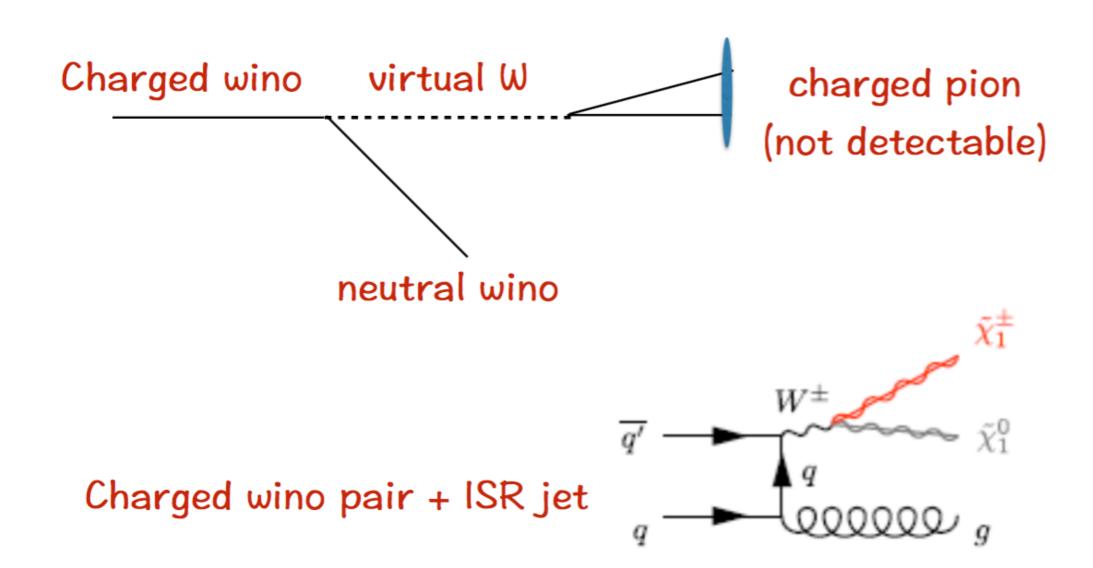
TABLE I. Topologies considered in this paper, corresponding basic event selection and benchmark models.

Strategy	Basic event selection	Benchmarks			
2MSVx	at least 2 MS vertices	scalar portal, Higgs portal baryogenesis, stealth SUSY			
1MSVx+Jets	exactly 1 MS vertex at least 2 jets with $E_T > 150 \text{ GeV}$	stealth SUSY			
1 MSV $\mathbf{x} + E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{miss}}$	exactly 1 MS vertex $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 30 \text{ GeV}$	scalar portal with $m_{\Phi} = 125 \text{ GeV}$,			
		Higgs portal baryogenesis			

B. Disappearing Charged Track

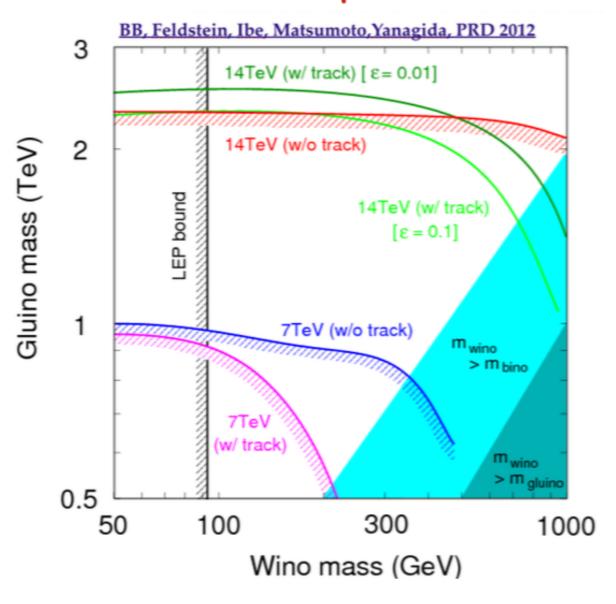
decay of Charged wino to neutral wino

Mass difference ~ 165 MeV



B. Disappearing Charged Track

Selection efficiency is very low for heavy wino: better to take tracks which travel up to SCT



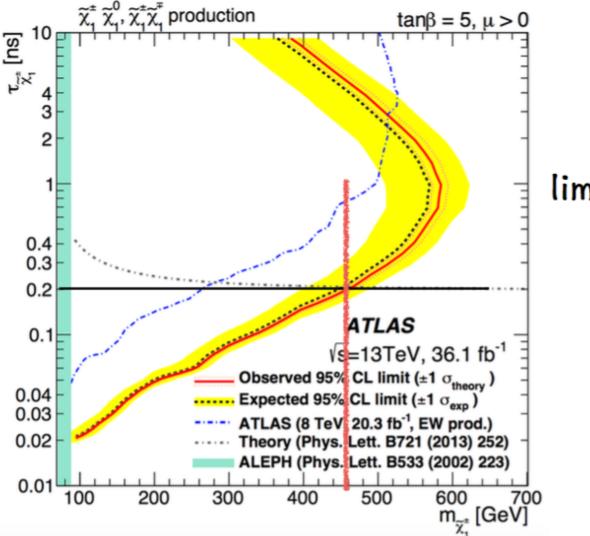
Our Proposal

• The selected track must disappear between 142 mm and 520 mm, i.e. between the inner pixel detectors and the semiconductor detector (SCT).

New study by ATLAS

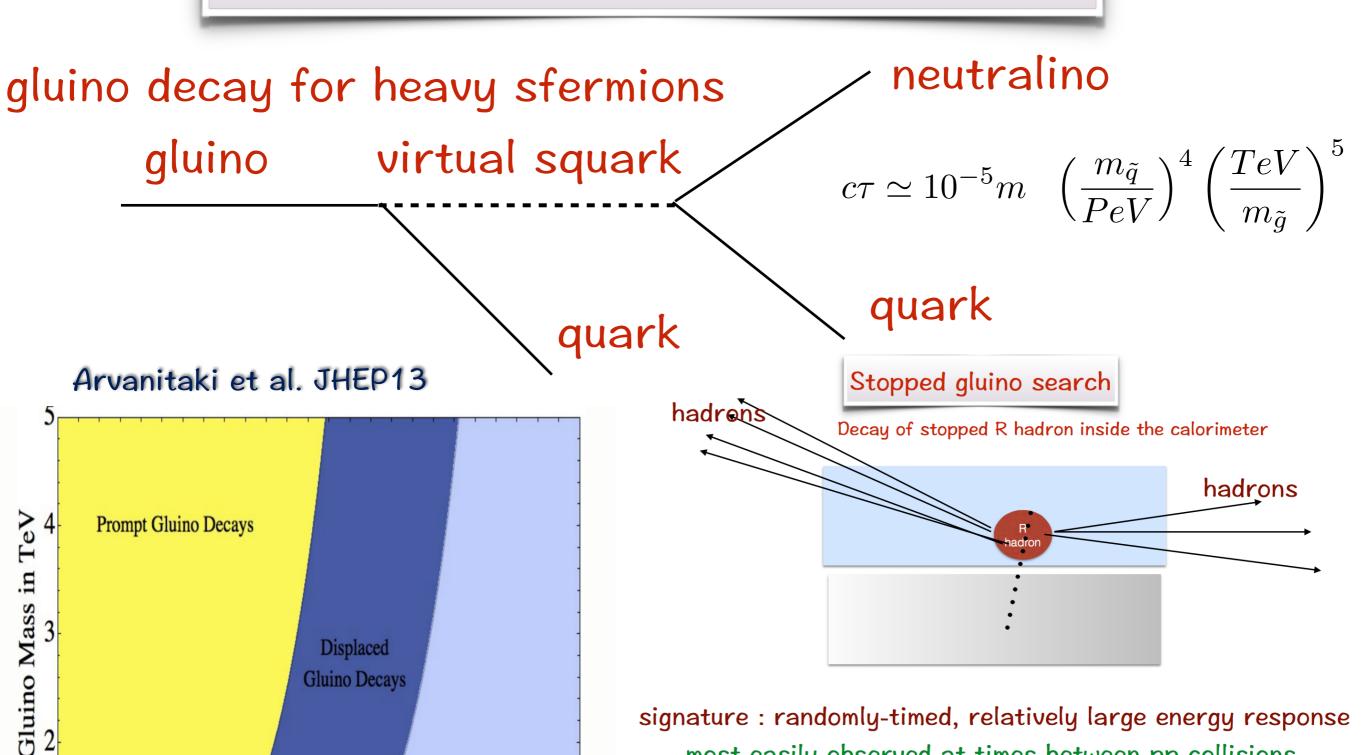
Look for "tracklet" with hits in ATLAS pixel layers (R < 12 cm)but none in silicon strips (R > 30 cm)

Possible because of new innermost pixel layer



limit for wino ~ 460 GeV

C. Stopped Particle: Out of time decay



Gluino Decays

Scalar Mass in $Log_{10}\left(\frac{m_0}{T_0 N}\right)$

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Collider-Stable

Gluinos

5

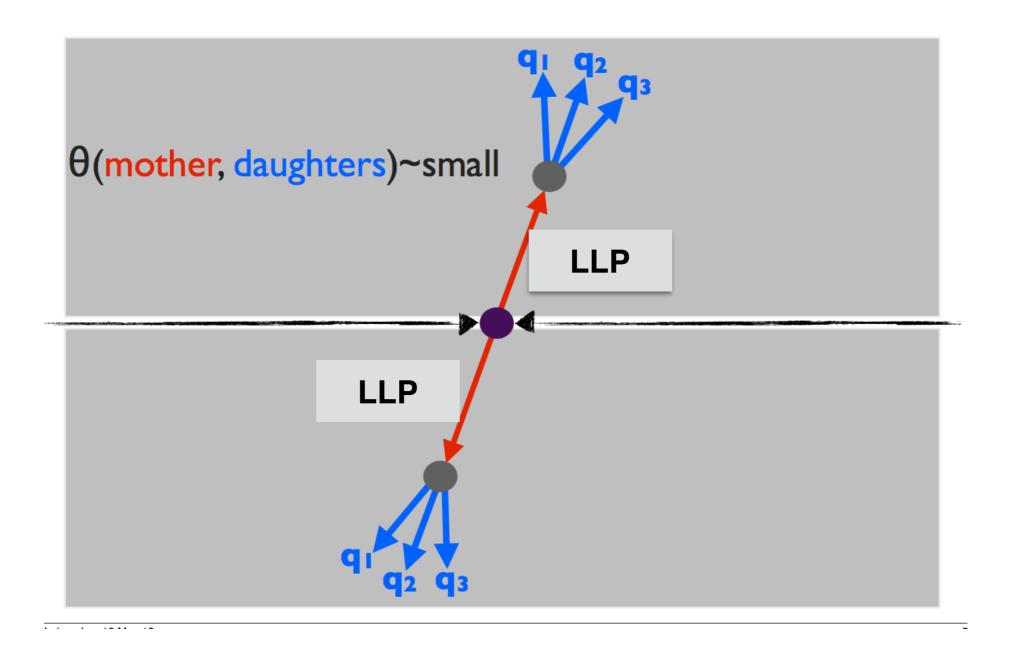
signature: randomly-timed, relatively large energy response most easily observed at times between pp collisions.

During these times the detector should be mostly quiet (possible activity: :cosmic rays, beam-related backgrounds, and instrumental noise) searched by DO of Tevatron , ATLAS, CMS : limits also depend on lifetime hep-ex: 1501.05603, https://inspirehep.net/record/1599661/files/EXO-16-004-pas.pdf

Unusual signatures of LLP

Consider a process PP -> LLP pair, LLP -> jjj

Usual 'displaced vertices', 'displaced jets' signature

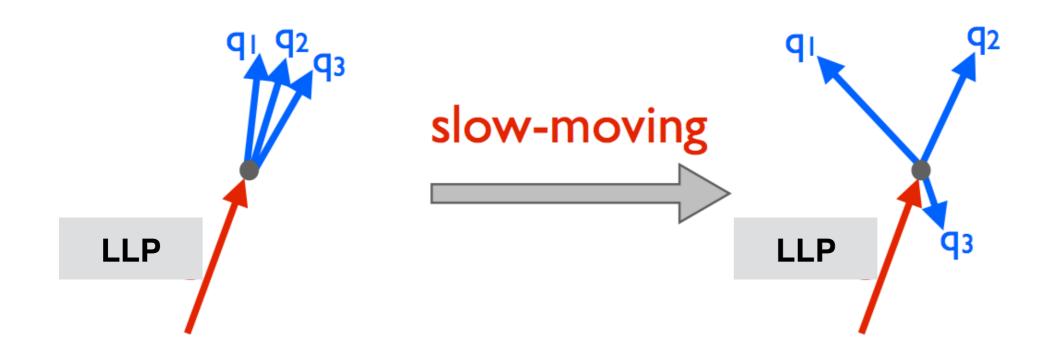


Unusual signatures of LLP

Heavy LLP —> Slow Moving

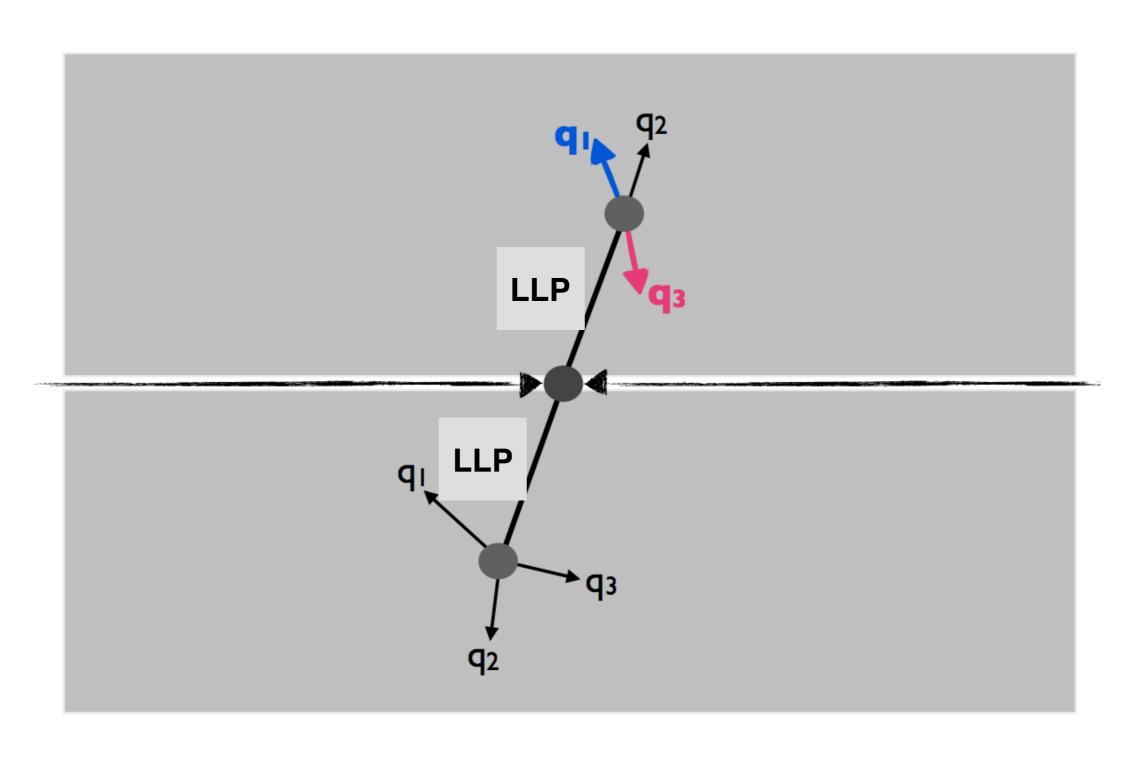
$$\beta(=p/E) < I$$

Decay products not collimated anymore θ (mother, daughters) can be **big**



Unusual signatures of LLP

Non-pointing or even backward-moving particles

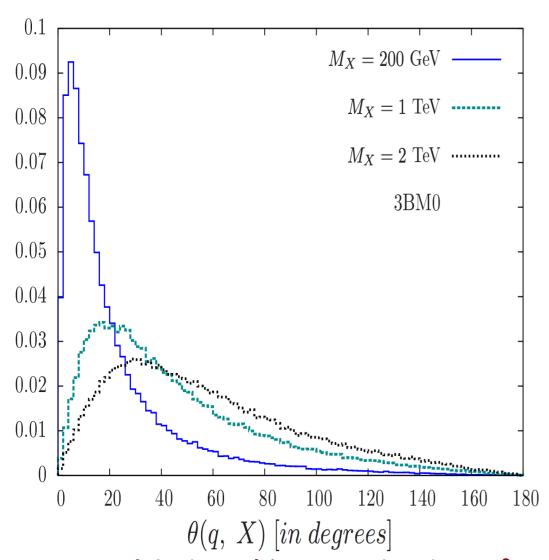


Backward Moving Particles

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How often at-least one daughter is non-pointing / backward-moving ?



Case	M_{X}	$M_{ m DM}$	β (mean, RMS)	$\theta > 22.5^{\circ}$	$\theta > 45^{\circ}$	$\theta > 90^{\circ}$	$\theta > 135^{\circ}$
	[TeV]	[TeV]					
2BM0	0.2	-	0.75, 0.23	0.85	0.62	0.25	0.05
			0.87, 0.13	0.78	0.46	0.13	0.03
	0.5	-	0.66,0.24	0.96	0.78	0.33	0.07
			0.81, 0.14	0.94	0.65	0.19	0.04
	1	-	0.58,0.23	0.99	0.90	0.42	0.09
			$0.72, \ 0.15$	0.99	0.83	0.28	0.06
	2	-	0.46,0.20	1.00	0.98	0.54	0.13
			0.60, 0.14	1.00	0.97	0.40	0.08
- 3BM0	0.2	-	0.76, 0.23	0.89	0.69	0.32	0.07
			$0.94, \ 0.09$	0.65	0.34	0.09	0.02
	0.5	-	0.67, 0.23	0.98	0.84	0.43	0.10
			$0.86,\ 0.13$	0.92	0.61	0.20	0.04
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			$0.76, \ 0.15$	0.99	0.84	0.33	0.07
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			$0.62,\ 0.15$	1.00	0.98	0.52	0.12

parton level analysis

Major Non-pointing fraction, non-negligible backward moving

Energy fractions in the backward direction

Reversing into the tracker

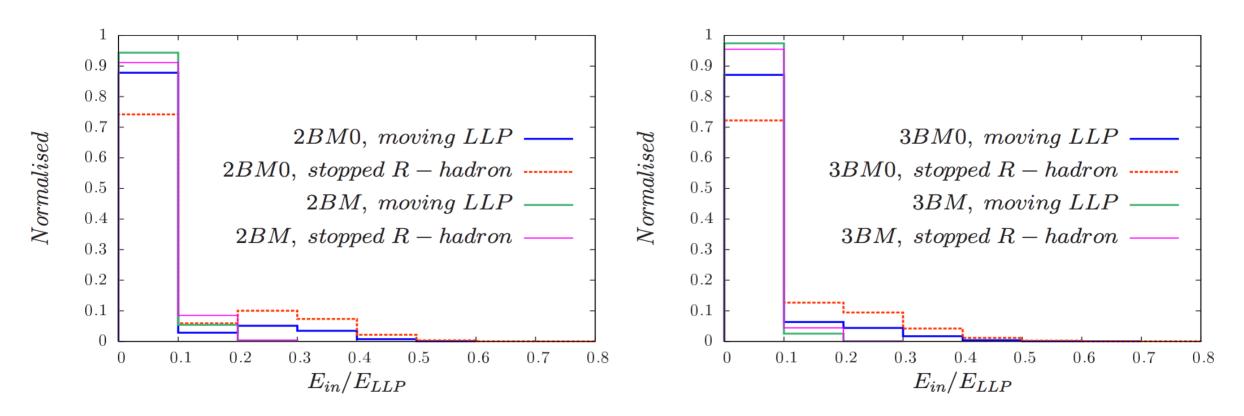
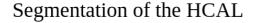


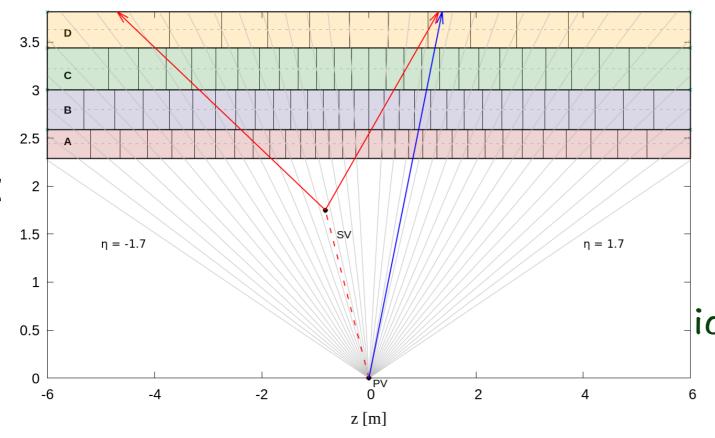
Figure 3. Normalised distribution of $E_{\rm in}/E_{\rm LLP}$, the energy fraction of visible daughter particles to the mother LLP shown for $M_{LLP}=2$ TeV and $M_{\rm DM}=0.75\times M_{\rm LLP}=1.5$ TeV. For the definition of the 2BM/3BM decays, see the text. In the first bin $(E_{\rm in}/E_{\rm LLP}<0.1)$ $E_{\rm in}=0$. It should be interpreted as the case where no BMO has registered.

How to find backward moving particles?

Shower shapes for the ECAL/HCAL, Timing in the muon chamber and upgrades for the tracker, Secondary vertex reconstruction, unusual tracks

Jets from LLP: energy deposition pattern





mismatch of particle's eta-phi with calorimeter

(similar feature is used for the identification of non-pointing photon)

Jets consist of many particles: effect more prominent or washed out?

Another problem: HCAL has coarser resolution than ECAL

Fast detector simulation

Standard analysis?

Standard displaced jets analysis of ATLAS and CMS loses sensitivity
with increasing distance of the secondary vertex — different energy
deposition patterns in the HCAL compared to the standard pattern of
prompt jets make reconstruction of displaced jets challenging.

Fast Detector Simulator?

• Actual segmentation of the calorimeter needed for observing features associated with displacement of a particle. Fast detector simulation (e.g., Delphes) has $\eta - \phi$ segmentation of the calorimeters but no layered calorimeter structure and no segmentation in the physical z direction.

Models

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Scenario I: Jets coming from displaced Z

$$X(LLP) \rightarrow Z(SM) + Y(Invisible), \quad Z \rightarrow j j, \quad [m_X = 800 \text{ GeV}]$$

Scenario II: Jets coming directly from decay of LLP

$$X(LLP) \rightarrow j j j$$
, $[m_X = 100 \text{ GeV}]$

Energy range: (400, 500) GeV for both cases.

Both scenarios boosted enough to bring the displaced jets closer in the $\eta-\phi$ plane.

Also considered stopped particles decaying to quarks

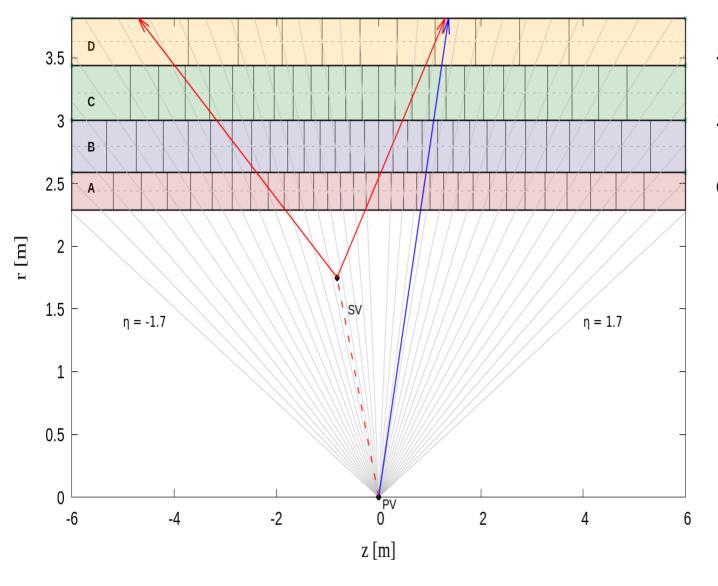
Image generation: Any tower of the HCAL having energy deposit < 1 GeV is ignored.

Normalise the energy in each tower of an event using the maximum energy deposited in the HCAL.

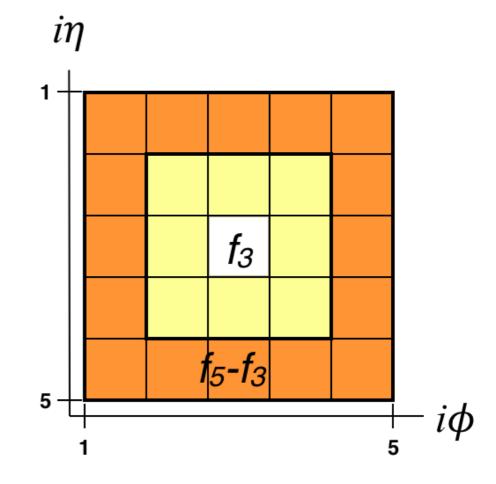
We store the energy deposition of an event as a 28 \times 28 image with the energy depositions in each tower as intensity values of each pixel of the image with the highest intensity (energy) pixel at the centre of the in — ip plane.

simplified segmentation of HCAL

Segmentation of the HCAL



simulated a simplified version of the segmentation following Tile Calorimeter of ATLAS.

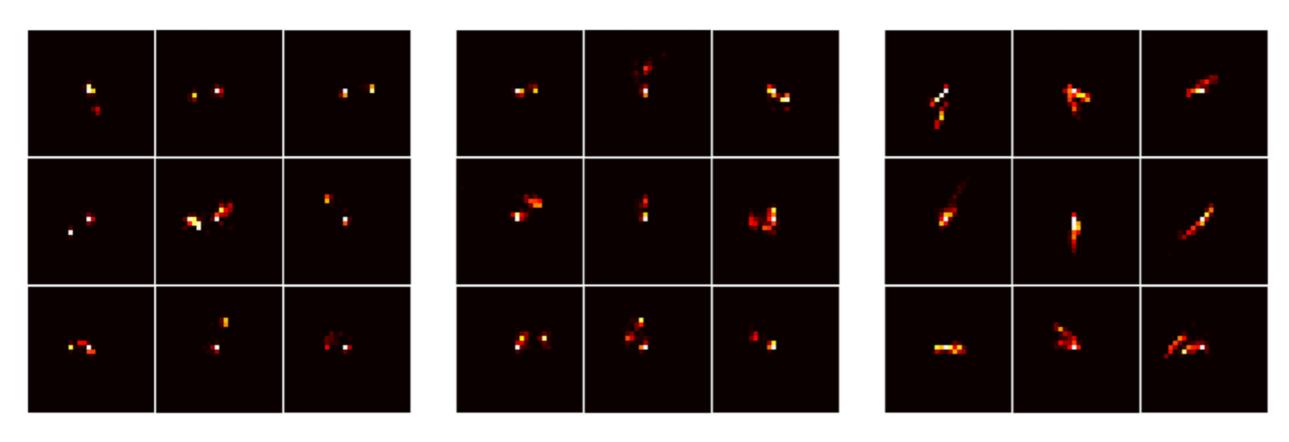


$$f_i = \frac{\text{Energy deposited in } i \times i \text{ block of the image}}{\text{Energy deposited in the full 28} \times 28 \text{ image}}$$

$$f_i$$
, $i = 3, 5, 9, 11$

Scenario I: Jets coming from displaced Z

Typical energy deposition images of 9 events from



Z with no displacement

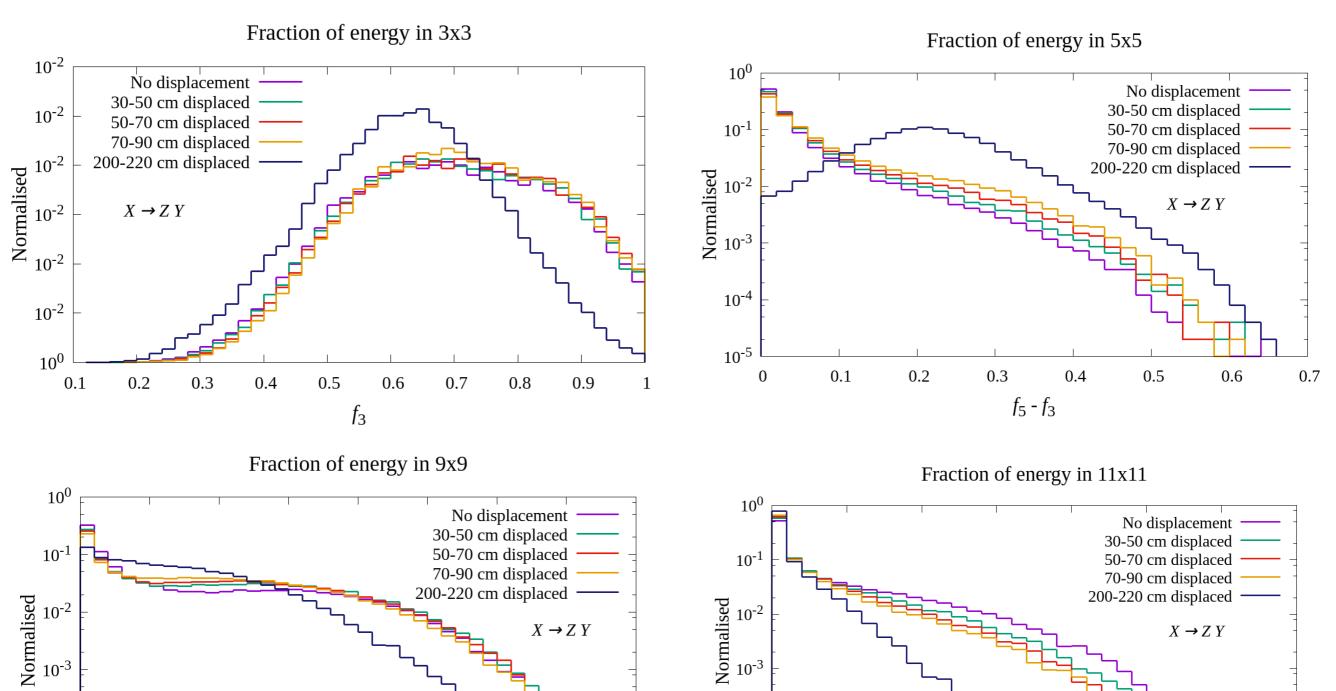
50-70 cm displaced Z

200-220 cm displaced Z

Although statistically different, discriminating individual images not an easy task — employing image-recognition technique

Scenario I: Energy deposition pattern

$X(LLP) \rightarrow Z(SM) + Y(Invisible), Z \rightarrow j j$



 10^{-4}

 10^{-5}

0

0.1

0.2

0.3

0.5

0.6

0.7

8.0

0.4

*f*₉ - *f*₅

 10^{-4}

10⁻⁵

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0.2

0.3

 $f_{11} - f_9$

0.4

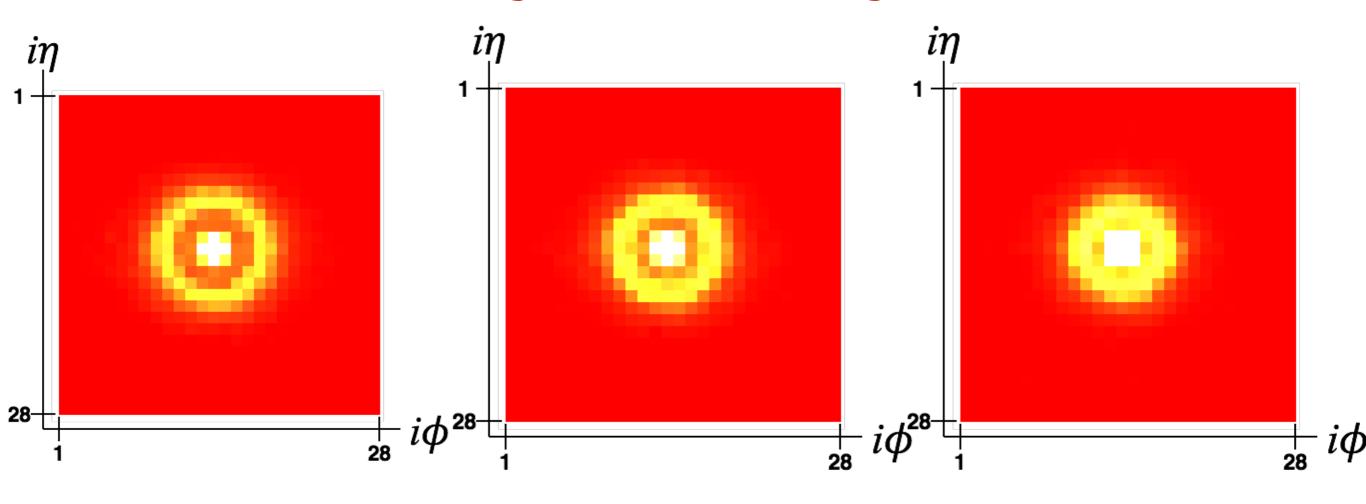
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0.6

0.7

Displaced Z -> q q

Average over 50K images



Z with no displacement

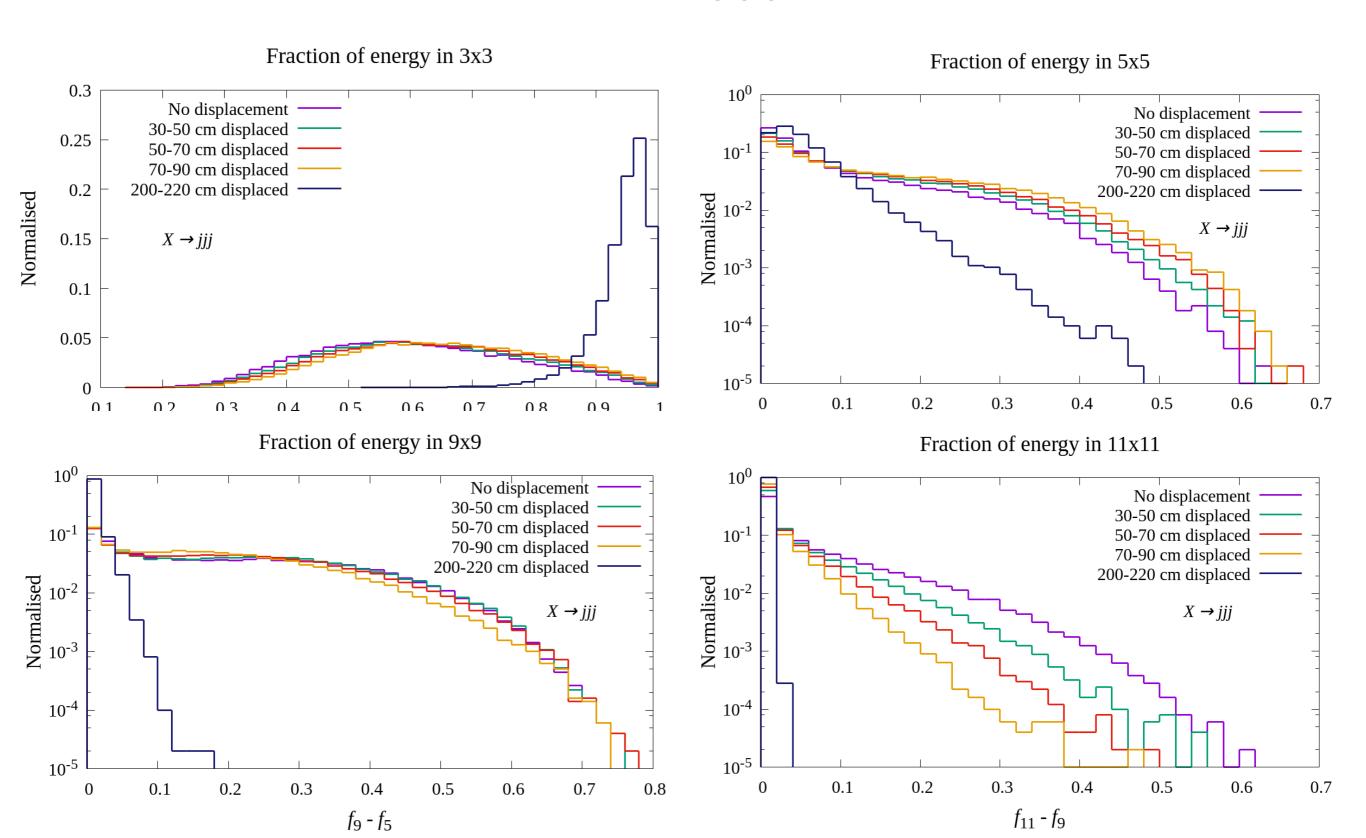
displaced Z $30 < d_T < 50$ cm

displaced Z 70<dT<90 cm

displacement in the transverse plane -> dT

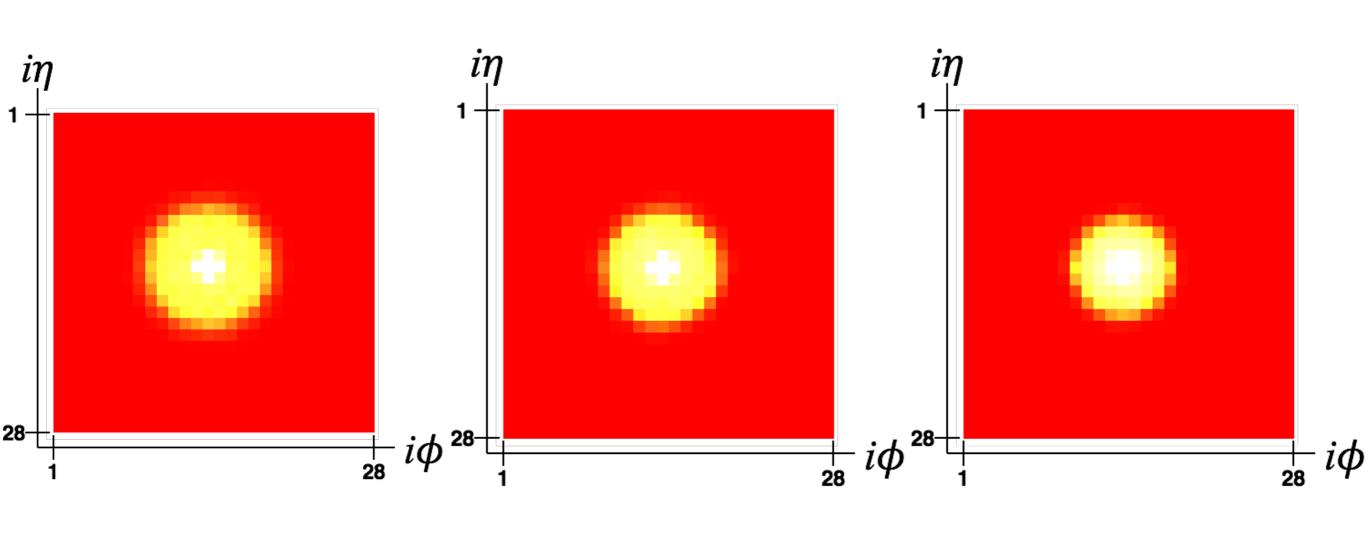
Scenario II: Energy deposition pattern

X(LLP)→j j j



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X with no displacement

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displacement in the transverse plane = $> d_T$

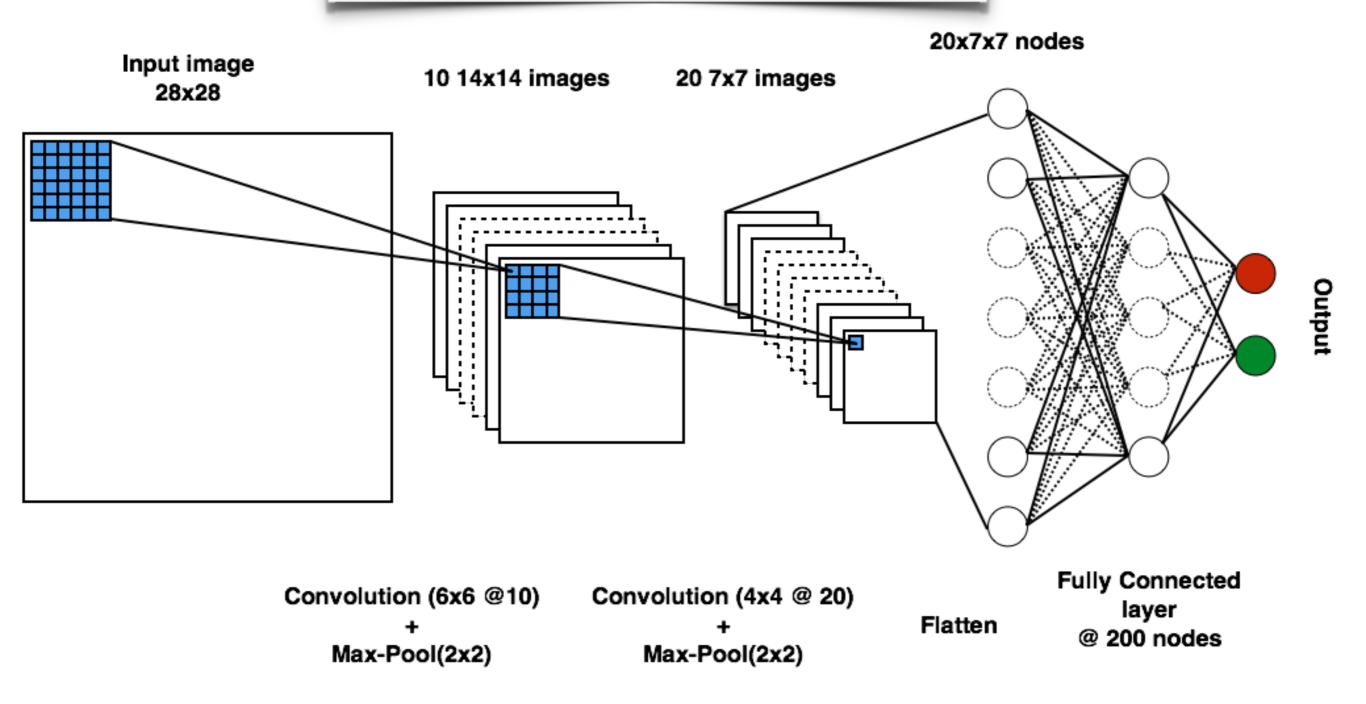
Observations

Elongated energy deposition in the HCAL

Mismatch of displaced particles' $\eta-\phi$ direction with standard calorimeter $\eta-\phi$ towers — energy deposition of displaced jets have more elongated patterns different from standard patterns of prompt jets

• Total energy deposit more contained in the $i\eta - i\phi$ region Physical segmentation of the detector (in z direction) increases with increasing radial distance — displaced jets from X have smaller energy deposit even if ΔR between them is same as in prompt decay

Neural network architecture

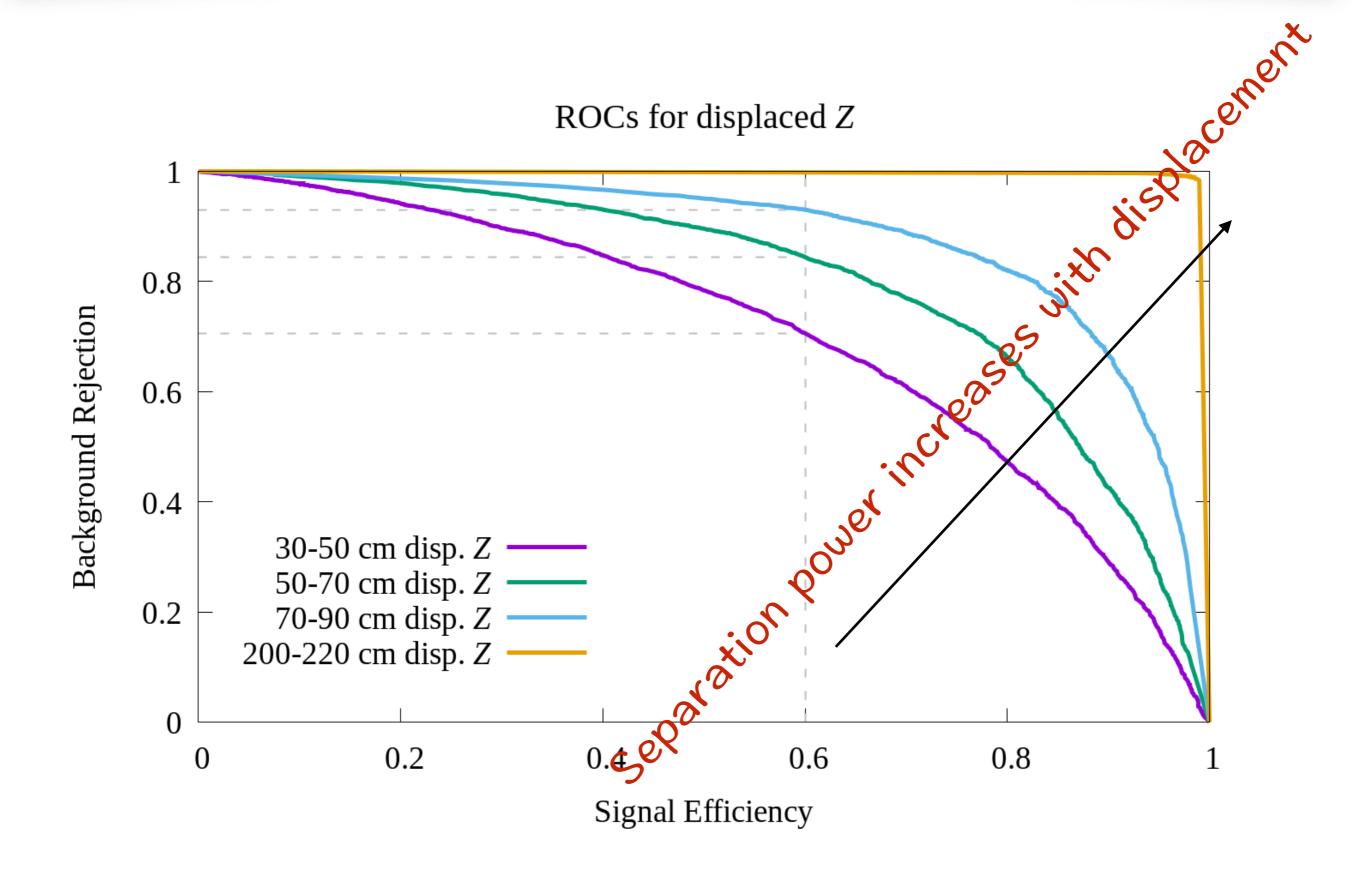


Adam Optimizer with a learning rate of 0.001 Batch size: 200, Dropout: 50%

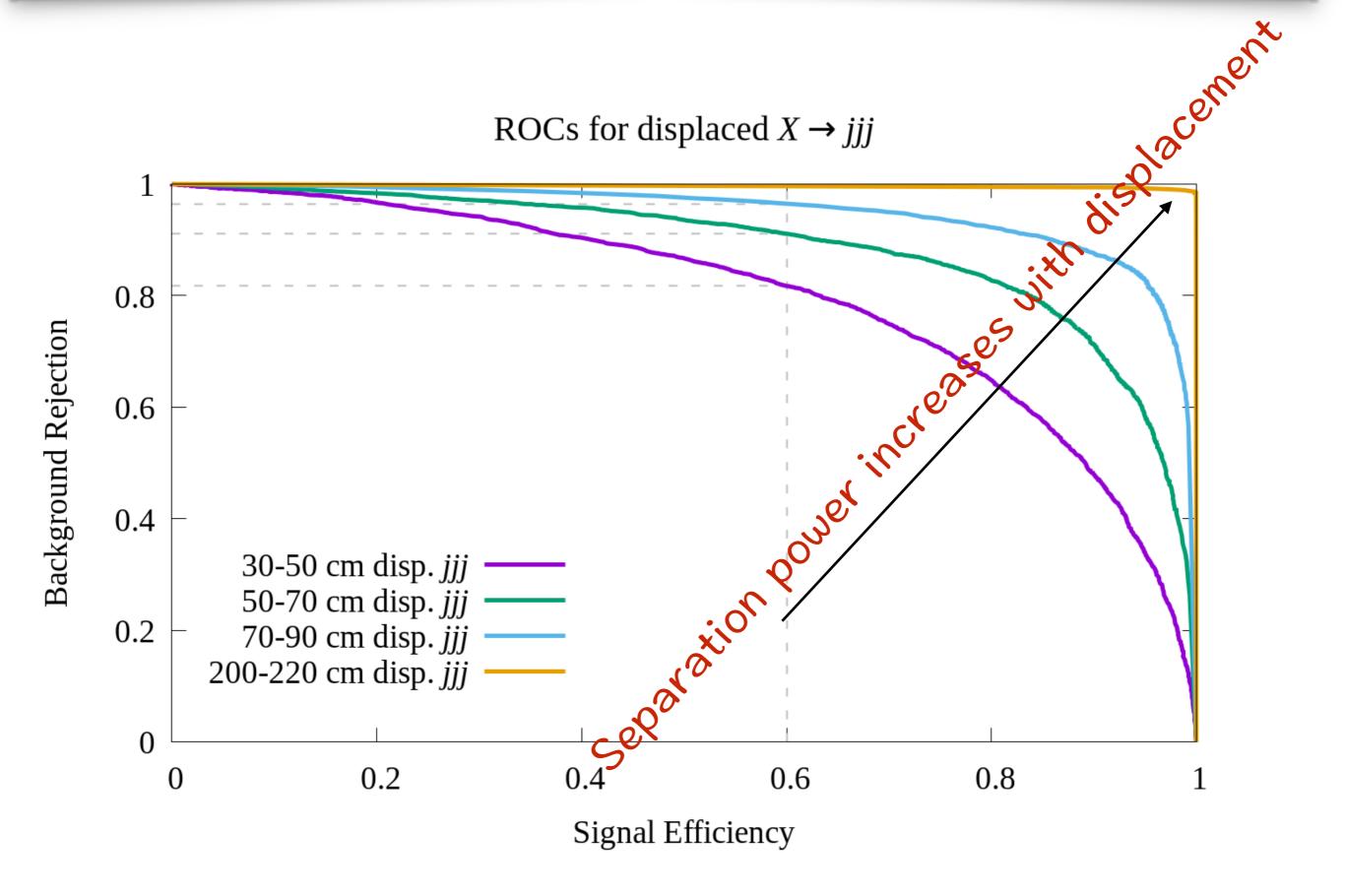
60,000 images for training, 20,000 for validation and another 20,000 for testing the network.

Training was stopped at the epoch with minimum validation loss.

Scenario I: discrimination between displaced vs non- displaced



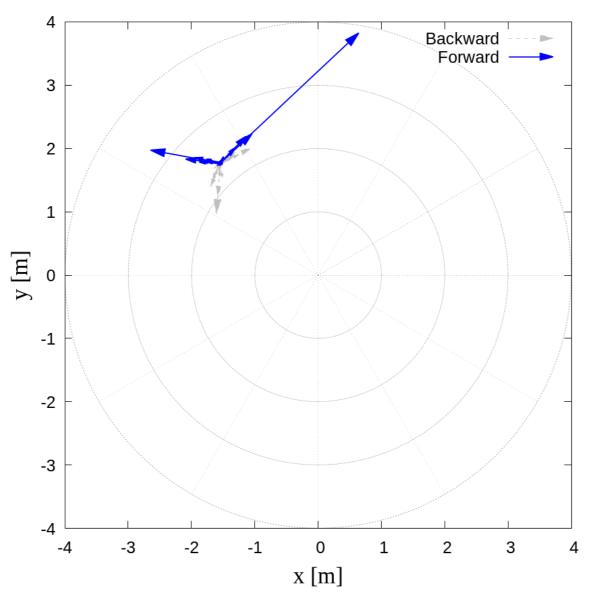
Scenario II: discrimination between displaced vs non-displaced



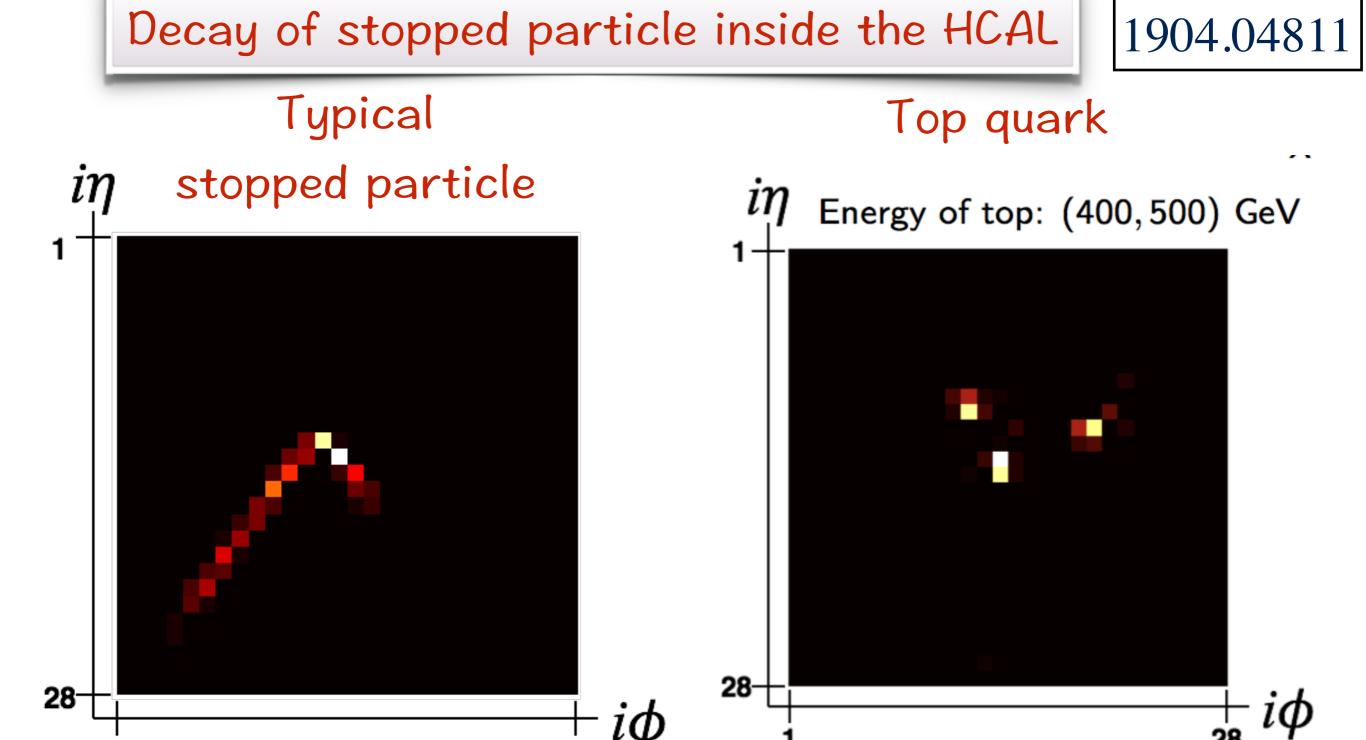
Decay of stopped particle inside the HCAL

A typical event display: X -> j j j (M_X= 1TeV)

Transverse projection of stopped particle decay



dotted lines: backward moving particles (not covered here)



Energy deposition pattern is very different compared to SM processes (may not require empty bunch crossing to identify these events)

Future Directions

Run3 and HL-LHC

L1 Trigger: based calorimeter and Muon spectrometer 40 MHz is reduced to 100KHz at this stage HLT: 100 KHz to 1KHz (Tracking performed in ROI)

HL-LHC: pile up 140-200

ROI 1 No Tracking

Example: LLP -> electrons

L1 trigger for electron ~ 20 GeV

L1 trigger for photon ~ 20 GeV

(No tracking so far, no difference between electron/photon)

HLT Trigger for electron ~ 50-60 GeV

HLT Trigger for photon ~150 GeV

For LLP we have to use photon trigger (limited by Trigger)



FTK: The Fast Tracker for ATLAS Full Tracking at the HLT for tracks with $P_T > 1$ GeV |eta| < 2.5 Current ROI Tracking ~ 10 ms

Offline tracking ~ 1-10 s

For FTK time ~0.1 ms

FTK will ignore TRT, divide barrel into several segments (paralleize), match pattern with pattern bank

There are proposals to add pattern bank for displaced particles

No sensitivity for LLPs which decays in TRT

New Ideas

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Off-pointing track reconstruction at L1 $h \rightarrow \phi \phi \rightarrow 4q$ -> inaccessible with HT trigger $Br[h \rightarrow \phi \phi \rightarrow 4q] = 10^{-5}$, 10-50 of events for decay length ~ cm

Tracking: Replacement of standard algorithm by image based neural networks, graph network etc

More optimistic scenario for HL-LHC: full/partial Tracking at L1 ??

Timing Layer: CMS

CERN-LHCC-2017-027; LHCC-P-009

At HL-LHC, the number of pile up vertices will increase by a factor of 4-5. —> degradation of event reconstruction

New idea —> 4D vertex reconstruction (position + time)

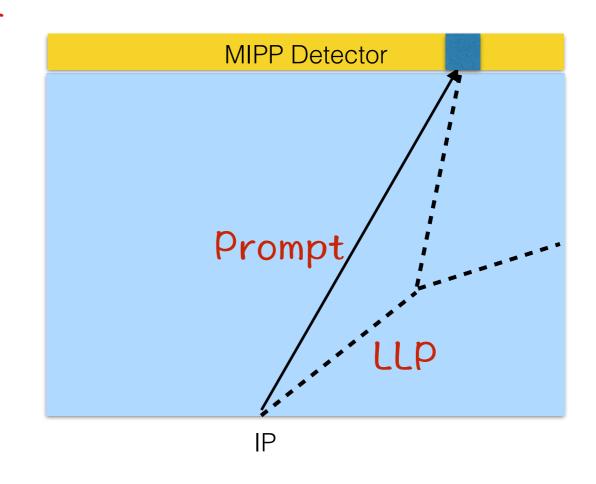
MIP detector: good time resolution(30ps)

Reduction of actual pileup to level of the current LHC possible

Timing Layer can be used to study long lived particles

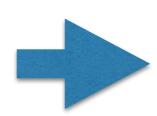
which decay inside the tracker LLP will reach late -> a cut on timing can separate signal and bkg

Displaced leptons, converted photons displaced jets





LHC can identify particles with pT above a certain threshold



not fully optimal for very light LLP

sub-MeV/GeV LLPs can be produced from the decay of pion, kaon or B mesons

If the coupling of LLP with SM particles is very small

Br(meson) -> LLP will be extremely small

We need huge number of mesons to see LLP from the decay of mesons

Use pp inelastic scattering cross section ~ 100 mb ==> 10^{16} - 10^{17} Events about 10% of the produced pions are in the very forward region

 $(\delta \sim M_{meson}/E, E \sim TeV, \delta \sim 2mrad angle wrt beam axis)$

Deviation ~ distance * & ~ a few cm for distance 100 m

A small detector in the very forward direction may identify light LLPs provided the signal can be differentiated from the SM background.

FASER: ForwArd Search ExpeRiment at the LHC

It will be placed near the ATLAS detector (480m from IP)sensitive to particles that decay in a cylindrical volume with radius $R=10\,\text{cm}$ and length $L=1.5\,\text{m}$

March 2019: FASER fully approved by CERN

2019-20: Install FASER will be installed in Long Shutdown 2

2021-23: Collect data in Run 3 with the potential to discover new particles

pp
$$\rightarrow$$
 LLP + X, LLP travels \sim 480 m,
LLP \rightarrow charged tracks + X (or $\gamma\gamma$ + X)

two oppositely charged tracks (or two photons) with very high energy (~ TeV) from a common vertex inside the detector and combined momentum that points back to the IP

MATHUSLA: MAssive Timing Hodoscope for Ultra-Stable neutral pArticles

HL-LHC will produce ~ 10^8 Higgs bosons

Consider H-> LLP LLP

Number of X decays within the detector volume ~ Nh * Br(h->LLP) * $\epsilon_{geometric}$ * L/(b ct)

Egeometric = geometric acceptance

L= length of the detection in the direction of LLP decay

b= boost factor ~ 2-3 for MLLP=20 GeV

For Nobs \sim 3 LLP decay events at the MATHUSLA when ct \sim 107 m, if

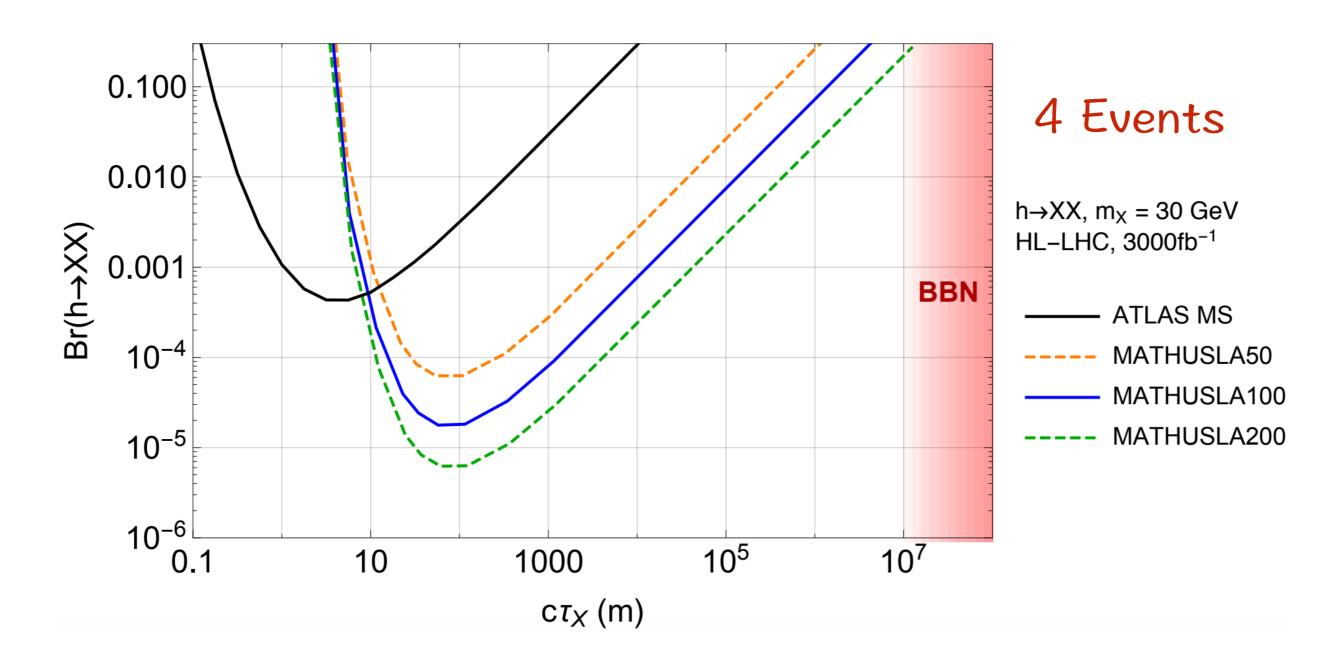
 $L \sim 20$ m and ϵ geometric $\sim 10\%$

in order to achieve $\epsilon_{geometric} \sim 10\%$ at at a distance ~ 100 m ,

we need ~ 100X100 m² detector



Letter of intent : 1811.00927



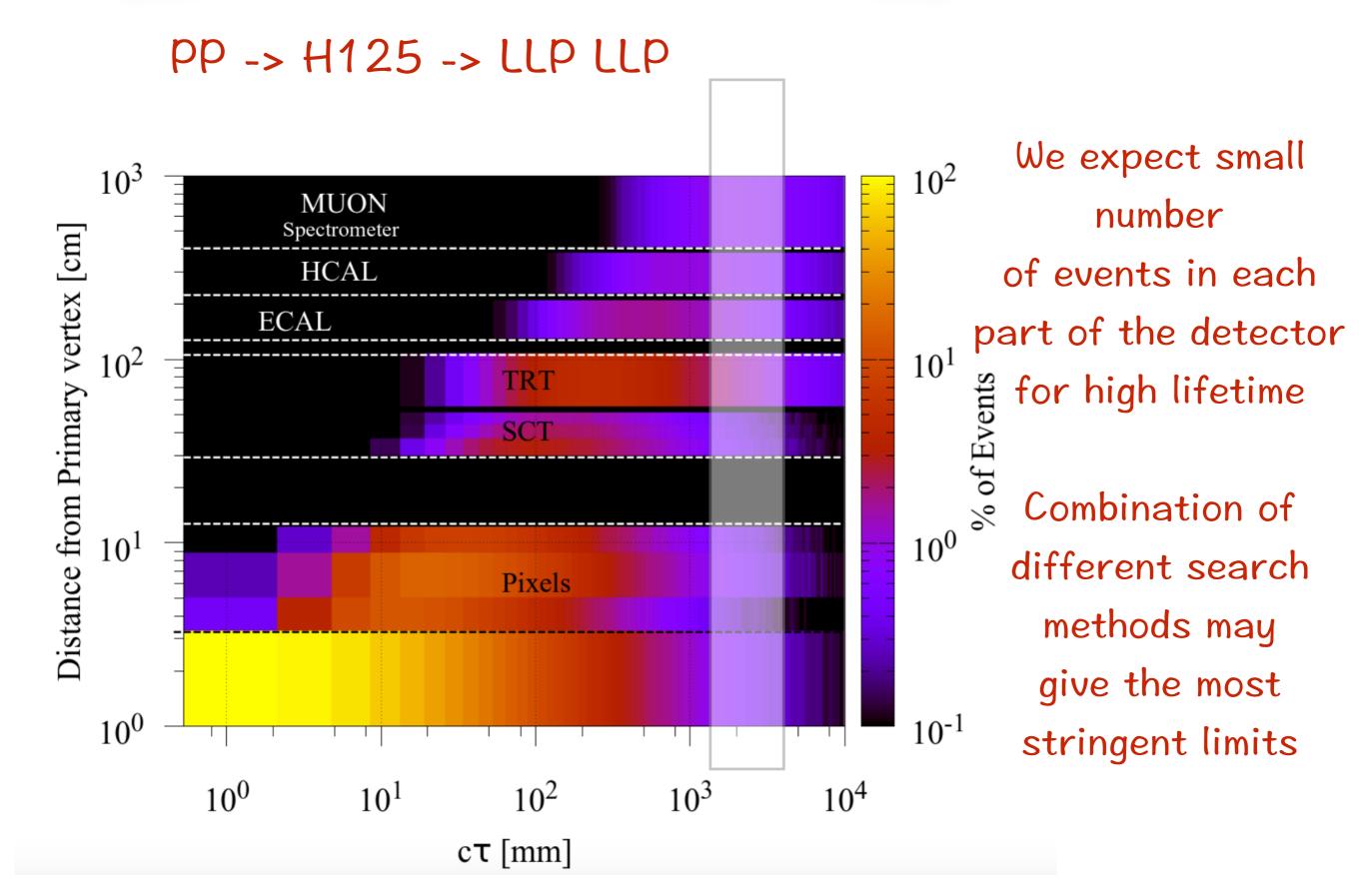
proposed place near CMS detector (~68 m from IP) studies on Optimal detector material undergoing

Many Other experiments sensitive to LLPs

NA62: fixed target kaon experiment at CERN with 400 GeV Proton beam Kaon-> pi + pi0, pi0-> gamma + dark photon(LLP)
65 m tunnel for decay, Peak searches in the missing mass spectrum
NA62++ upgrade

CODEX-B: near LHCB, underground, 10 × 10 × 10 m box, around 25 m from LHCb. RPC tracking layers B-> K phi-> I+I- (complementary to LHCb)

Neutrino detectors, ShiP,





Long lived particles: Predicted in many well motivated BSM Models

Many unusual signatures: Challenging for LHC searches

Two striking features identified:

backward moving particles and Distortion in the energy deposits

Our first attempt to understand the energy deposition patten of LLP decaying to jets using image recognition techniques

Delphes simulation will not capture the effect

Several improvements and directions identified: work in progress

Dedicated methods are required for HL-LHC searches (including trigger developments)

Many dedicated approved (proposed) experiments for Long lived particles





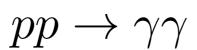
Is everything consistent?

Some of the Collider anomalies

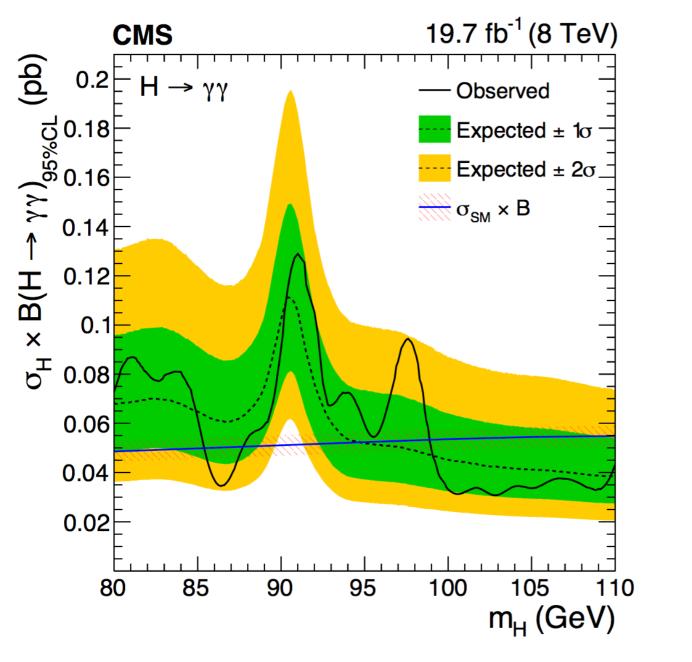
My watch list

Warning: may be just statistical fluctuations!!

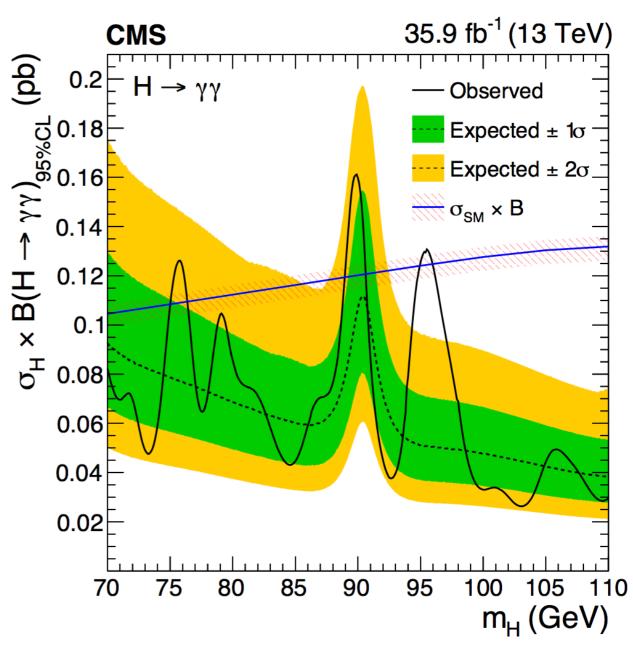
CMS low mass di-photon search below 110 GeV



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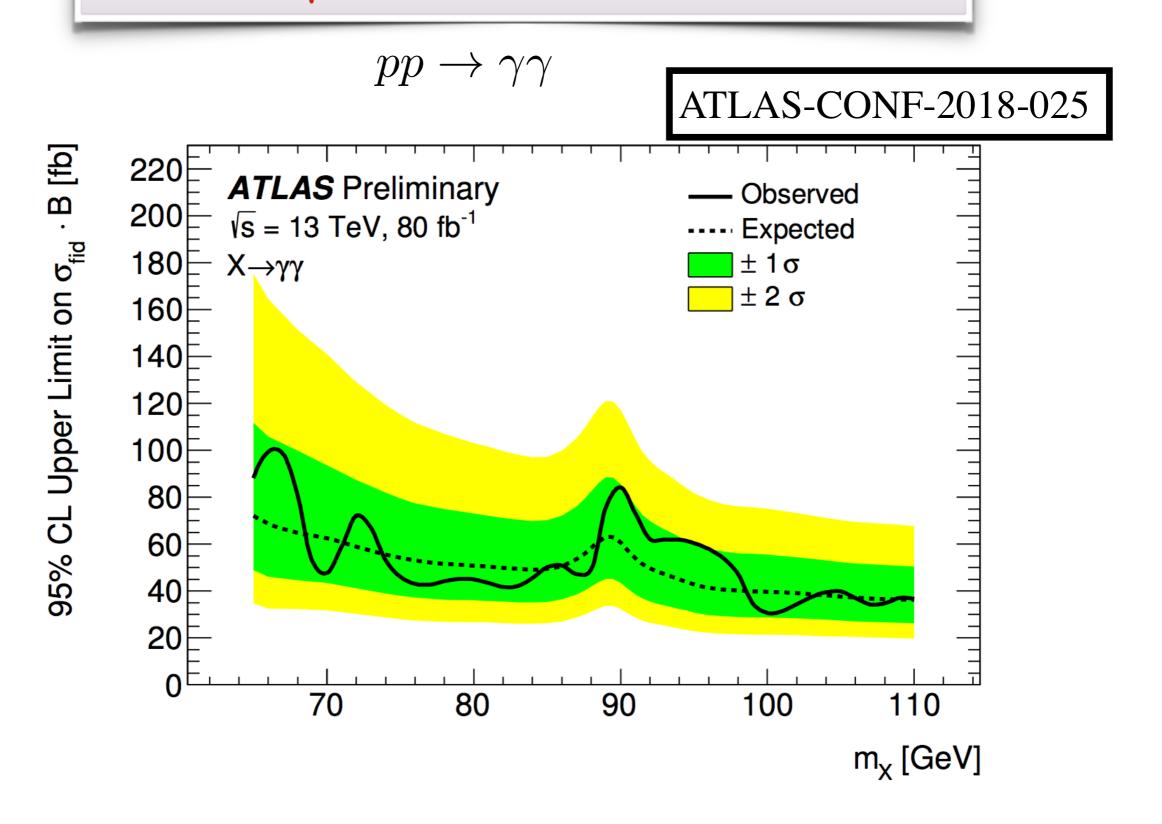


Run I: local excess ~ 20



Run II: local excess ~ 30

ATLAS di-photon search below 110 GeV

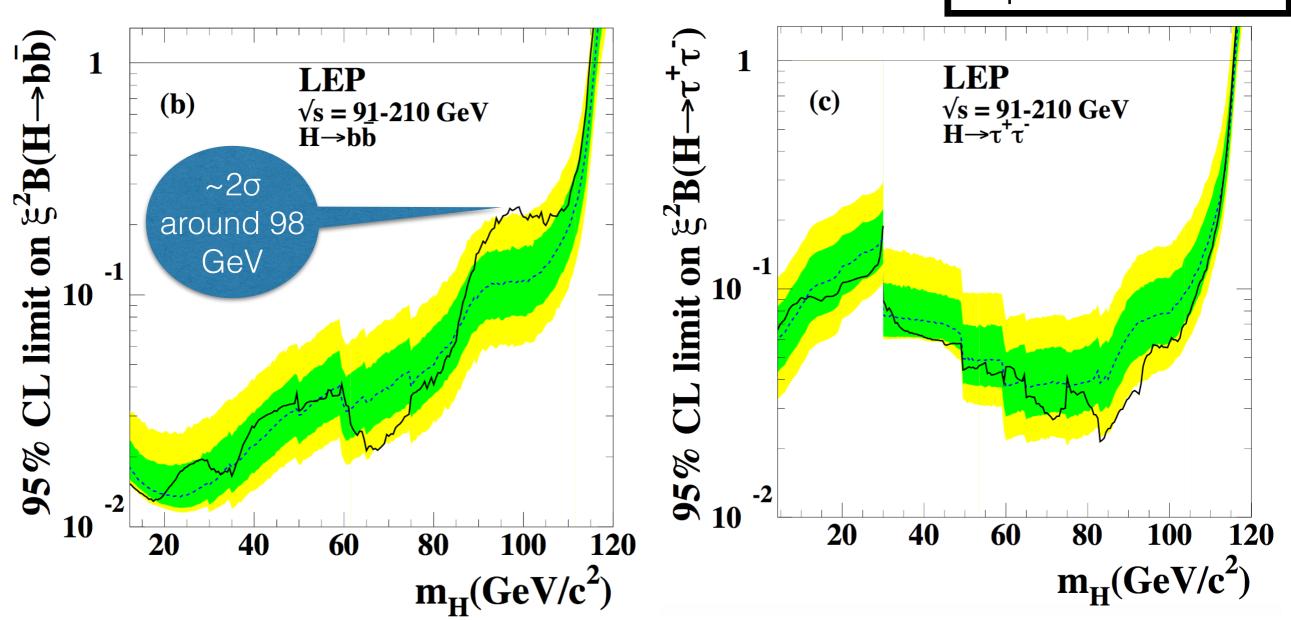


LEP anomaly around 100 GeV

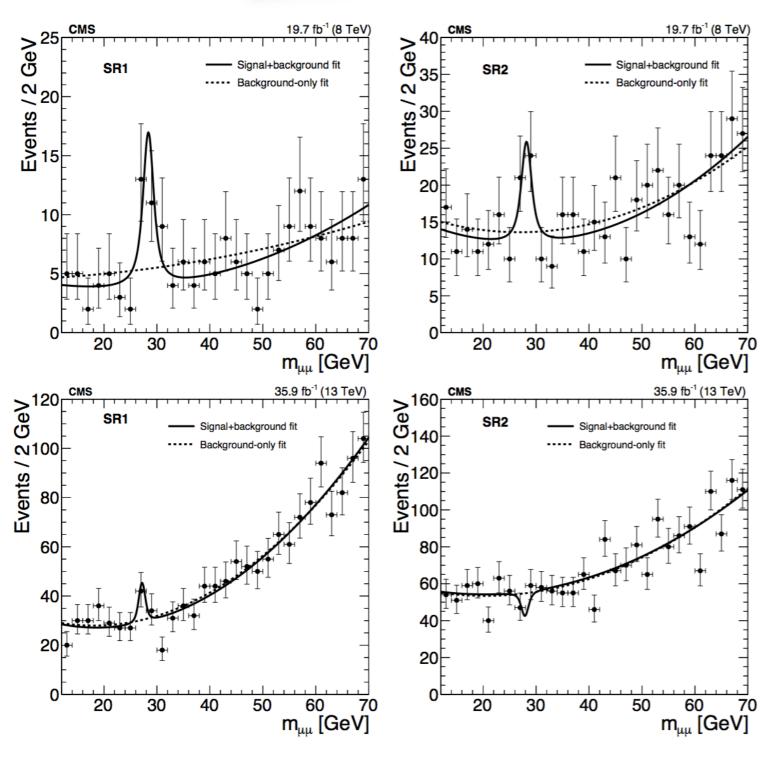
LEP Higgs working group $e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh$

$$\xi^2 = (g_{\mathrm{HZZ}}/g_{\mathrm{HZZ}}^{\mathrm{SM}})^2$$

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An excess near a dimuon mass of 28 GeV in the 8 TeV data:

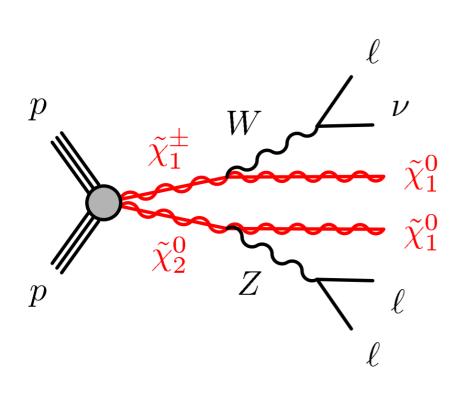
local significances of 4.2(category I) and 2.9 standard

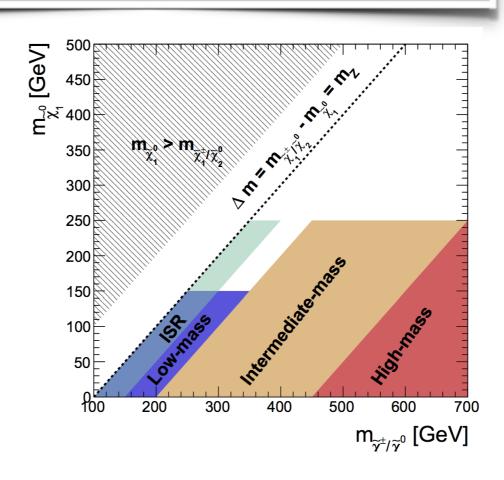
deviations for the category II

13 TeV data:

a mild excess in the category I (local significance of 2.0 standard deviations) second category results in a 1.4 standard deviation deficit.

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An excess of events above the background estimate is observed in each of the four low-mass and ISR signal regions

Table 16: Expected and observed yields from the background-only fit for the 3ℓ SRs. The errors shown are the statistical plus systematic uncertainties. Uncertainties in the predicted background event yields are quoted as symmetric, except where the negative error reaches down to zero predicted events, in which case the negative error is truncated.

Signal region				
	SR3ℓ_High	SR3ℓ_In	SR3ℓ_Low	SR3ℓ_ISR
Total observed events	2	1	20	12
Total background events	1.1 ± 0.5	2.3 ± 0.5	10 ± 2	3.9 ± 1.0
Other Triboson Fit output, VV	$0.03^{+0.07}_{-0.03}$ 0.19 ± 0.07 0.83 ± 0.39	0.04 ± 0.02 0.32 ± 0.06 1.9 ± 0.5	$0.02^{+0.34}_{-0.02}$ 0.25 ± 0.03 10 ± 2	$0.06^{+0.19}_{-0.06}$ 0.08 ± 0.04 3.8 ± 1.0
Fit input, VV	0.76	1.8	9.2	3.4