

2025 年 “微扰量子场论及其应用” 前沿讲习班暨前沿研讨会

Collider probes for BSM physics 新物理对撞机图景

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Outline

All measurements are BSM probes!

Goal:

- Establish/Reinforce Collider Landscape
- Establish Basic Examples of BSM Searches
- Show how different physics goals give rise to vastly different BSM probes.

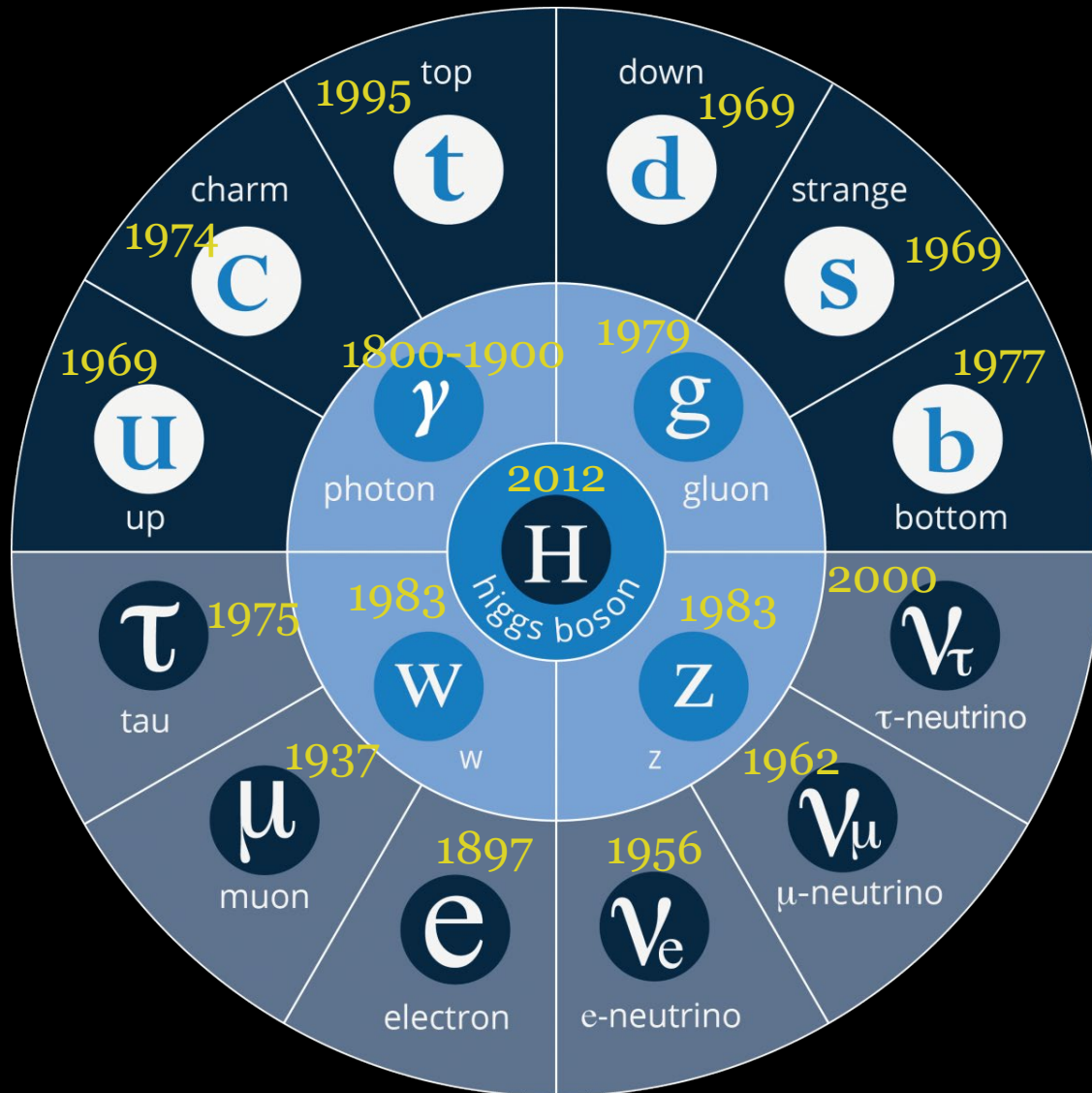
Please ask questions!
It will be more fun with them.

I will use English to deliver the lecture, but we can communicate in either Chinese or English.

Landscape of Colliders

HEP: Triumphant Endeavor of the past century

Quantum
Gravity?



Beautiful
Unification!



HEP Now: A vibrant and dynamical field

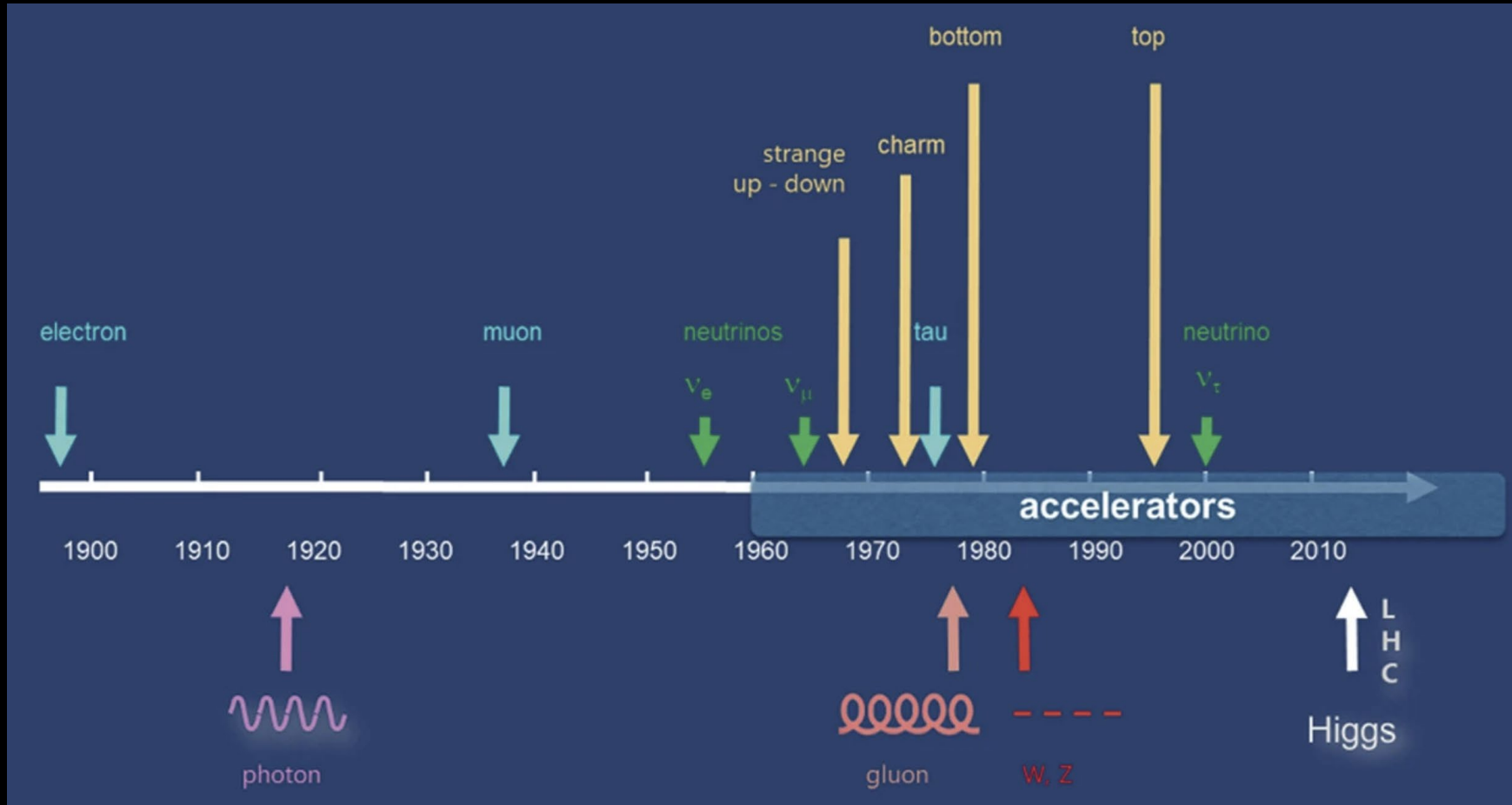
Quantum
Gravity?

Explore the **Unknown**

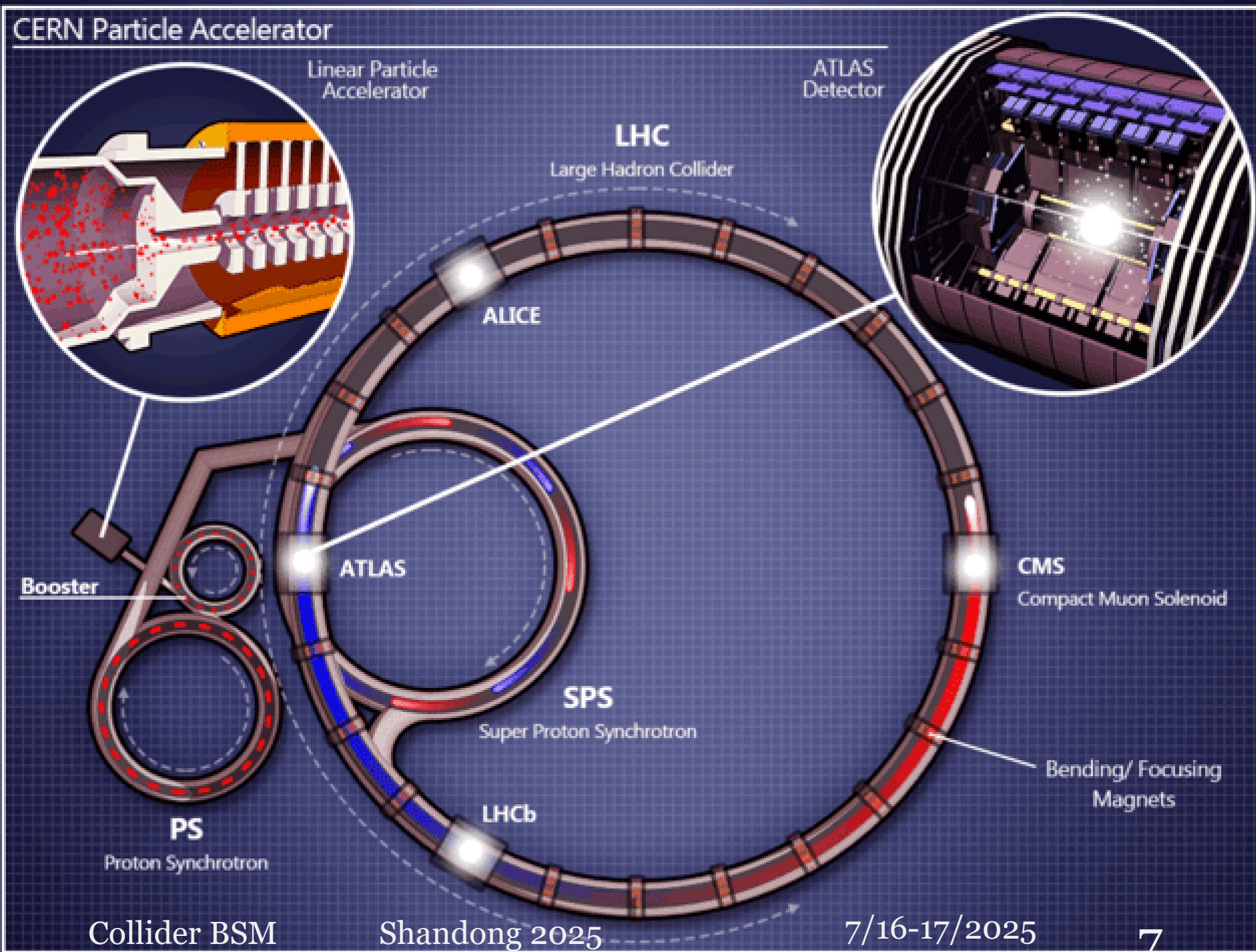


HEP Now

Explore the **Unknown**



High Energy Collisions



Resolution $\propto 1/E_{cm}$

Key for us to unveil the microscopic world

Large # of independent observables

Discovery on the Energy Frontier

Constituent Center of Mass Energy (GeV)

Year of First Physics

Hadron colliders

Lepton colliders

ISR (1972)

SPEAR (1974)

CERN (1982)

PETRA (1990)

LEP (1990)

SLC (1989)

SpS (1983)

Tevatron (1987)

LHC (2008)

ILC

ILC-U

VLHC

μ coll

Stochastic cooling

SC cable

SLED

Wakefields, impedances

Enabling concepts

Strong focusing

Colliding beams

Charm quark, τ lepton

gluon

$N_v = 3$

Higgs

Superfluid cryogenics

(Nuclear superfluid)

The Future?

Snowmass Report: [1401.6114](https://www.snowmassreport.org/)

The dream for high energy machines persists in our field.

Colliders are Omnipotent Experimental Platform

- Well-controlled initial states
- Well-measured final states
- Extreme resolution

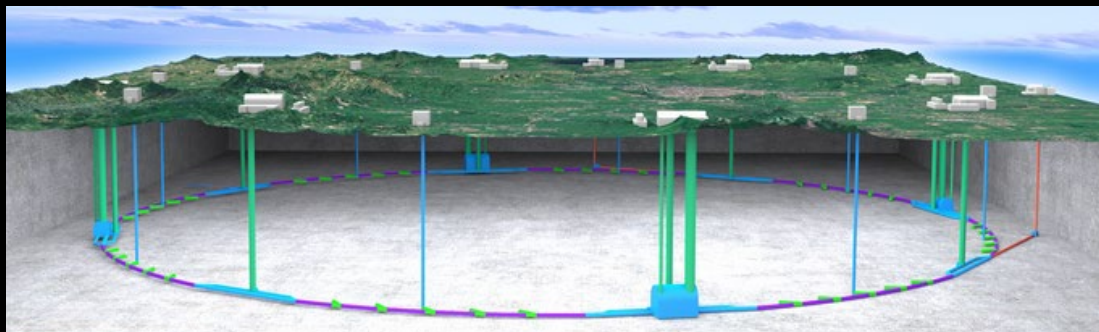
Thousands of search results, each containing (multiple) signal channels/regions/optimizations.

Now, many **promising** future collider plans

Future Colliders

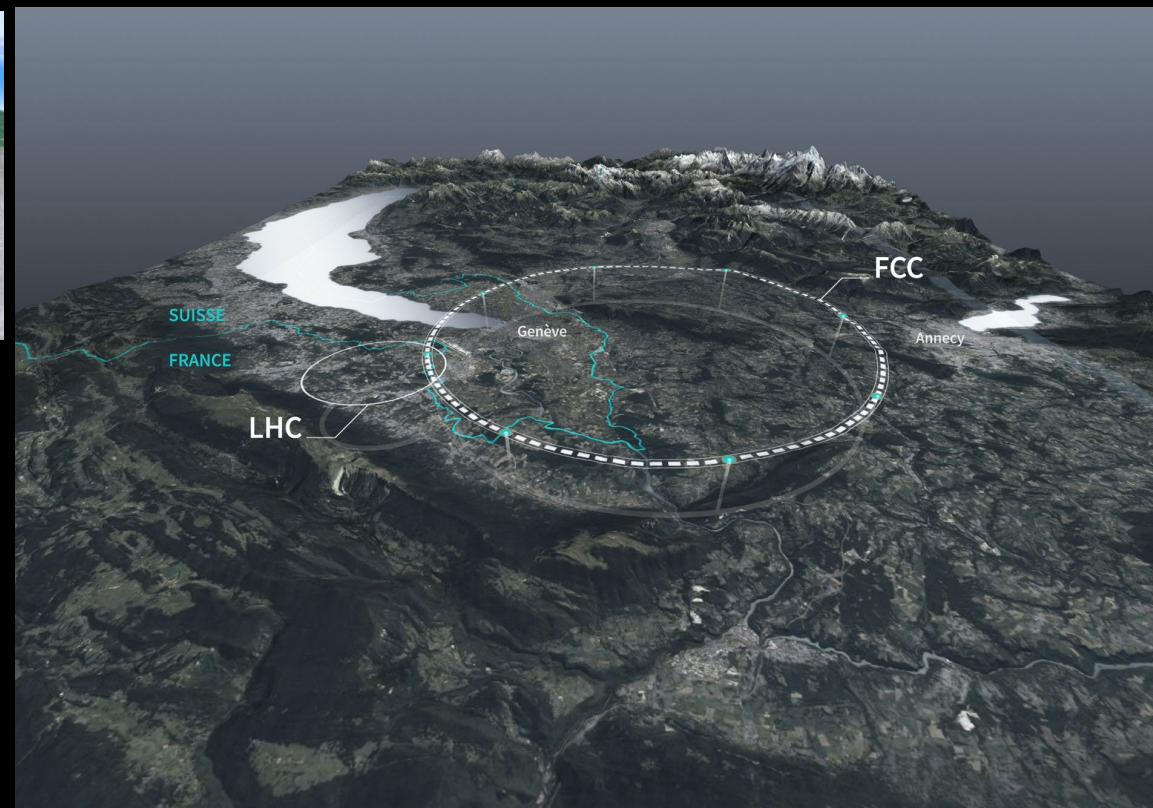
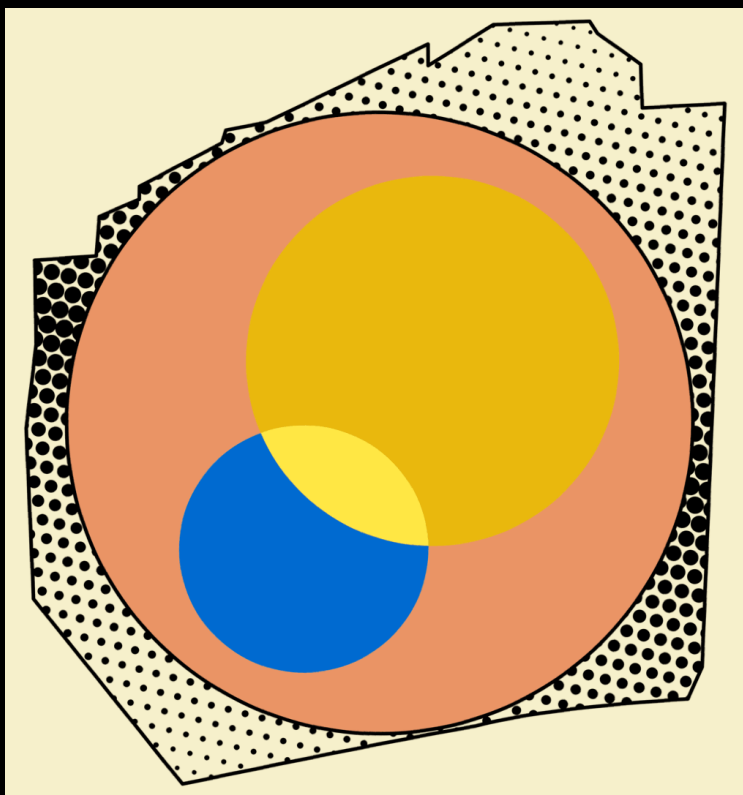
China

~CEPC (e^+e^-)
240 GeV
Higgs + pp
(~100 TeV)



USA?

Muon collider,
Higgs, 3~10 TeV

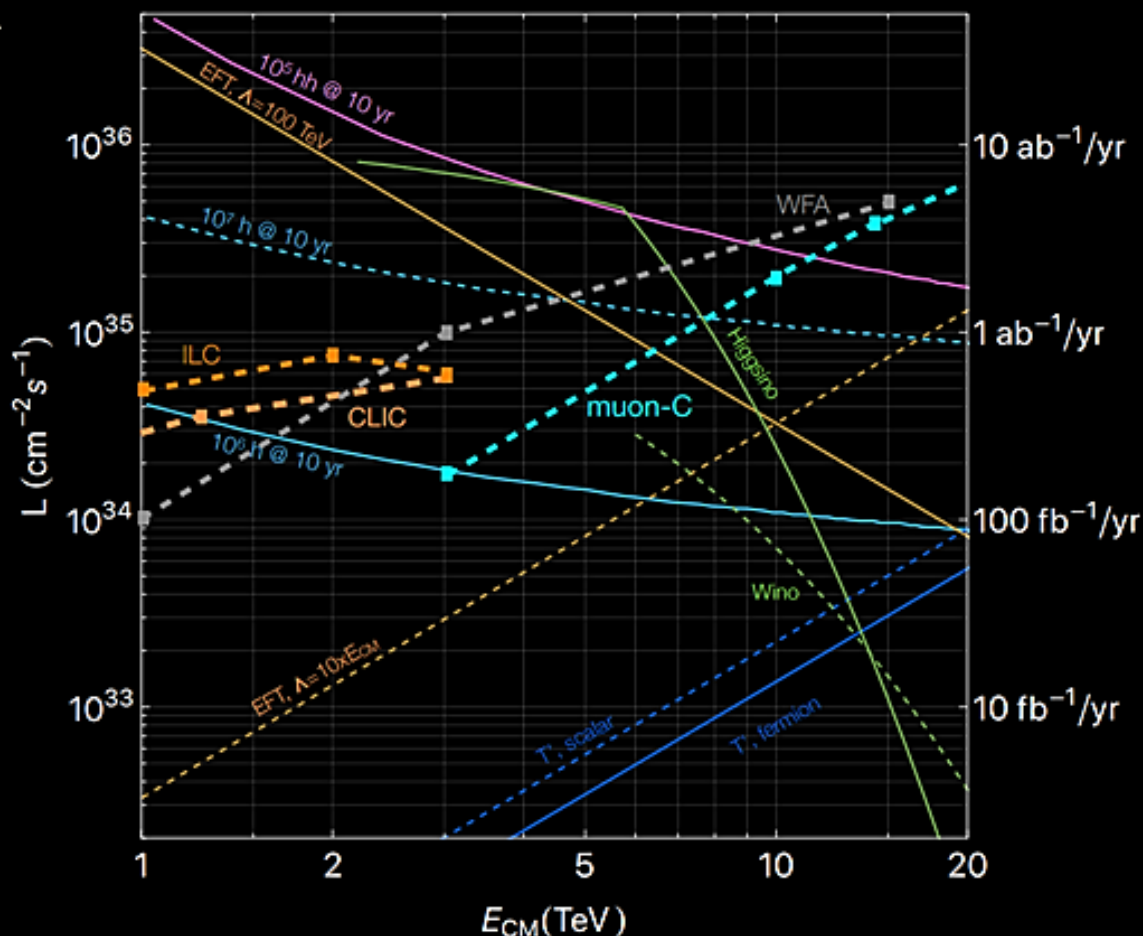
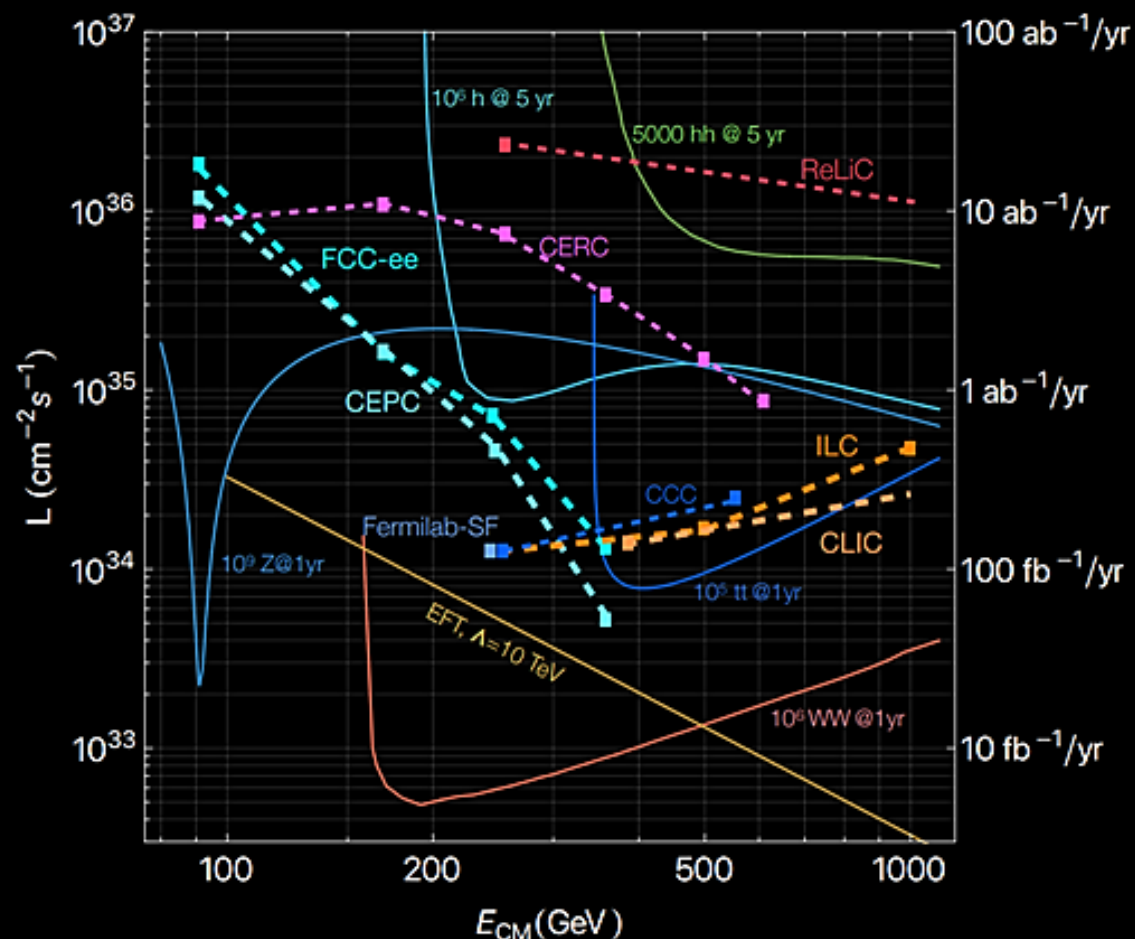


Europe ~100 km FCC

e^+e^- (Z factory, 240 GeV Higgs + 365 GeV Top)
ep, pp (~100 TeV)

And many others, ILC, μ -Tristan, Plasma Weak Field, etc...

Many more future collider concepts



Many future collider options and excitement!

ZL, Wang, [2205.00031](#), also in ITF report, [2208.06030](#)

Indicative scenarios of future colliders [considered by ESG]

■ Proton collider
■ Electron collider
■ Muon collider

■ Construction/Transformation
■ Preparation / R&D

Original from ESG by UB
 Updated July 25, 2022 by MN
 Updated 2024 by ZL

China

2035 start physics

CepC: 90/160/240 GeV
 100/6/20 ab^{-1}

100km tunnel

SppC: 75-125 TeV, 10-20 ab^{-1}

CERN

LHC
 (13.6TeV, 450 fb^{-1})

HL-LHC (14TeV, 3 ab^{-1})

2048 start physics

100km tunnel, installation

FCC-ee: 90/160/250 GeV
 ~150/10/5 ab^{-1}

350-365 GeV
 1.7 ab^{-1}

installation

FCC hh: 100 TeV \approx 30 ab^{-1}

USA?

Muon Collider

13 years

4km & reuse Tevatron
 ring
 OR 4km+6km km ring

2045 start physics

muC:Stage
 1

Stage2
 10 TeV;
 \approx 10 ab^{-1}

10km & 16.5 km tunnels

Note: Possibility of 125 GeV or 1 TeV at Stage 1

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2030

2040

2050

2060

2070

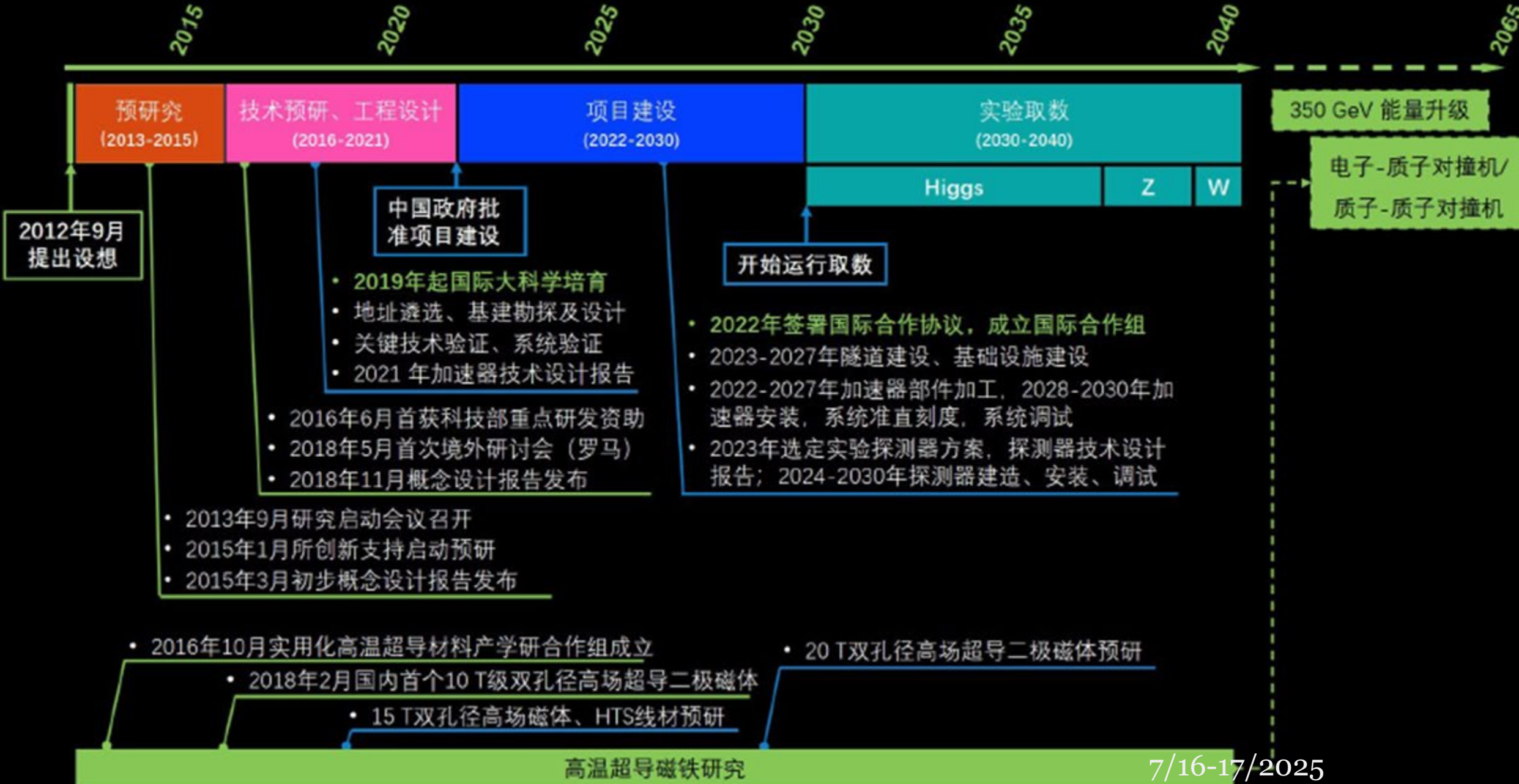
2080

2090

Promising CEPC

环形正负电子对撞机（CEPC）项目路线图

Timeline in 2020, but now
Of course, COVID delayed everything by 3+ yrs.

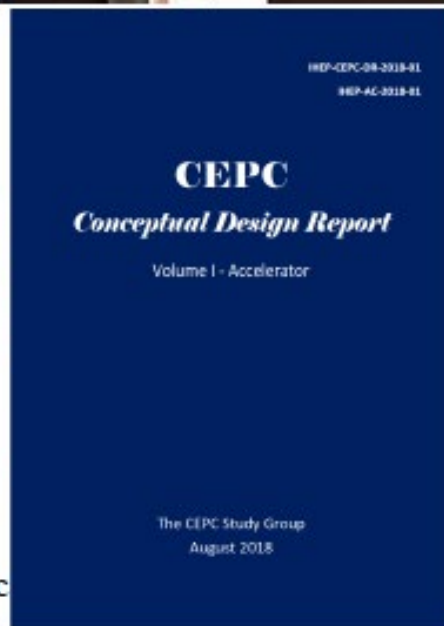


CDR released in Nov. 2018



Wang Yifang Wins 2019 Future Science Prize in Physical Science
Nov 19, 2019

Prof. Wang Yifang, director of China's Institute of High Energy Physics and a member of the Chinese...



CEPC Design Report Released
Nov 14, 2018

Scientists working on the Circular Electron Positron Collider (CEPC), a planned next-generation...

Did we make any progress? Many!

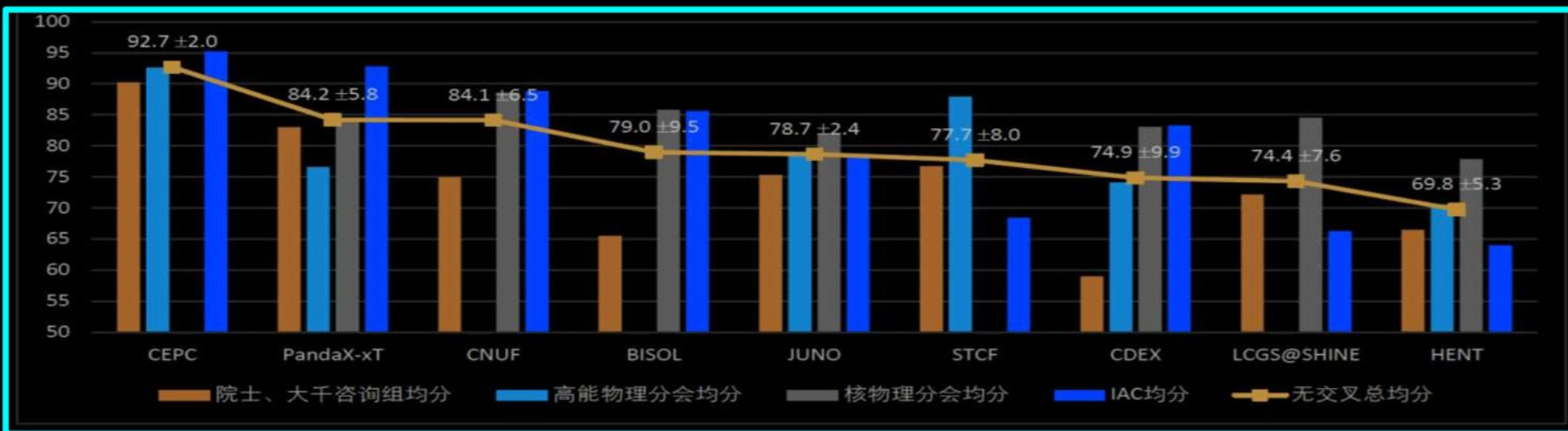
- Physics Estimations (pencil and paper)(throughout the process)
 - →pre-conceptual design report (pre-CDR)
 - →conceptual design report (CDR)
 - →technical design report (TDR)
 - →Engineering design report (EDR)
 - →Shovel
- From initial technological imagination to demonstration
- From design to product
- ...

Many recent works to be cited here...



CEPC Project Development towards construction

- **TDR has been completed** (review + revision) to be **formally released on Dec. 25, 2023**.
- **CAS is planning for the 15th 5-years plan for large science projects**, and a steering committee has been established, **chaired by the president of CAS**.
- **High energy physics and nuclear physics**, is one of the 8 groups (fields).
- **CEPC is ranked No. 1, with the smallest uncertainties, by every evaluation committee both domestic and international one** among all the collected proposals.
- **A final report has been submitted to CAS for consideration.**
- **The above mentioned actual process is within CAS and the following national selection process will be decisive.**



CEPC Site Preparations + several more sites considered.



Perfect alignment is being reached as we speak (2020-2024)

- **Politically, in China (CEPC):**

Current plans

- ☐ TDR release: Dec 2023
- ☐ Engineering Design Report: 2024-2027
- ☐ Application for 5-year funding: 2025
- ☐ Construction: 2027-2035
- ☐ **Start of operation: 2036**

From CERN DG New Year's address

Should we change our plans ? **NO**

Should we accelerate our planning ? **YES**

→ CERN Directorate will discuss these matters with the CERN Council in the coming months

- First visible effects of this possible acceleration
 - Feasibility final report must be produced this year (and delivered beginning 2025)
 - Acceleration may come with more resources (or not)
 - But will certainly come with more work to do until the approval

Predictable future

- HL-LHC will continue to dominant until ~ 2040 ;
- FCC-ee has a stable plan to deliver physics in ~ 2048 for 15 years;
- CEPC could kick in and deliver physics by the late 2030s
- Muon Collider, a game-changer, the US community is actively engaged in
- DUNE flagship US particle physics until ~ 2045

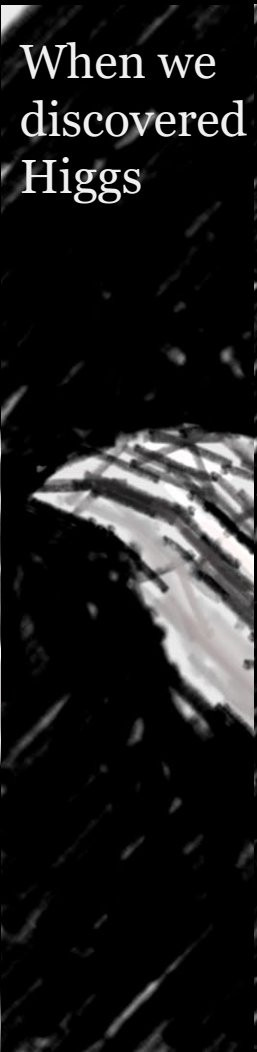
Why do we care to measure?

What can you Discover?

Before we
discover
Higgs



When we
discovered
Higgs



Now with
higher
precision
and more
channels



High Lumi-
LHC with
 $O(5\%)$
precision



Future
Colliders
with
 $O(<1\%)$
precision



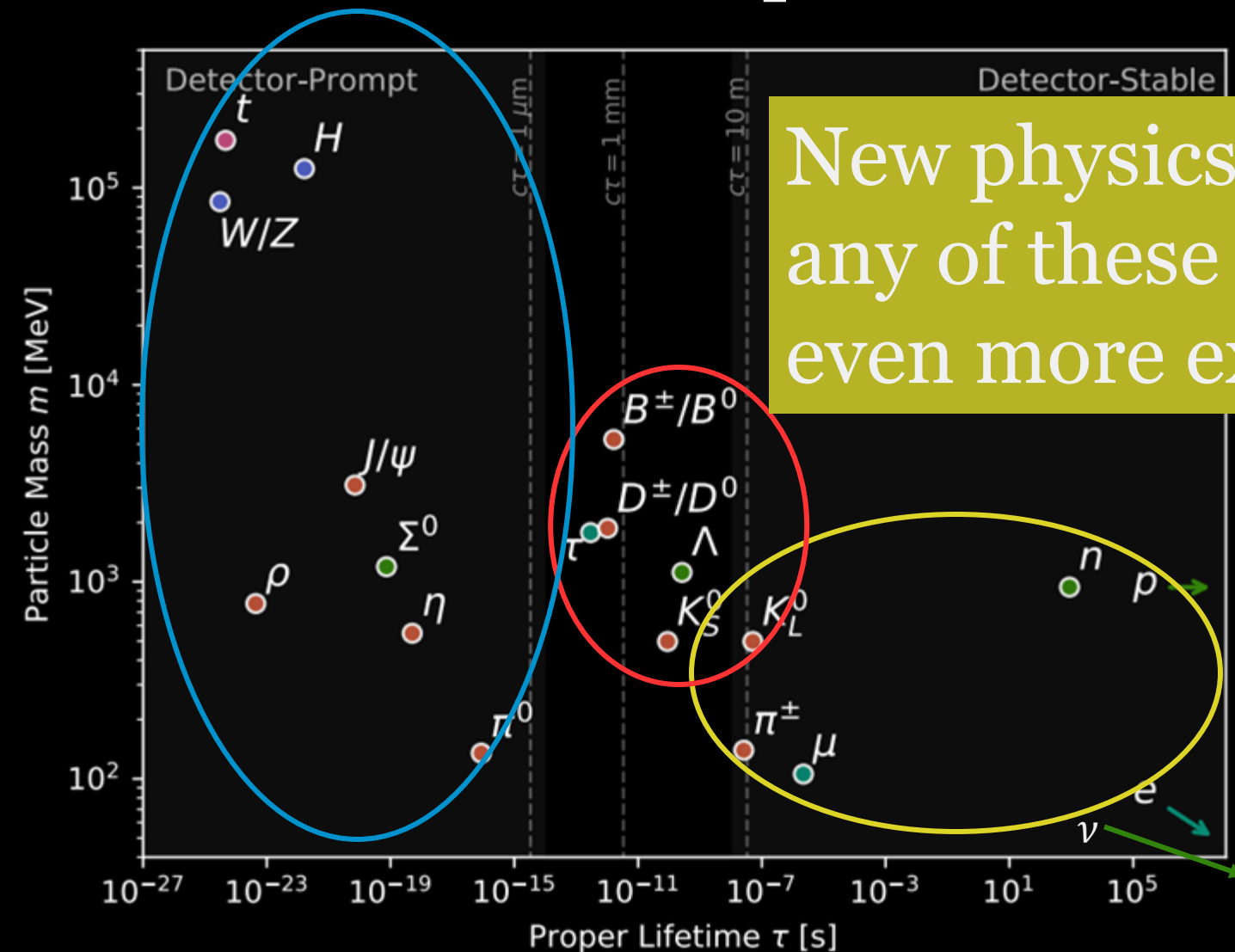
What is
actually
here



The BSM Formula is “Simple” & “Universal” (not only for collider)

- What are my **Signals**? (determined by the underlying theory you want to explore + your understanding of the experimental setup)
- What are my **Background**? (determined by SM, Instrumentation)
- How to **Optimize**? (Is it even possible to carry out such a search? Will the result be meaningful?)

How do we see SM particles

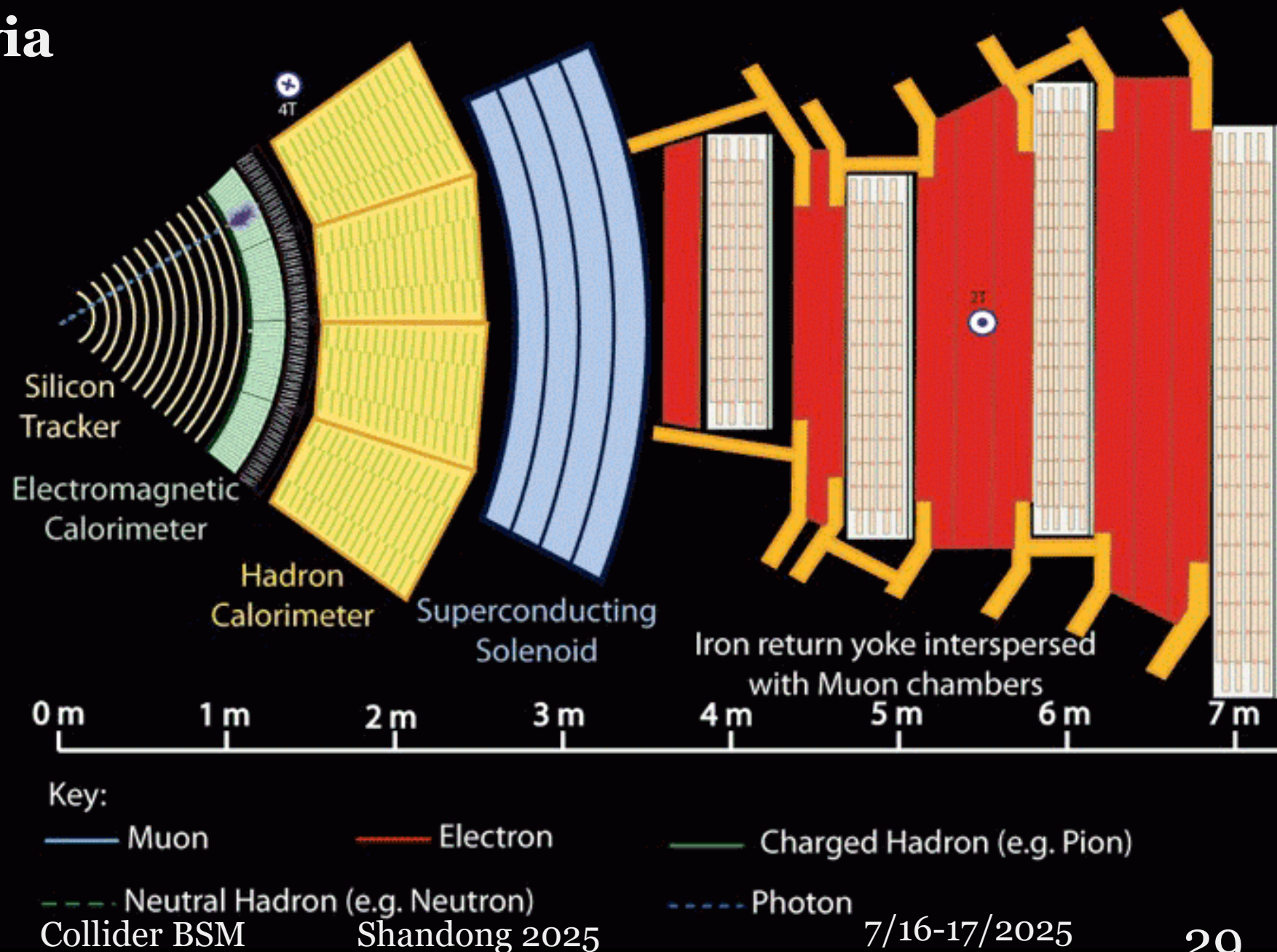


New physics can be of any of these forms and even more exotic

“Reconstructable”

Missing (transverse) energy

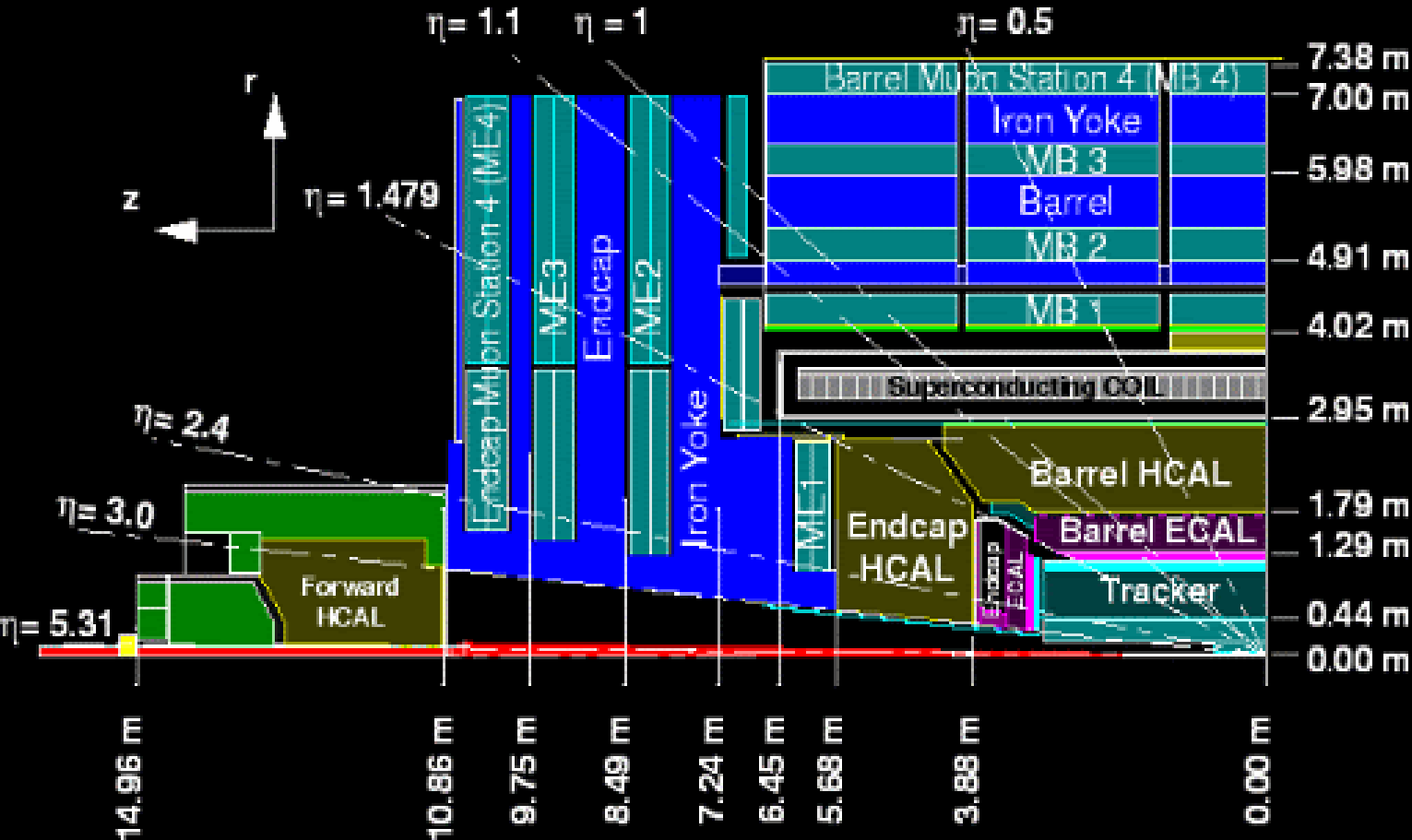
Directly Seen via
Tracker
ECal
HCal
 μ Chamber



Pseudo Rapidity representing Geometry

Pseudo-Rapidity:

$$\eta \equiv \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{|\vec{p}| + p_z}{|\vec{p}| - p_z} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \cos \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} \right) = \ln \left(\cot \frac{\theta}{2} \right)$$



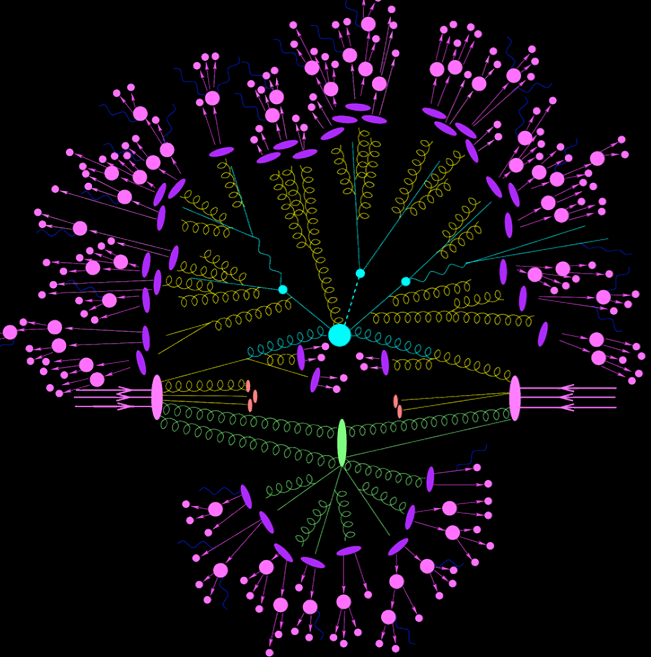
Experimentally, the hadron collider geometry are expressed in pseudo rapidity

Typical high mass/energy events (central: Barrel & EndCap):

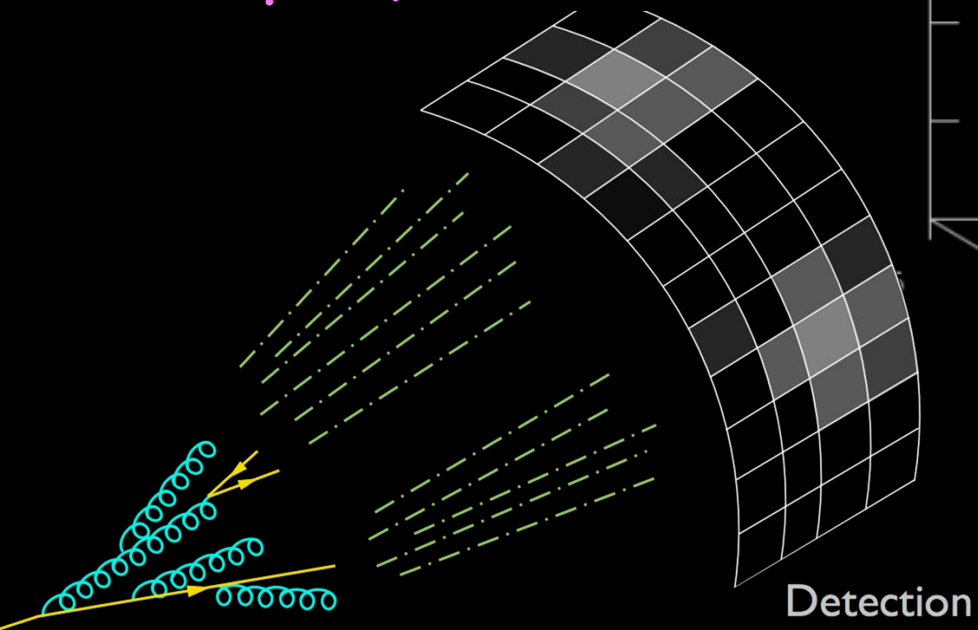
$$|\eta| < 3$$

Forward (lots of QCD background)

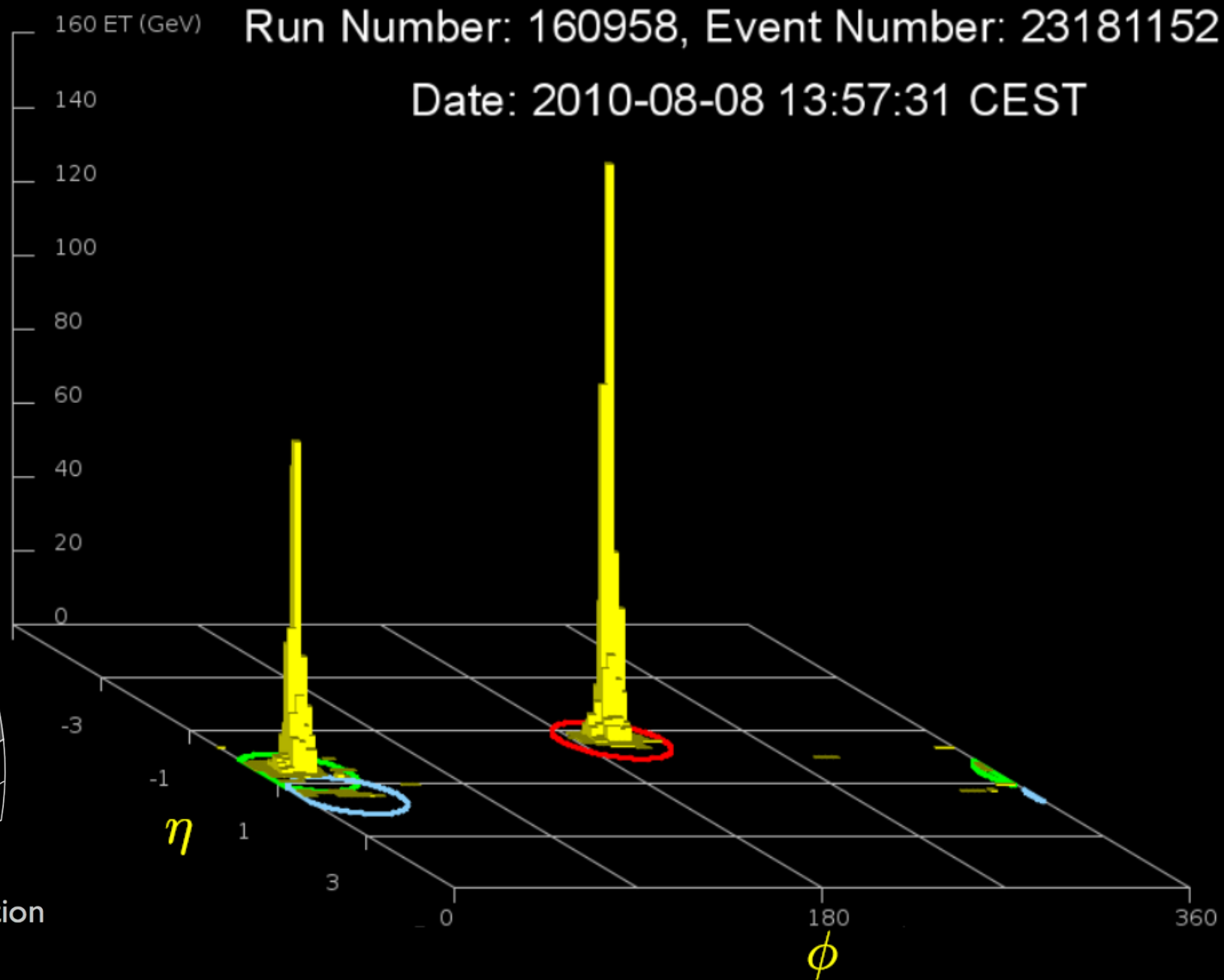
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P_T



Detection

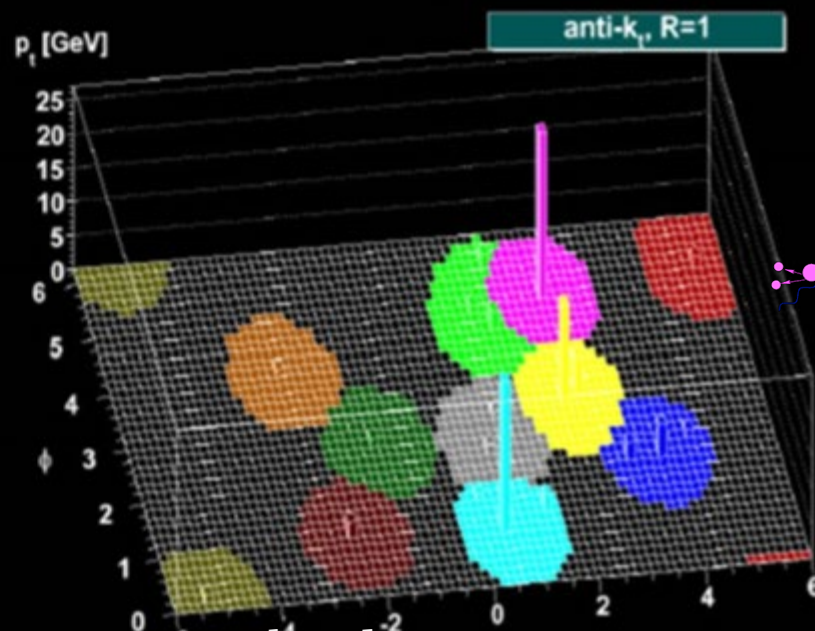
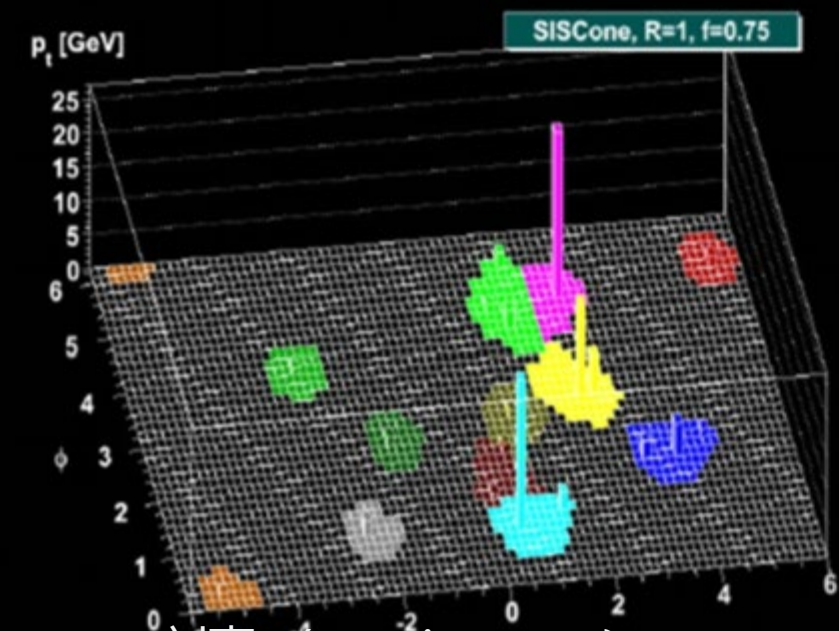
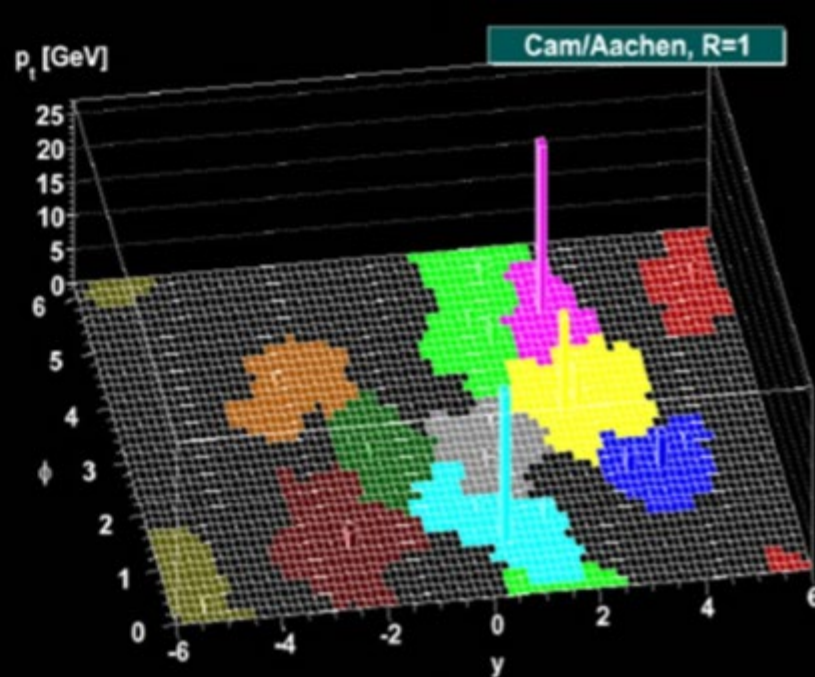
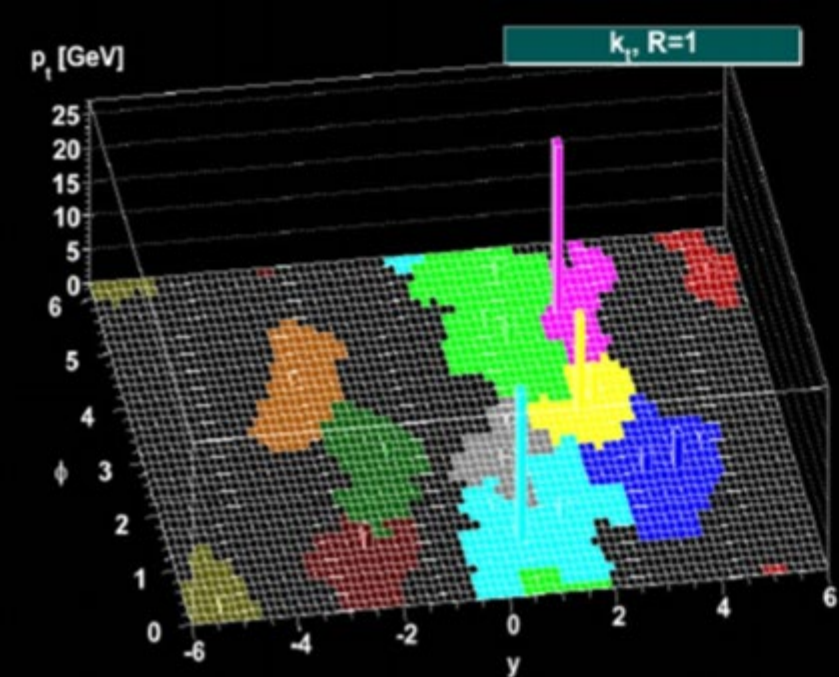


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An Atlas event with two jets

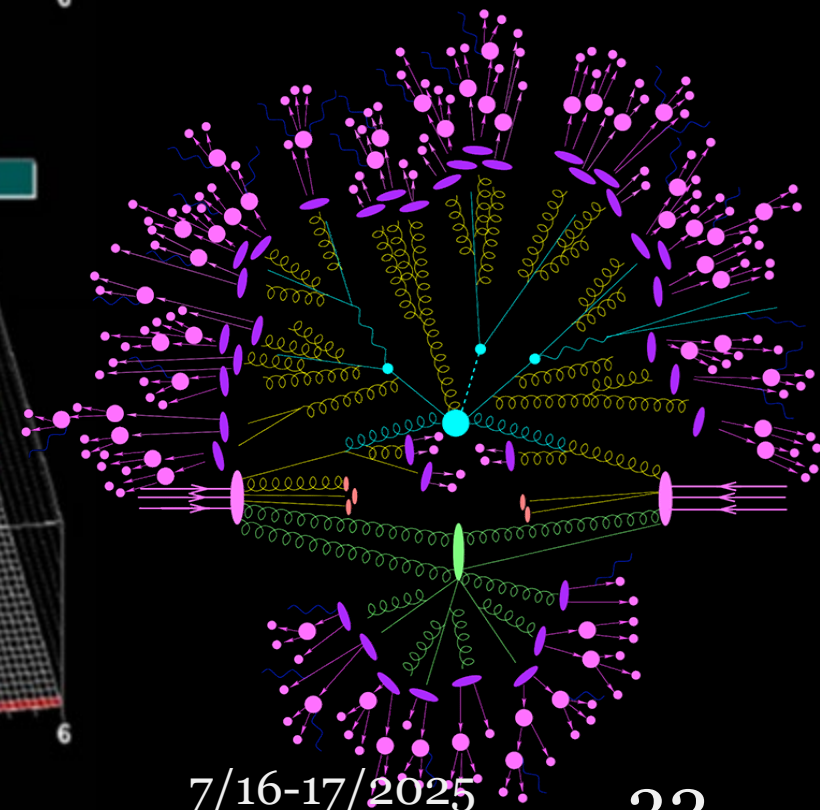
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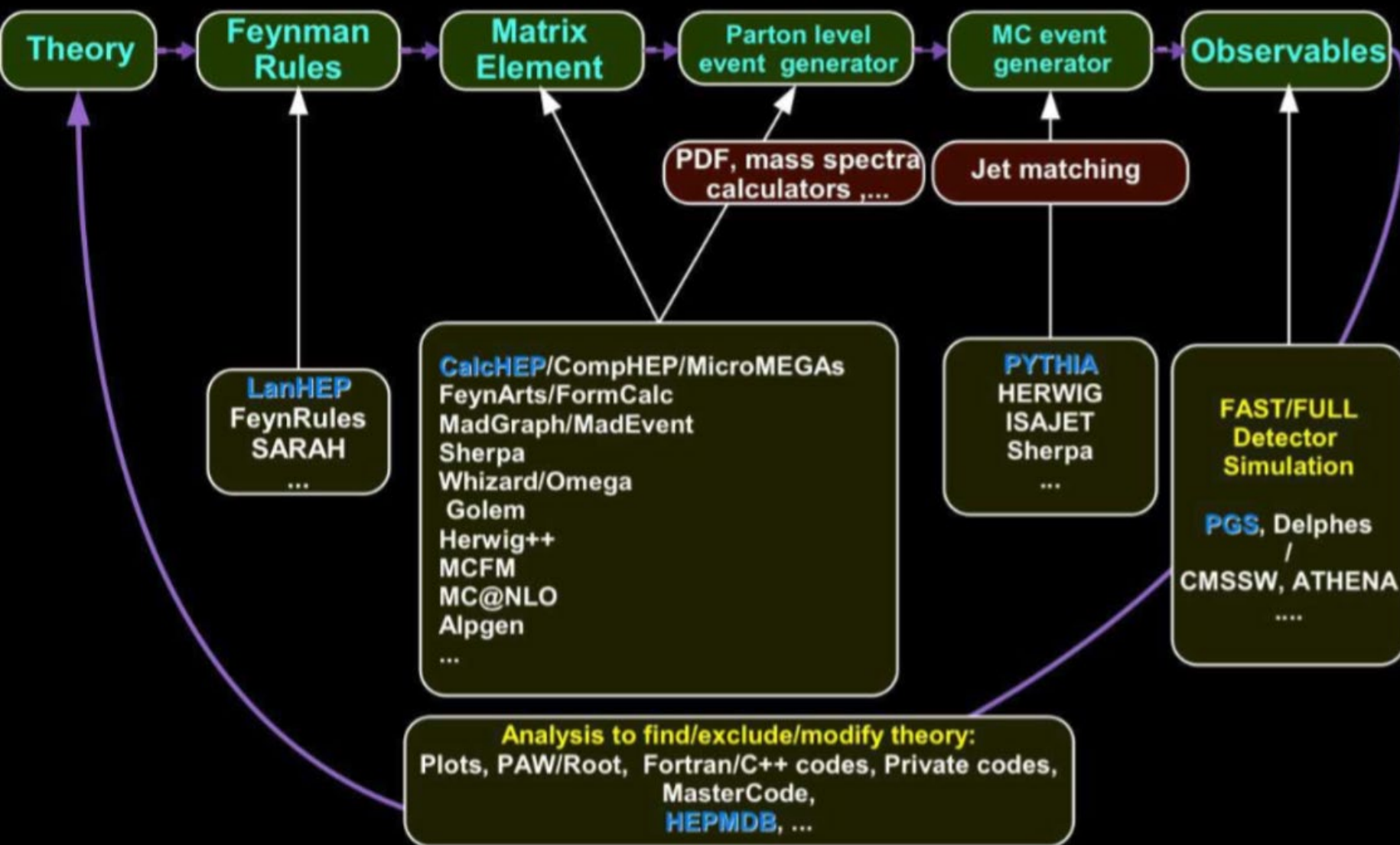


Jet reconstruction
algorithms
Pile-up removal

...



Phenomenological Studies

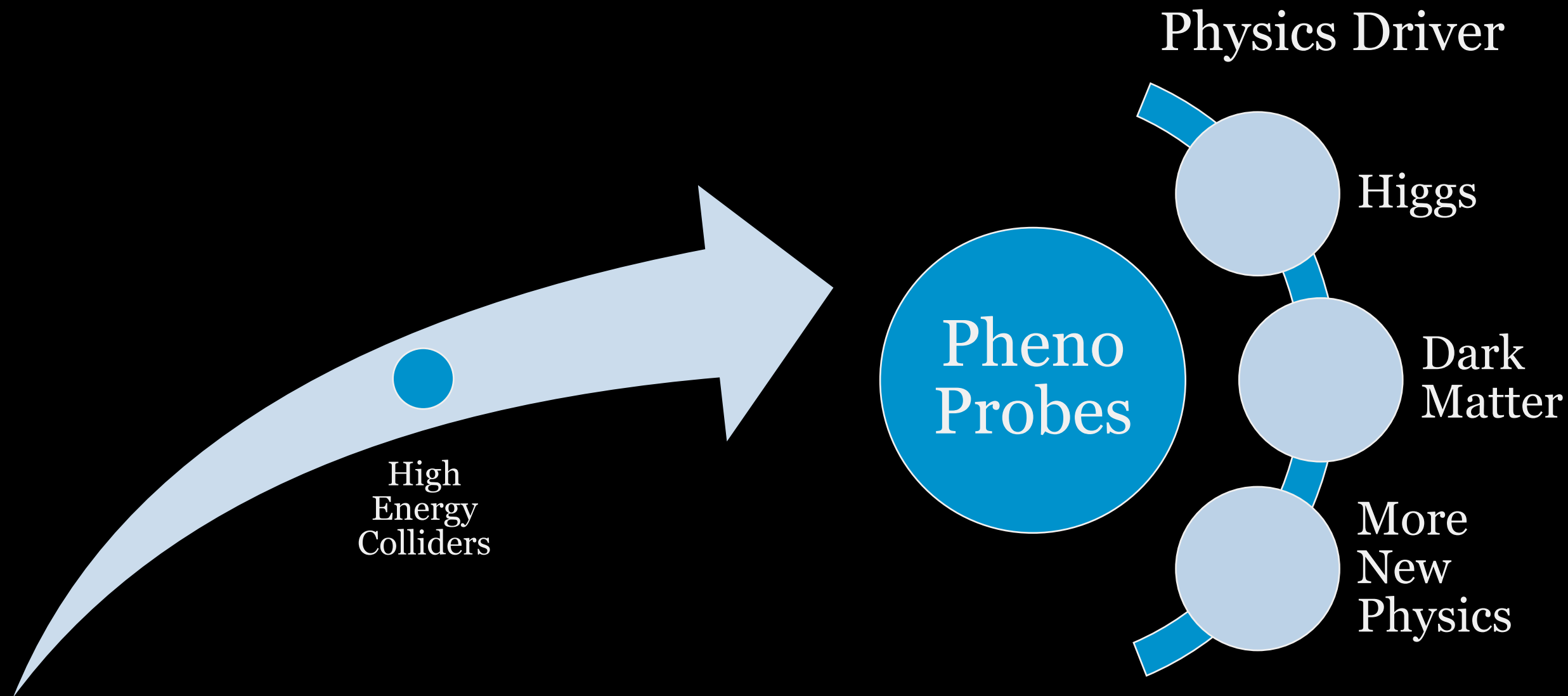


Recommend, use **Madgraph** and the tool-chains there*

Physics First
(before trusting simulations due to complex nature of QFT).

*HELAS written at KEK

Landscape of High Energy Colliders



BSM @ LHC

A Snapshot

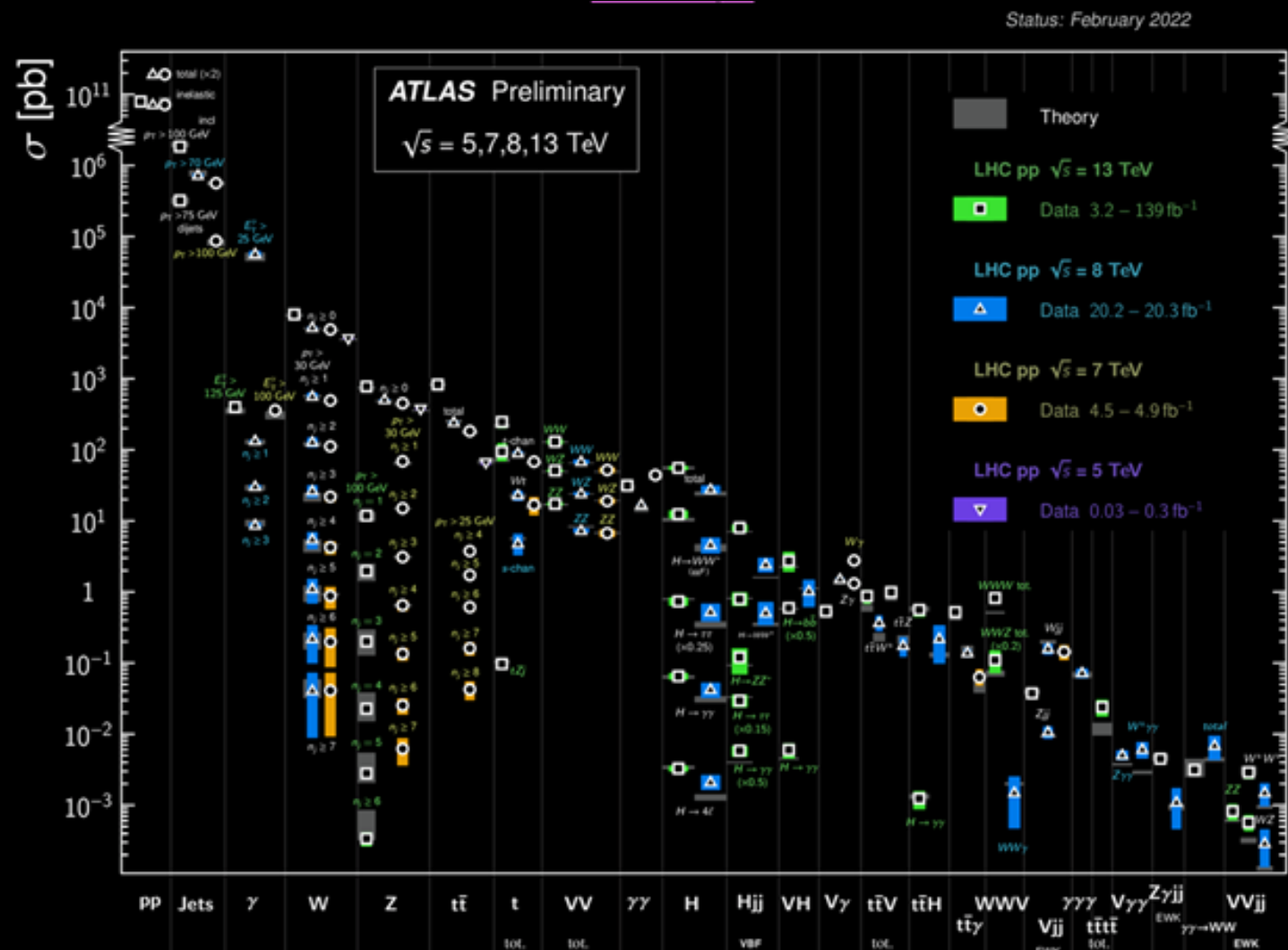
LHC rocks

already revolutionized our understanding of microscopic world
and
will continue to deliver world-leading physics for the next ~20 yrs

LHC is running amazingly well

LHC's successes

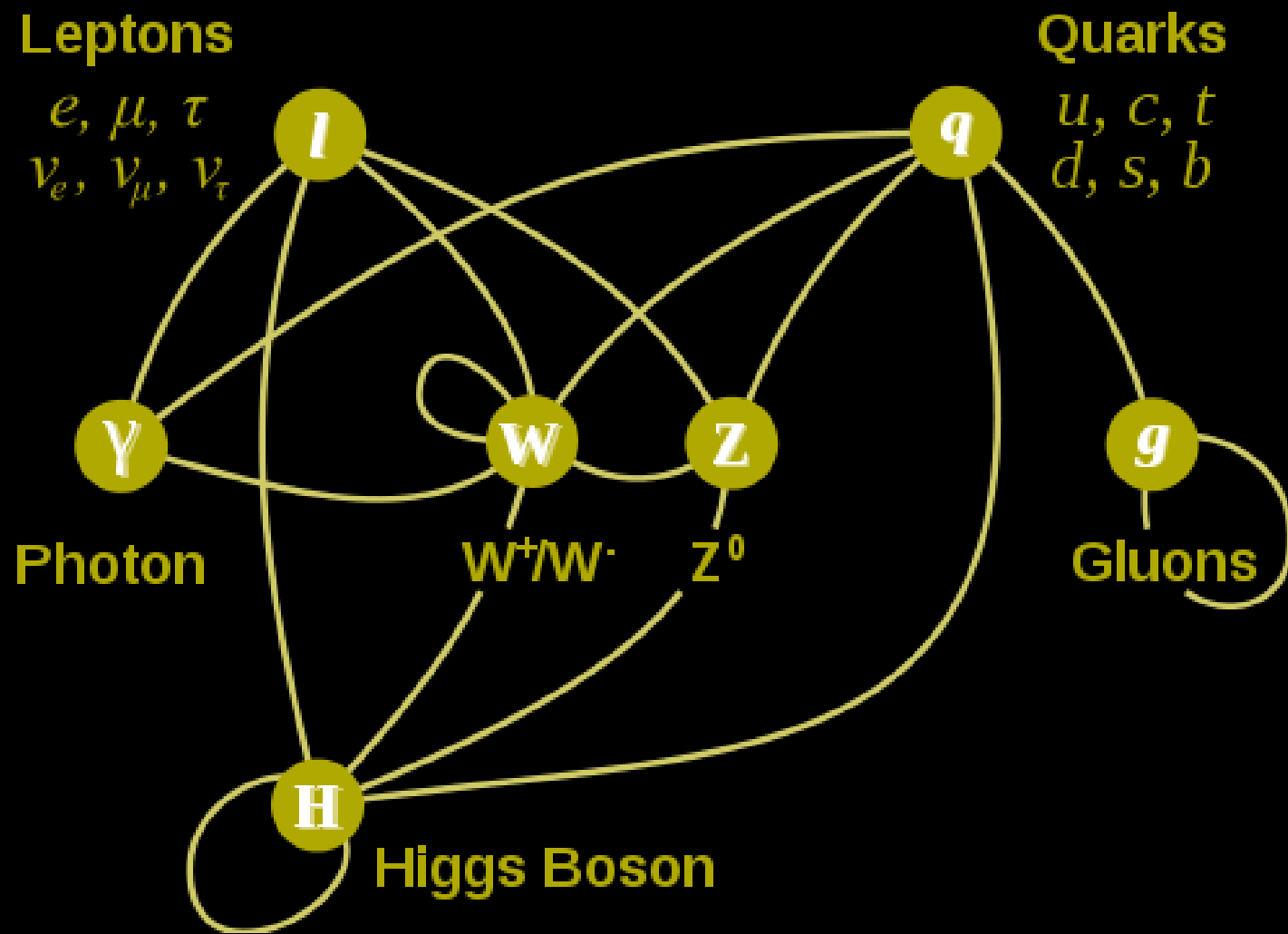
- Higgs Discovery
 - Precision measurements
 - Direct searches on
 - Simplified models
 - SUSY
 - Extra Dim/Compositeness
 - ...
- +new upgrades in Energy, Detector, Trigger, Analysis methods



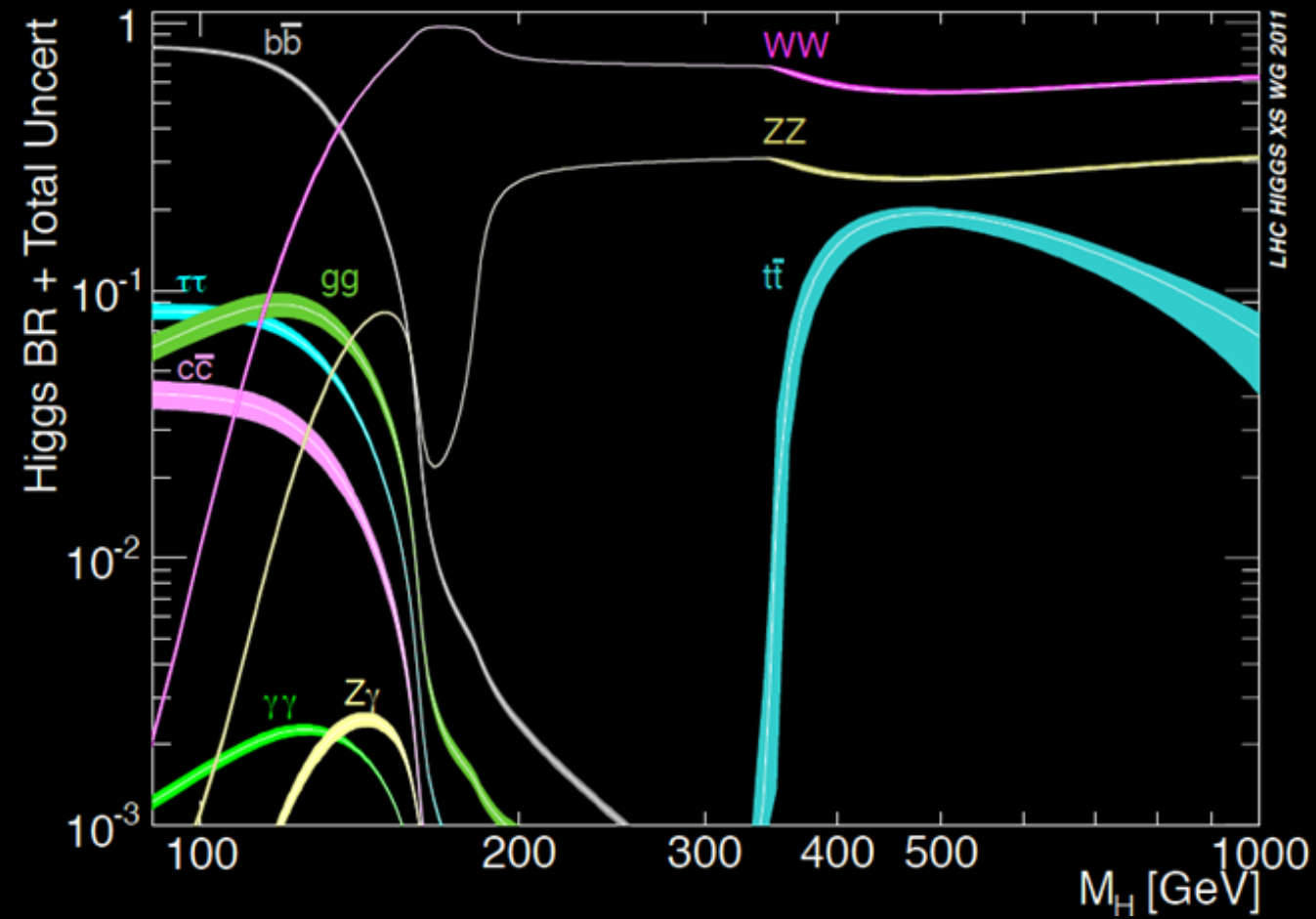
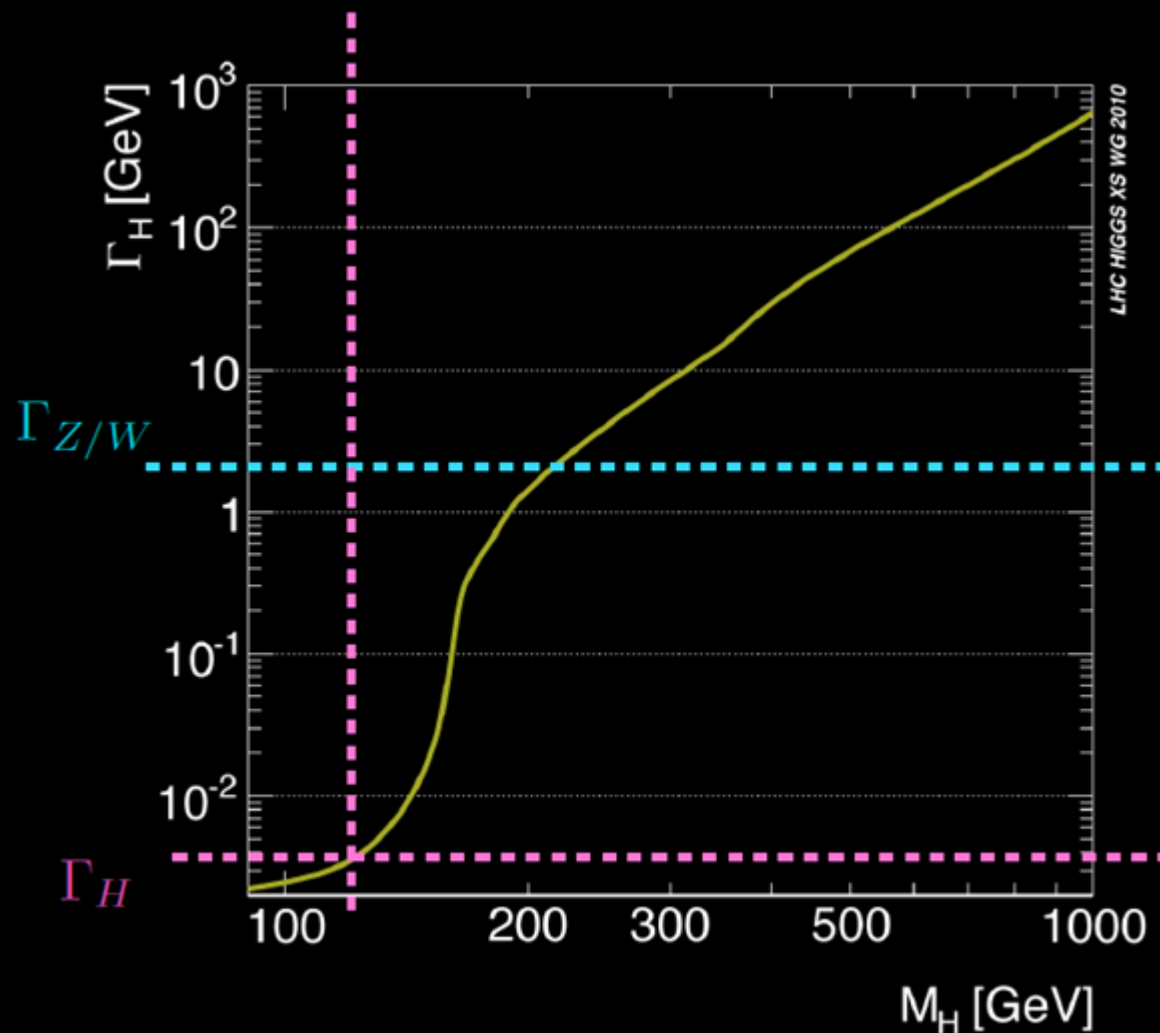
How did we **DISCOVER** Higgs?

Higgs Couplings

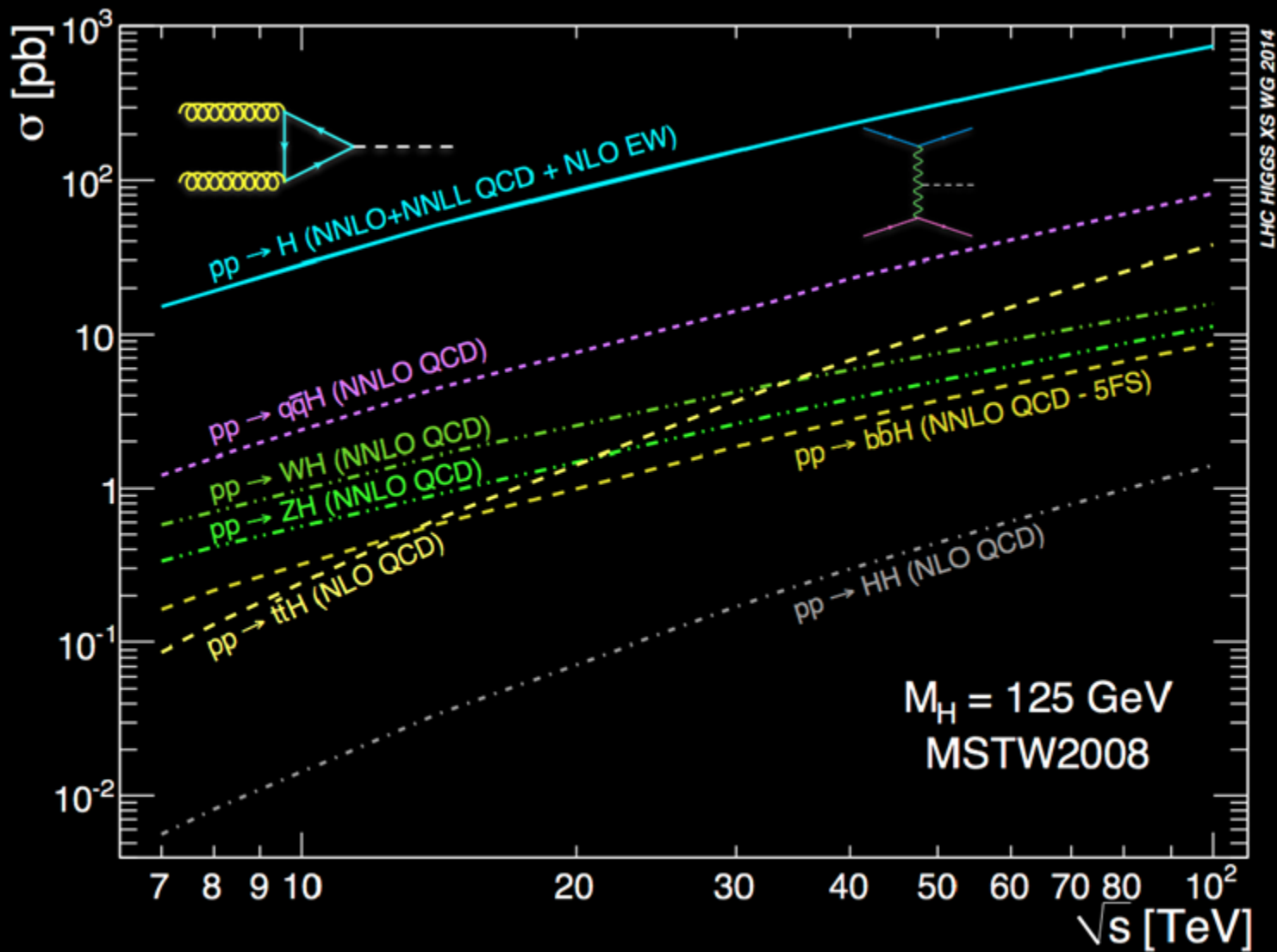
- Gauge coupling
- Yukawa coupling—**new forces** (9+ Yukawas)
- Self coupling—**new force**
- Loop-induced (anomalous) couplings
 $H\gamma\gamma, Hgg, HZ\gamma, \dots$



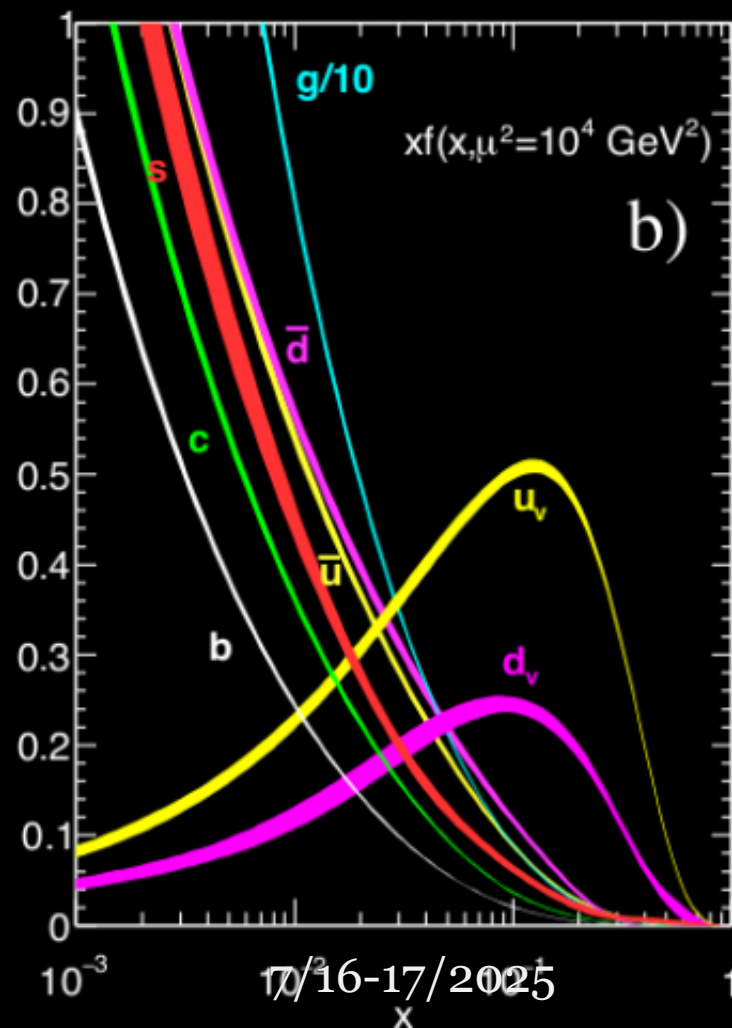
Higgs Width and Branching Fractions



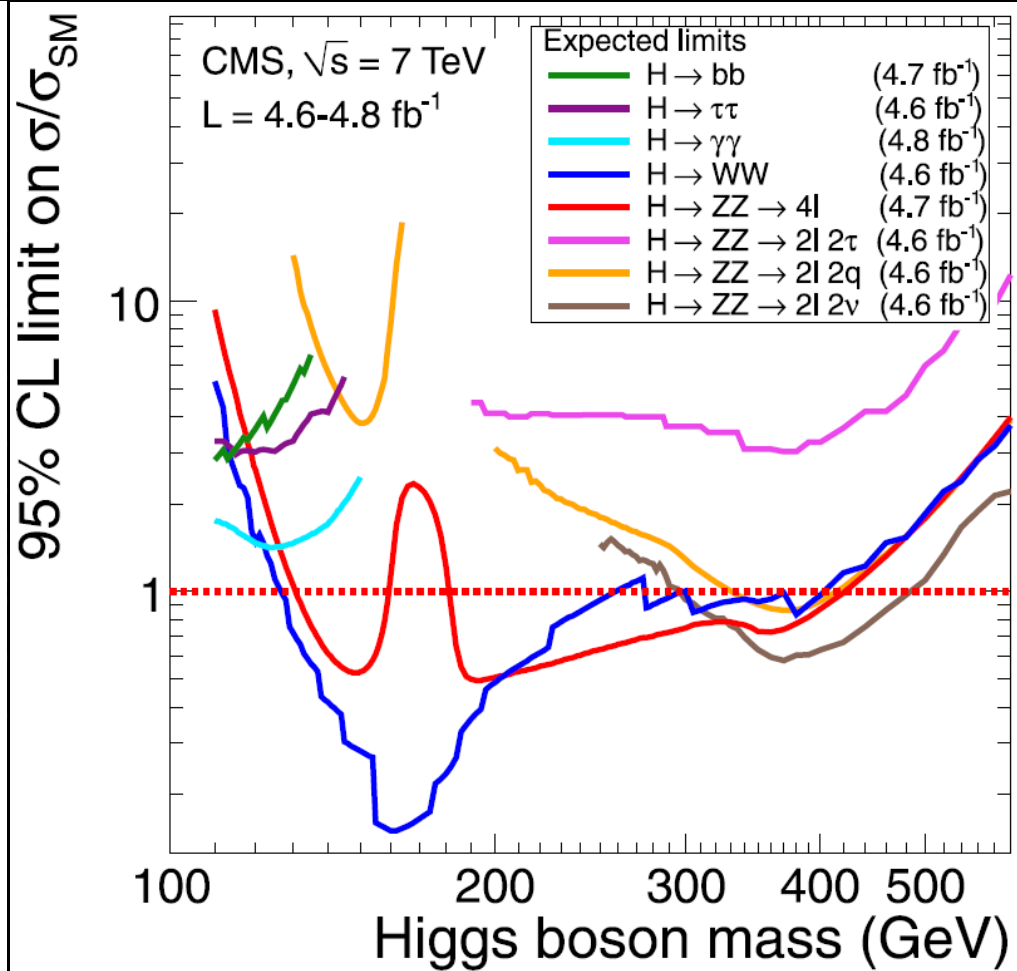
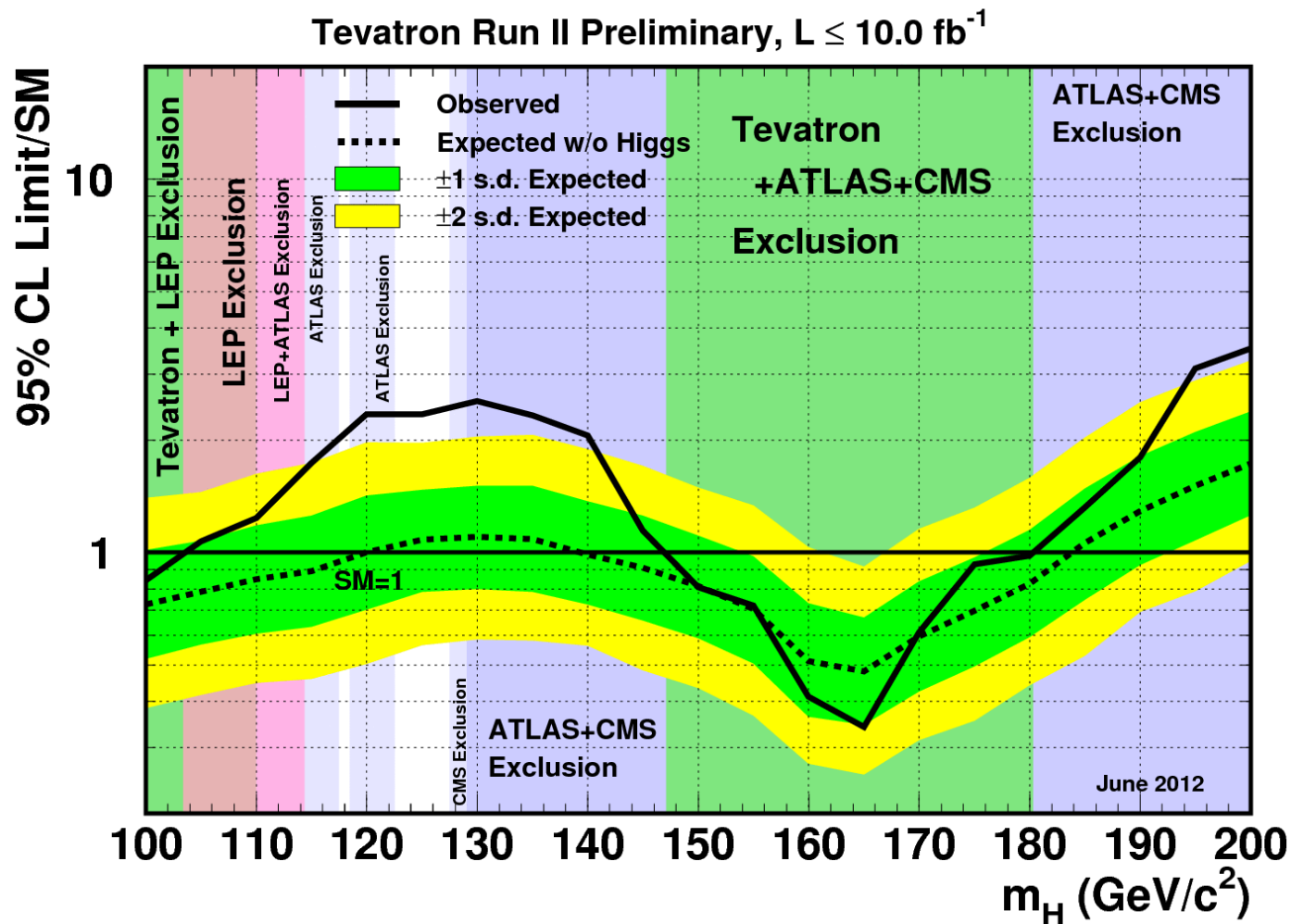
Higgs Physics

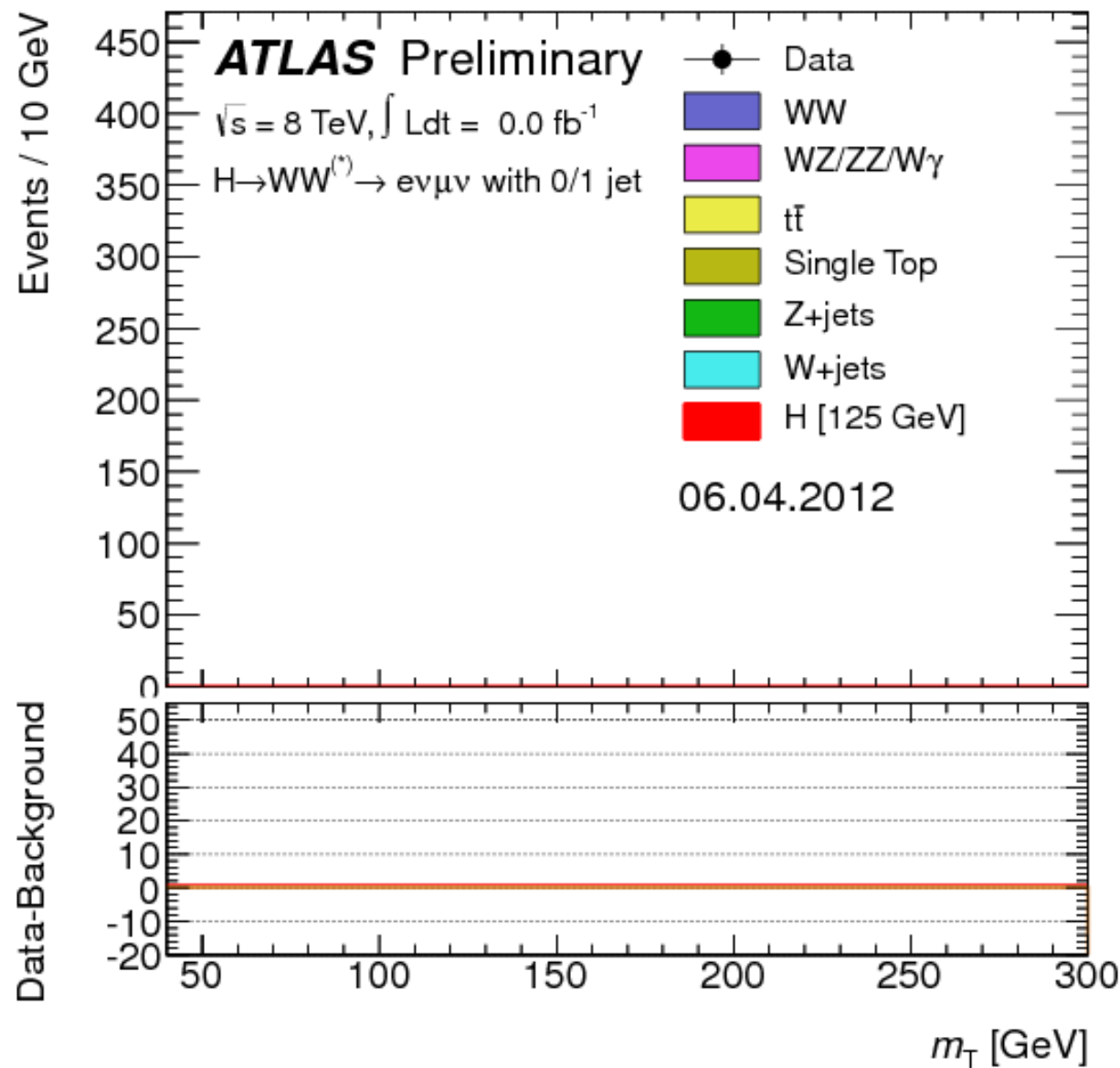
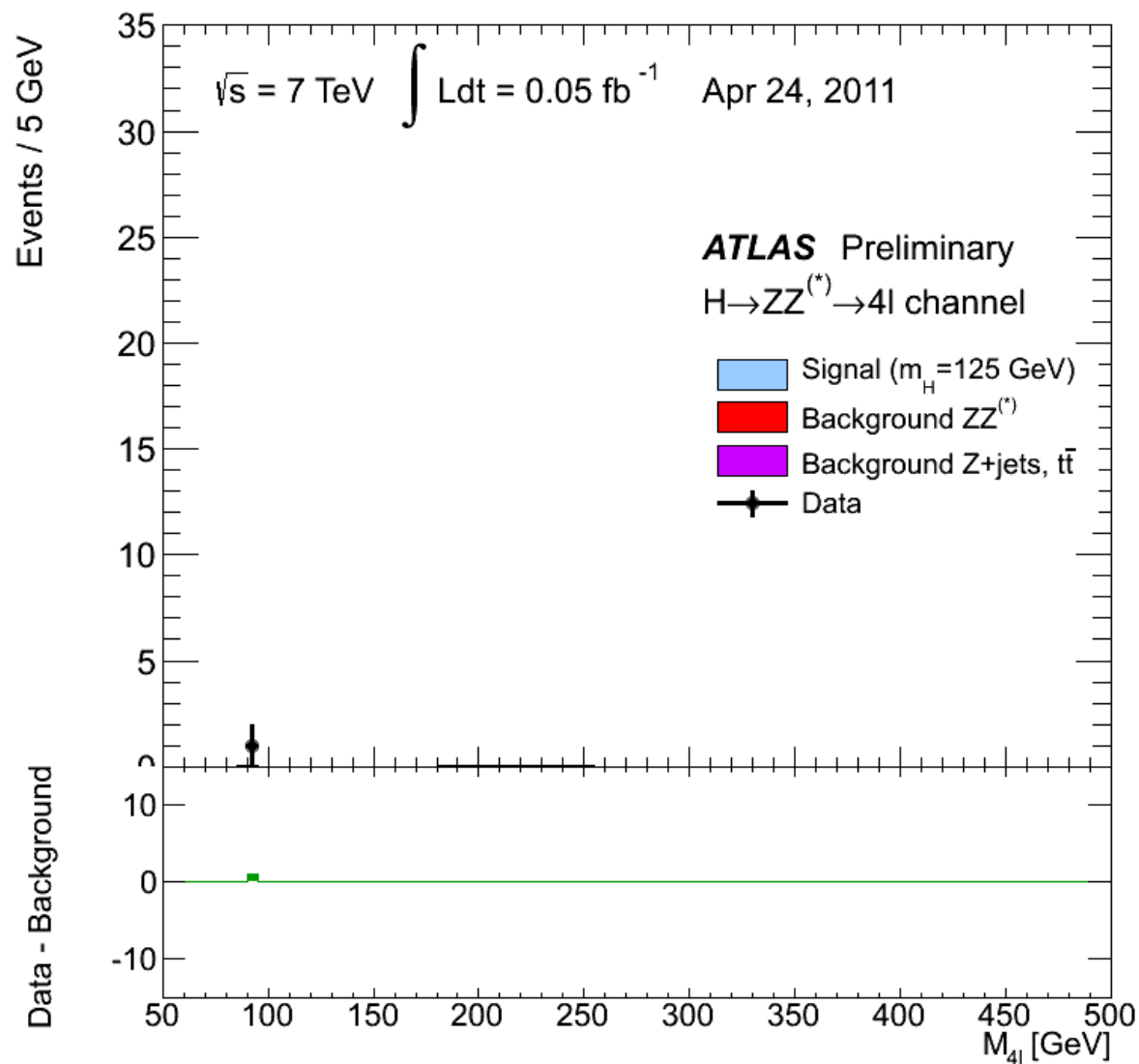


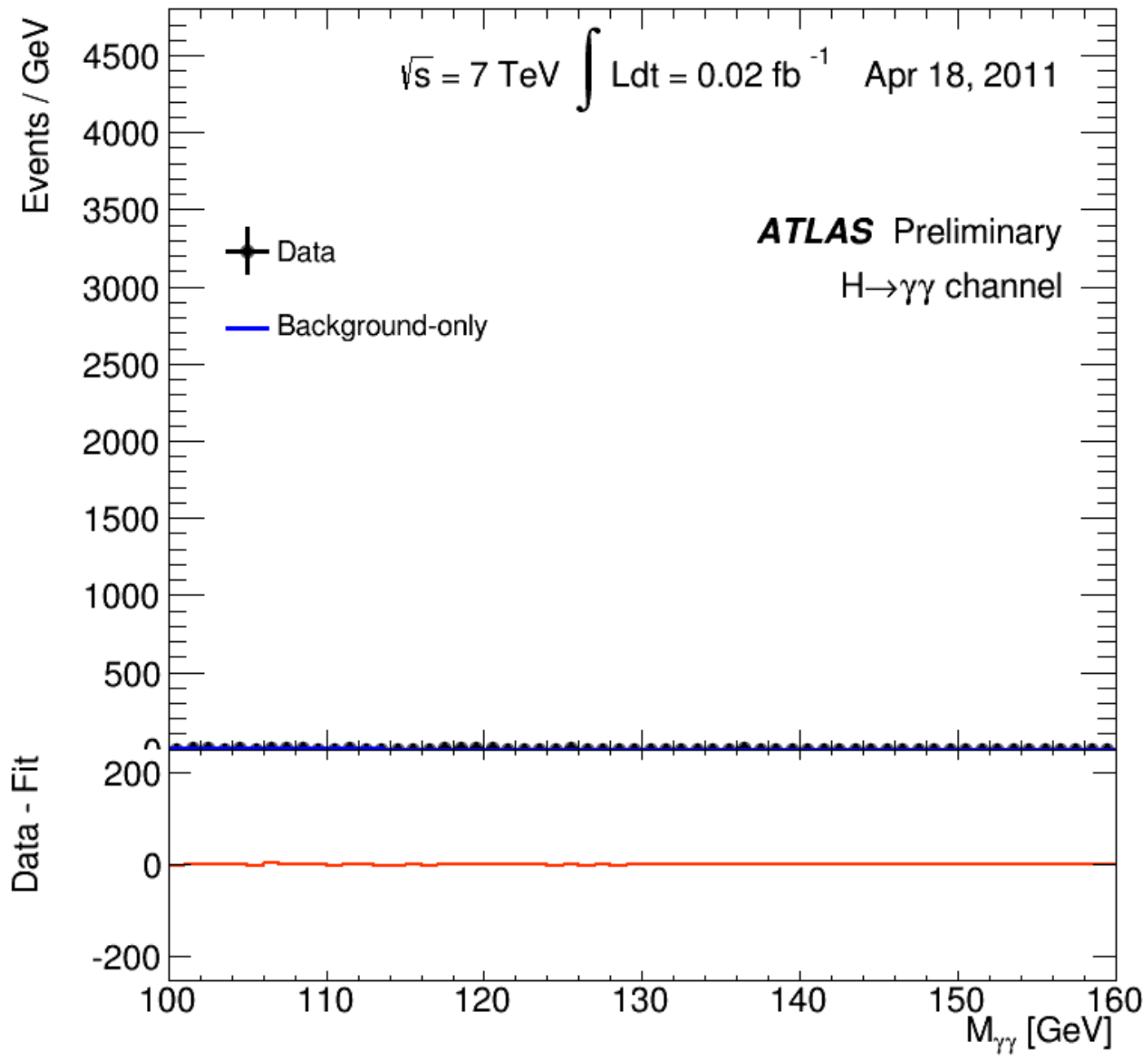
$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sigma_{pp}^{NNLO}(gg \rightarrow H) \\
 &= 12.937 \\
 &\times (1 + 1.28 + 0.77) \text{ pb}
 \end{aligned}$$



A snapshot before discovery

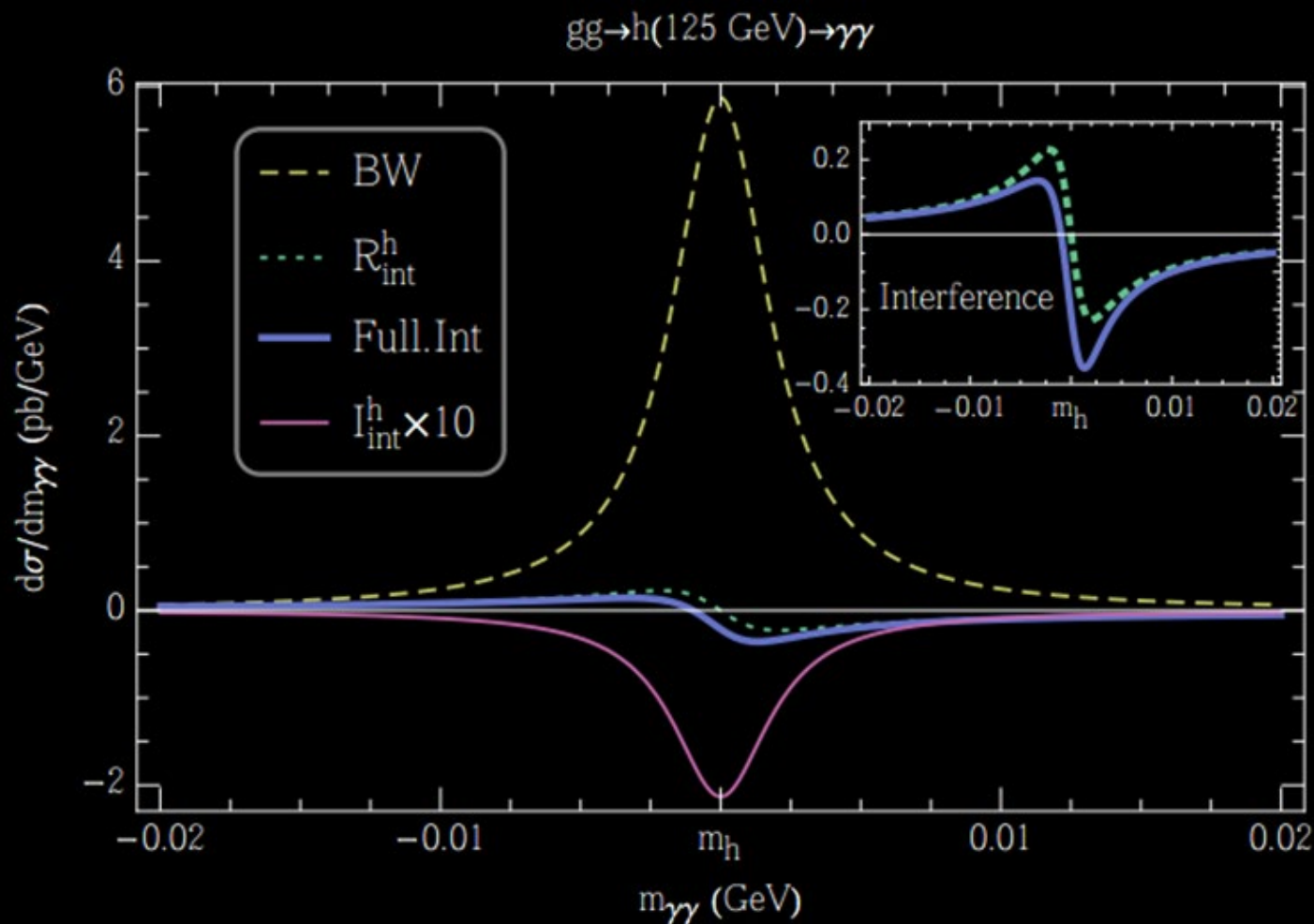






**Did we do it right?
Will it be right?**

More to explore, e.g., Higgs on-shell interference



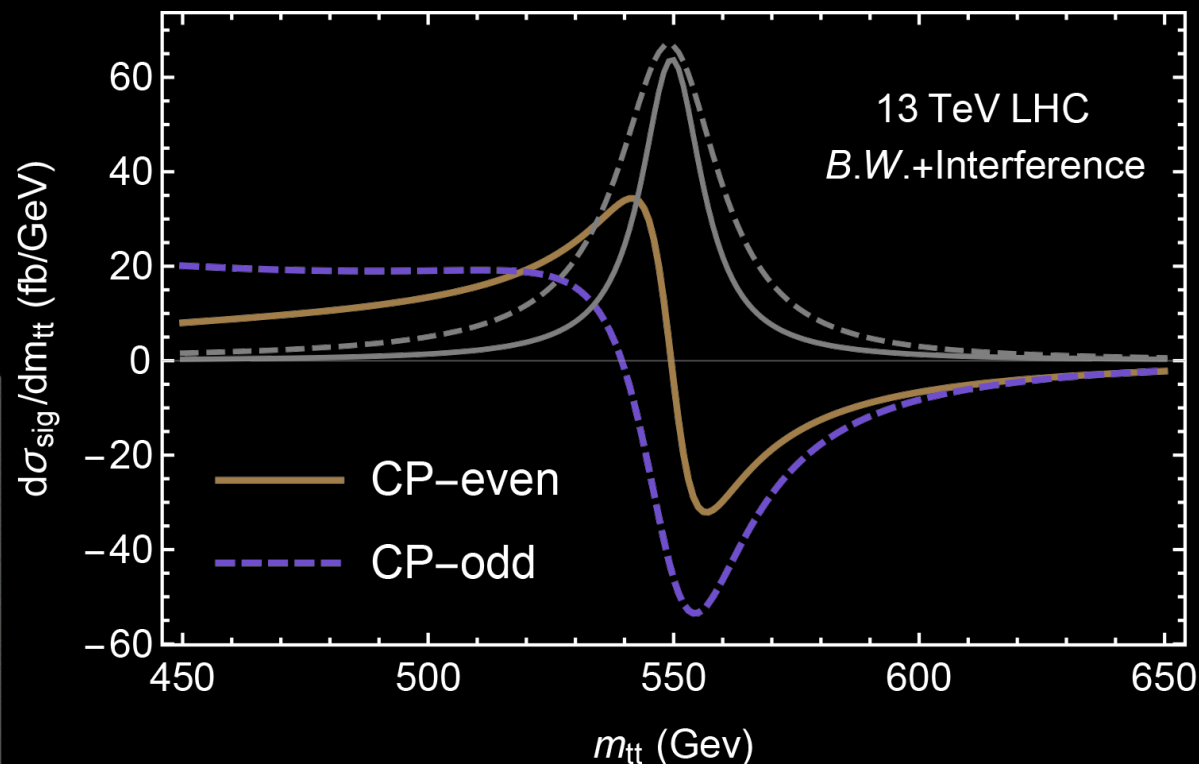
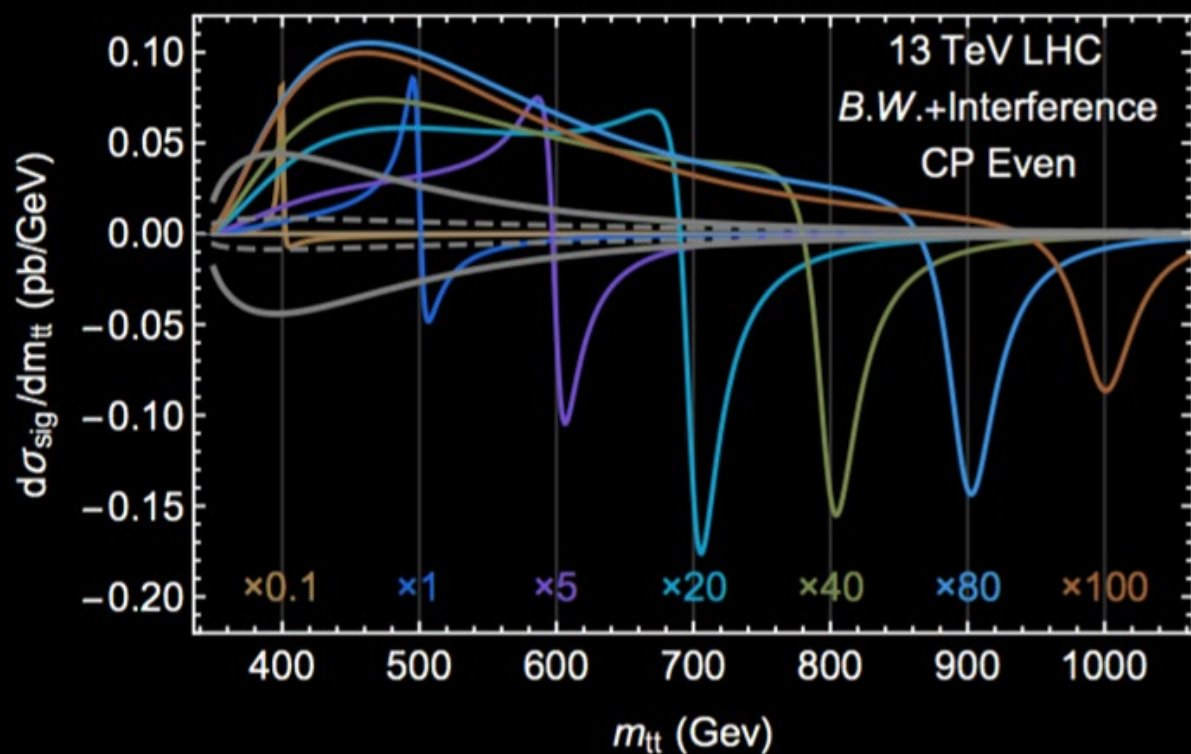
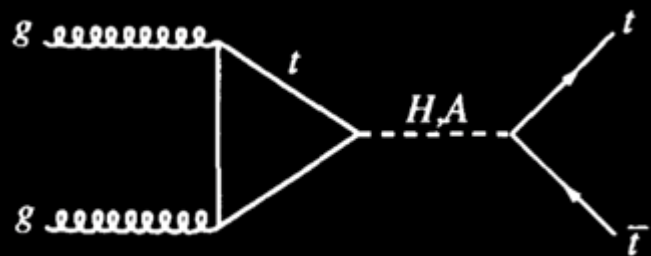
Non-factorizable into signal and background calculation, Pole-behavior matters (not standard EFT friendly);
 Gain new information about width and strong & weak phase;
 Interesting test for Interference.
 Non-trivial **quantum interference** for on-shell states (which are typically ignored for heavy particles).

J. Campbell, M. Carena, R. Harnik, ZL, *PRL* 18'
 Collaborating with R. Rusack group on CMS

New scalar with constructive interference
 M. Carena, ZL, M. Riembau, *PRD* 18'

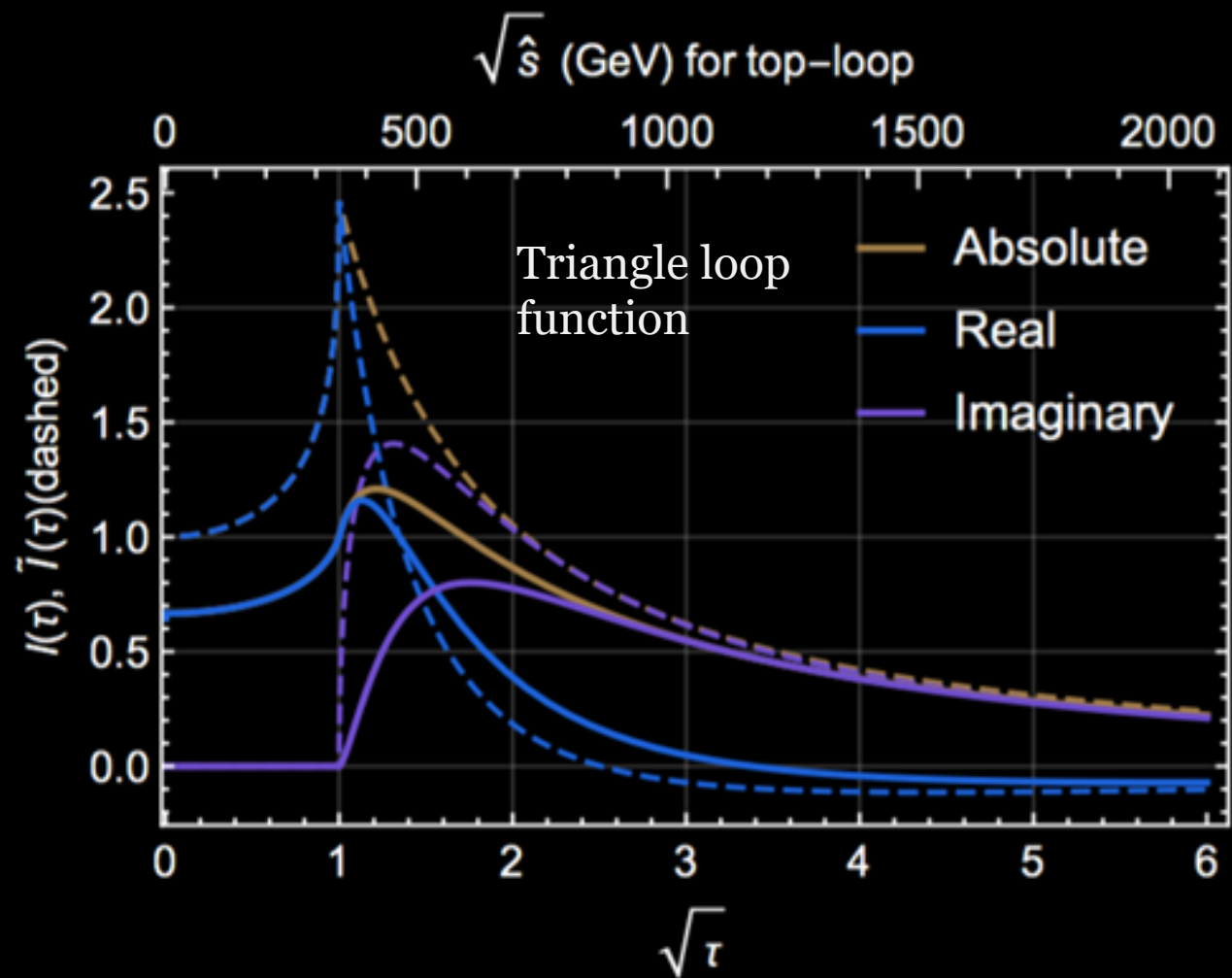
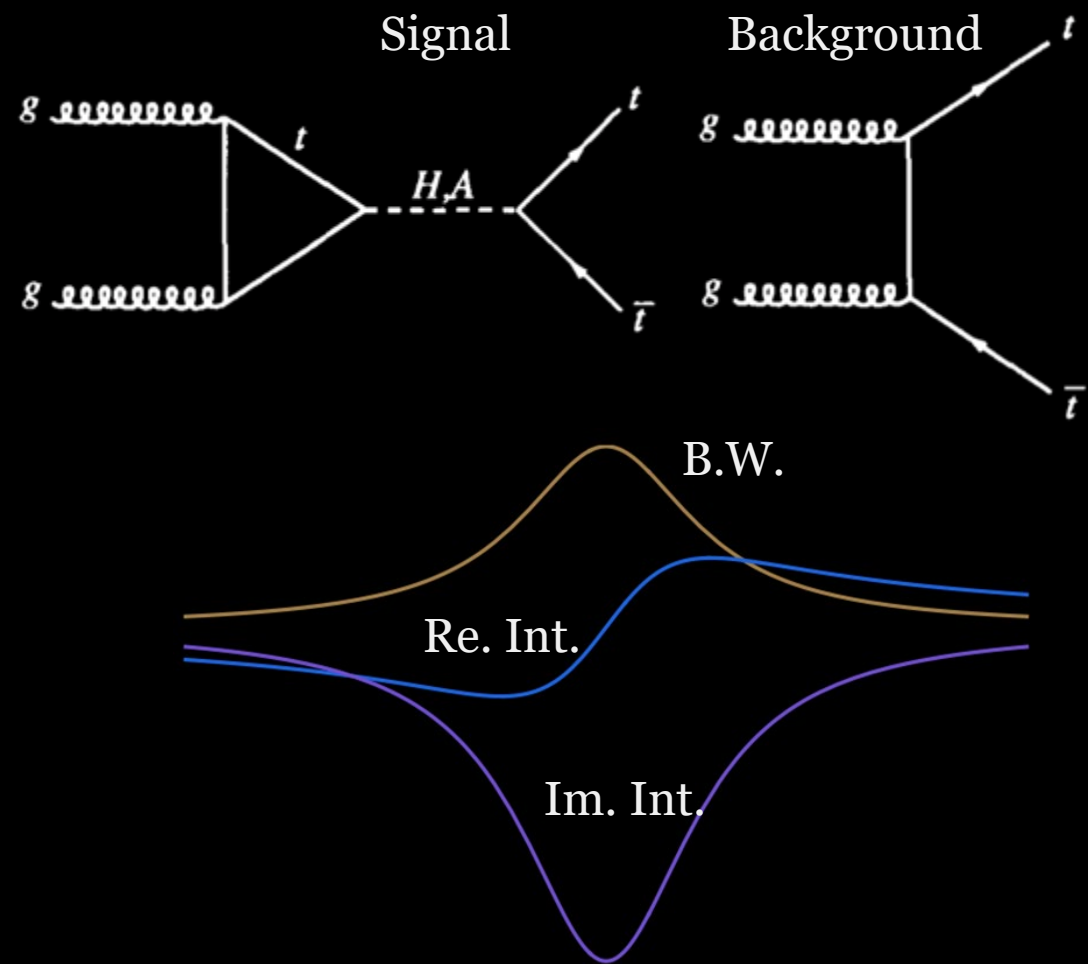
New colored states with interference patterns
 T. Han, I. Lewis, H.K. Liu, ZL, X. Wang, *JHEP* 23'

One Key ingredient (recent $\phi \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ search)



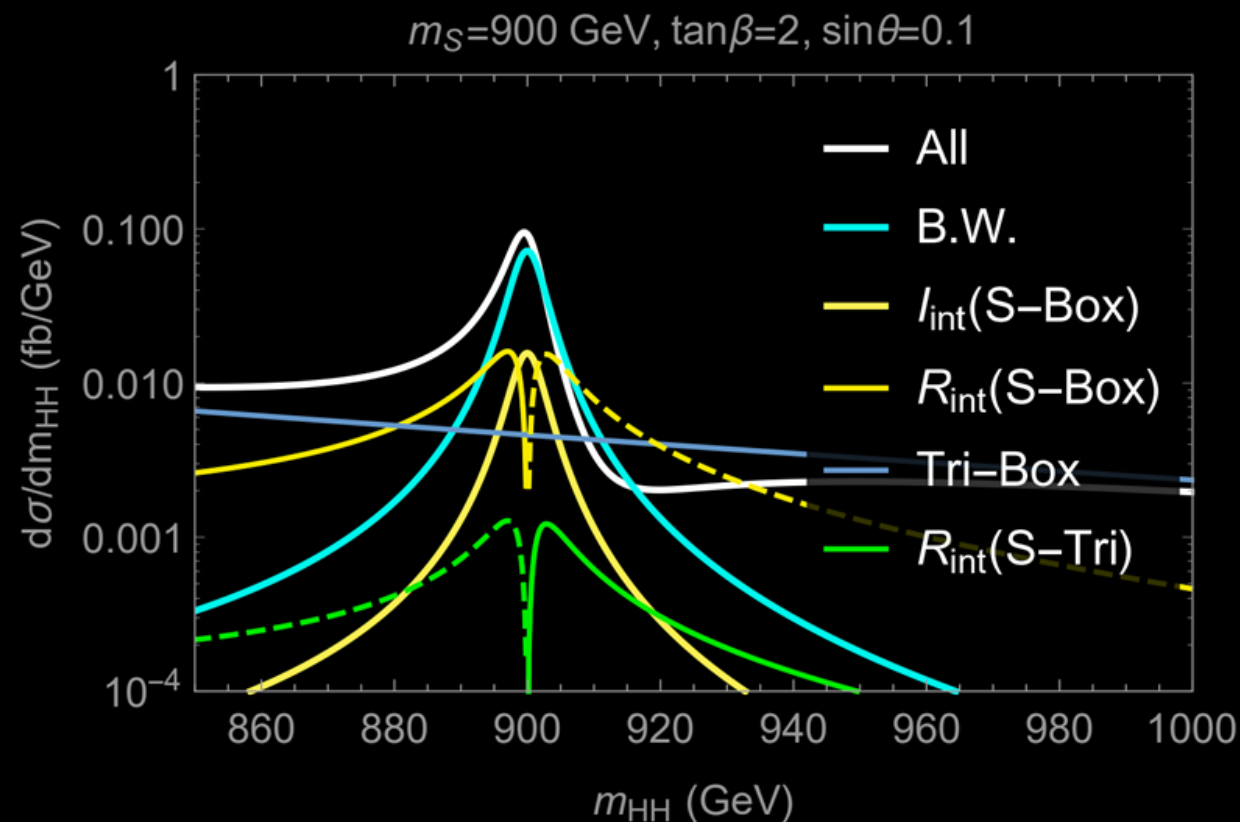
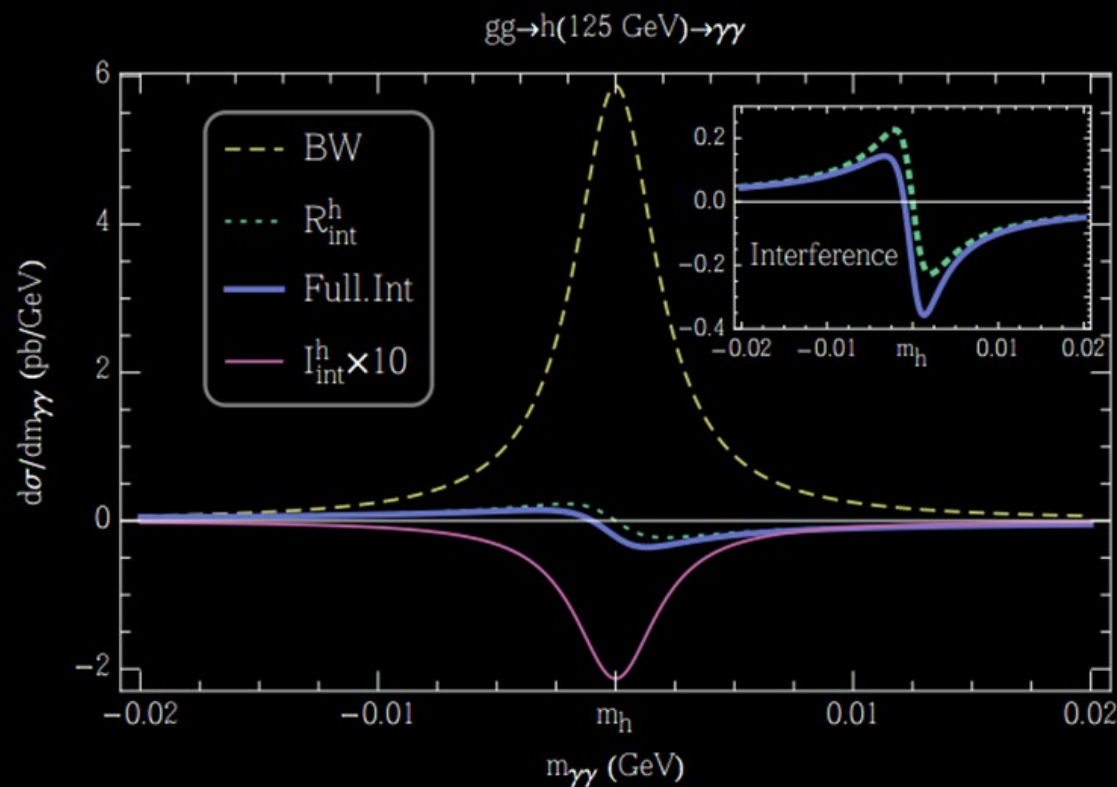
D. Dicus, A. Stange, S. Willenbrock, [hep-ph/9404359](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9404359), Focusing on $t\bar{t}H$ @LHC, **M. Carena, ZL**, [arXiv:1608.07282](https://arxiv.org/abs/1608.07282) Other channels and effects, including $t\bar{t}H$, tH (see in N. Craig, F. D'Eramo, P. Drapper, S. Thomas, H. Zhang [arXiv:1504.04630](https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.04630) and J. Hajer, Y.-Y. Li, T. Liu J. Shiu [arXiv:1504.07617](https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.07617), S. Gori, I.-W. Kim, N. Shah, K. Zurek [arXiv:1602.02782](https://arxiv.org/abs/1602.02782), N. Craig, J. Hajer, Y. Li, T. Liu, H. Zhang, [arXiv:1605.08744](https://arxiv.org/abs/1605.08744), B. Hespel, F. Maltoni, E. Vryonidou [arXiv:1606.04149](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.04149), W.S. Hou, M. Kohda, T. Modak [1710.07260](https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.07260), [1906.09703](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.09703)), H +jet, charged Higgs searches, and how stable such effects are against QCD corrections (see a case study in W. Bernreuther, P. Galler, C. Mellein, Z.-G. Si, P. Uwer [arXiv:1511.05584](https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05584)), $t\bar{t}H$ differential observables (W. Bernreuther, P. Galler, C. Mellein, Z.-G. Si, P. Uwer [arXiv:1702.06063](https://arxiv.org/abs/1702.06063); W. Bernreuther, L. Chen, Z.-G. Si, [arXiv:1802.02020](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.02020)) Machine Learning,

Unfamiliar look of heavy Scalars



Interferences onsite

Non-factorizable into signal and background calculation, either described by standard EFT;
Gain new information about width and strong & weak phase;
Interesting test for Interference.



Dixon, Siu, [hep-ph/0302233](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/0302233)

Campbell, Carena, Harnik, ZL, [1704.08259](https://arxiv.org/abs/1704.08259)

Cjeri, Coradeschi, de Florian, Fidanza, [1706.07331](https://arxiv.org/abs/1706.07331)

Maltoni, Mandal, Zhao, [1812.08703](https://arxiv.org/abs/1812.08703)

Chen, Heinrich, Jahn, Jones, Kerner, Schlenk, Yokoya [1911.09314](https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.09314)

Hoche et al, [in progress](#)

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Also (real part interference): Dixon, Li, [1305.3354](https://arxiv.org/abs/1305.3354)

Collider BSM

Carena, ZL, Riembau, [1801.00794](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.00794)

Kauer, Lind, Maierhoefer, Song, [1905.03296](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.03296)

Other channels: Jung, Sung, Yoon, [arXiv:1510.03450](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.03450),

[arXiv:1601.00006](https://arxiv.org/abs/1601.00006), (dijets) Martin, [1606.03026](https://arxiv.org/abs/1606.03026), Bhattiprolu, Martin,

[2004.06181](https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.06181) see Bhattiprolu's talk yesterday.

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Physics-wise: where are we now?

A paradigm shift driven by LHC

Models solving multiple puzzle of Nature at once



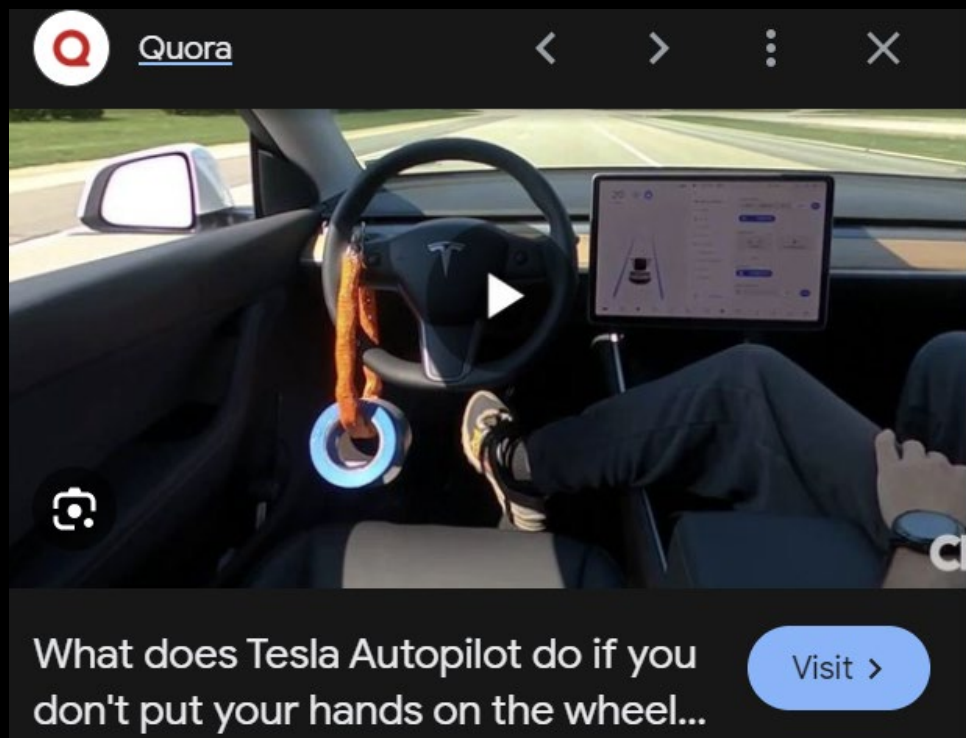
Models solving ≥ 0 puzzles **but** raising new signatures that can be probed by experiments

LHC experimental colleagues have been working hard and creatively on the more established model paradigms, steady & impressive progress all the time;

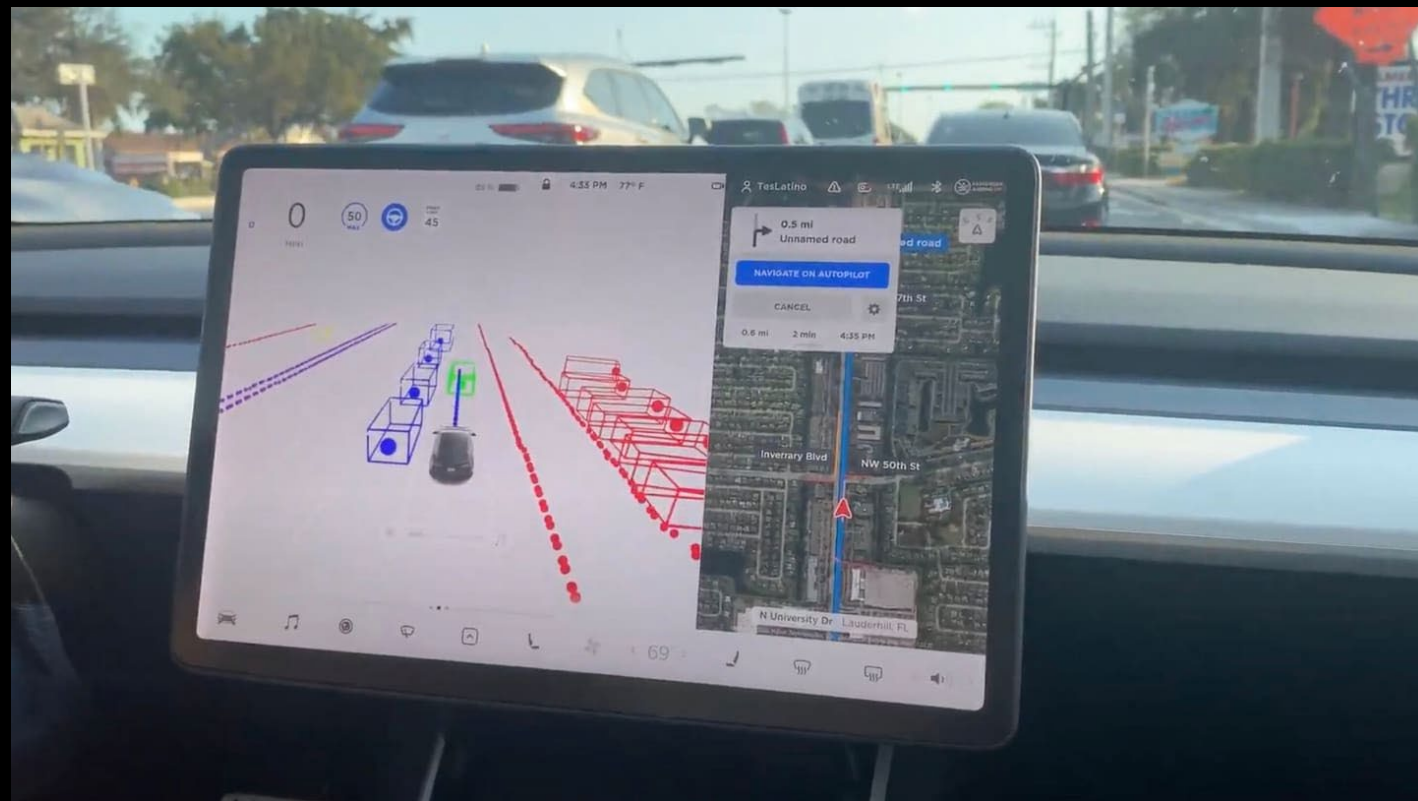
Our job becomes to Identify:

- new opportunities that are missed or overlooked;
- new important questions that could be answered;
- new interesting questions about particle physics;

Theorists now



But, LHC runs until 2040, we shall explore if we can get more from its precious data!



- Working hard to improve the theory prediction precision
- Laid back to be called for new results and anomalies
- (As it seems) There is nothing much more we can do (for the LHC)...
- Working hard planning and enabling future colliders

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Collider probes for BSM physics 新物理对撞机图景

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Which boson* is least measured?

*To be more specific, which elementary (in the SM) unstable boson, candidates are W, Z, H

Z Boson

Z $J = 1$

See related reviews:

Z Boson	PDF
Anomalous $ZZ\gamma$, $Z\gamma\gamma$, and ZZV Couplings	PDF
Anomalous W/Z Quartic Couplings (QGCs)	PDF

Expand all sections		
Z MASS	91.1876 ± 0.0021 GeV	▼
Z WIDTH	2.4955 ± 0.0023 GeV	▼
► AVERAGE PARTICLE MULTIPLICITIES IN HADRONIC Z DECAY		
Z HADRONIC POLE CROSS SECTION	41.4802 ± 0.0325 nb	▼
► Z VECTOR COUPLINGS		
► Z AXIAL-VECTOR COUPLINGS		
► Z COUPLINGS TO NEUTRAL LEPTONS		
► Z ASYMMETRY PARAMETERS		
► TRANSVERSE SPIN CORRELATIONS IN $Z \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$		
► FORWARD-BACKWARD $e^+ e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}$ CHARGE ASYMMETRIES		
CHARGE ASYMMETRY IN $e^+ e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$		▼
CHARGE ASYMMETRY IN $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$		▼
► ANOMALOUS $ZZ\gamma$, $Z\gamma\gamma$, AND ZZV COUPLINGS		
ANOMALOUS W/Z QUARTIC COUPLINGS		
a_0/Λ^2 , a_c/Λ^2		▼

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Z DECAY MODES				
Mode		Fraction (Γ_i / Γ)	Scale Factor/ Conf. Level	P(MeV/c)
Γ_1	$e^+ e^-$	[1] $(3.3632 \pm 0.0042)\%$		45594 ▼
Γ_2	$\mu^+ \mu^-$	[1] $(3.3662 \pm 0.0066)\%$		45594 ▼
Γ_3	$\tau^+ \tau^-$	[1] $(3.3696 \pm 0.0083)\%$		45559 ▼
Γ_4	$\ell^+ \ell^-$	[2][1] $(3.3658 \pm 0.0023)\%$		▼
Γ_5	$\mu^+ \mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$			45593 ▼
Γ_6	$\ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^-$	[3] $(4.55 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-6}$		45594 ▼
Γ_7	invisible	[1] $(20.000 \pm 0.055)\%$		▼
Γ_8	hadrons	[1] $(69.911 \pm 0.056)\%$		▼
Γ_9	$(u \bar{u} + c \bar{c})/2$	$(11.6 \pm 0.6)\%$		▼
Γ_{10}	$(d \bar{d} + s \bar{s} + b \bar{b})/3$	$(15.6 \pm 0.4)\%$		▼
Γ_{11}	$c \bar{c}$	$(12.03 \pm 0.21)\%$		▼
Γ_{12}	$b \bar{b}$	$(15.12 \pm 0.05)\%$		▼
Γ_{13}	$b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$	$(3.6 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-4}$		▼
Γ_{14}	ggg	$< 1.1\%$	CL=95%	▼
Γ_{15}	$\pi^0 \gamma$	$< 2.01 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{16}	$\eta \gamma$	$< 5.1 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45592 ▼
Γ_{17}	$\rho^0 \gamma$	$< 2.5 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45591 ▼
Γ_{18}	$\omega \gamma$	$< 6.5 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	45590 ▼
Γ_{19}	$\eta'(958) \gamma$	$< 4.2 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45589 ▼
Γ_{20}	$\phi \gamma$	$< 9 \times 10^{-7}$	CL=95%	45588 ▼
Γ_{21}	$\gamma \gamma$	$< 1.46 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{22}	$\pi^0 \pi^0$	$< 1.52 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{23}	$\gamma \gamma \gamma$	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{24}	$\pi^\pm W^\mp$	[4] $< 7 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	10169 ▼
Γ_{25}	$\rho^\pm W^\mp$	[4] $< 8.3 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	10143 ▼
Γ_{26}	$J/\psi(1S) X$	$(3.51^{+0.23}_{-0.25}) \times 10^{-3}$	S=1.1	▼

Z Boson

Γ_{55}	$\Xi_b \chi$		seen		▼
Γ_{56}	b -baryon χ	[5]	$(1.38 \pm 0.22)\%$		▼
Γ_{57}	anomalous γ + hadrons	[6]	$< 3.2 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	▼
Γ_{58}	$e^+e^-\gamma$	[6]	$< 5.2 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{59}	$\mu^+\mu^-\gamma$	[6]	$< 5.6 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{60}	$\tau^+\tau^-\gamma$	[6]	$< 7.3 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	45559 ▼
Γ_{61}	$\ell^+\ell^-\gamma\gamma$	[7]	$< 6.8 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	▼
Γ_{62}	$q\bar{q}\gamma\gamma$	[7]	$< 5.5 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	▼
Γ_{63}	$\nu\bar{\nu}\gamma\gamma$	[7]	$< 3.1 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{64}	$e^\pm\mu^\mp$	LF [4]	$< 7.5 \times 10^{-7}$	CL=95%	45594 ▼
Γ_{65}	$e^\pm\tau^\mp$	LF [4]	$< 5.0 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45576 ▼
Γ_{66}	$\mu^\pm\tau^\mp$	LF [4]	$< 6.5 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45576 ▼
Γ_{67}	pe	B, L	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45589 ▼
Γ_{68}	$p\mu$	B, L	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45589 ▼

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Γ_{27}	$J/\psi(1S)\gamma$	$< 1.4 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45541	▼
Γ_{28}	$\psi(2S) \chi$	$(1.60 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-3}$			▼
Γ_{29}	$\psi(2S)\gamma$	$< 4.5 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45519	▼
Γ_{30}	$J/\psi(1S)\ell^+\ell^-$			45541	▼
Γ_{31}	$J/\psi(1S)J/\psi(1S)$	$< 2.2 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45489	▼
Γ_{32}	$\chi_{c1}(1P) \chi$	$(2.9 \pm 0.7) \times 10^{-3}$			▼
Γ_{33}	$\chi_{c2}(1P) \chi$	$< 3.2 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=90%		▼
Γ_{34}	$\Upsilon(1S) \chi + \Upsilon(2S) \chi + \Upsilon(3S) \chi$	$(1.0 \pm 0.5) \times 10^{-4}$			▼
Γ_{35}	$\Upsilon(1S) \chi$	$< 4.4 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%		▼
Γ_{36}	$\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$	$< 2.8 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45103	▼
Γ_{37}	$\Upsilon(2S) \chi$	$< 1.39 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%		▼
Γ_{38}	$\Upsilon(2S)\gamma$	$< 1.7 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45043	▼
Γ_{39}	$\Upsilon(3S) \chi$	$< 9.4 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%		▼
Γ_{40}	$\Upsilon(3S)\gamma$	$< 4.8 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	45006	▼
Γ_{41}	$\Upsilon(1, 2, 3S)\Upsilon(1, 2, 3S)$	$< 1.5 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%		▼
Γ_{42}	$(D^0/\bar{D}^0) \chi$	$(20.7 \pm 2.0)\%$			▼
Γ_{43}	$D^\pm \chi$	$(12.2 \pm 1.7)\%$			▼
Γ_{44}	$D^*(2010)^\pm \chi$	[4] $(11.4 \pm 1.3)\%$			▼
Γ_{45}	$D_{s1}(2536)^\pm \chi$	$(3.6 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$			▼
Γ_{46}	$D_{sJ}(2573)^\pm \chi$	$(5.8 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-3}$			▼
Γ_{47}	$D^{*'}(2629)^\pm \chi$	searched for			▼
Γ_{48}	$B \chi$				▼
Γ_{49}	$B^* \chi$				▼
Γ_{50}	$B^+ \chi$	[5] $(6.08 \pm 0.13)\%$			▼
Γ_{51}	$B_s^0 \chi$	[5] $(1.59 \pm 0.13)\%$			▼
Γ_{52}	$B_c^+ \chi$	searched for			▼
Γ_{53}	$A_c^+ \chi$	$(1.54 \pm 0.33)\%$			▼
Γ_{54}	$\Xi_c^0 \chi$	seen			▼

Higgs Boson

H DECAY MODES				
Mode		Fraction (Γ_i / Γ)	Scale Factor/ Conf. Level	P(MeV/c)
Γ_1	WW^*	$(25.7 \pm 2.5)\%$		✓
Γ_2	ZZ^*	$(2.80 \pm 0.30)\%$		✓
Γ_3	$\gamma\gamma$	$(2.50 \pm 0.20) \times 10^{-3}$		62625 ✓
Γ_4	$b\bar{b}$	$(53 \pm 8)\%$		✓
Γ_5	e^+e^-	$< 3.6 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62625 ✓
Γ_6	$\mu^+\mu^-$	$(2.6 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{-4}$		62625 ✓
Γ_7	$\tau^+\tau^-$	$(6.0^{+0.8}_{-0.7})\%$		62600 ✓
Γ_8	$Z\gamma$	$(3.2 \pm 1.5) \times 10^{-3}$		29431 ✓
Γ_9	$Z\rho(770)$	$< 1.21\%$	CL=95%	29423 ✓
Γ_{10}	$Z\phi(1020)$	$< 3.6 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	29417 ✓
Γ_{11}	$Z\eta_c$			29315 ✓
Γ_{12}	ZJ/ψ			29306 ✓
Γ_{13}	$J/\psi\gamma$	$< 3.5 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62587 ✓
Γ_{14}	$J/\psi J/\psi$	$< 1.8 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	62548 ✓
Γ_{15}	$\psi(2S)\gamma$	$< 2.0 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	62571 ✓
Γ_{16}	$\Upsilon(1S)\gamma$	$< 4.9 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62268 ✓
Γ_{17}	$\Upsilon(2S)\gamma$	$< 5.9 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62224 ✓
Γ_{18}	$\Upsilon(3S)\gamma$	$< 5.7 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62197 ✓
Γ_{19}	$\Upsilon(nS)\Upsilon(mS)$	$< 1.4 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	✓
Γ_{20}	$\rho(770)\gamma$	$< 8.8 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62623 ✓
Γ_{21}	$\phi(1020)\gamma$	$< 4.8 \times 10^{-4}$	CL=95%	62621 ✓
Γ_{22}	$e\mu$	LF $< 6.1 \times 10^{-5}$	CL=95%	62625 ✓
Γ_{23}	$e\tau$	LF $< 2.2 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	62612 ✓
Γ_{24}	$\mu\tau$	LF $< 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	62612 ✓
Γ_{25}	invisible	$< 13\%$	CL=95%	✓
Γ_{26}	γ invisible	$< 2.9\%$	CL=95%	✓

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H MASS	125.25 ± 0.17 GeV (S = 1.5)	✓
H SPIN AND CP PROPERTIES		✓
H DECAY WIDTH	$3.2^{+2.4}_{-1.7}$ MeV	✓
H SIGNAL STRENGTHS IN DIFFERENT CHANNELS		
Combined Final States	1.03 ± 0.04	✓
WW^* Final State	1.00 ± 0.08	✓
ZZ^* Final State	1.02 ± 0.08	✓
$\gamma\gamma$ Final State	1.10 ± 0.07	✓
$c\bar{c}$ Final State	8 ± 22 (S = 1.9)	✓
$b\bar{b}$ Final State	0.99 ± 0.12	✓
$\mu^+\mu^-$ Final State	1.21 ± 0.35	✓
$\tau^+\tau^-$ Final State	0.91 ± 0.09	✓
$Z\gamma$ Final State		✓
$\gamma^*\gamma$ Final State	1.5 ± 0.5	✓
Higgs couplings		
Fermion coupling (κ_F)	0.95 ± 0.05	✓
Gauge boson coupling (κ_V)	1.035 ± 0.031	✓
W boson coupling (κ_W)		✓
Z boson coupling (κ_Z)		✓
top Yukawa coupling (κ_t)		✓
bottom Yukawa coupling (κ_b)		✓
charm Yukawa coupling (κ_c)		✓
tau Yukawa coupling (κ_τ)		✓
muon Yukawa couping (κ_μ)		✓
photon effective coupling (κ_γ)		✓
gluon effective coupling (κ_{gluon})		✓
$Z\gamma$ effective coupling ($\kappa_{Z\gamma}$)		✓
OTHER H PRODUCTION PROPERTIES		
$t\bar{t}H$ Production	1.10 ± 0.18	✓
HH Production Cross Section in pp Collisions		✓
Higgs trilinear self coupling modifier κ_λ		✓
Higgs-gauge boson quartic coupling modifier κ_{2V}		✓
tH production	6 ± 4	✓
H Production Cross Section in pp Collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV	56.9 ± 3.4 pb	✓

W is less studied, somehow...

W J = 1

See related reviews:

Mass and Width of the W Boson

PDF

Extraction of Triple Gauge Couplings (TGC's)

PDF

W+ DECAY MODES

W- modes are charge conjugates of the modes below.

Mode	Fraction (Γ_i / Γ)	Scale Factor/ Conf. Level	P(MeV/c)
$\Gamma_1 \quad \ell^+ \nu$	[1] (10.86 ± 0.09)%		▼
$\Gamma_2 \quad e^+ \nu$	(10.71 ± 0.16)%	40188	▼
$\Gamma_3 \quad \mu^+ \nu$	(10.63 ± 0.15)%	40188	▼
$\Gamma_4 \quad \tau^+ \nu$	(11.38 ± 0.21)%	40169	▼
$\Gamma_5 \quad \text{hadrons}$	(67.41 ± 0.27)%		▼
$\Gamma_6 \quad \pi^+ \gamma$	< 7 × 10 ⁻⁶	CL=95%	40188 ▼
$\Gamma_7 \quad D_s^+ \gamma$	< 1.3 × 10 ⁻³	CL=95%	40164 ▼
$\Gamma_8 \quad c X$	(33.3 ± 2.6)%		▼
$\Gamma_9 \quad c \bar{s}$	(31 ⁺¹³ ₋₁₁)%		▼
$\Gamma_{10} \quad \text{invisible}$	[2] (1.4 ± 2.9)%		▼
$\Gamma_{11} \quad \pi^+ \pi^+ \pi^-$	< 1.01 × 10 ⁻⁶	CL=95%	40188 ▼

[1] ℓ indicates each type of lepton (e , μ , and τ), not sum over them.

[2] This represents the width for the decay of the W boson into a charged particle with momentum below detectability, $p < 200$ MeV.

[1] 80.377 ± 0.012 GeV
0.88145 ± 0.00013
10.811 ± 0.012 GeV
-0.029 ± 0.028 GeV
2.085 ± 0.042 GeV

ONIC W DECAY

15.70 ± 0.35
2.20 ± 0.19
0.92 ± 0.14
19.39 ± 0.08
0.984^{+0.018}_{-0.020}
0.982 ± 0.042
-0.022 ± 0.019
0.92 ± 0.06
-0.09 ± 0.06
-0.07 ± 0.09 (S = 1.1)
-0.30 ± 0.17
-0.12^{+0.06}_{-0.04}
-0.09 ± 0.07
2.22 ± 0.20 $e/2m_W$

$c_{WWW}/\Lambda^2, c_W/\Lambda^2, c_B/\Lambda^2$

ANOMALOUS W/Z QUARTIC COUPLINGS

$a_0/\Lambda^2, u_{e,\mu,\tau}/\Lambda^2, \tilde{u}_{e,\mu,\tau}/\Lambda^2, \kappa_0^W/\Lambda^2, \kappa_c^W/\Lambda^2, f_{T,0}/\Lambda^4, f_{M,i}/\Lambda^4, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, F_{S,i}/\Lambda^4, F_{M,i}/\Lambda^4, F_{T,i}/\Lambda^4$

But most copious produced
Did we overlook it fairly?
Is it too hard to detect?

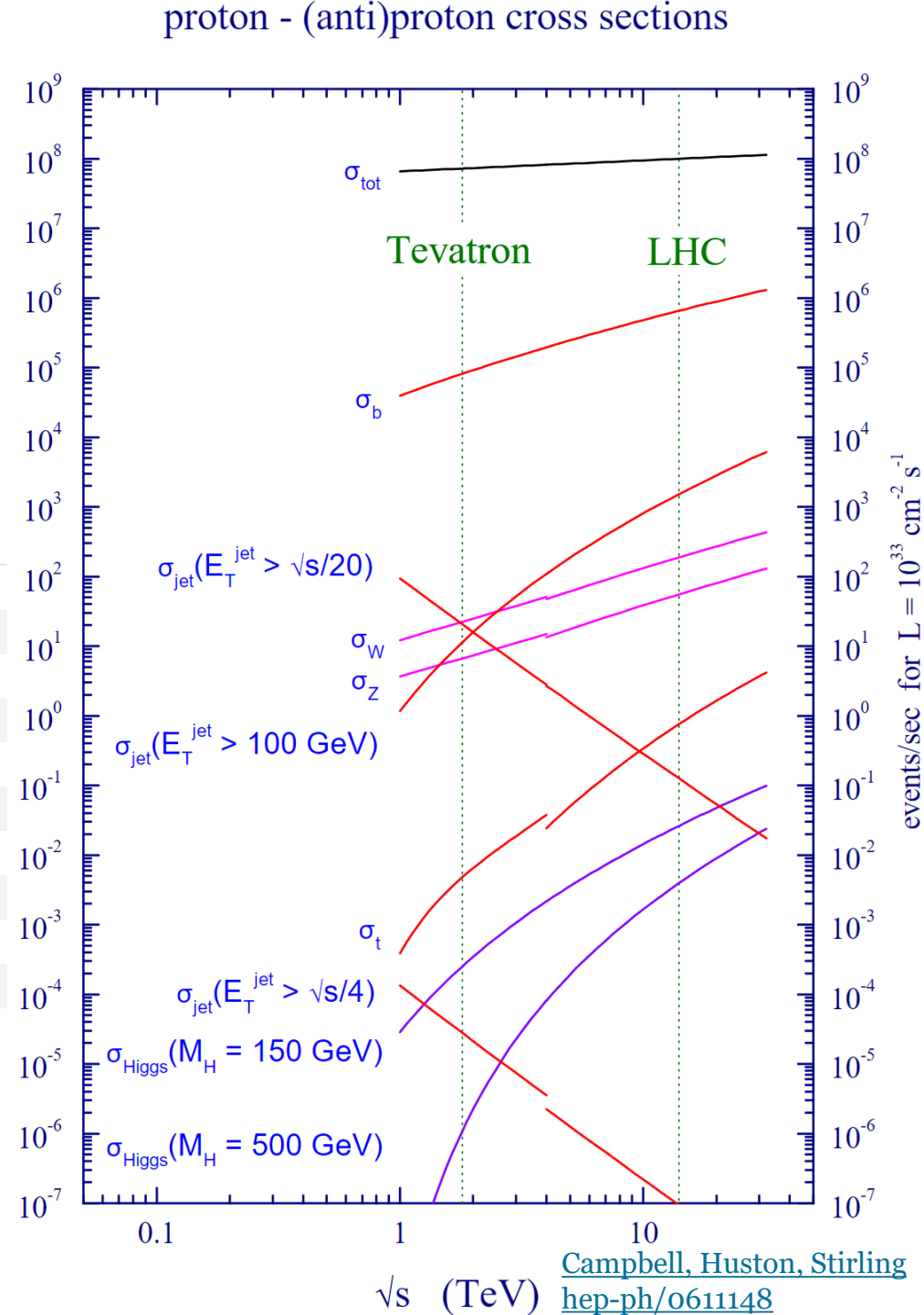
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Γ_5	hadrons	$(67.41 \pm 0.27)\%$			▼
Γ_6	$\pi^+\gamma$	$< 7 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	40188	▼
Γ_7	$D_s^+\gamma$	$< 1.3 \times 10^{-3}$	CL=95%	40164	▼
Γ_8	cX	$(33.3 \pm 2.6)\%$			▼
Γ_9	$c\bar{s}$	$(31^{+13}_{-11})\%$			▼
Γ_{10}	invisible	[2] $(1.4 \pm 2.9)\%$			▼
Γ_{11}	$\pi^+\pi^+\pi^-$	$< 1.01 \times 10^{-6}$	CL=95%	40188	▼

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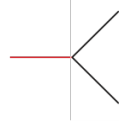
Higgs exotic decays program

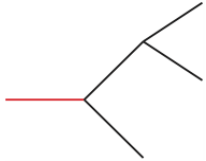
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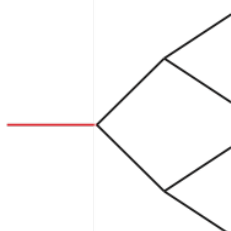
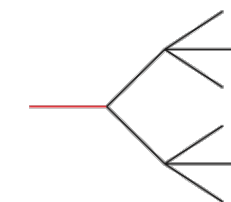
**Still a lot of
uncharted
territory for
new
searches!**

Can be conquered using
upcoming LHC runs with
advanced analysis tools
and new detectors.

For existing searches, there
are new possibilities such as
unequal masses, etc.



Decay Topologies	Decay mode \mathcal{F}_i
$h \rightarrow 2$	$h \rightarrow \cancel{E}_T$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3$	$h \rightarrow \gamma + \cancel{E}_T$
	$h \rightarrow (b\bar{b}) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (jj) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\gamma\gamma) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 4$	$h \rightarrow (b\bar{b}) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (jj) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\gamma\gamma) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\mu^+\mu^-) + \cancel{E}_T$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow (1+3)$	$h \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow jj + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^- + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- + \cancel{E}_T$

Decay Topologies	Decay mode \mathcal{F}_i
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4$	$h \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(b\bar{b})$ $h \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(\tau^+\tau^-)$ $h \rightarrow (b\bar{b})(\mu^+\mu^-)$ $h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)(\tau^+\tau^-)$ $h \rightarrow (\tau^+\tau^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$ $h \rightarrow (jj)(jj)$ $h \rightarrow (jj)(\gamma\gamma)$ $h \rightarrow (jj)(\mu^+\mu^-)$
	$h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-)(\ell^+\ell^-)$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$ $h \rightarrow (\mu^+\mu^-)(\mu^+\mu^-)$ $h \rightarrow (\gamma\gamma)(\gamma\gamma)$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 6$	$h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-)(\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow (\ell^+\ell^-) + \cancel{E}_T + X$
$h \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 6$	$h \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- \ell^+\ell^- + \cancel{E}_T$ $h \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^- + \cancel{E}_T + X$
	

We have a full and nice program for the Higgs boson

We've been calling the LHC

- Higgs factory
- Top factory

But I think LHC

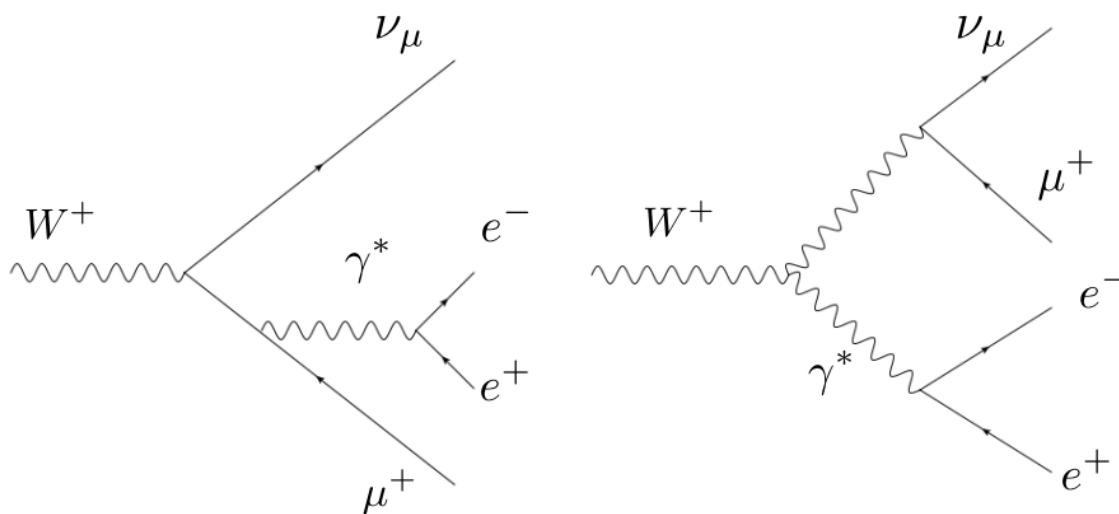
- BSM explorer
- (**AND**) SM factory!

Maybe we should look into W more.

Hence, as a first example, we propose to study the W exotic decay into $3\ell + \nu$

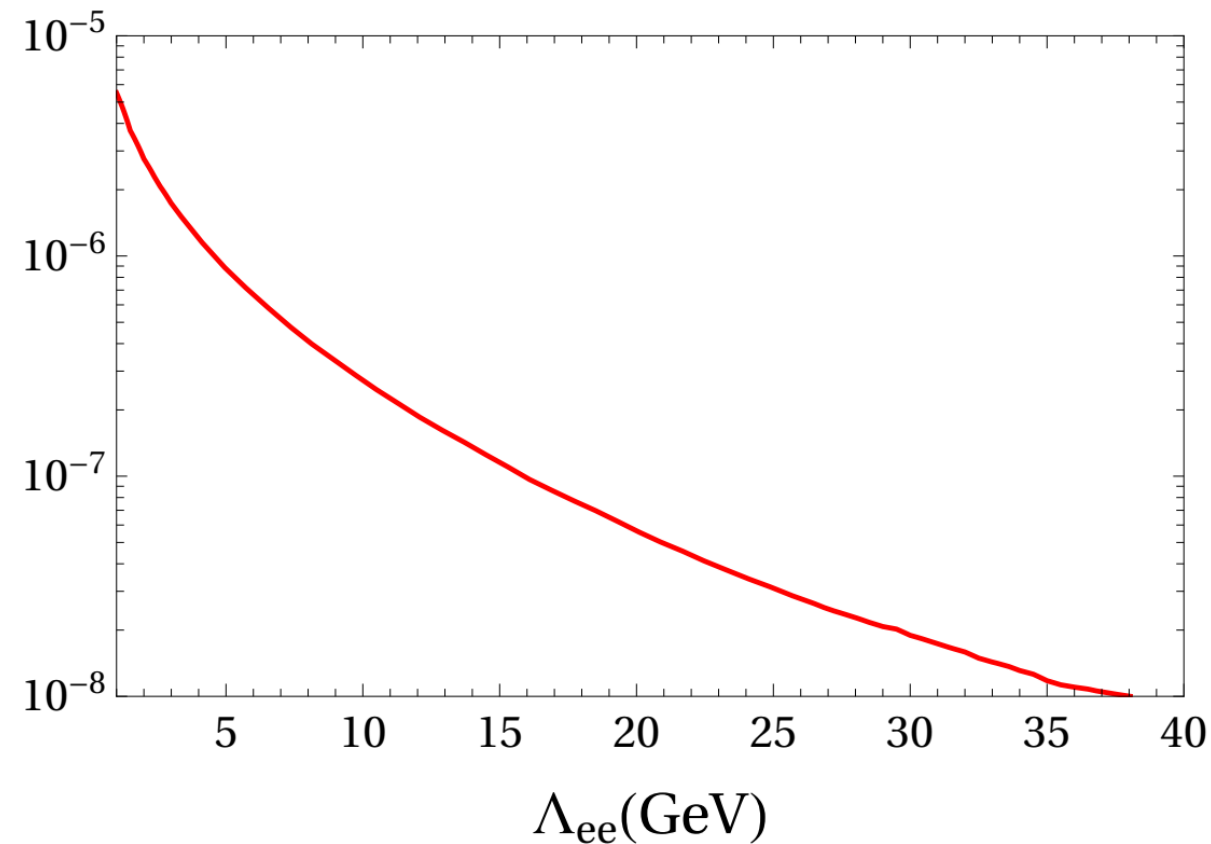
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SM physics of $W \rightarrow 3\ell + \nu$



Signal process	cross section [pb]
$pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \nu_\ell + (j), M_{\ell\ell\ell\nu} \in \text{OR}$	0.36
$pp \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^- \bar{\nu}_\ell + (j), M_{\ell\ell\ell\nu} \in \text{OR}$	0.25

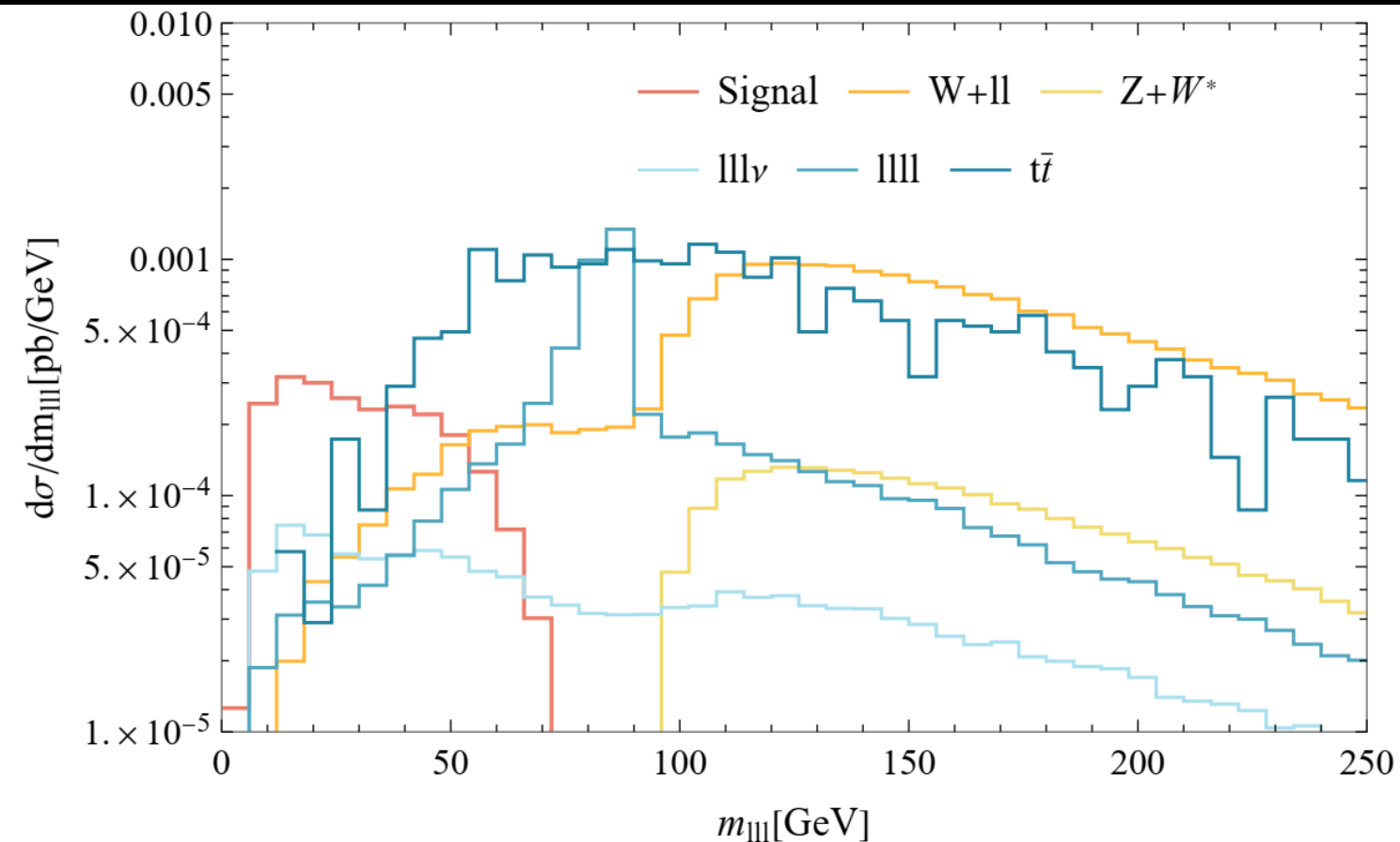
Branching Ratio



On-shell Region (OR) defined as: $m_W \pm 2\Gamma_W$

Subtly: one cannot strictly separate on-shell W decay and off-shell W-decay. We define on-shell regime and compare the rate and kinematic distribution of a zero-width approximation W-decay.

SM background



Parton level pre-selection

$p_T(j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $p_T(\ell) > 3 \text{ GeV}$,
 $\eta(\ell) < 5.0(2.5)$, $\eta(j) < 5.0$, $\Delta R(\ell\ell) > 0.2$.

Background process	cross section [pb]
$pp \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\nu_\ell + (j)$, $M_{\ell\ell\ell\nu} \notin \text{OR}$	0.95
$pp \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\ell + (j)$	0.34
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + (j)$	6.88×10^2

Detector level initial-selection

$\eta(\mu) < 2.8$, $\eta(e, j) < 4$, $\Delta R(\ell\ell, j\ell) > 0.2$,
 $n(\ell) = 3$, $p_T(\ell) > 5 \text{ GeV}$,
 $n(j) \leq 2$ with $p_T(j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $M_{\ell\ell} > 4 \text{ GeV}$

Projected sensitivity

Cross-section [pb]	Parton-level	$n(\ell) = 3$	$n(j) \leq 2,$ $M_{\ell\ell} > 4 \text{ GeV}$	$M_{\ell\ell\ell} < 80 \text{ GeV}$	Cut-based result	ML result
					$M_{\ell\ell\ell} < 60 \text{ GeV}$	DNN selection
Signal	0.61(100%)	0.036(5.9%)	0.021(3.5%)	0.021(3.5%)	0.021(3.4%)	0.017(2.7%)
$pp \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\nu, M_{\ell\ell\ell\nu} \notin \text{OR}$	0.95(100%)	0.22(23%)	0.2(21%)	0.013(1.4%)	8×10^{-3} (0.87%)	0.(0.3%)
$pp \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\ell$	0.34(100%)	0.068(20%)	0.061(18%)	0.017(5%)	7.2×10^{-3} (2.1%)	3.2×10^{-3} (0.95%)
$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} + (j)$	688(100%)	0.19(0.027%)	0.11(0.016%)	$0.023(3 \times 10^{-5})$	$0.01(1 \times 10^{-5})$	$2.1 \times 10^{-3}(3 \times 10^{-6})$

The SM Br on such a channel is at 10^{-6} level

Current LHC data (with current trigger and selection)

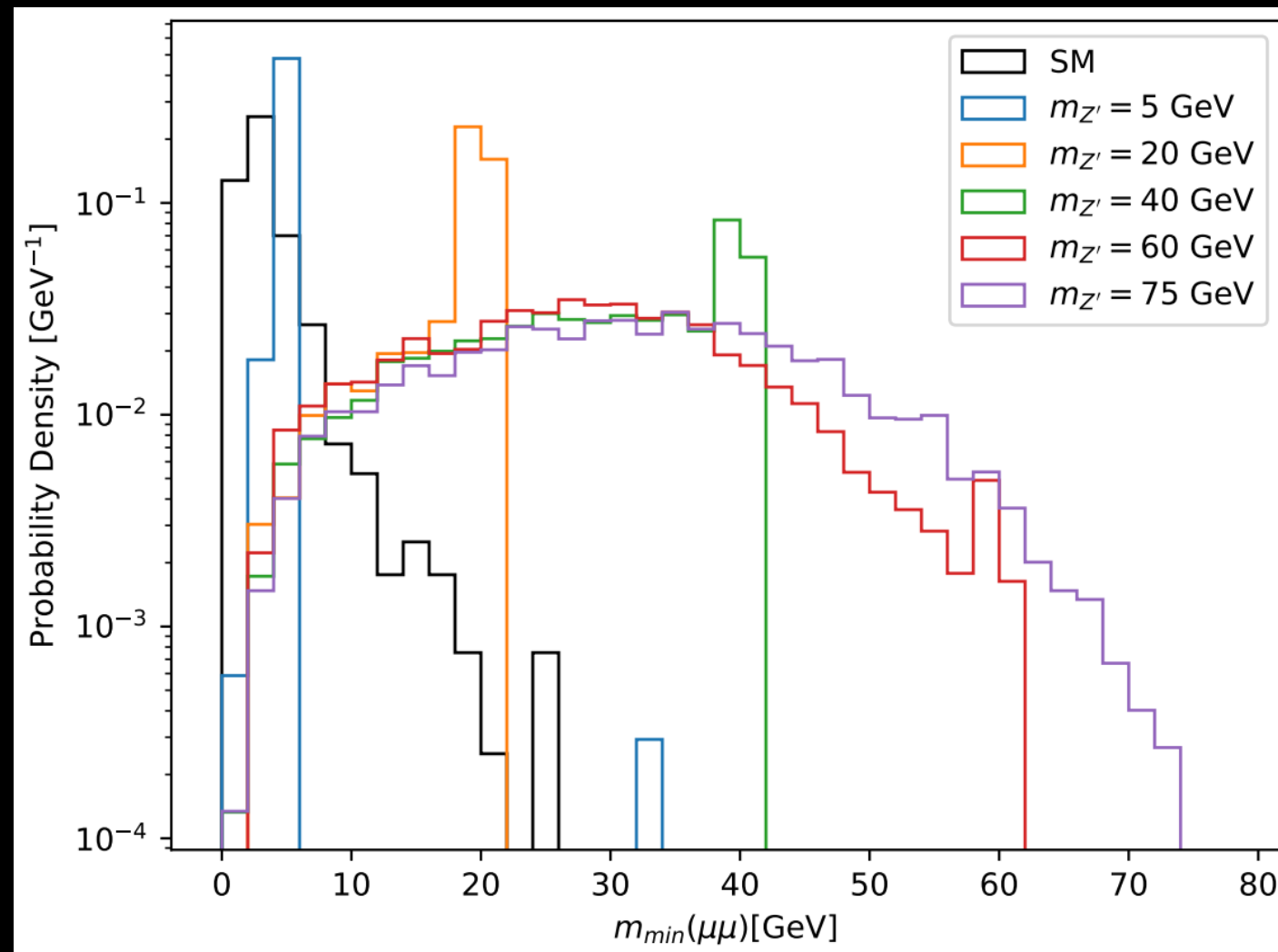
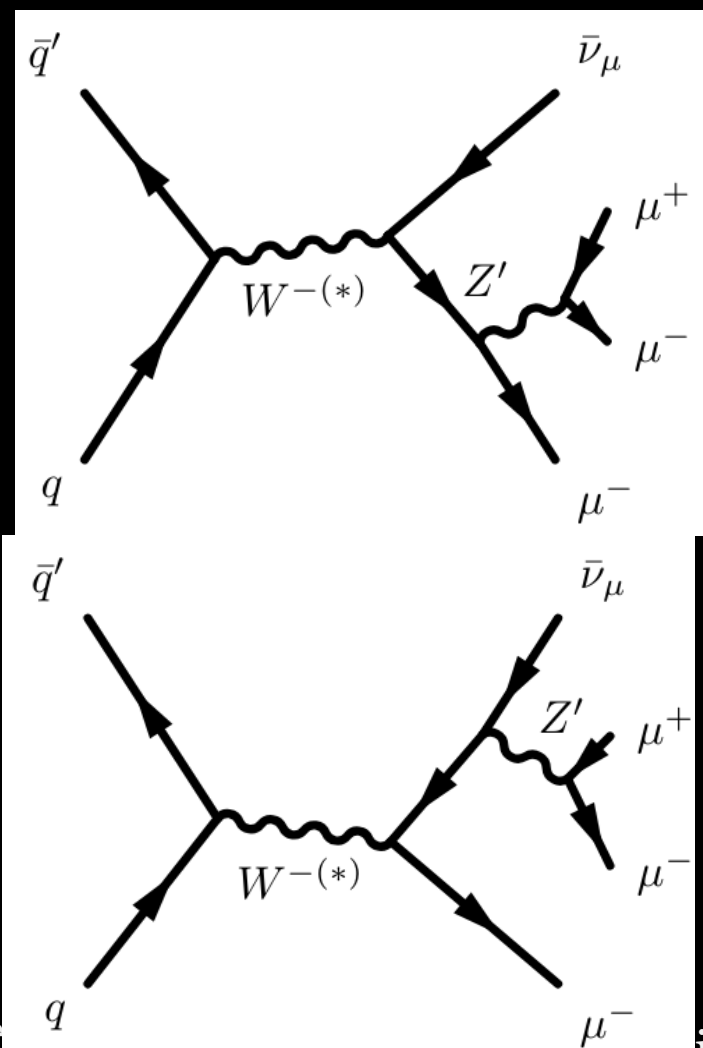
$$\delta Br(W \rightarrow 3\ell + \nu) = 6\%$$

HL-LHC data (with improved trigger on multileptons)

So we can add one more entry to PDG, what else?

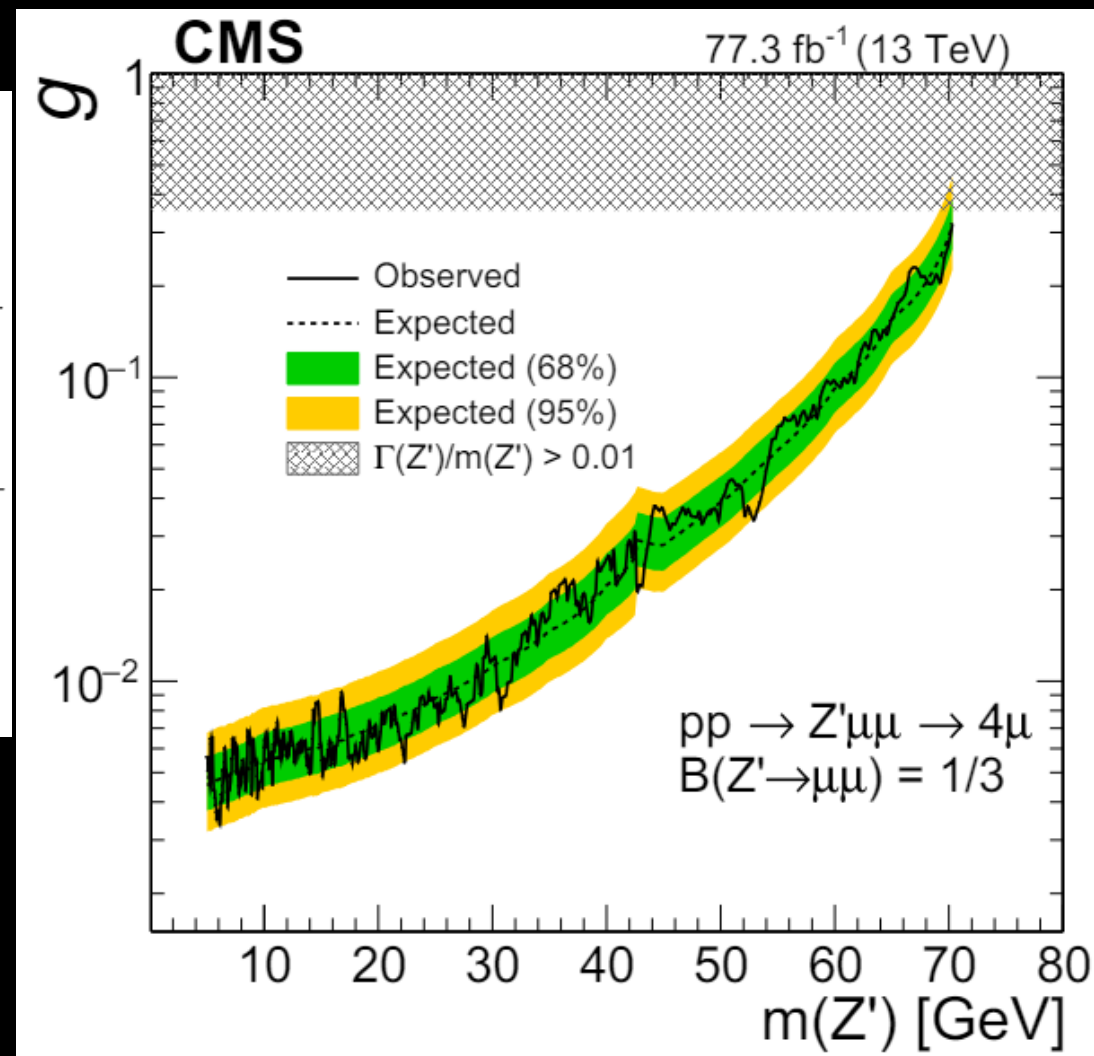
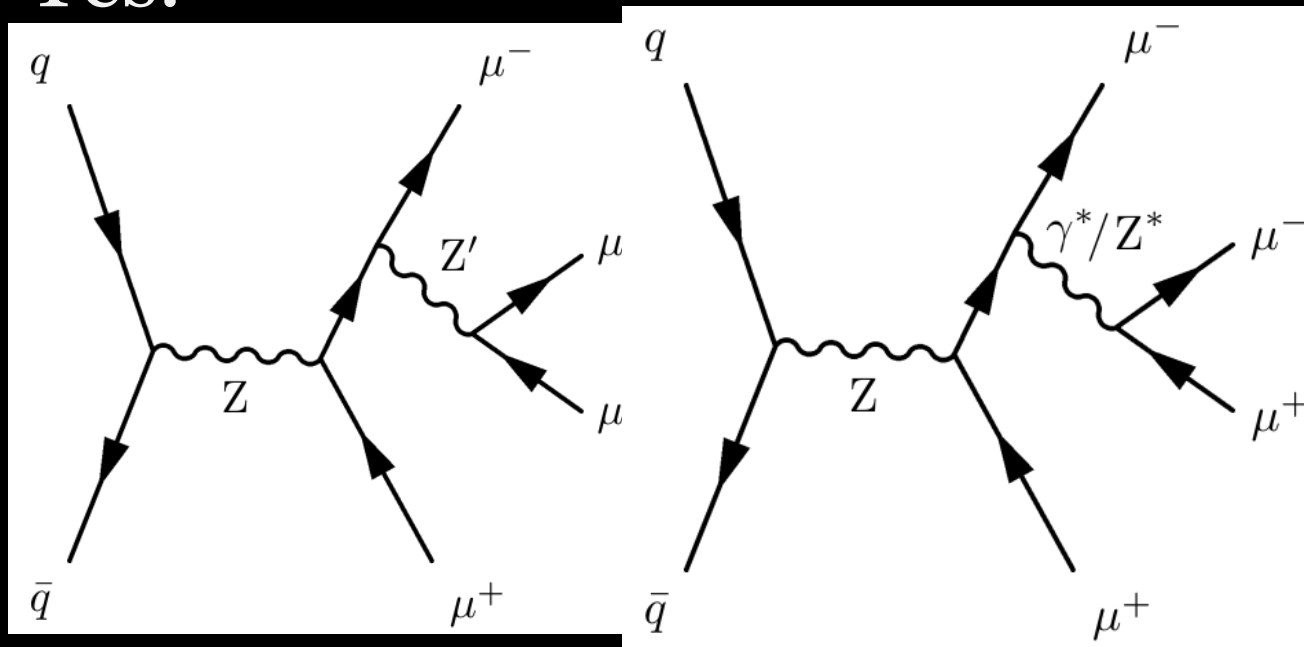
One can also look for Z'

Taking the gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$ example:



Shouldn't we already have a great limit from $Z \rightarrow 4\ell$?

Yes.



Shouldn't we already have a great limit from $Z \rightarrow 4\ell$?

But,

W rate is a factor of 4~5 larger than Z

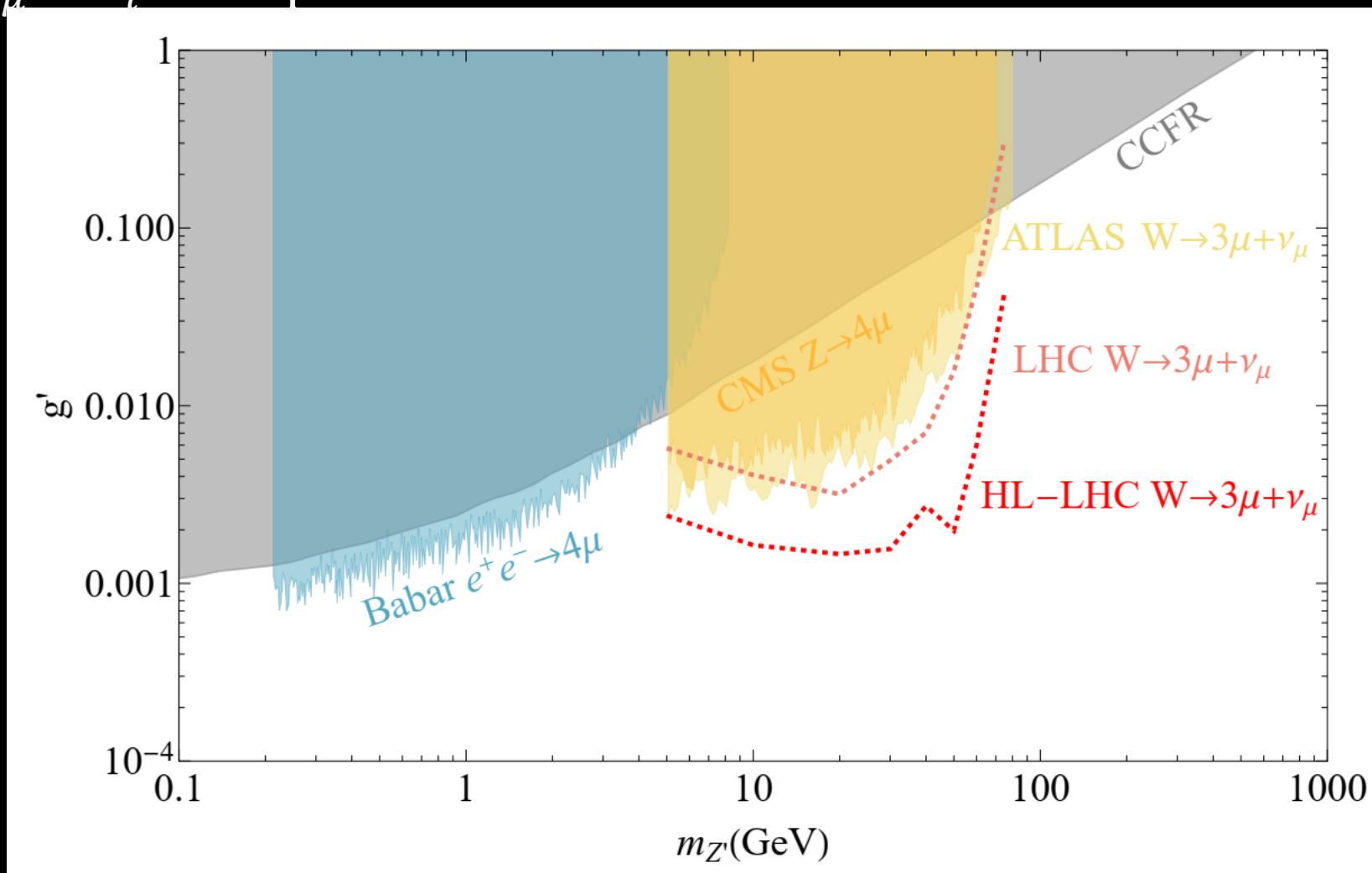
W leptonic branching fraction is a factor of 3 larger than Z

So this channel have $O(10)$ higher rate for the signal.

W exotic should be a **competitive** channel.

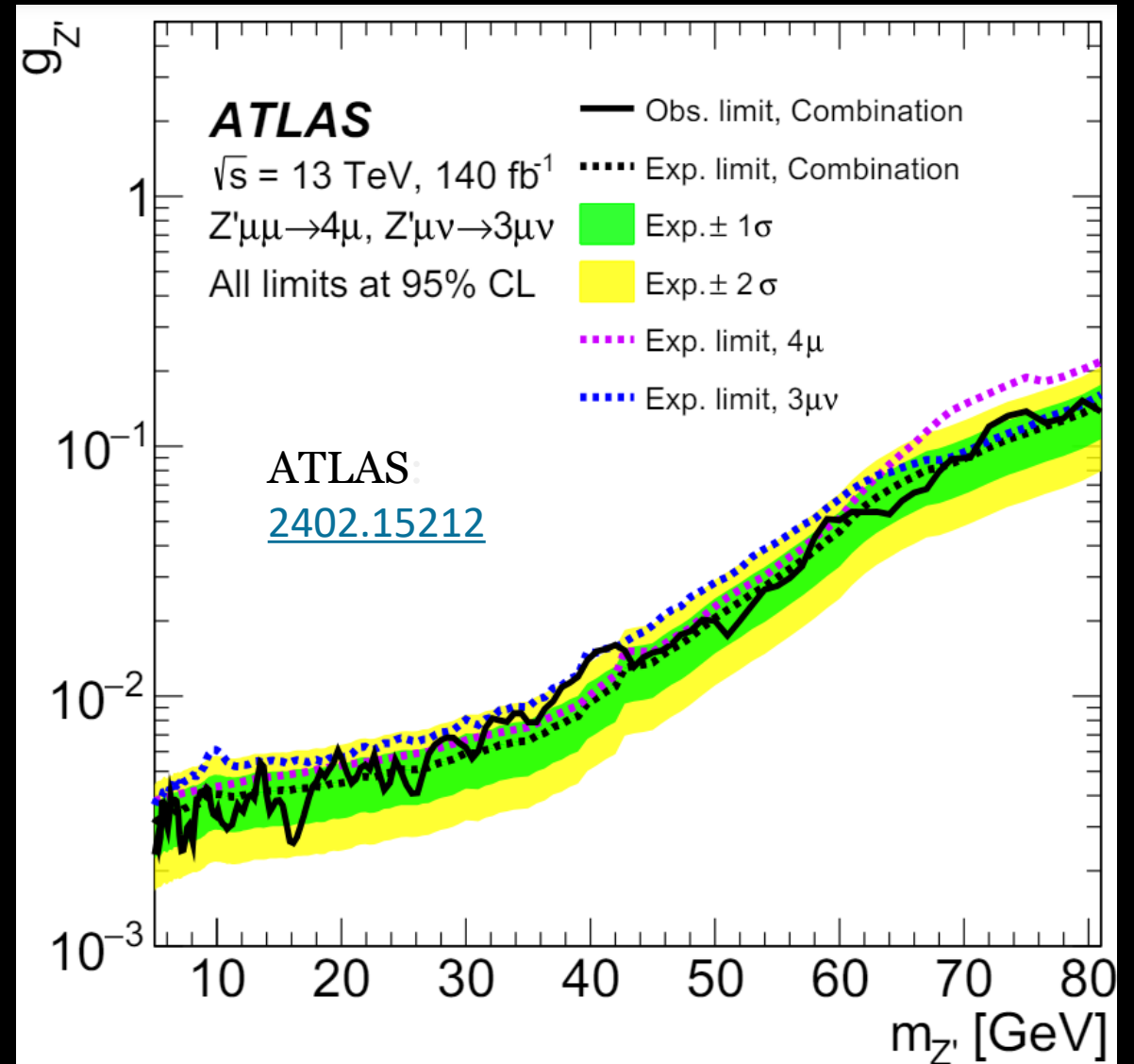
Z' projection

Gauged $L_\mu - L_\tau$ example:

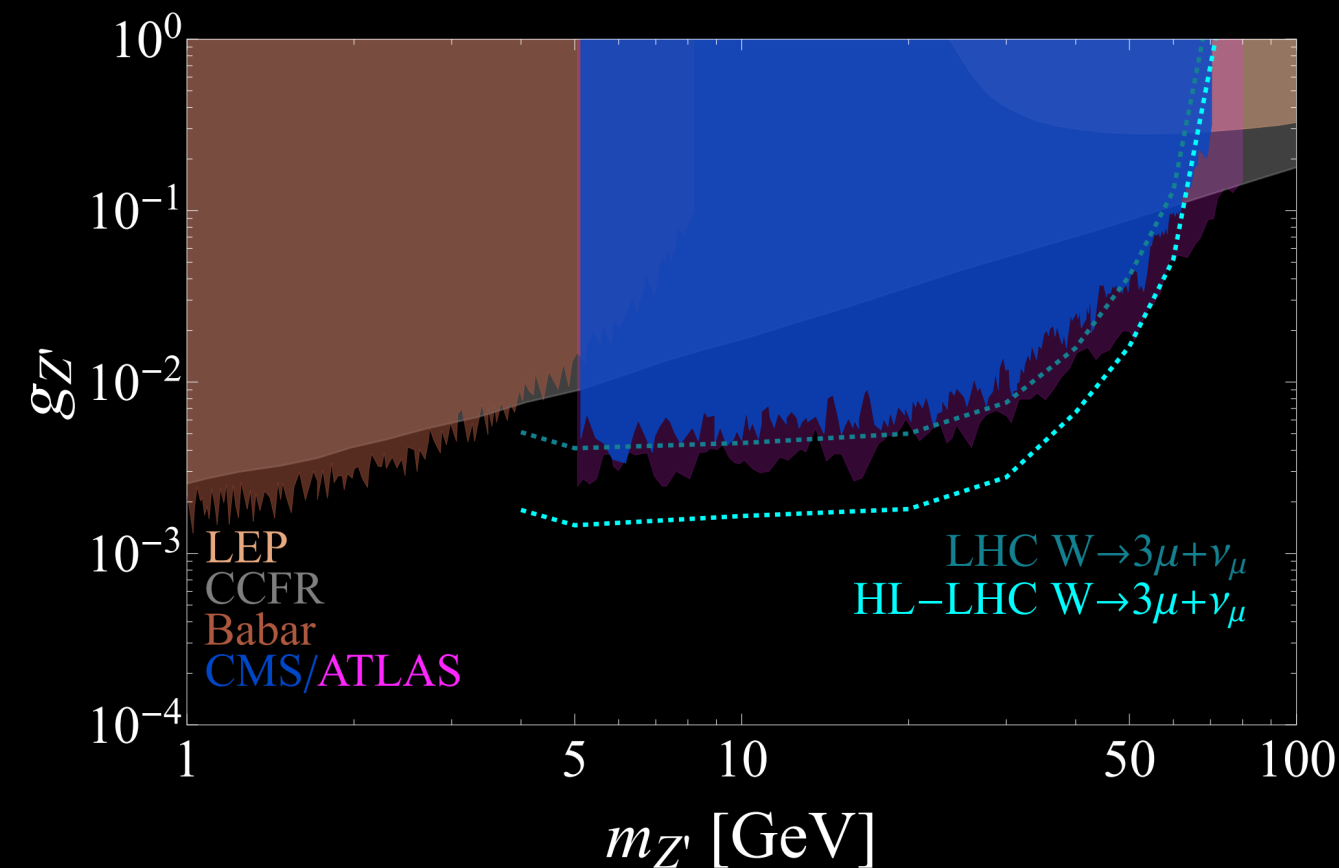


Ahh, experimentalists went partially ahead of us...

- We are quite compatible
- But the SM value was never extracted (they just called it the background)!
- More new physics:
 - Anomalous Z'
 - SMEFT
 - SM Z contribution
 - ...



More to explore, e.g., LHC as weak boson factory



The LHC is not only a powerful machine on Higgs, top, and QCD, but also a powerful machine in weak bosons. The physics potential has not been realized and we are pointing out many new physics that can be done regarding weak bosons.

W boson exotic decay

Y.F. Fei, P.R. Li, ZL, K.F. Lyu, M. Pospelov, [2407.15930](#)

W boson mass speculations

J.Y. Gu, ZL, T. Ma, J. Shu, *CPC 22'*

Z boson exotic decay, in progress

Electroweak restoration and goldstone equivalence test

L. Huang, S. Lane, I. Lewis, ZL, *PRD 21'* (editor's suggestion)

Higgs exotic decays

S. Jung, ZL, L.T. Wang, K.P. Xie, *PRD 22'*

Long-Lived Particles:

A vivid example of BSM pheno
considerations and search developments

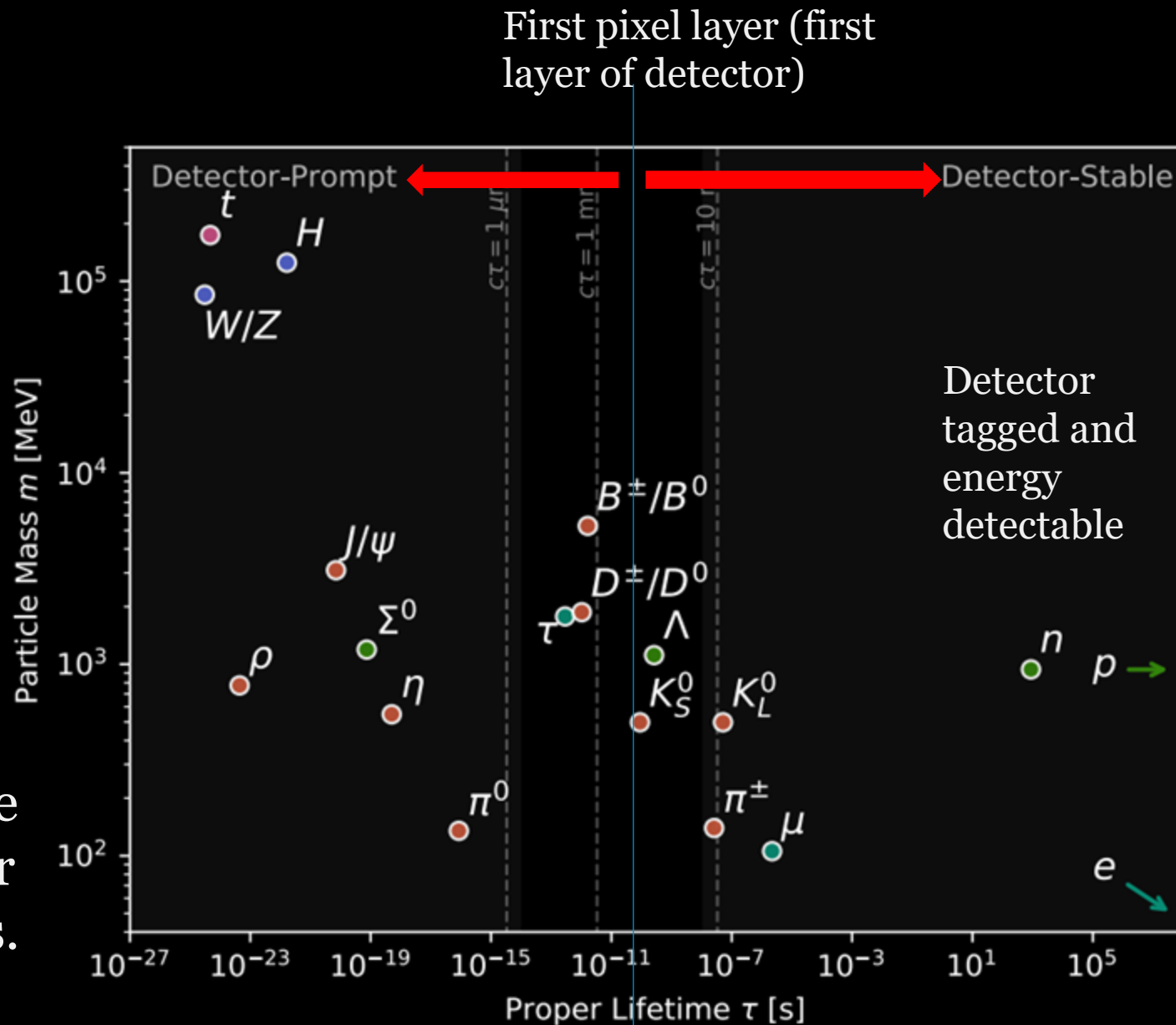
What is LLP?

Long-lived particles in the standard model:

- approximate symmetries;
- kinematic suppressions;

For BSM particles:

- Prompt particles being actively probed;
- Detector Stable particles are probed as missing energy or EM charged stable particles.



Why Long-Lived BSM Particles? Supersymmetry

- R-Parity-Violating, small B/L-violating couplings

$$c\tau_{RPV} \sim 1 \text{ m} \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\tilde{m}} \right) \left(\frac{10^{-8}}{\lambda_{RPV}} \right)^2$$

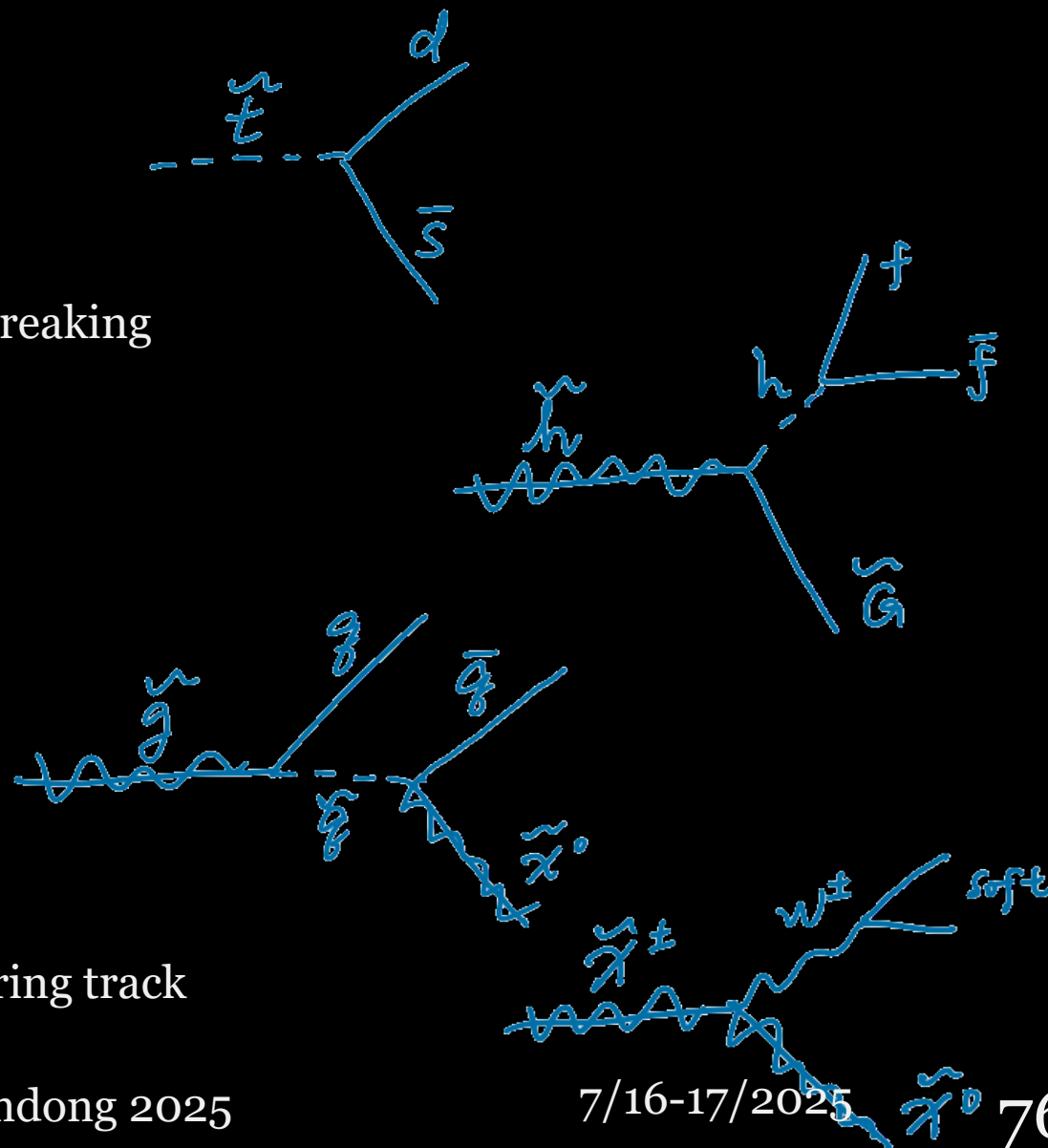
- Gauge mediation—suppressed couplings via SUSY breaking scale

$$c\tau_{GMSB} \sim 10 \text{ m} \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{\tilde{m}} \right)^5 \left(\frac{\sqrt{F}}{100 \text{ TeV}} \right)^4$$

- Mini-split spectrum—suppressed couplings through “decoupled” heavy particles

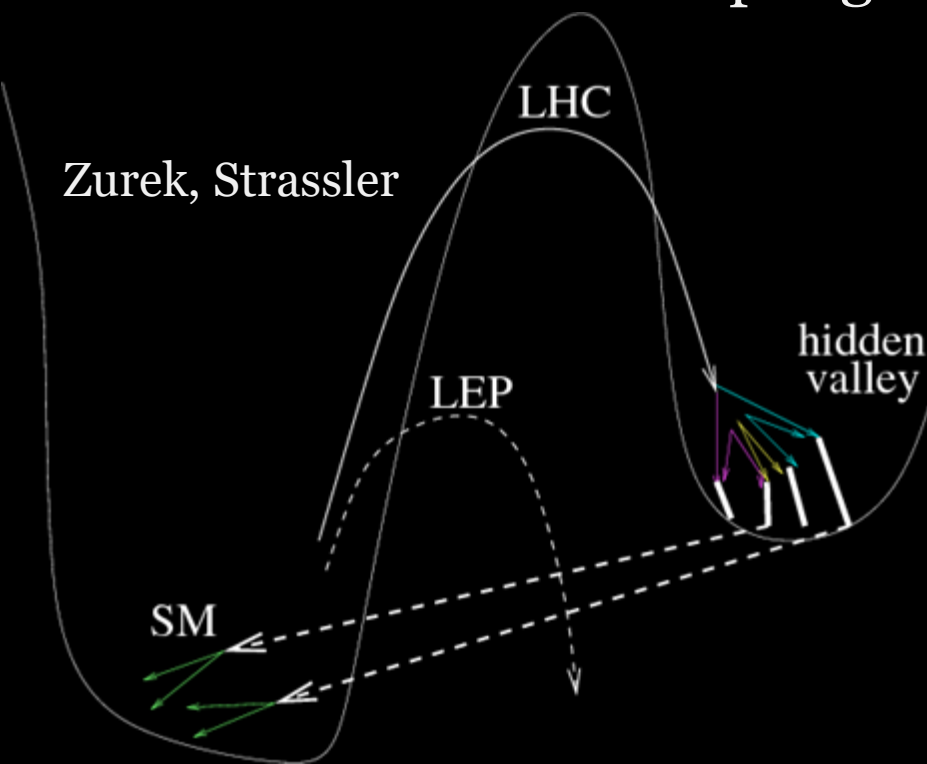
$$c\tau_{\text{mini-split}} \sim 1 \text{ mm} \left(\frac{\text{TeV}}{m_{\tilde{g}}} \right)^5 \left(\frac{m_{\tilde{q}}}{\text{PeV}} \right)^4$$

- Pure Wino/Higgsino—nearly degenerated, disappearing track



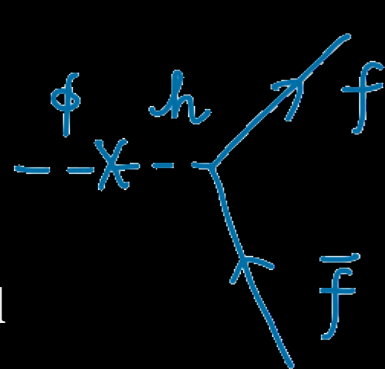
Why Long-Lived BSM Particles? Hidden Valley

Hidden sector feeble couplings to SM via various portals, suppressed by the smallness of the couplings

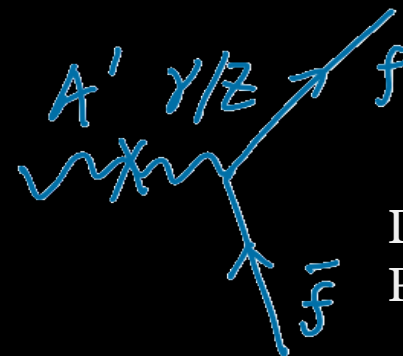


Zurek, Strassler

Higgs portal



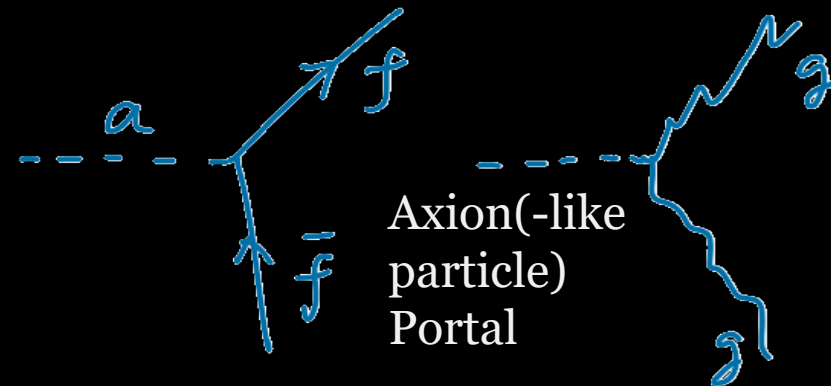
Dark Photon/Z



Neutrino Portal



Axion(-like particle) Portal



LLP: A rich program

LHC detectors designed for prompt signals. For LLPs:

☹️trigger

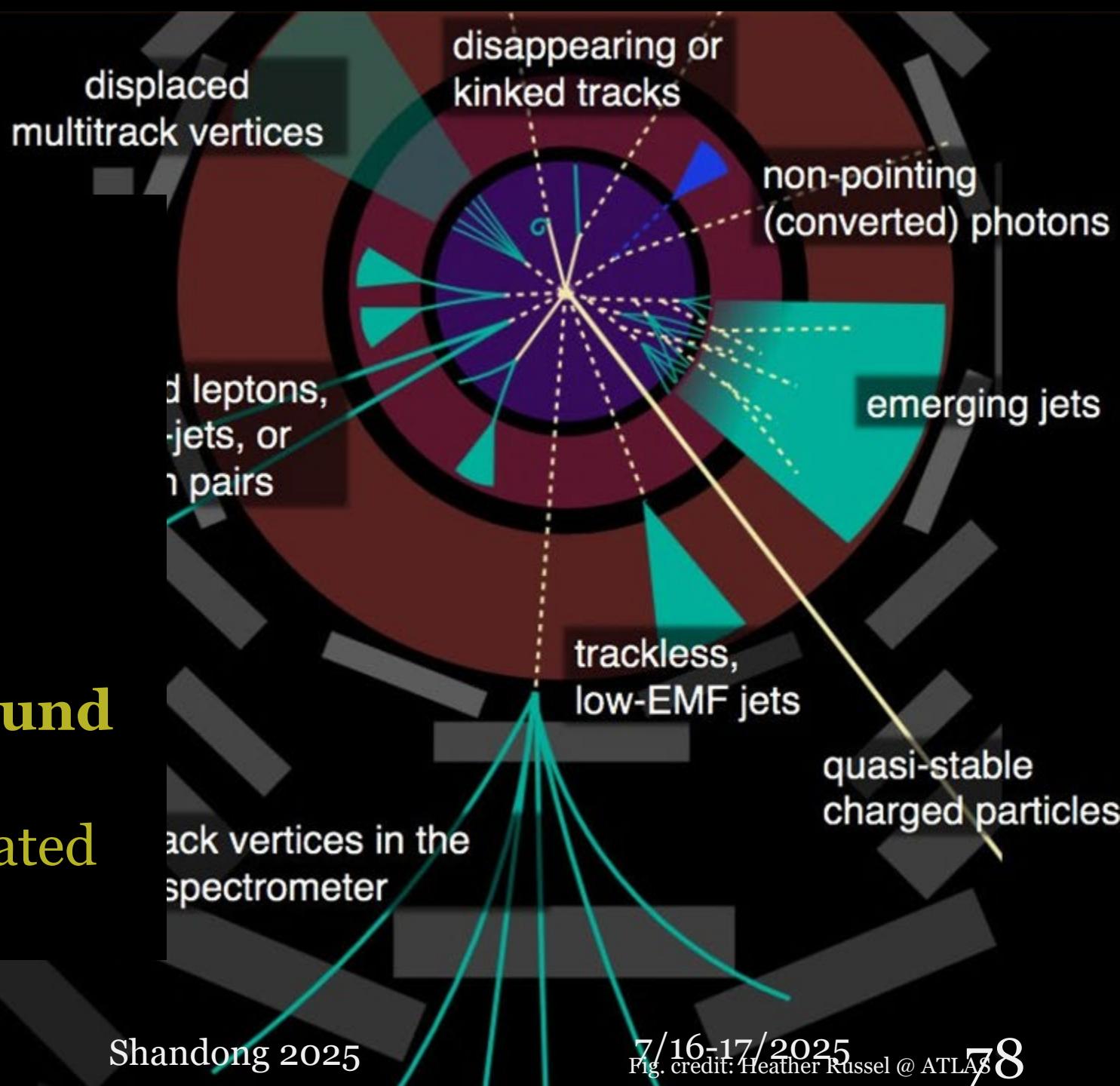
☹️reconstruction

😊standard model

background

☹️non-standard background

Huge uncharted well-motivated territories to explore!



Expanding the LHC program

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MoEDAL

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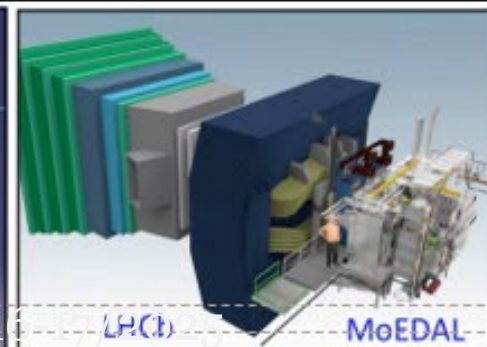
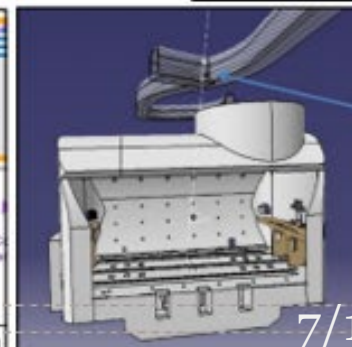
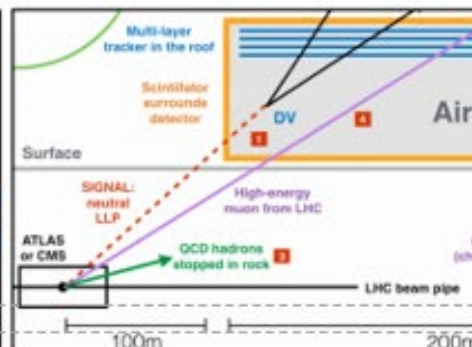
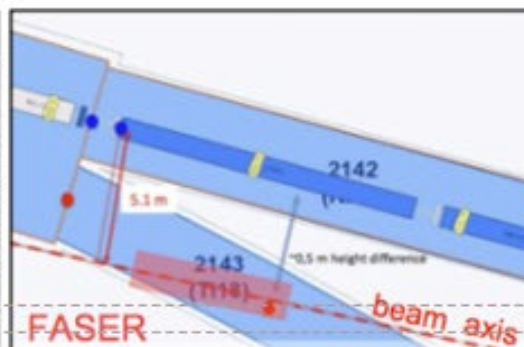
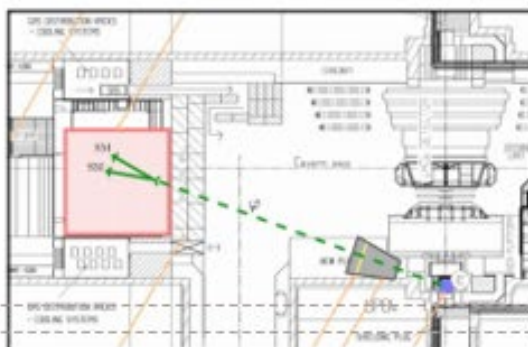
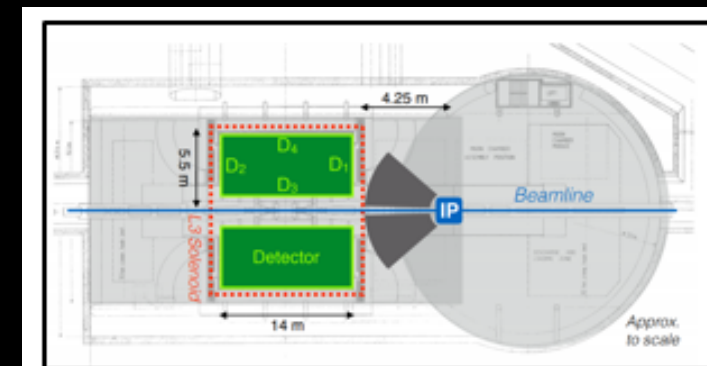
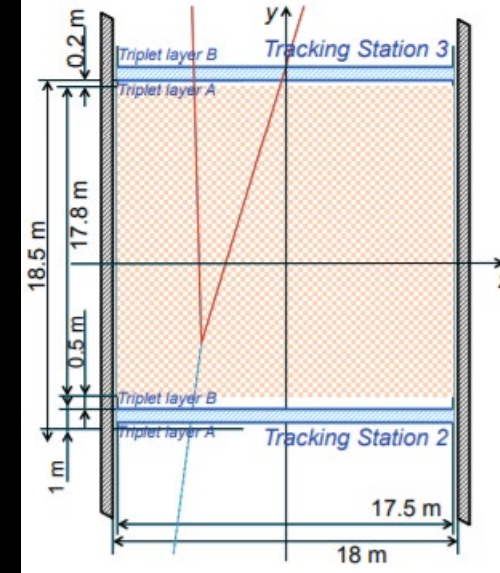
Central/Hard LLPs

Forward/lighter LLPs

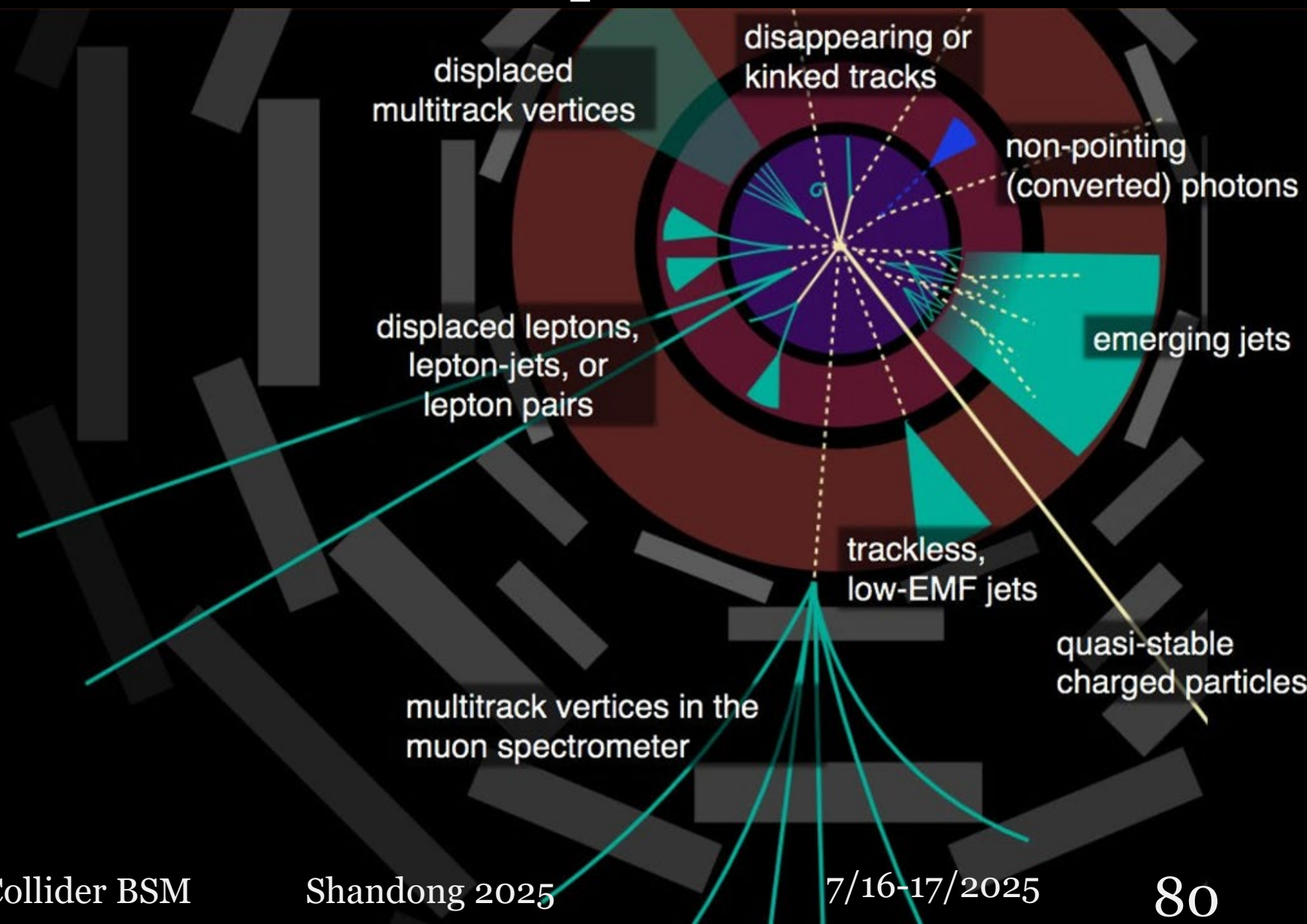
Beamdump experiments

monopole
millicharged particles

Search for LLPs

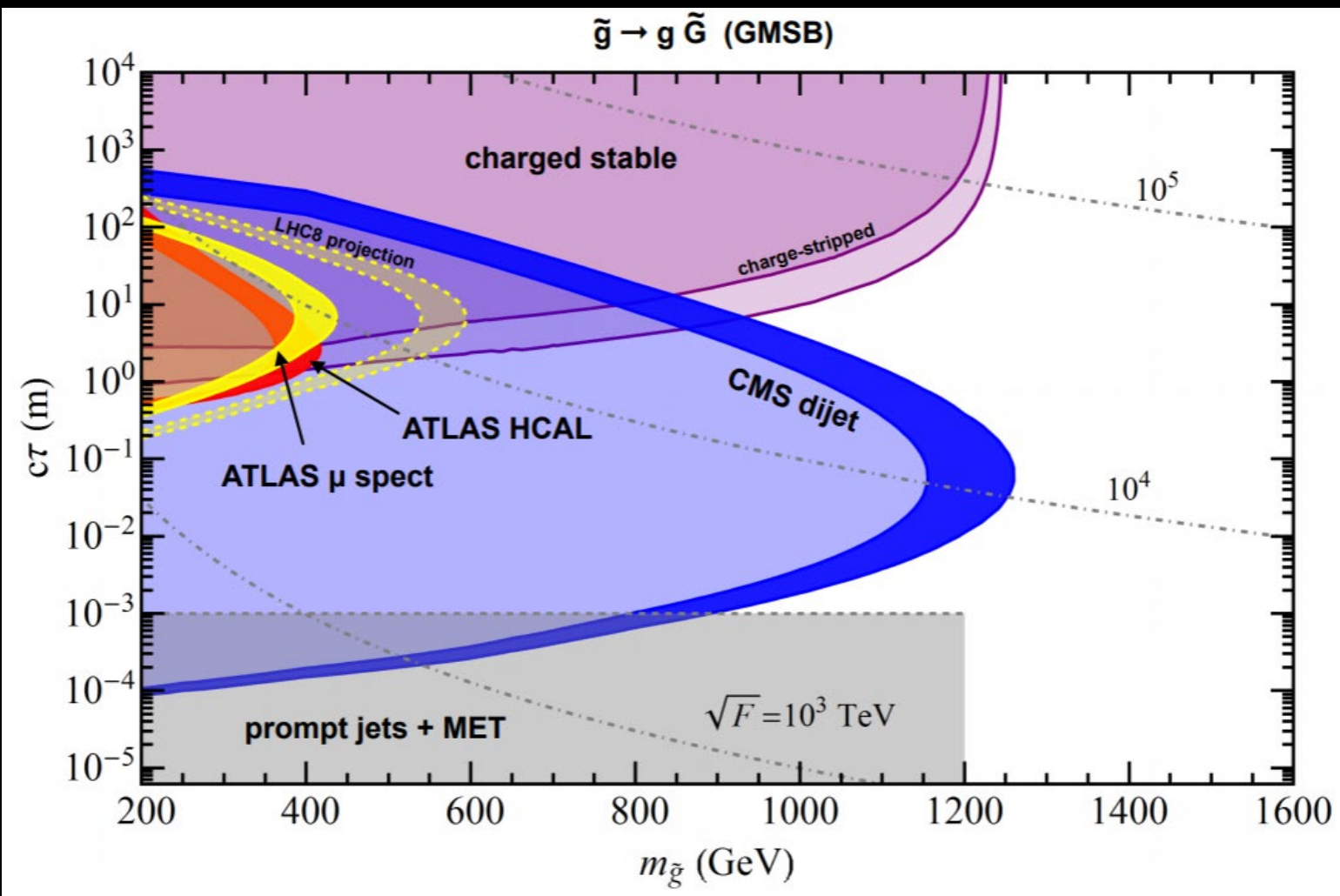


Generalize: search for hidden sector particles



LLPs around 2015

8 TeV result by ZL, B. Tweedie, [1503.05923](#)



- **<10 LLP** searches
- **1 (or 2)** LLP trigger(s)
- LLP are viewed as **highly-tuned** strange cases specialized for a particular model's particular parameter space.

With our reinterpretation work, we showed:

- LLPs are **motivated** by large class of models/parameters
- LLP searches are **“inclusive”** that one can interpret in broad class of models
- We identified many gaps and opportunities

Since 2015: A Renaissance of Long-Lived Particles



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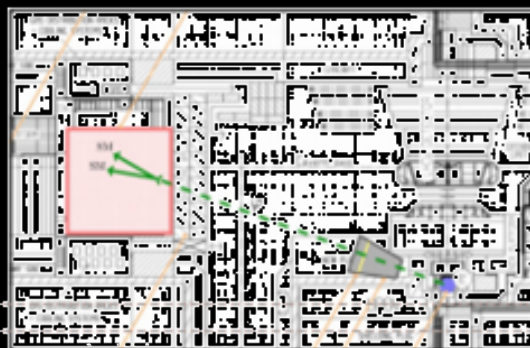
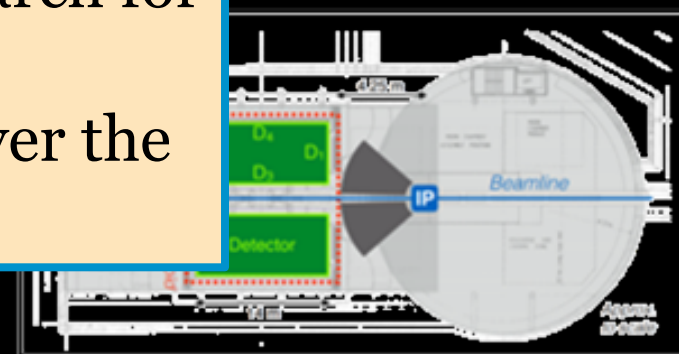
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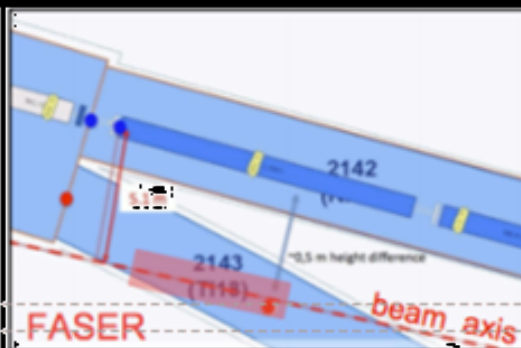
Lesson 1: The models and signature landscape changes as the theory motivations/emphasis/focus and experimental discoverability changes (with respect to data). We should be prepared to search for more LLPs exotic signatures.

Lesson 1*: there will be many proposals to cover the gap, we should think about them carefully.

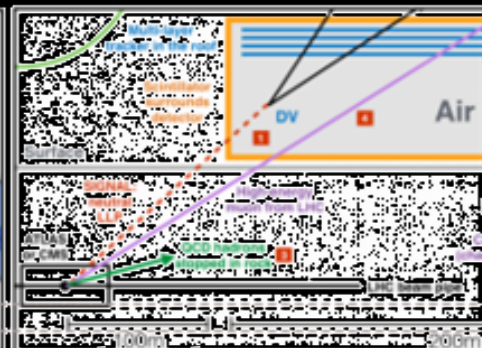
millicharged particles



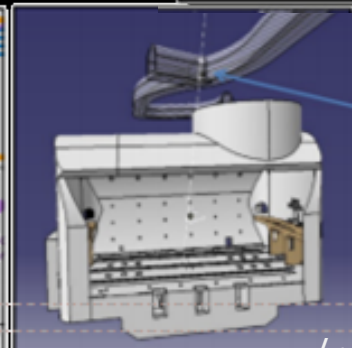
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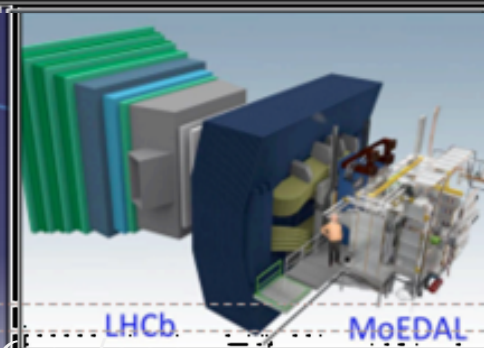
Collider BSM



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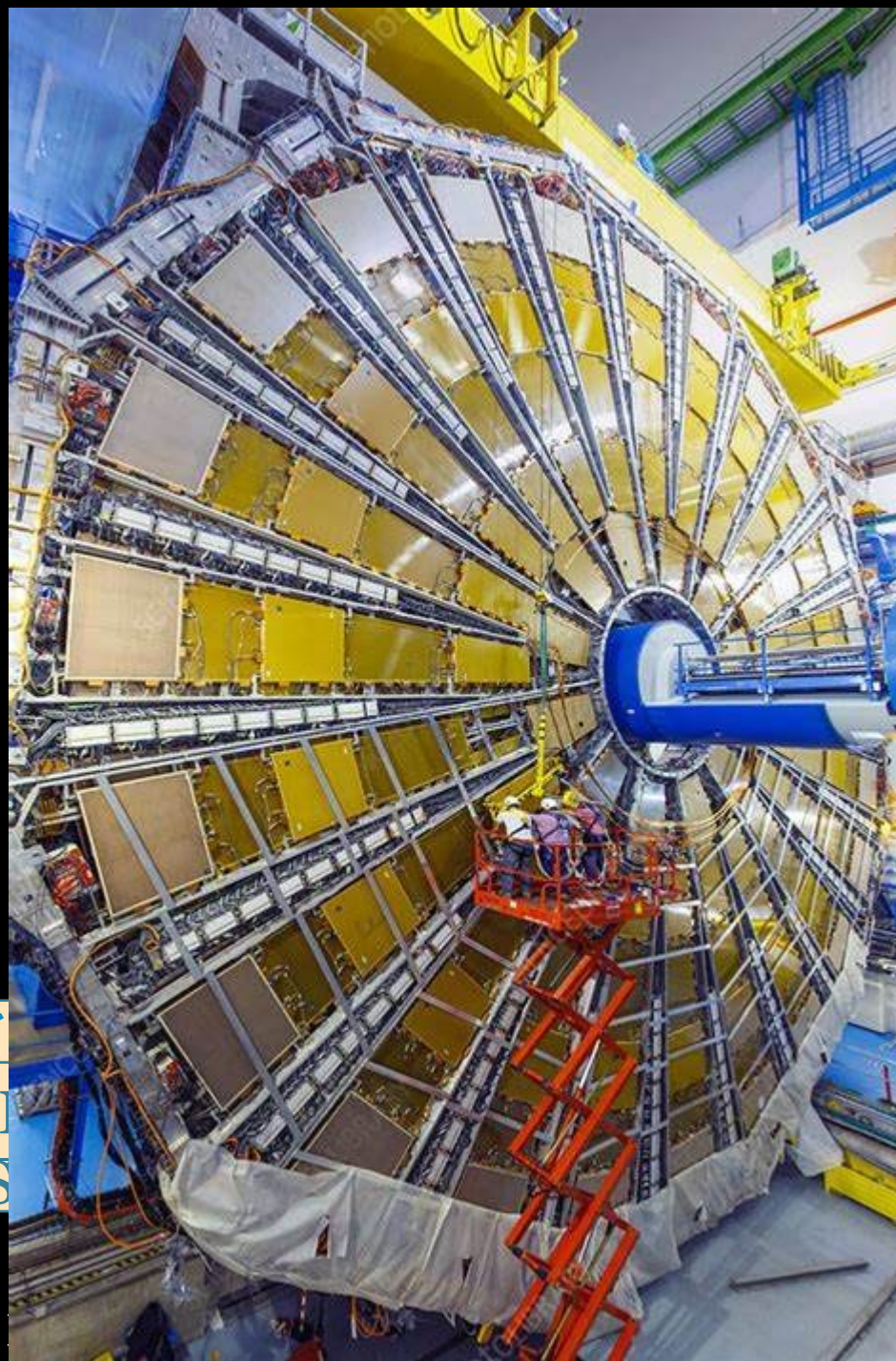
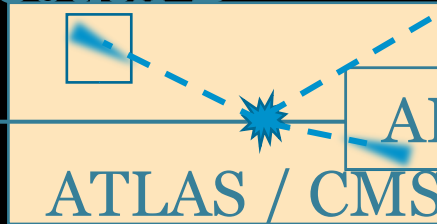
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How to think about LLP searches?

Just to get some idea

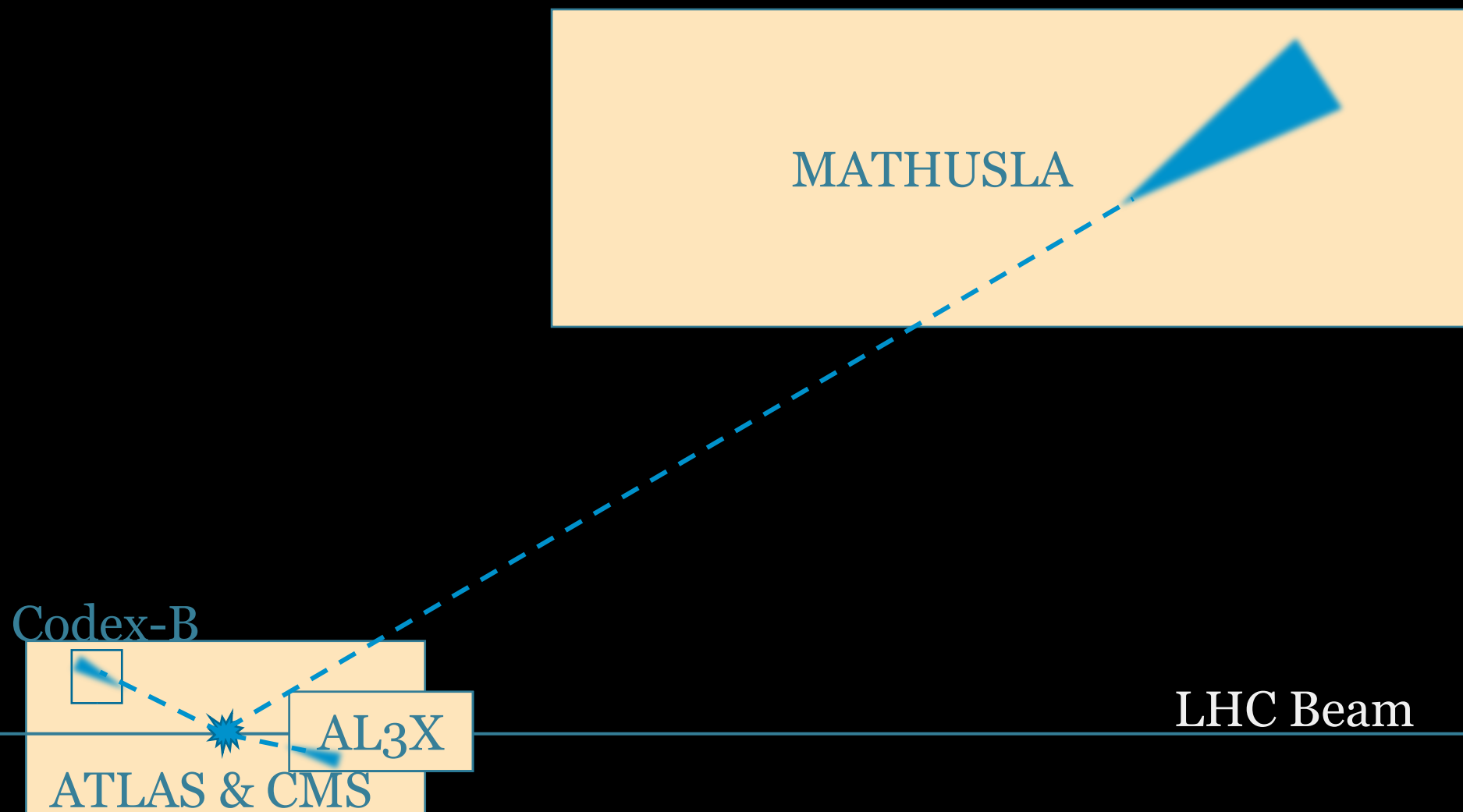
I do not necessarily mean exactly these proposals but rather they are representatives of various auxiliary detector concepts.

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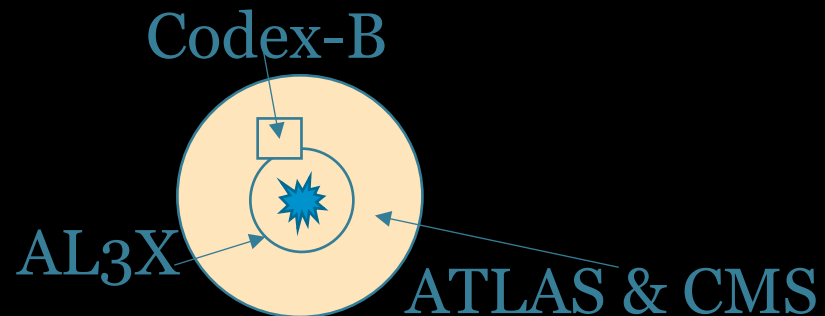
LHC Beam

What are these proposals?



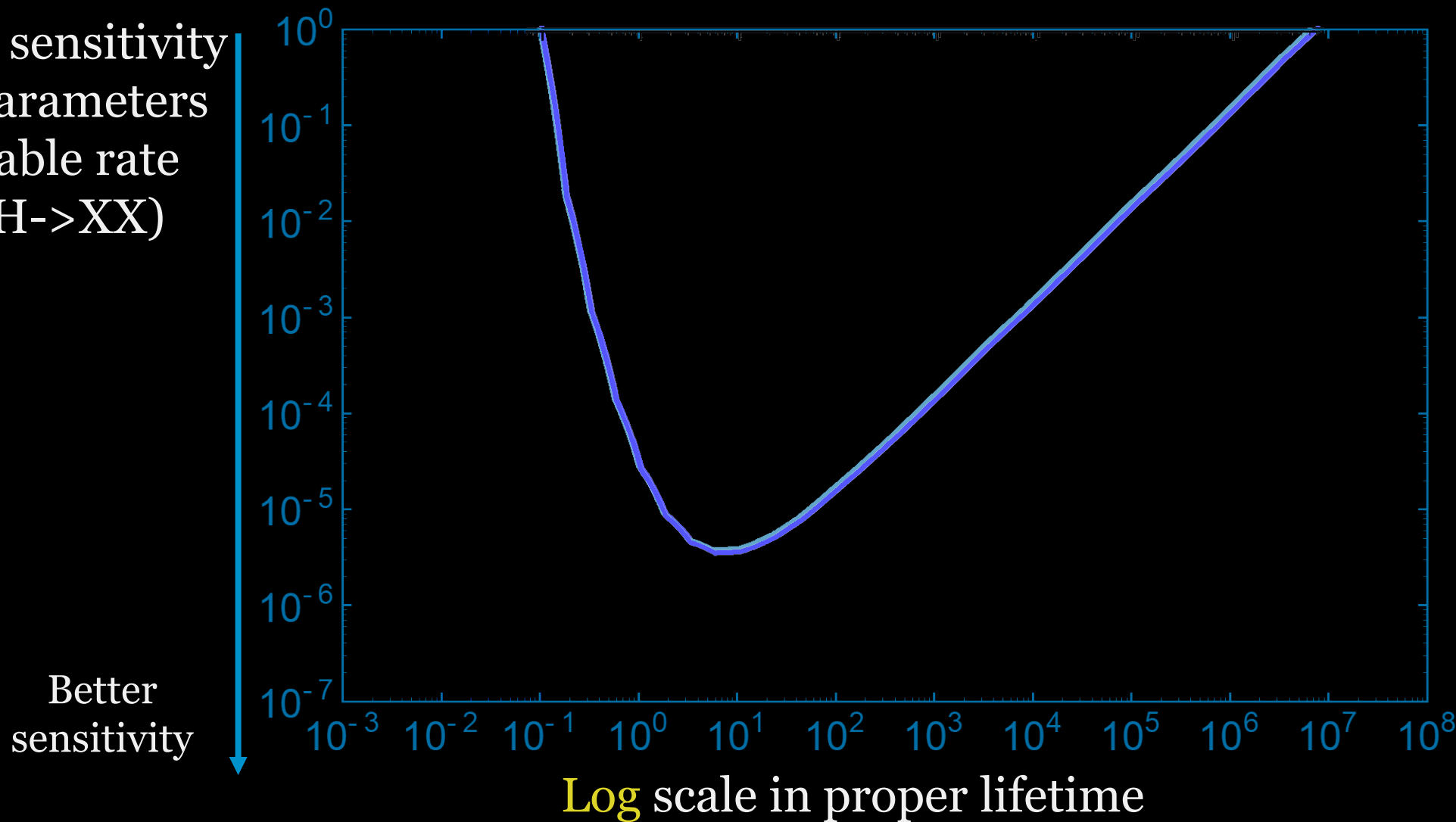
What are these proposals?

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Universal features of LLPs: a typical reach plot

Log scale in sensitivity
in model parameters
or observable rate
(e.g., $\text{Br } H \rightarrow XX$)



Universal features of LLPs: understanding shapes

Log scale in sensitivity
in model parameters
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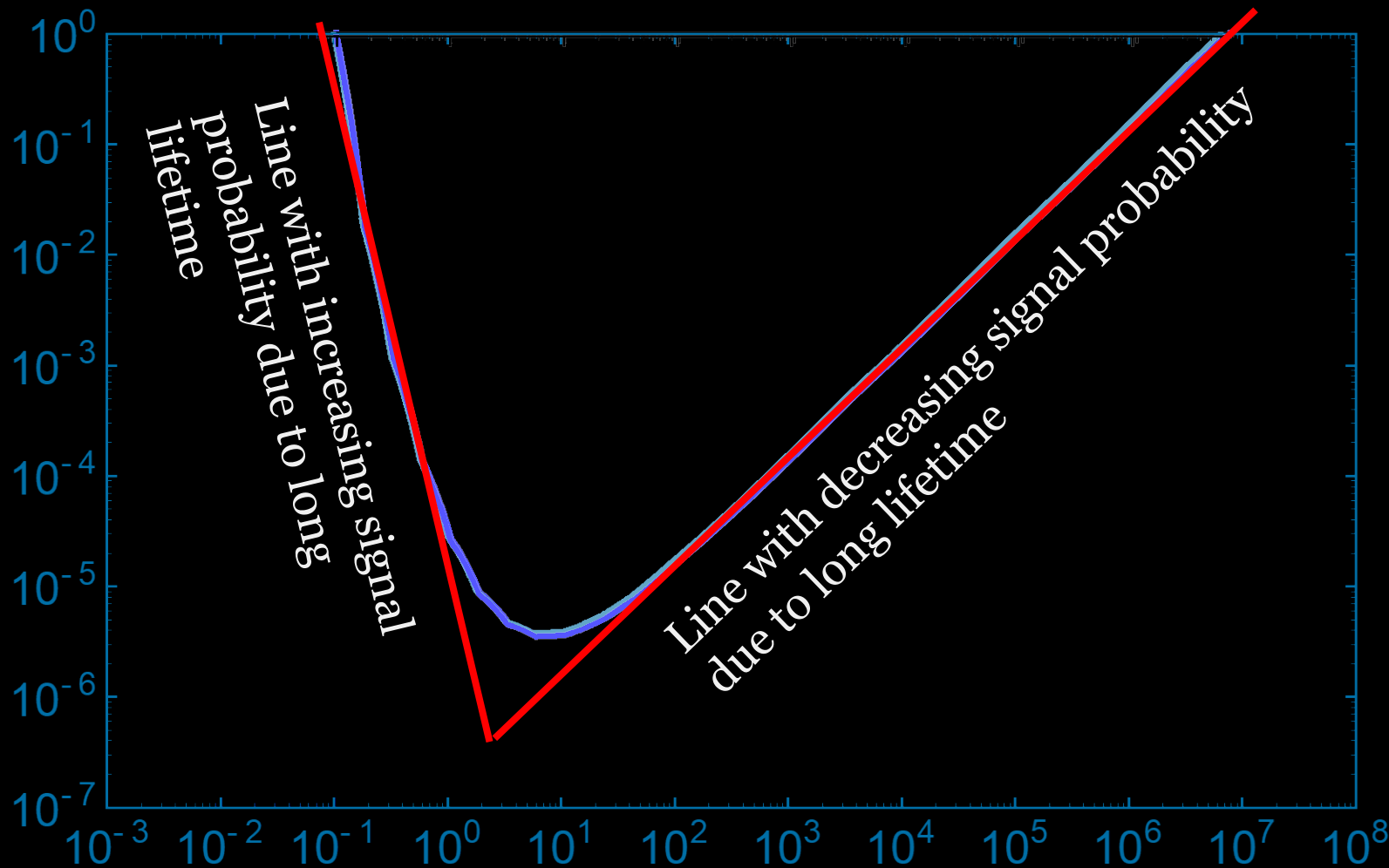
Geometrical acceptance P_{in}

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$$\approx \frac{\Delta\Omega}{4\pi} e^{-L_1/d} \frac{L_2 - L_1}{d}$$

$$d = c\tau\gamma\beta$$

Better
sensitivity



Log scale in proper lifetime

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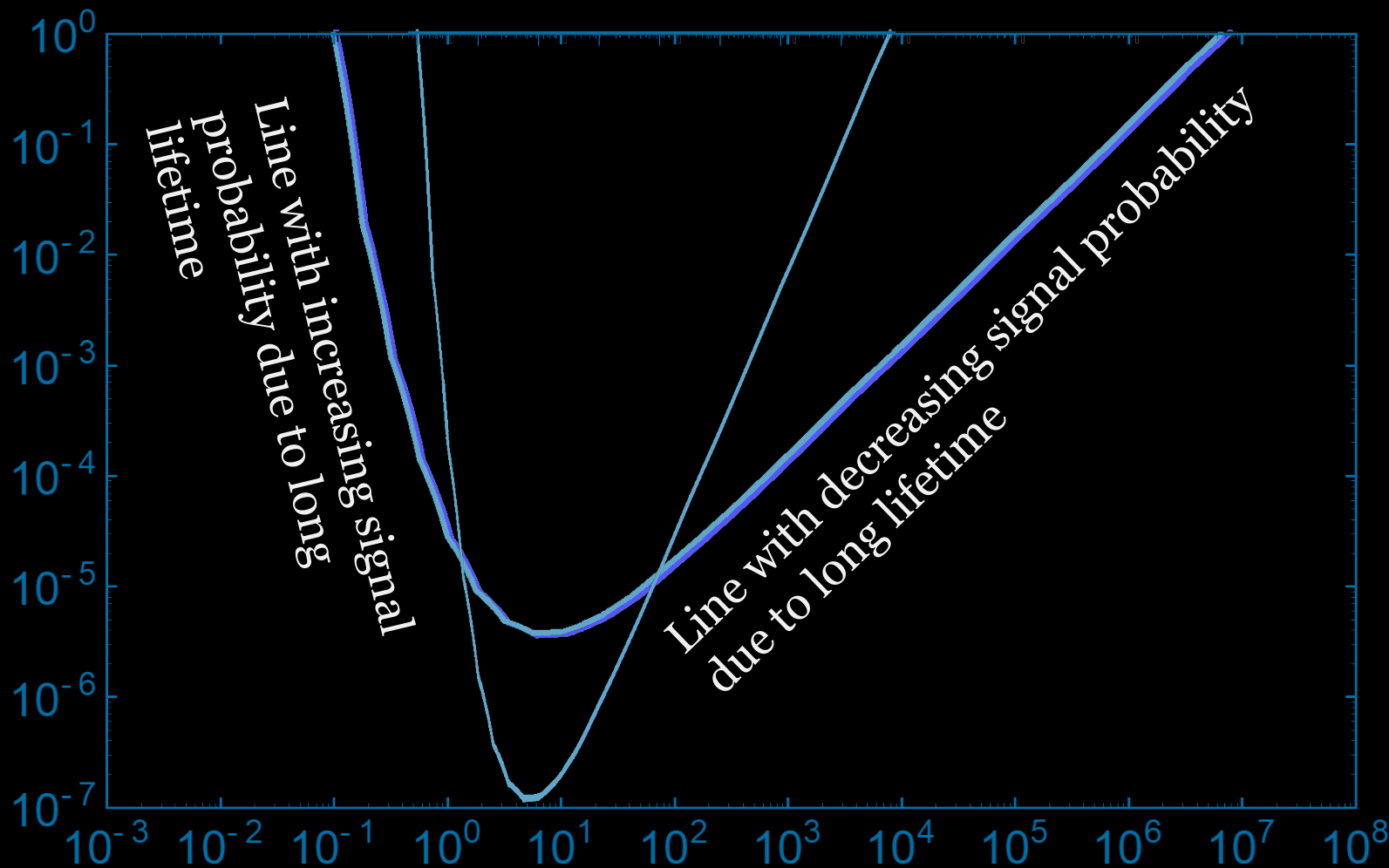
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Double LLPs: P_{in}^2

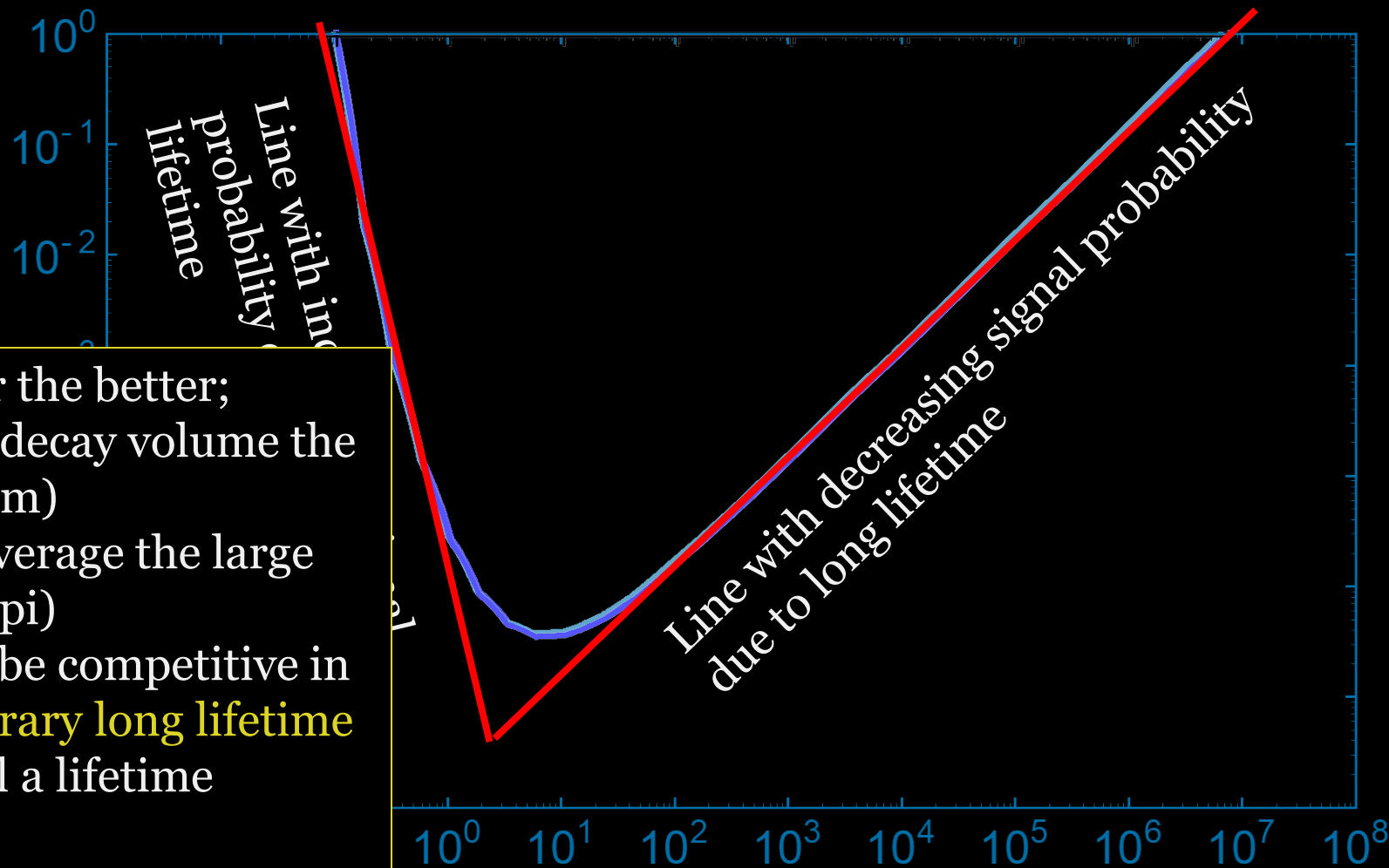
Better
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Log scale in proper lifetime

Countering one's intuition

Log scale in sensitivity
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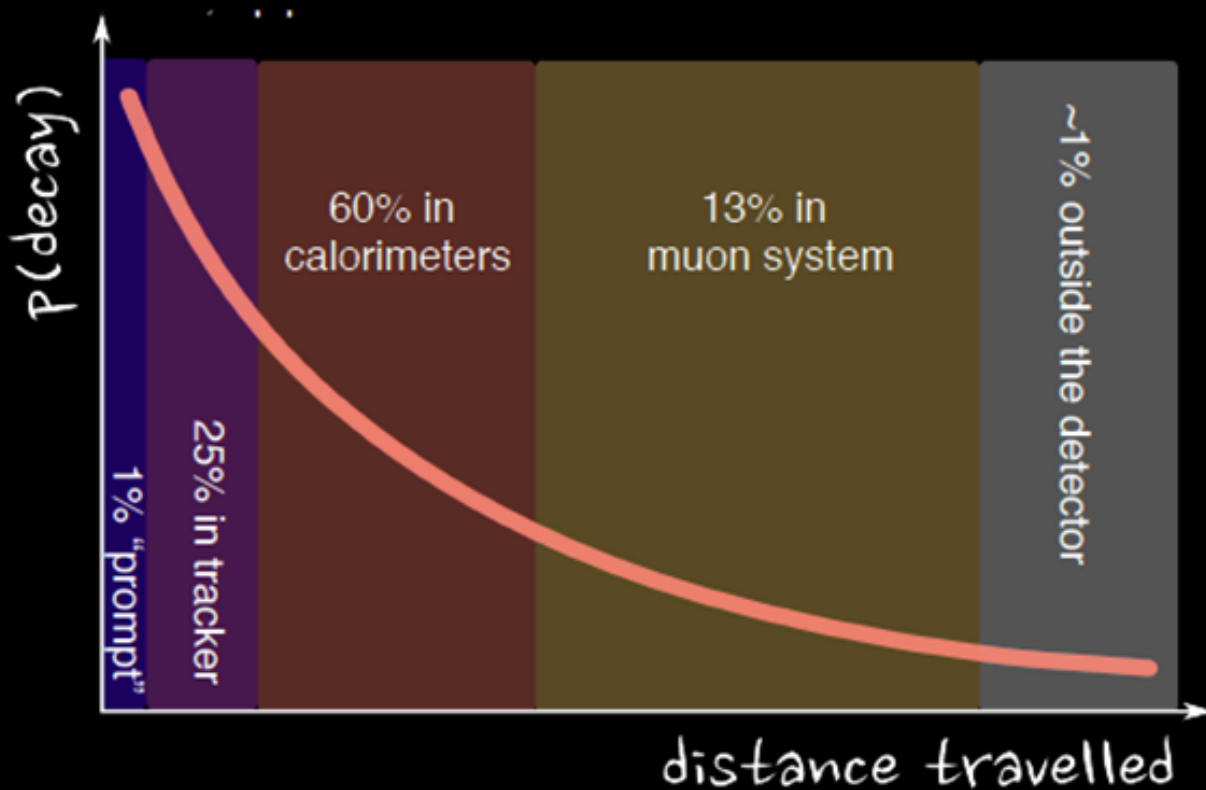


- For short lifetime: the closer the better;
- For long lifetime: the larger decay volume the better (CMS/ATLAS is 6-10 m)
- For any lifetime: angular coverage the larger the better (CMS/ATLAS is 4π)
- LHC main detectors should be competitive in **any** lifetime (**including arbitrary long lifetime limit**; some times people call a lifetime frontier)!

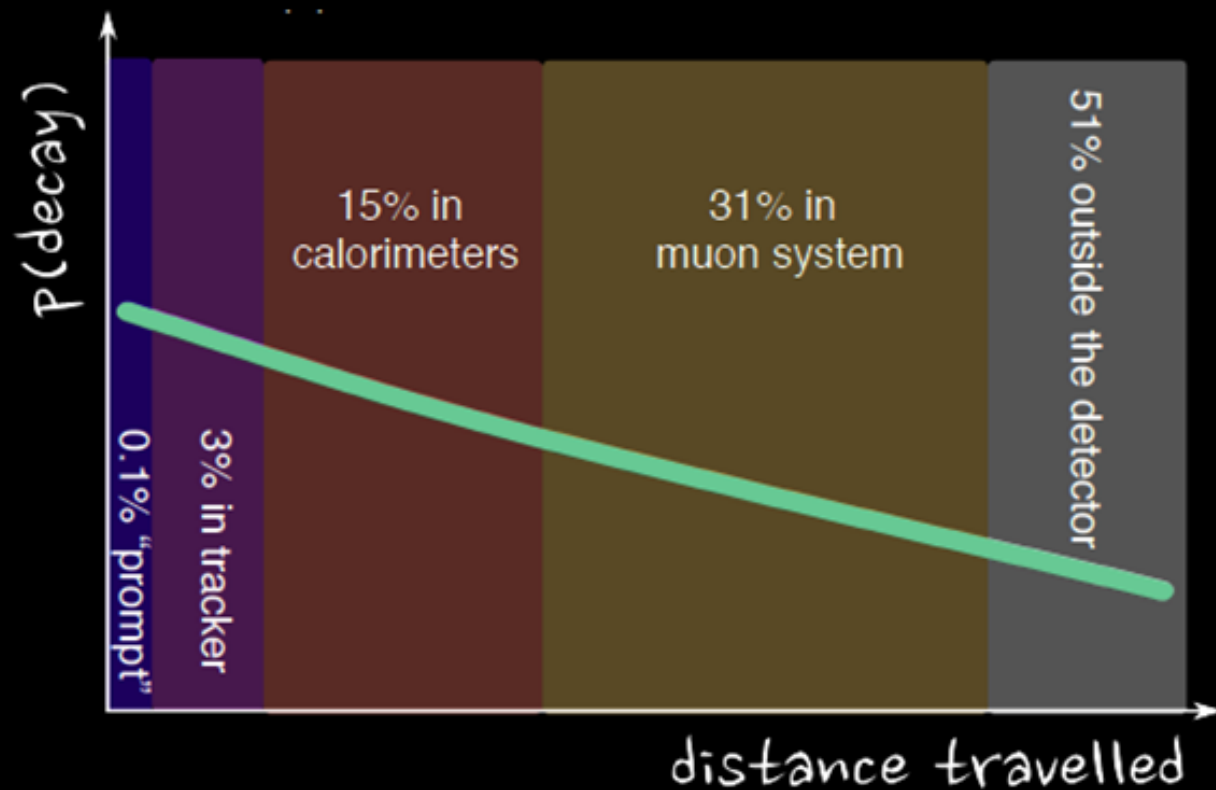
Log scale in proper lifetime

For the case of long lifetime...

$$\beta\gamma c\tau = 1.5 \text{ m}$$



$$\beta\gamma c\tau = 15 \text{ m}$$

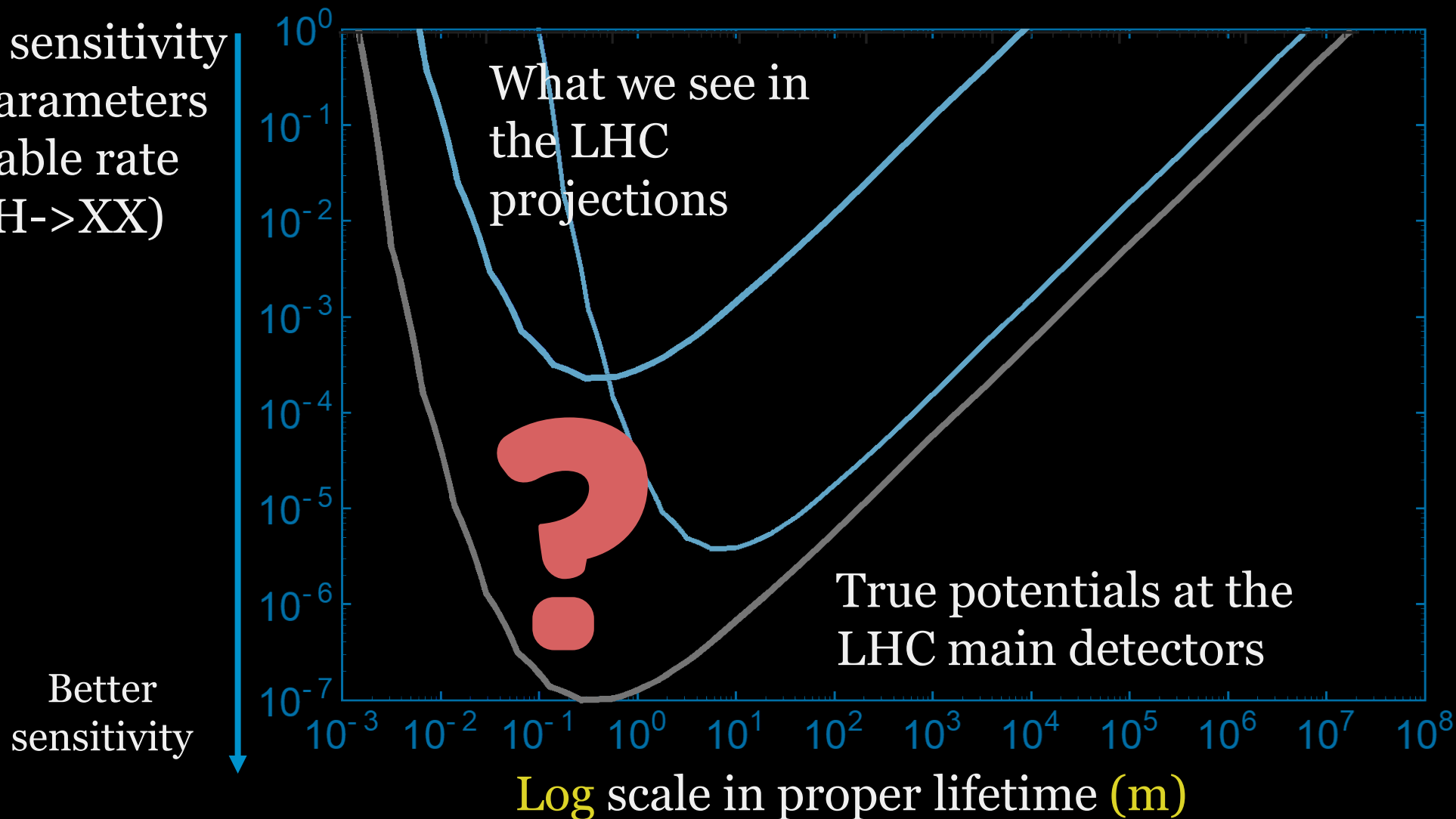


H. Russell, LHC LLP Community workshop, 2017; based on ATLAS geometry

Not decaying in LHC main detectors \neq will decay in other detectors

Rebuilding intuition: True Potential of main detectors

Log scale in sensitivity
in model parameters
or observable rate
(e.g., $\text{Br } H \rightarrow XX$)



Reexamining intuition: Identifying the challenge

e.g.,

C. Csaki, E. Kuflik, S. Lombardo, O. Slone, [1508.01522](#)

shows Higgs to LLPs typical trigger efficiency <1%;

[ZL](#), B.Tweedie, [1503.05923](#), O(100 GeV) LLPs have typical efficiency ~1%;

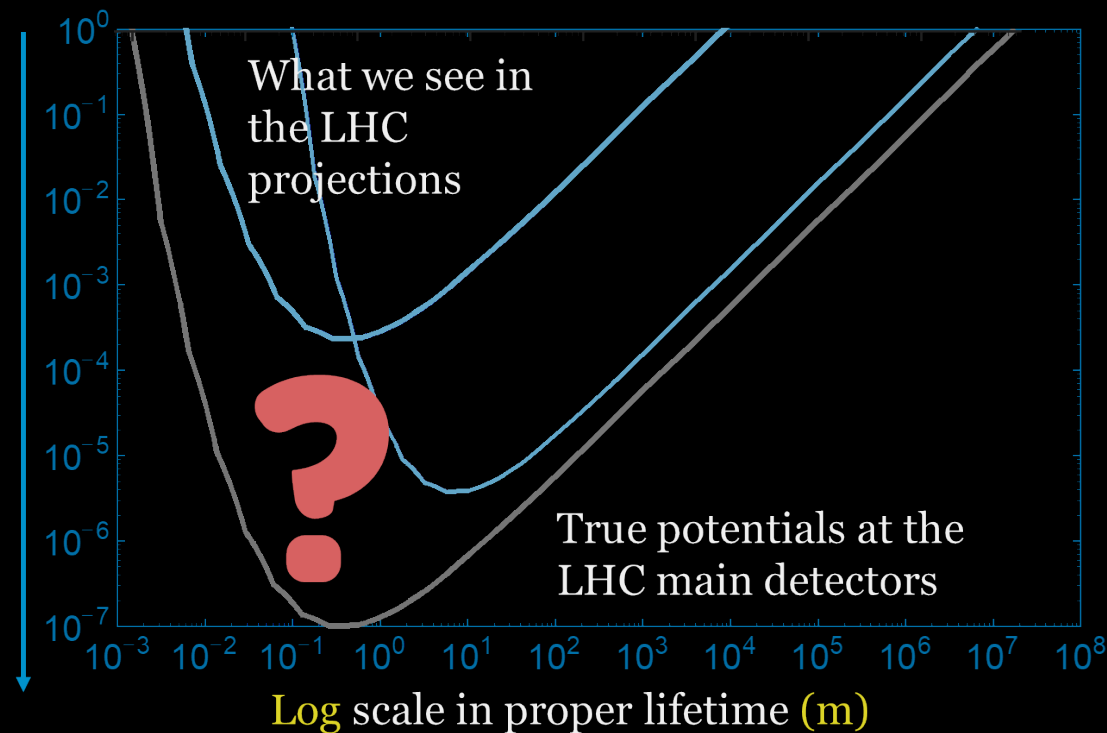
$$n_{sig} = N_{prod} \times P_{in} \times \epsilon_{trigger*selection} \times \epsilon_{bkg}^{penalty}$$

O(1%)

20-50% for
dedicated
LLP trigger

1-100%

Energy
threshold,
reconstruction
efficiency, etc.



Opportunities with Lessons

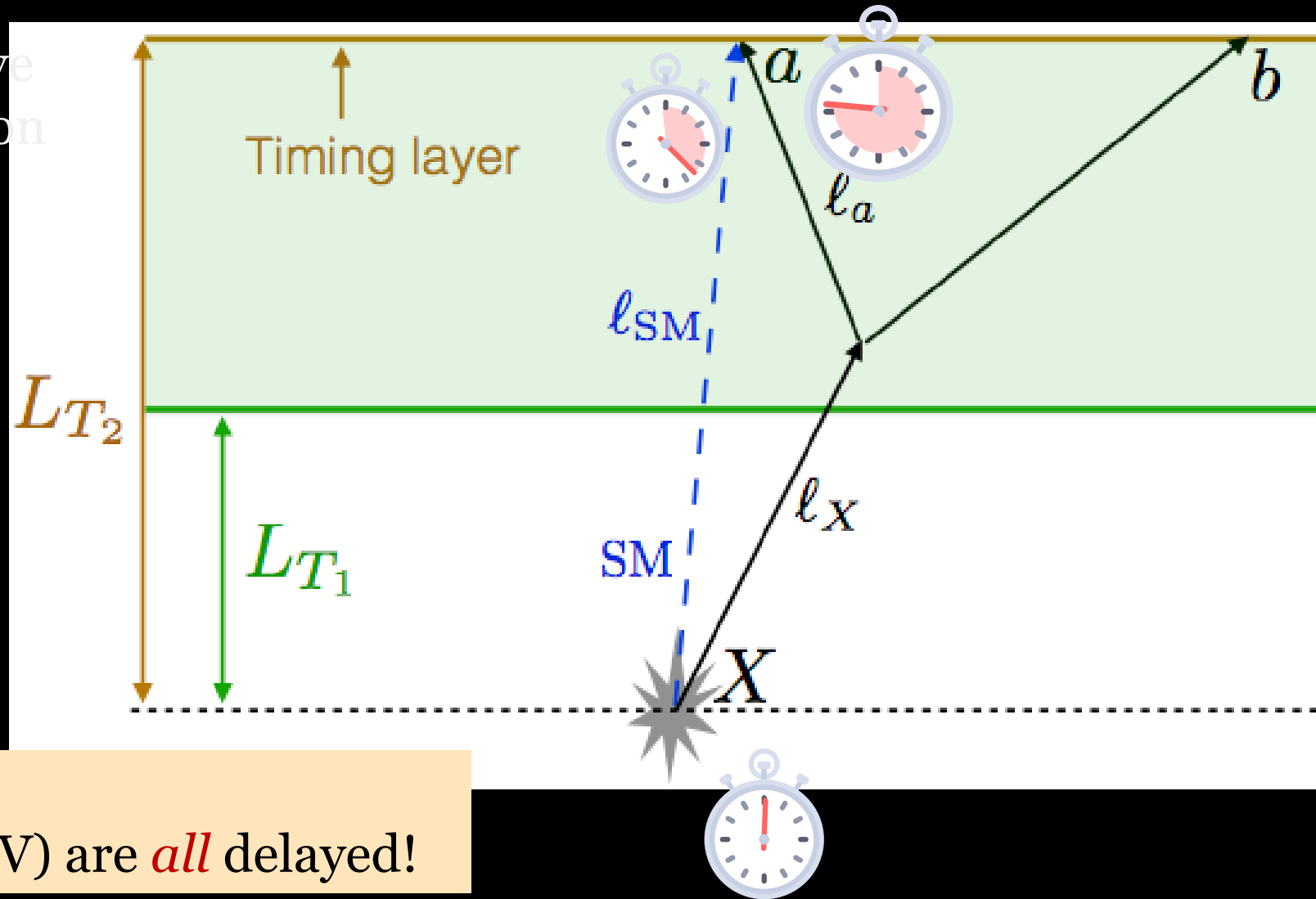
- Search Ideals:
Timing the LLP Opportunity

Overcoming the difficulties: Timing LLPs

ATLAS, CMS, LHCb all have
upgrade plans with precision
timing (for pile-up
suppression) of order ~ 30
picosecond

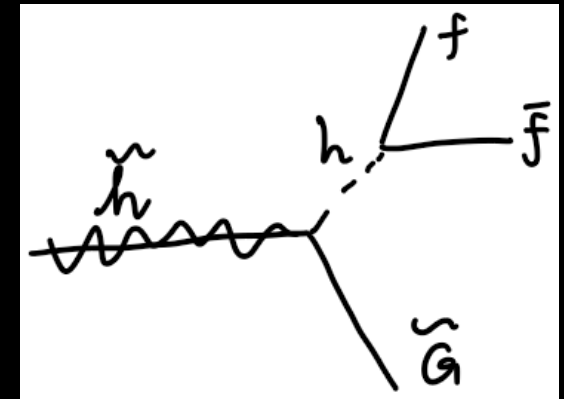
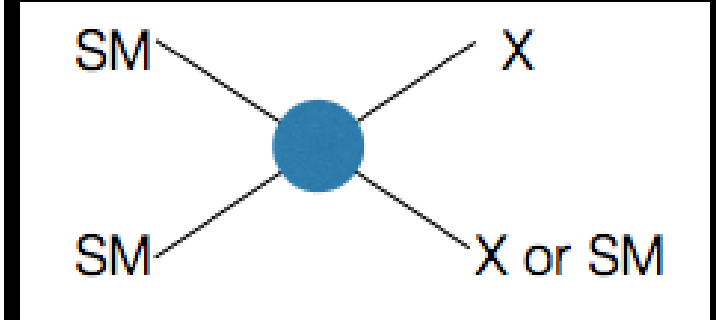
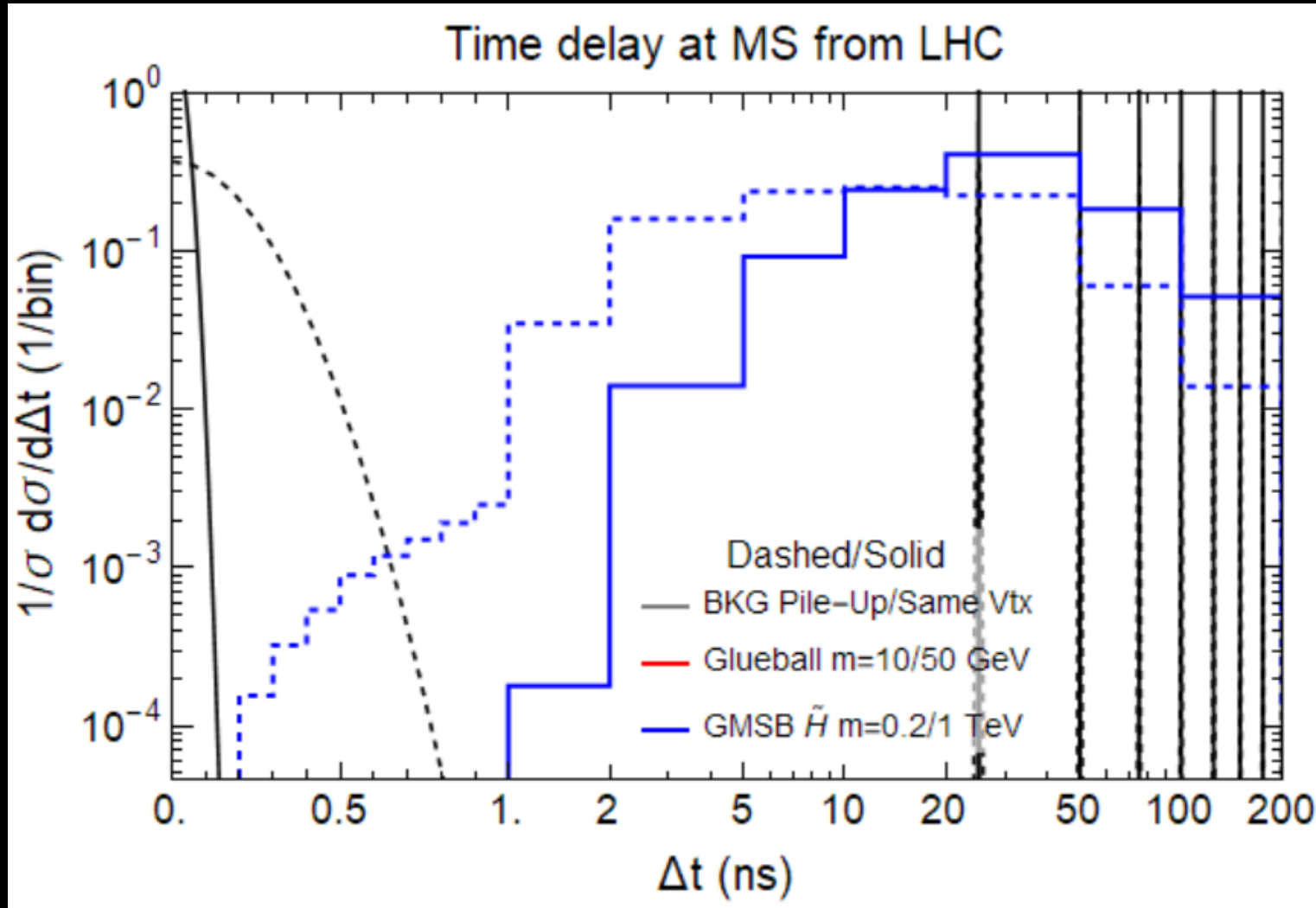
$$\Delta t = \frac{\ell_X}{\beta_X} + \frac{\ell_a}{\beta_a} - \frac{\ell_{\text{SM}}}{\beta_{\text{SM}}}$$

signal	background
arrival time	arrival time



1% delay can be spotted
LLP (with mass > 10s of GeV) are *all* delayed!

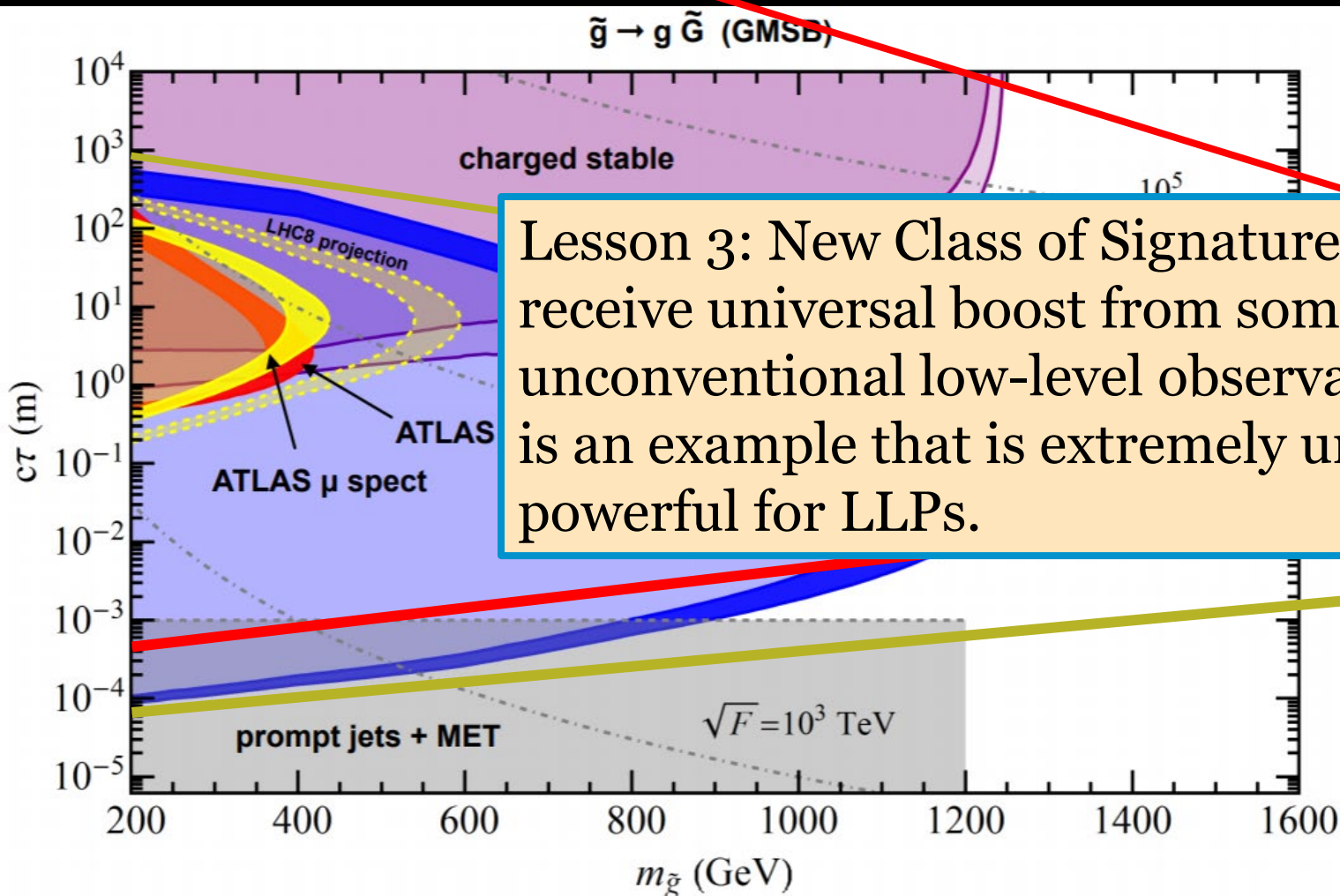
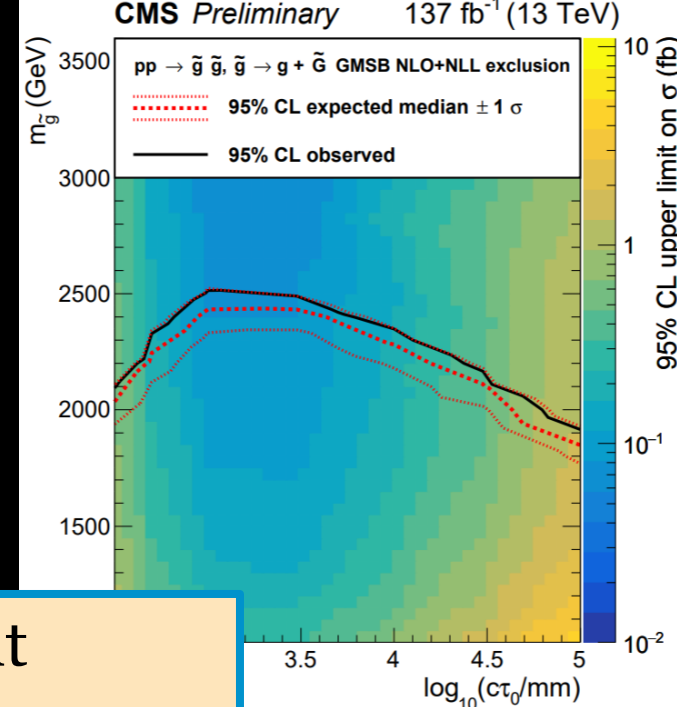
Pair-produced LLPs are significantly delayed



Representative of LLP
 pair production:
 All severely delayed

Delayed jet

Used traditional 300 GeV MET trigger
but rely on the time delays of the trackless
minimal jet (50 GeV pT) , start probing
new regime!



Lesson 3: New Class of Signatures might receive universal boost from some unconventional low-level observables. Timing is an example that is extremely universally powerful for LLPs.

New LLP searches now often consider timing information as part of the analysis/search.

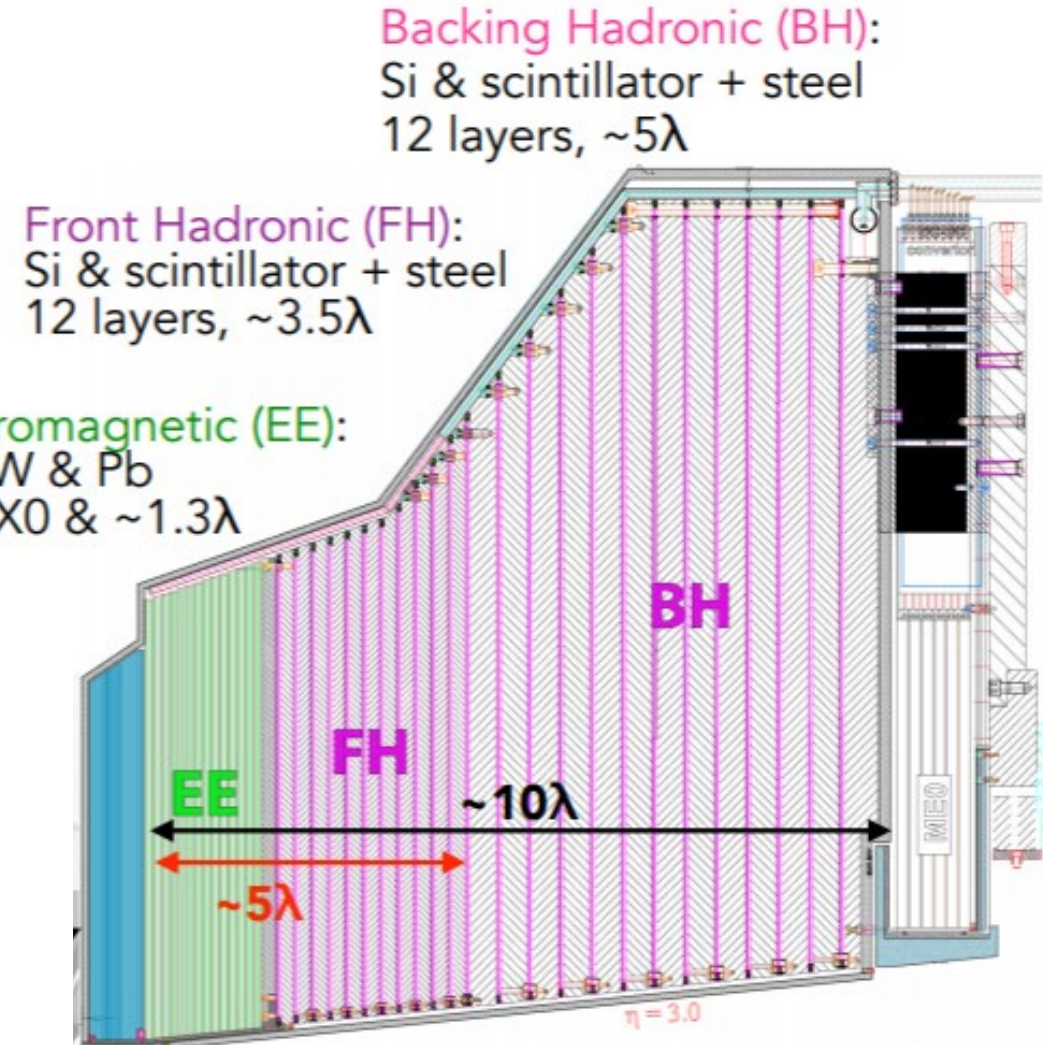
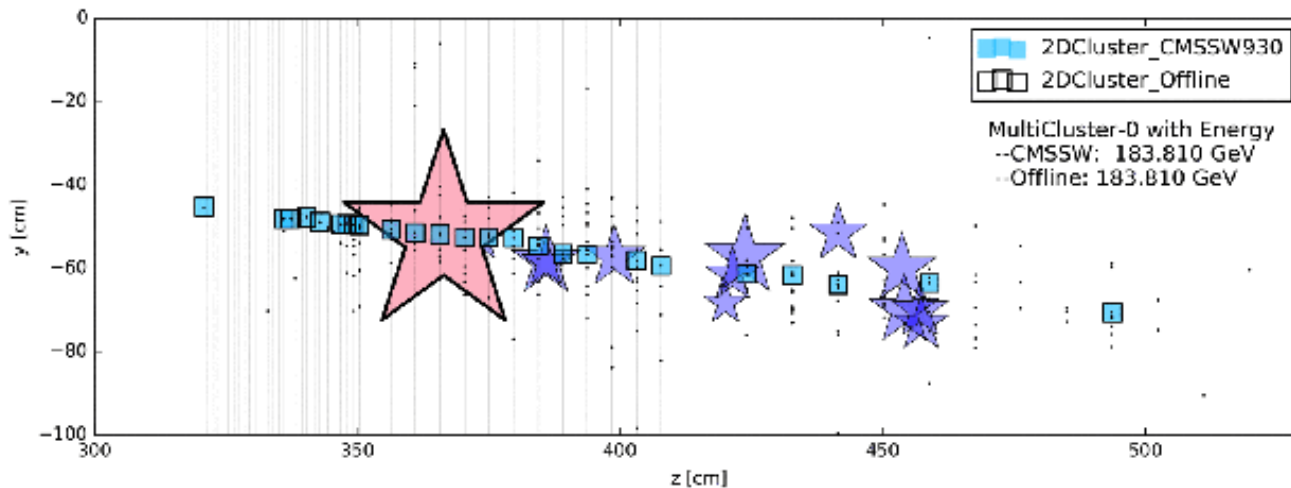
Opportunities with Lessons

- Search Ideals:
Vertexing with Calorimetry

More ideas: using substructures in the calorimetry

HL upgrade:
Directional resolution
milliradian,
Temporal resolution 30 ps
(for $p_T > 30$ GeV):

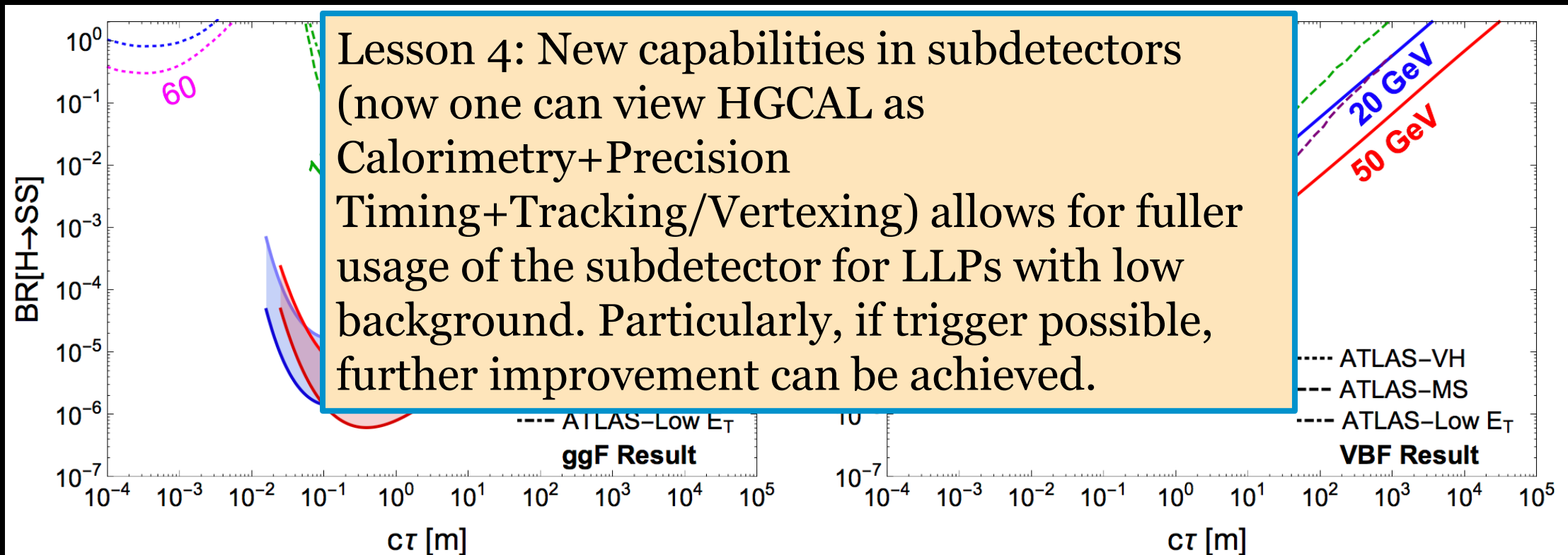
Allowing jet & shower



Projected sensitivity for HL-LHC

With a similar (in concept but different in details) vertexing selection as the previous axion example

- ggF result: with/without high H_T trigger requirement
- VBF result: standard VBF trigger



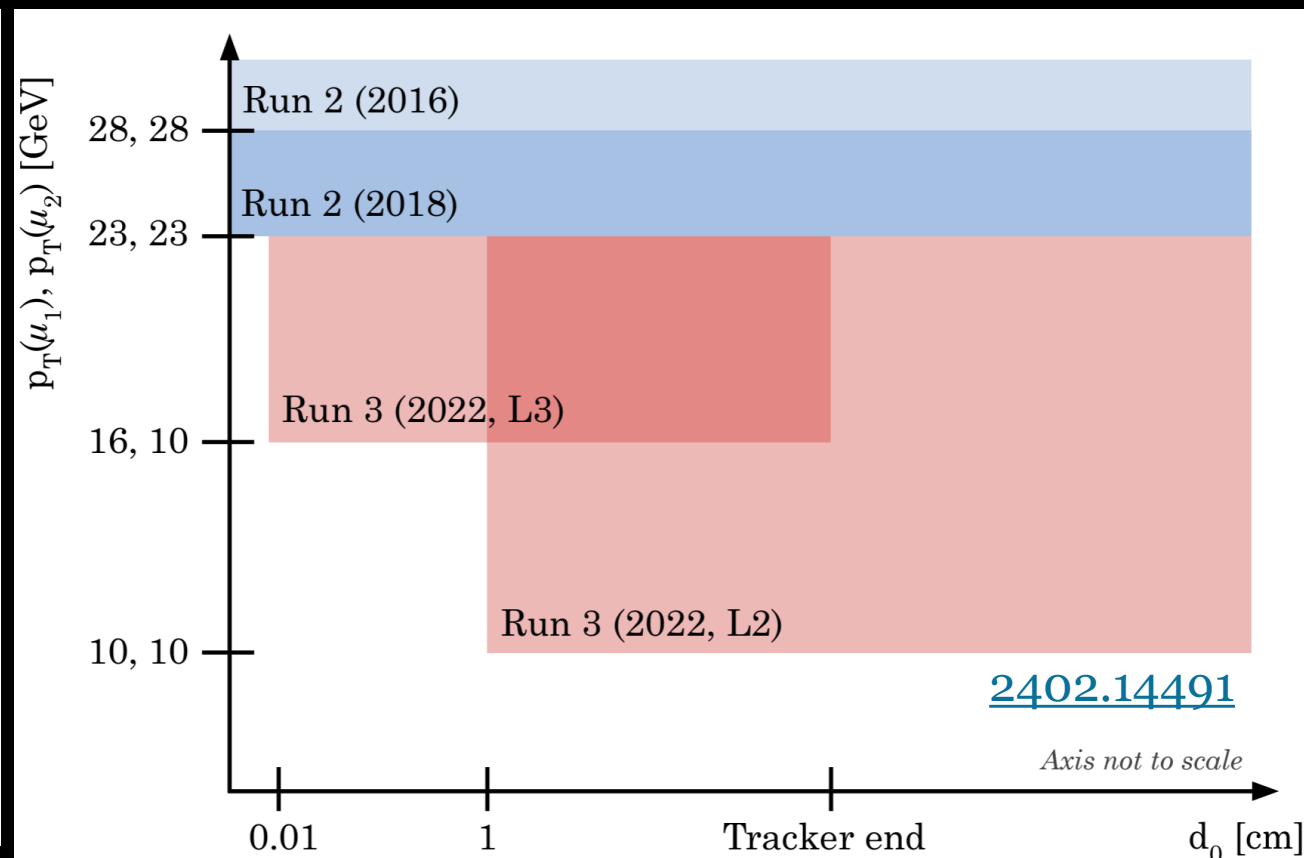
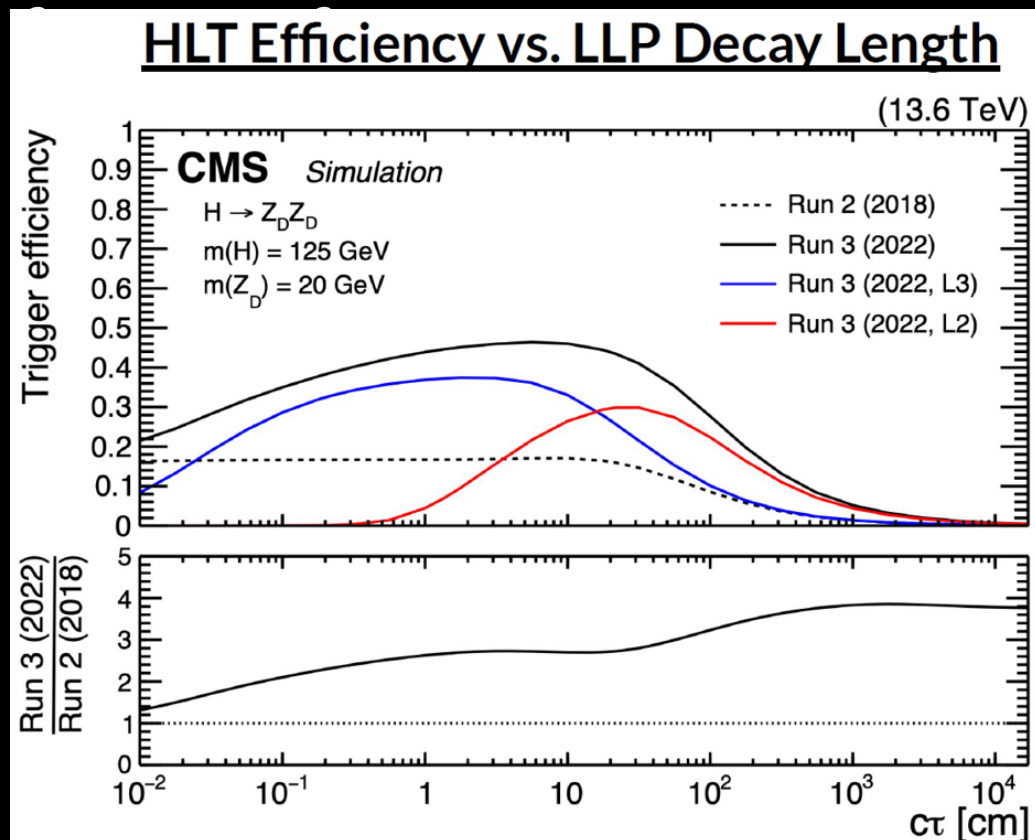
Opportunities with Lessons

- New triggers

Many New Improvements in the past few years and many more to implement

Recent Trigger Improvement: Displaced Dimuon

- Run3 improved trigger: trigger efficiency increased by a

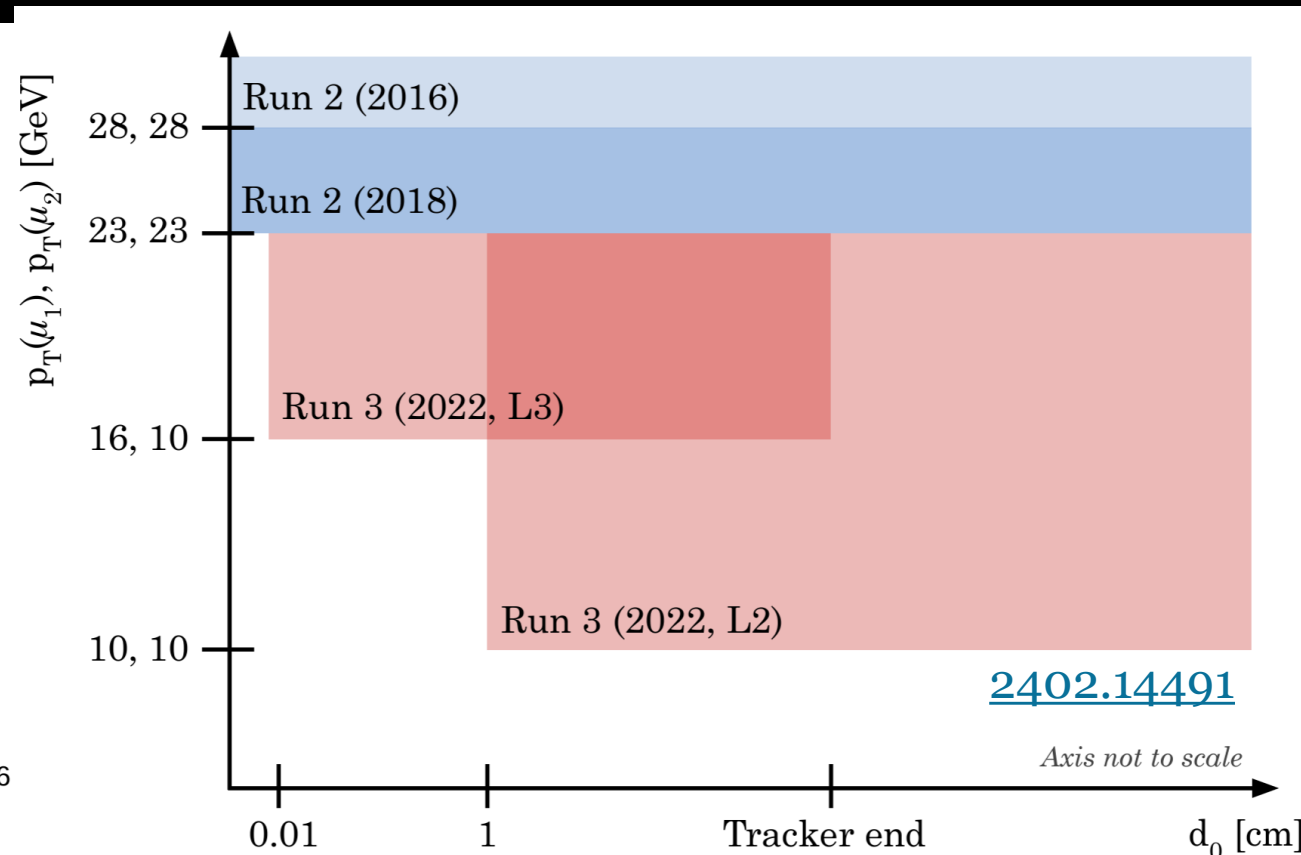
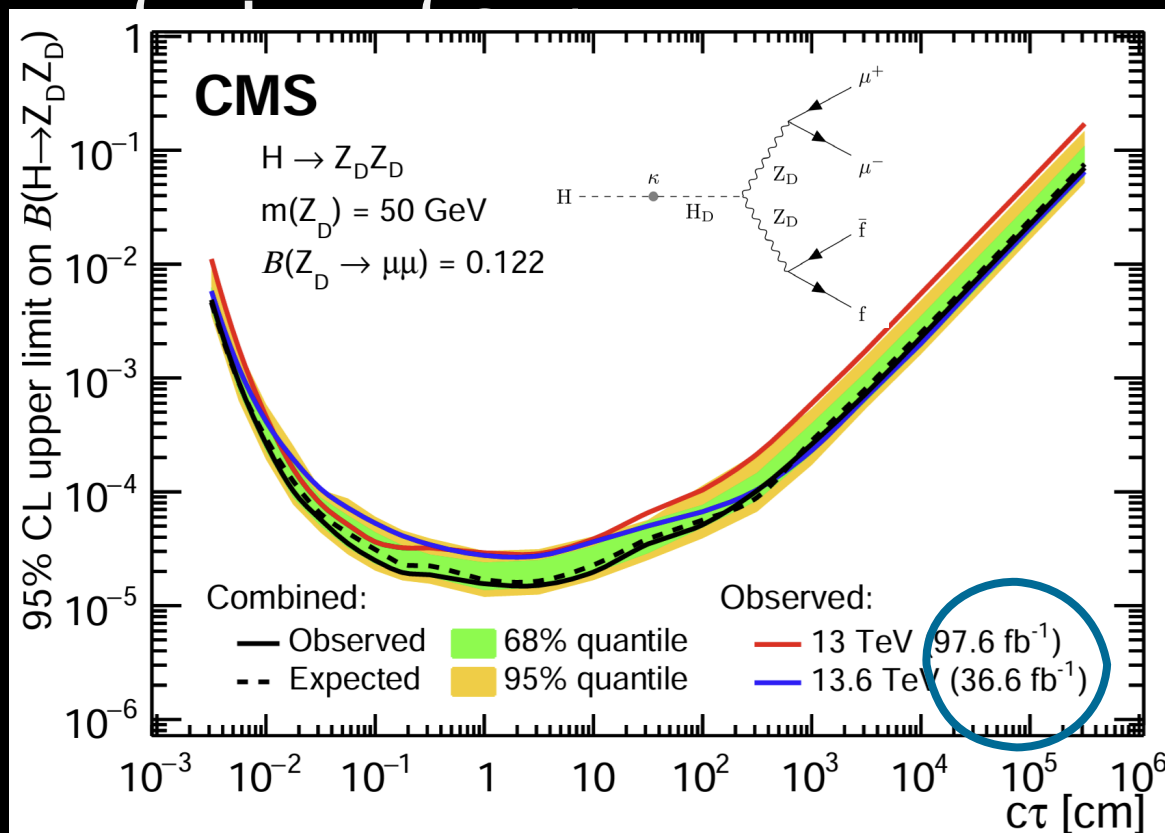


L2: Muon system only, newly added long-lived trigger

L3: Muon system plus tracking, newly added longlived trigger

Recent Trigger Improvement: Displaced Dimuon

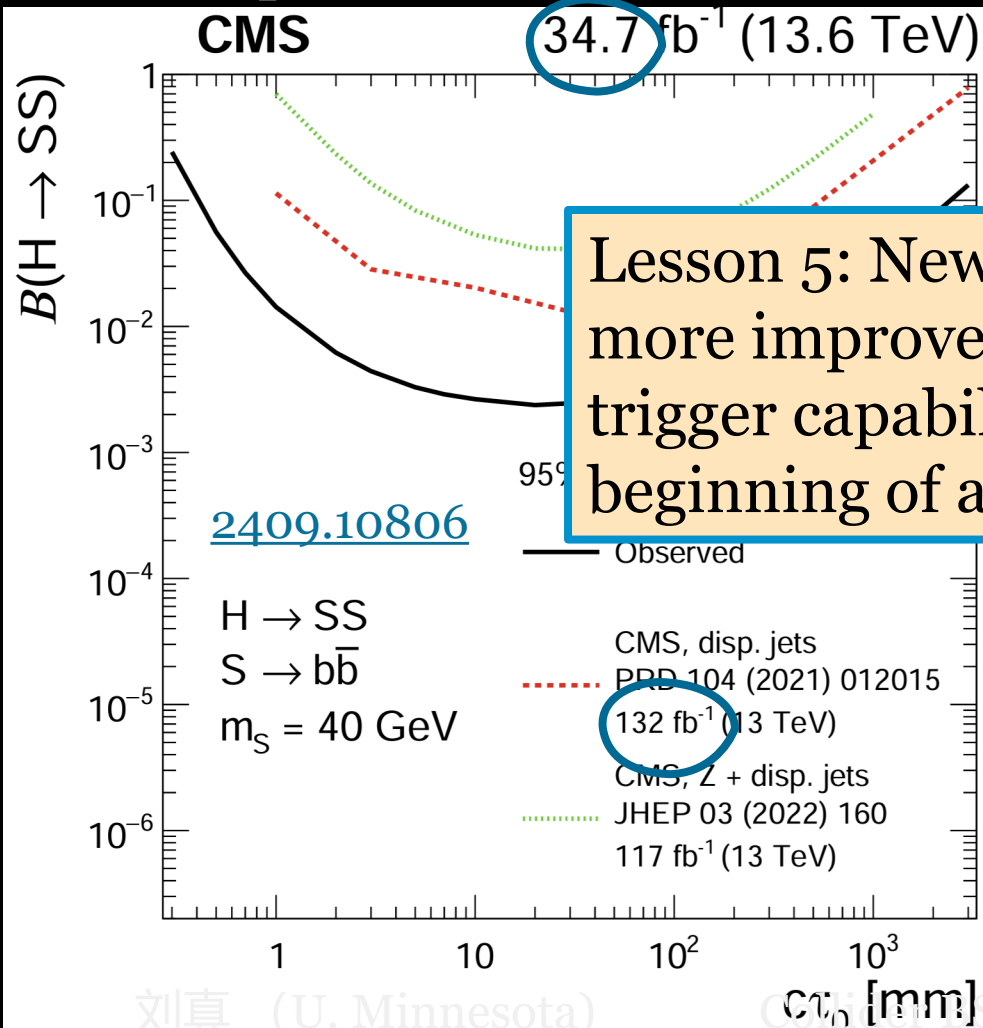
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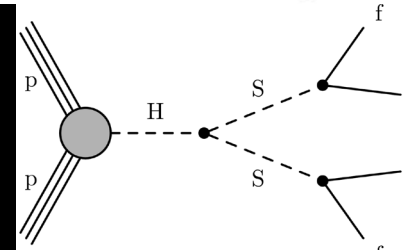
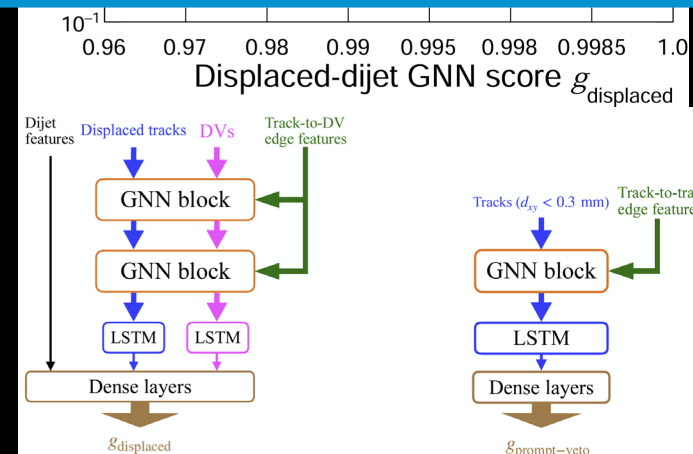
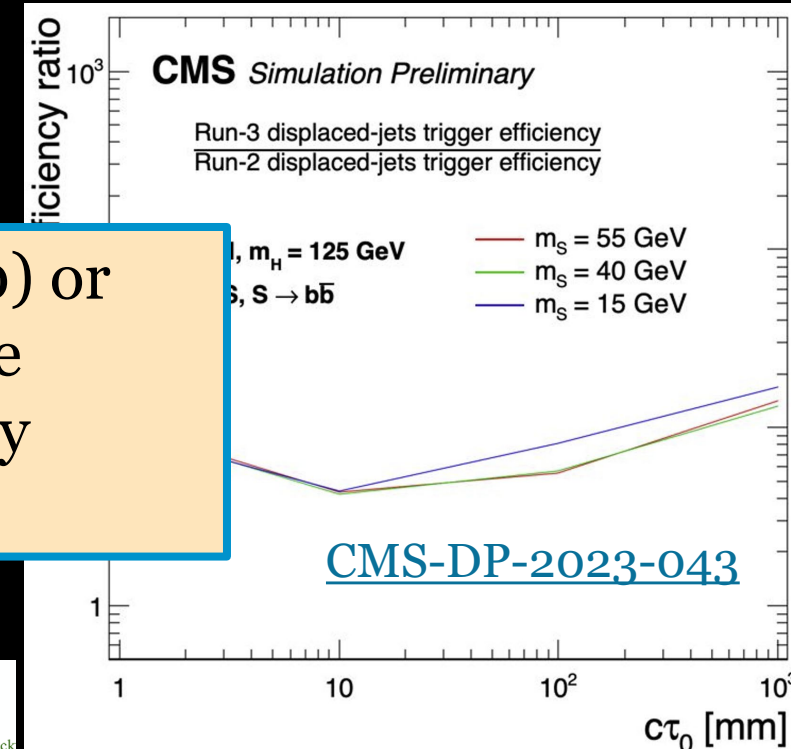
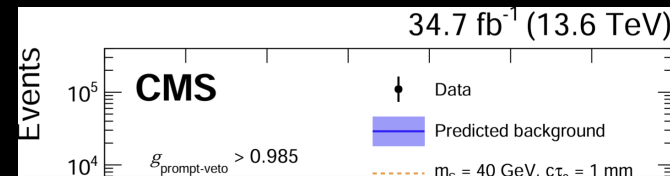
Better sensitivity with 1/3 the luminosity due to the improved trigger.

Recent Trigger Improvement: Displaced jets in tracker

- Run3 improved trigger: trigger efficiency by around 10, then with analysis improvement



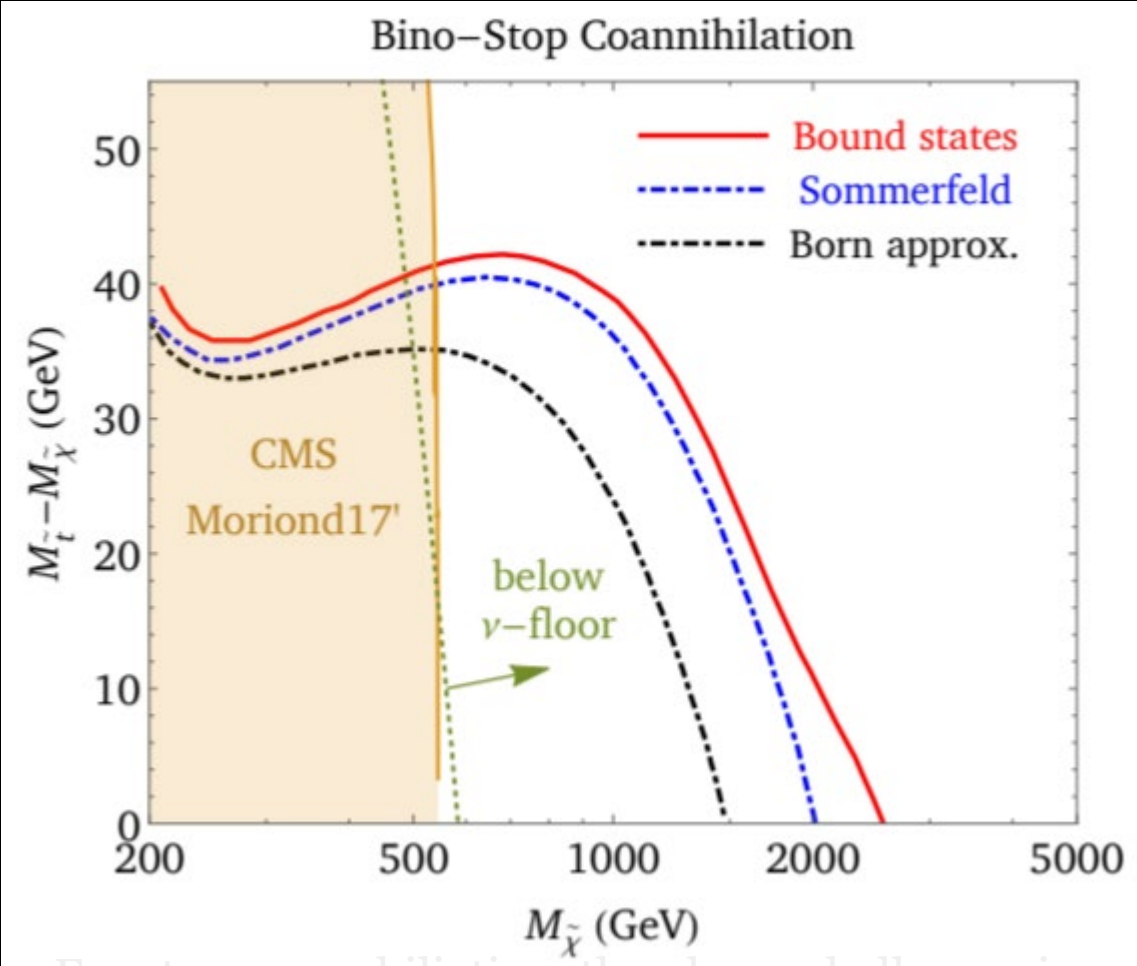
Lesson 5: New Trigger can bring in O(10) or more improvements. So one should have trigger capabilities in mind from the very beginning of a new experiment.



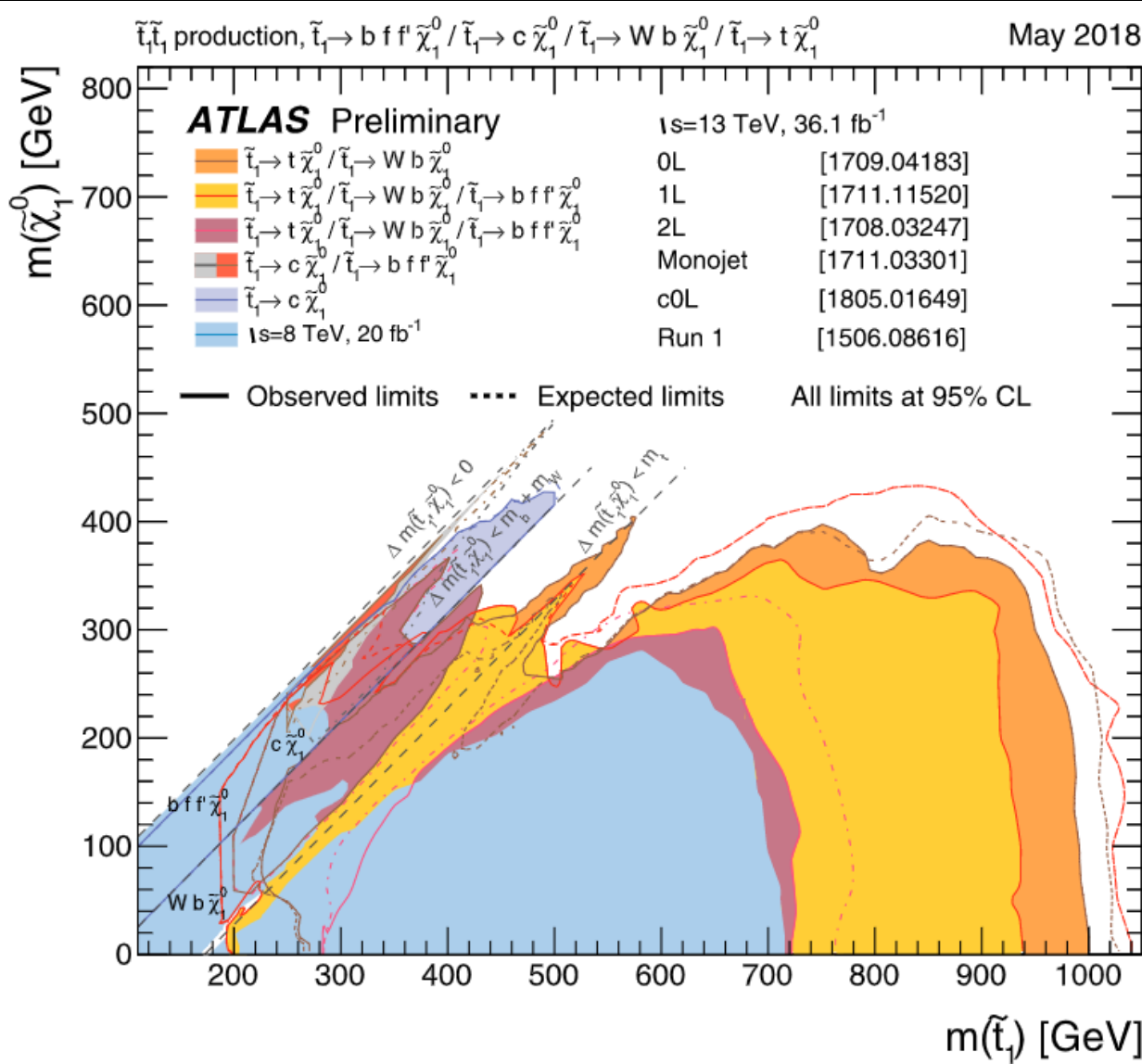
Opportunities with Lessons

- New Challenging Signals

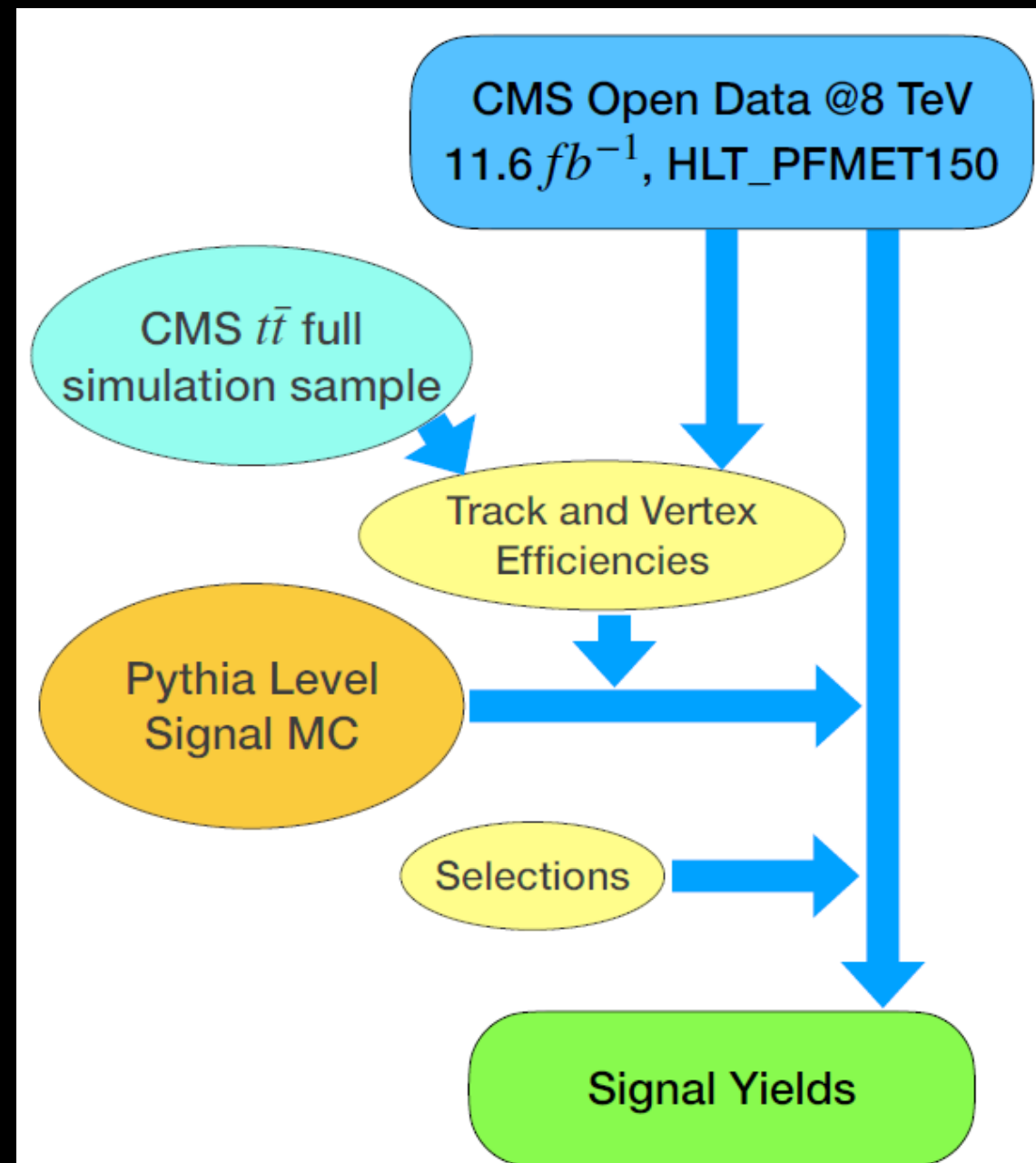
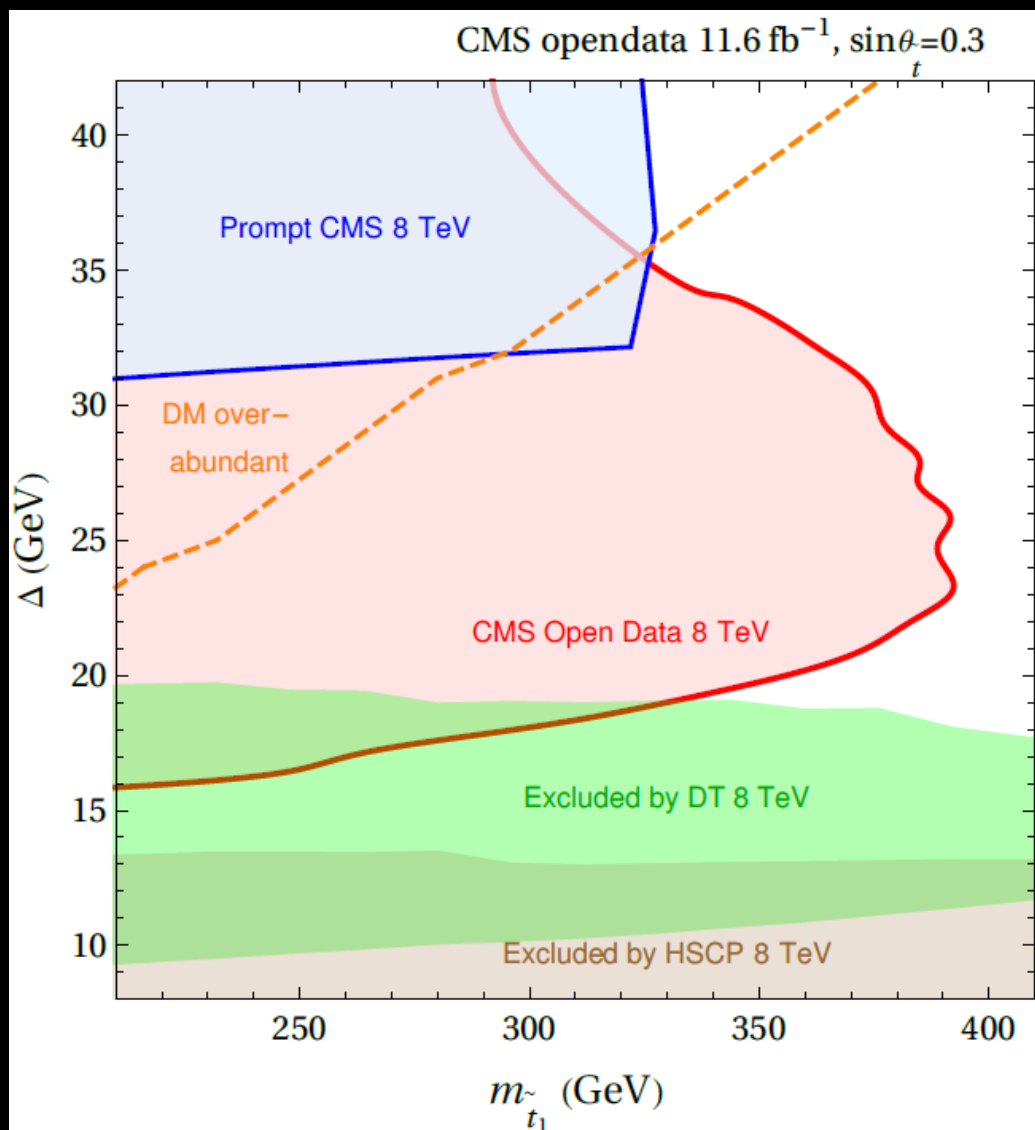
Coannihilation and LLP



For stau-coannihilation, the pheno challenges is with soft and prompt tau leptons.



With OpenData, we showed MET+soft tracks are feasible

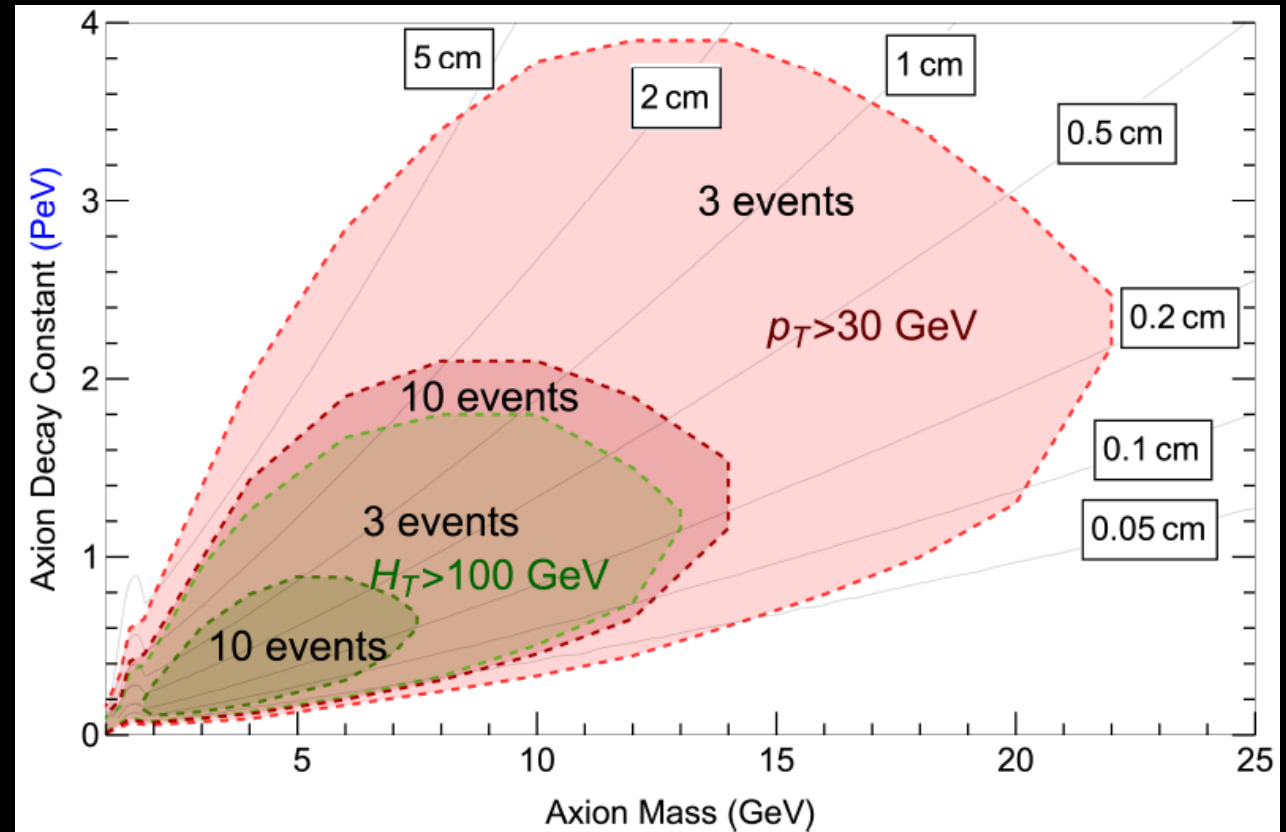


A displaced track trigger enables searches for axions

Unique singly produced LLPs making the LHC main detectors the major place to look for them:

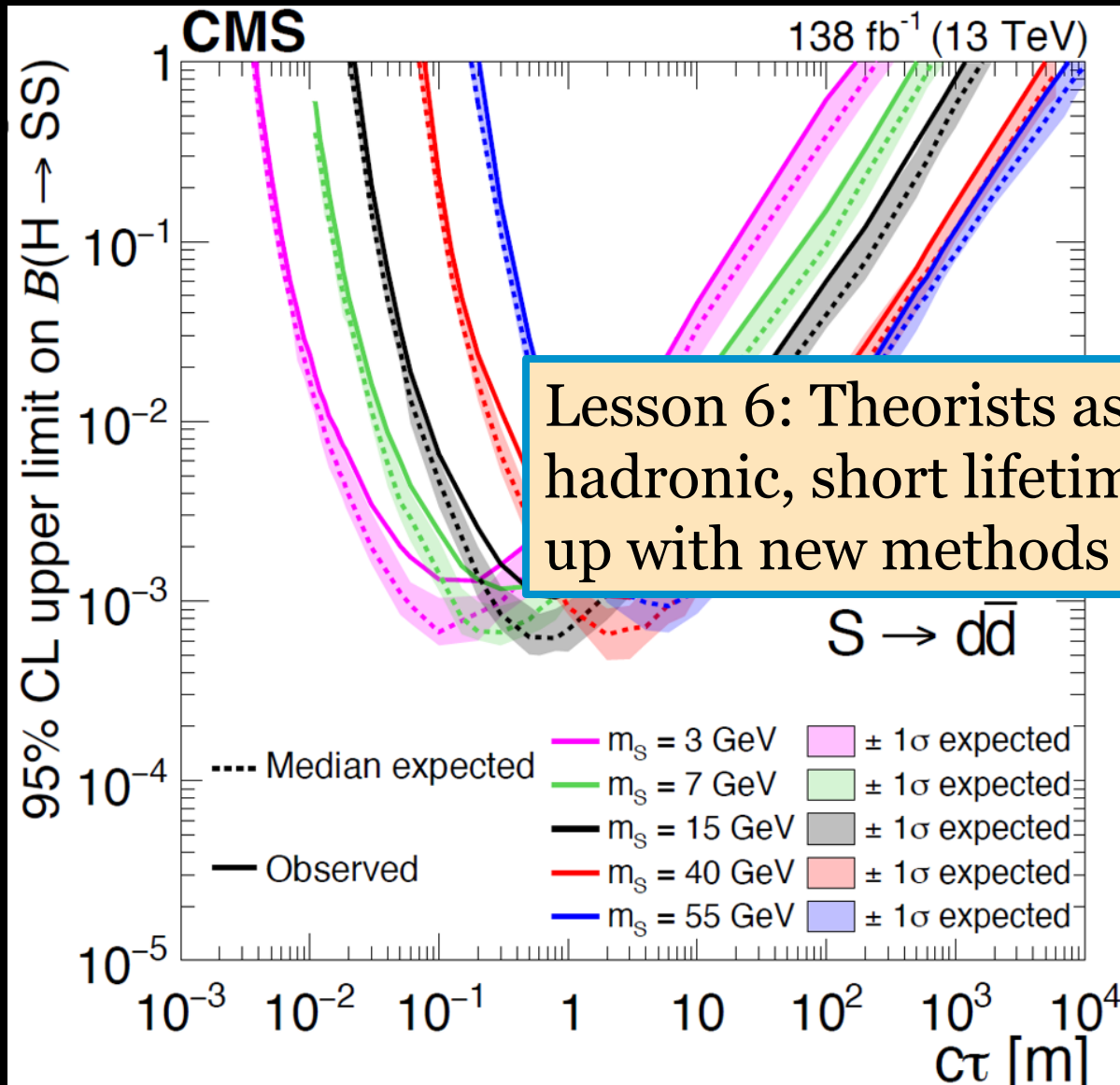
Long lifetime = low production rate

$$\frac{a}{8\pi f_a} \left(c_3 \alpha_3 G\tilde{G} + c_2 \alpha_2 W\tilde{W} + c_1 \alpha_1 B\tilde{B} \right)$$

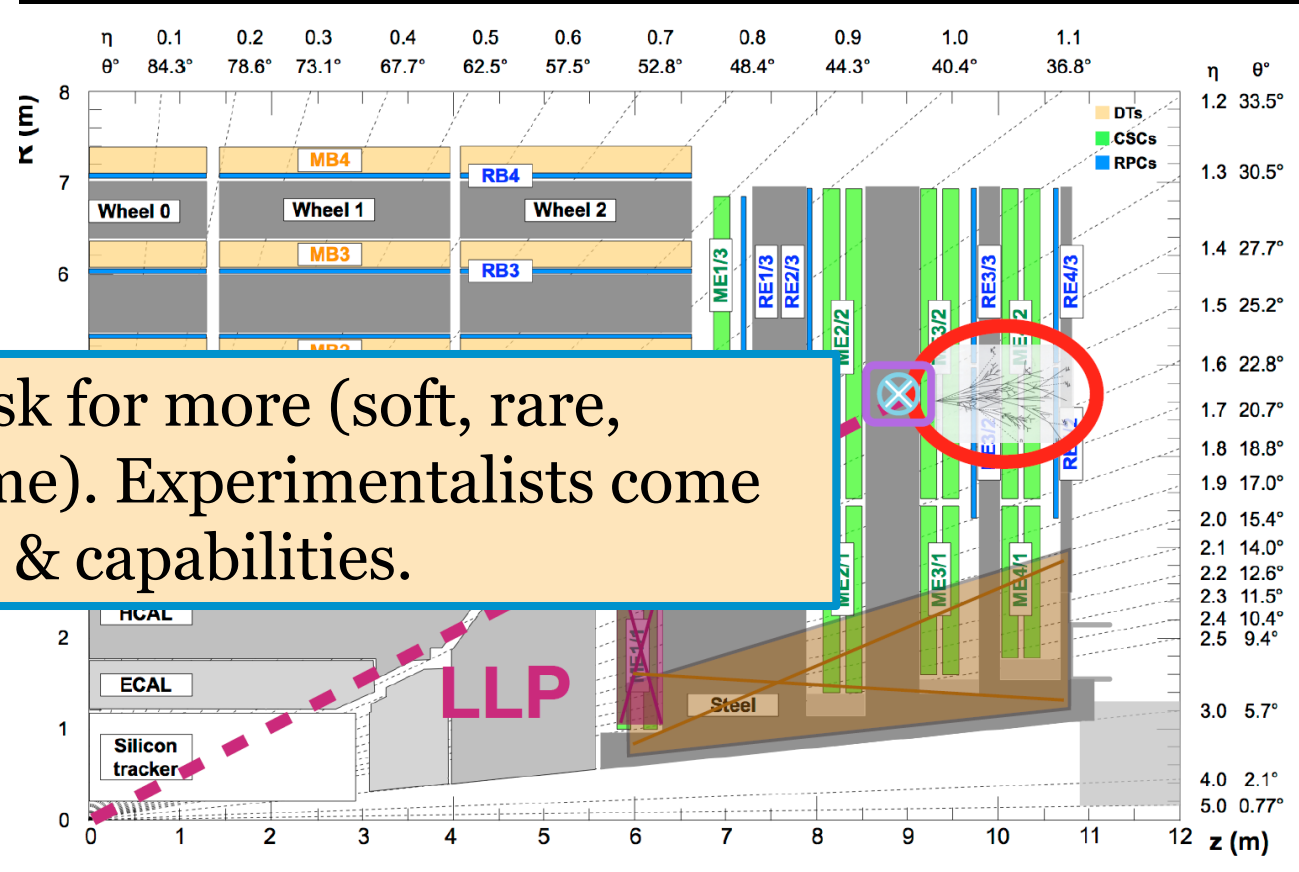


A 2D-4D vertexing selection for displaced jet to veto the fake track background, demonstrating the plausibility of this search.

Our experimental colleagues also creatively handle those low mass (but not soft) objects



Lesson 6: Theorists ask for more (soft, rare, hadronic, short lifetime). Experimentalists come up with new methods & capabilities.



Opportunities with Lessons

- Future Collider Benchmark: Higgsino DM

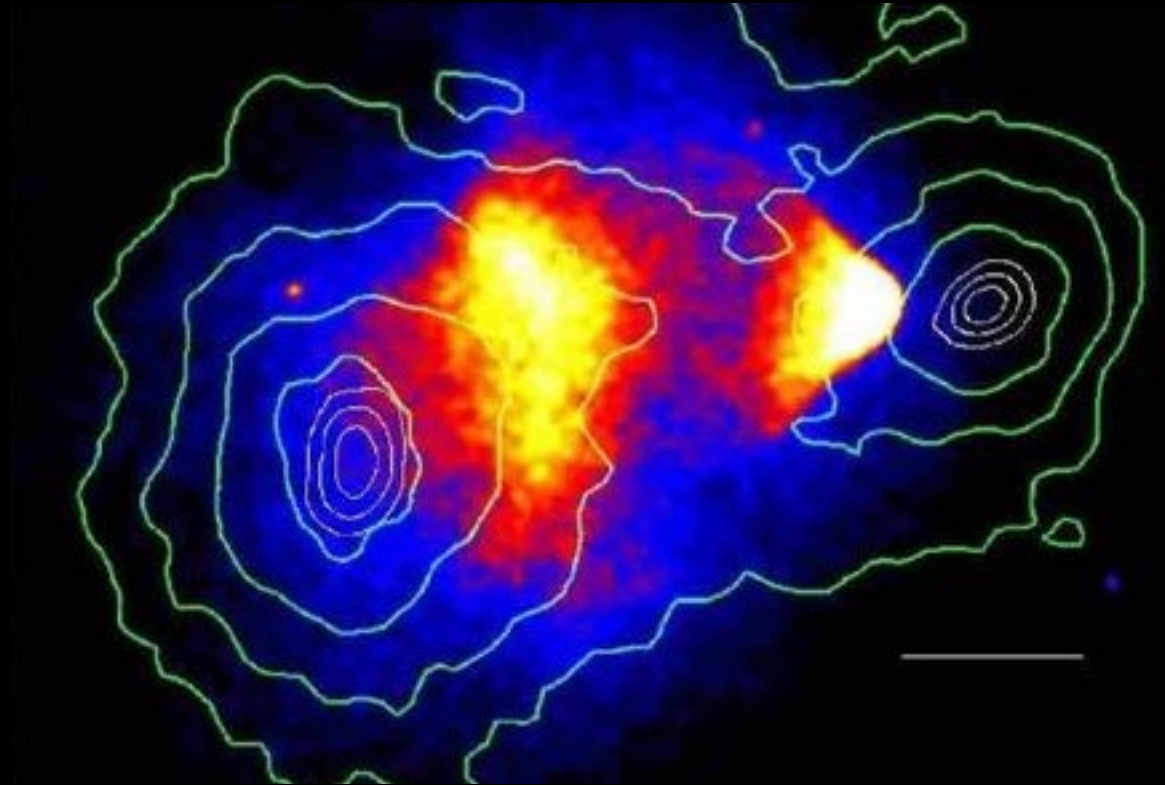
WIMP Dark Matter

Compelling, simple, predictive explanation for thermal, cold dark matter.

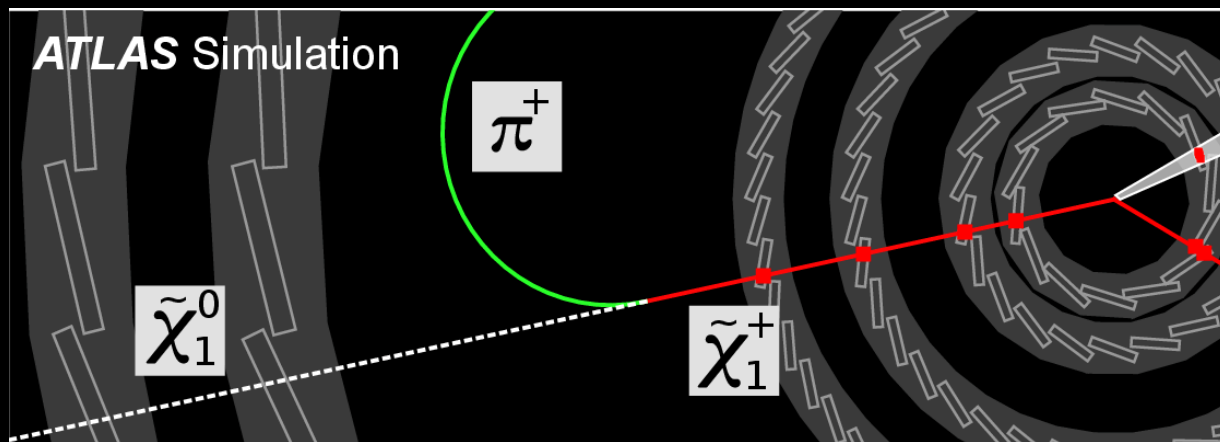
Amongst those, a pure electroweak doublet (SUSY Higgsino) is particularly motivated and challenging.

$$\Omega h^2 \simeq 0.1 \times \left(\frac{2 \times 10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{sec}}{\langle \sigma_{\text{eff}} v \rangle_{\text{freeze-out}}} \right)$$

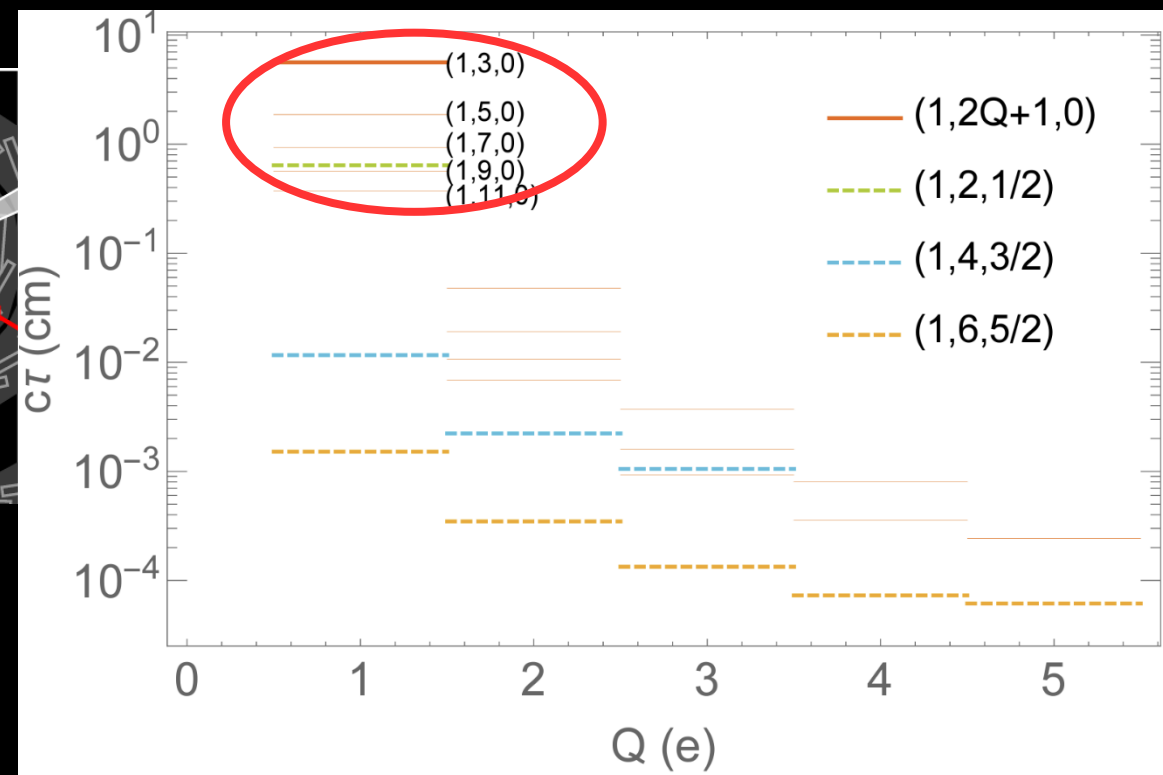
$$\langle \sigma_{\text{eff}} v \rangle_{\chi\bar{\chi} \rightarrow VV} \simeq \frac{\pi \alpha_{\chi}^2}{m_{\chi}^2}$$



Disappearing Tracks: next to minimal signatures



- Only useful for searches using charge 1 states
- Still, all higher charged states will cascade back to charge 1 states promptly
- Use all the production rates of charged states
- **Mono-photon+disappearing tracks**
- **Beam Induced Background**

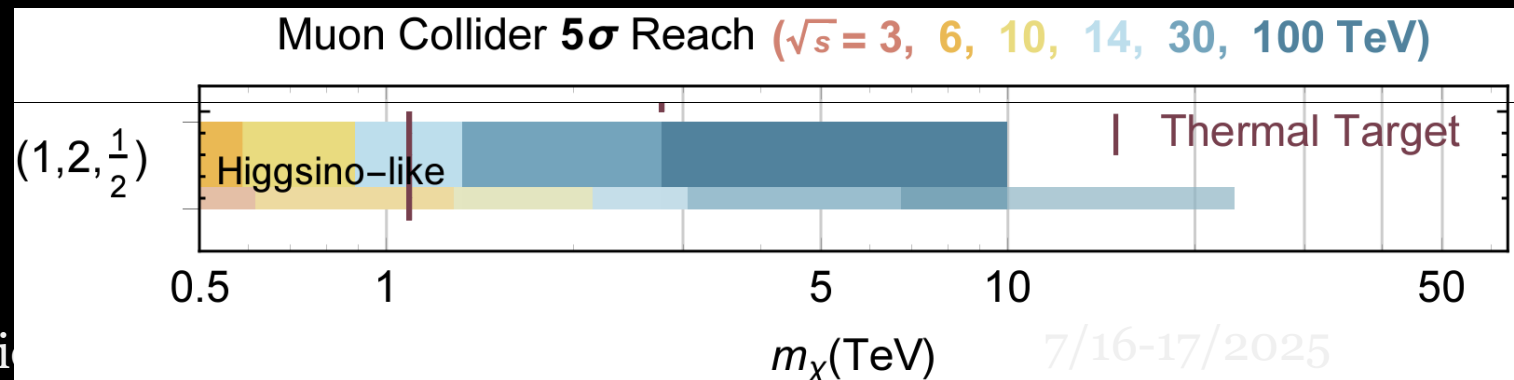
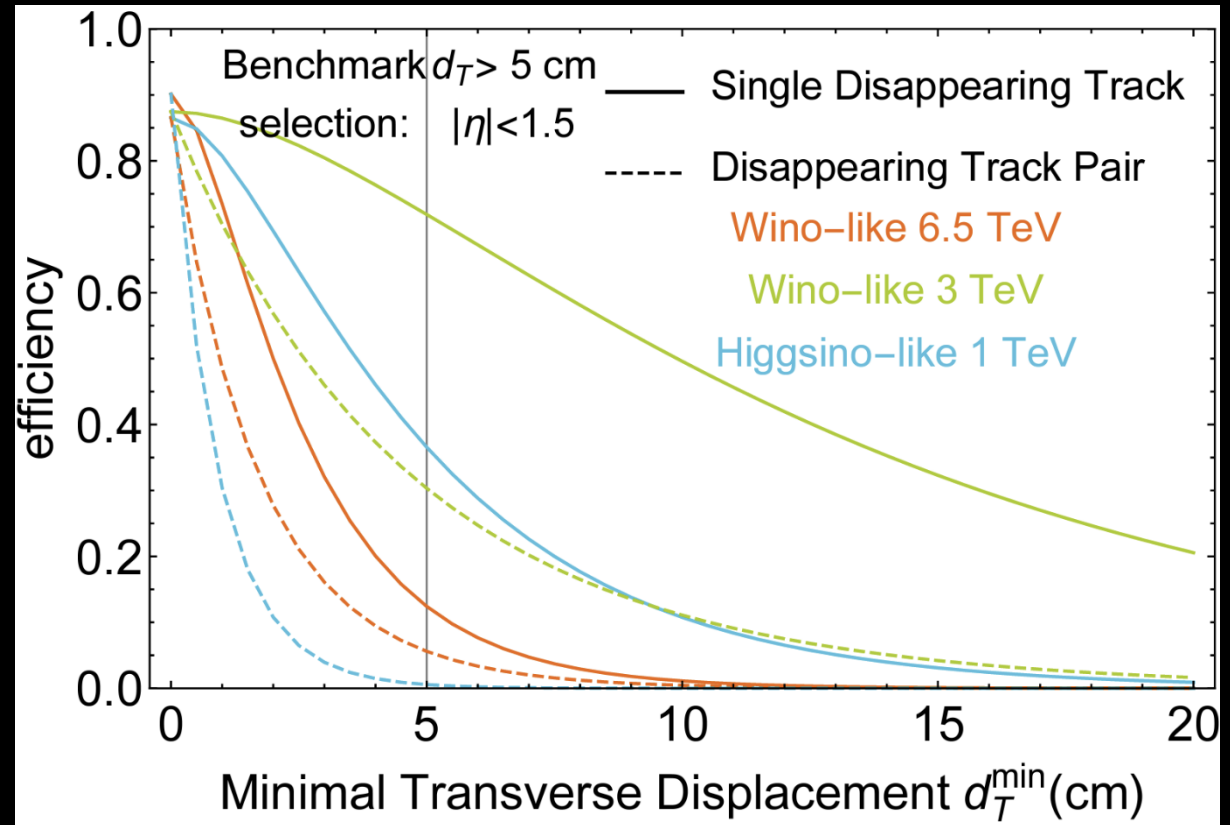


Pure Higgsinos with **360 MeV** mass splitting, **6mm** lifetime, low production rate and **1.1 TeV** target mass, very challenging.

Minimal transverse displacement

- Only use the central tracks, $|\eta| < 1.5$
- We assume at least two-layers of trackers can be placed before **$r=5\text{cm}$**
- Show both pair reconstruction or single reconstruction results
- We conservatively required 50 signal events for discovery

Recent optimization work looking for soft pions, achieving sensitivity to Higgsino at 3TeV MuC, Capdevilla, Meloni, Zurita, [2405.08858](#)



Lots of studies at CEPC

- Main detectors
- Auxiliary detectors (LAYCAST, FD3)

CEPC New Physics Potentials

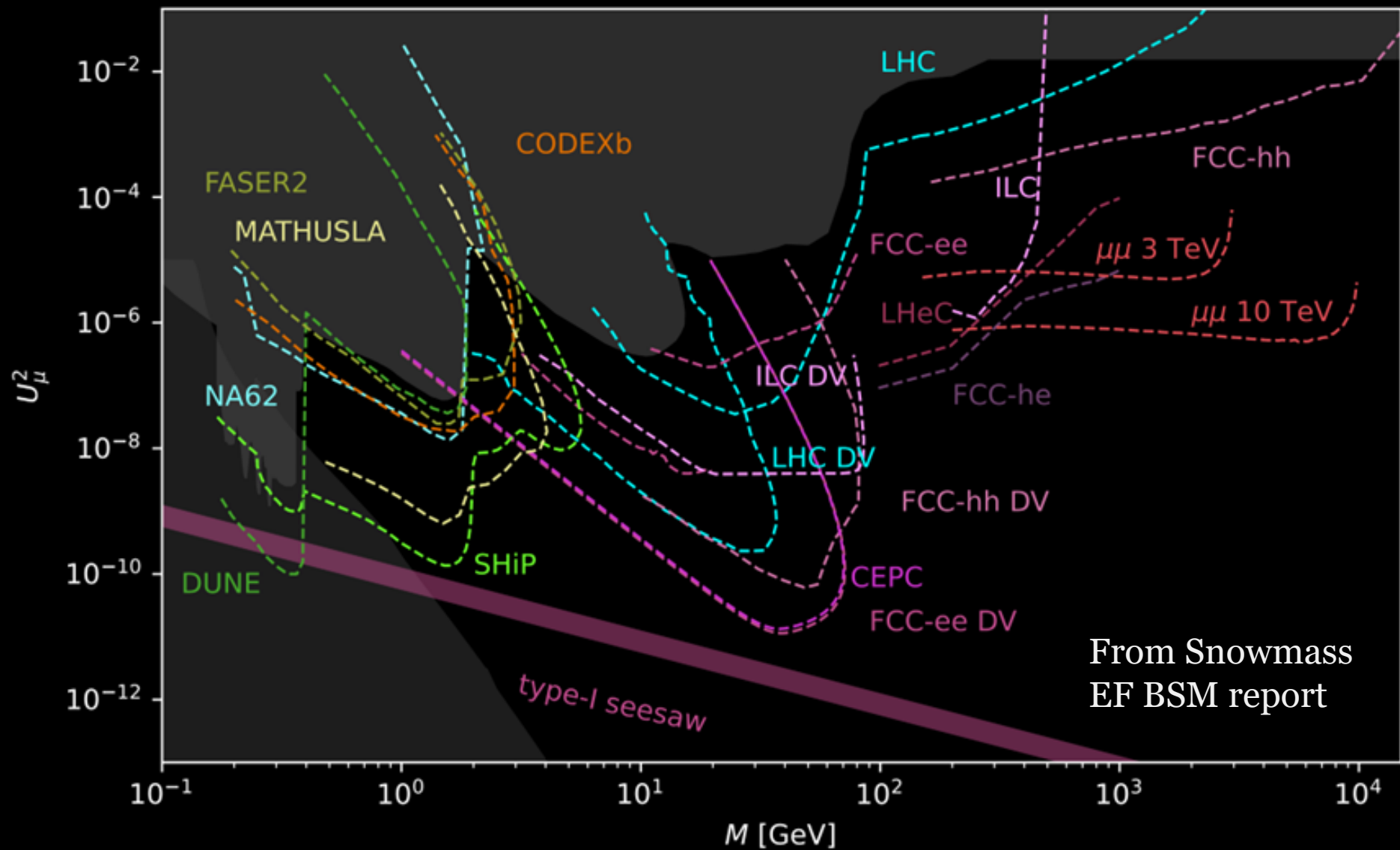
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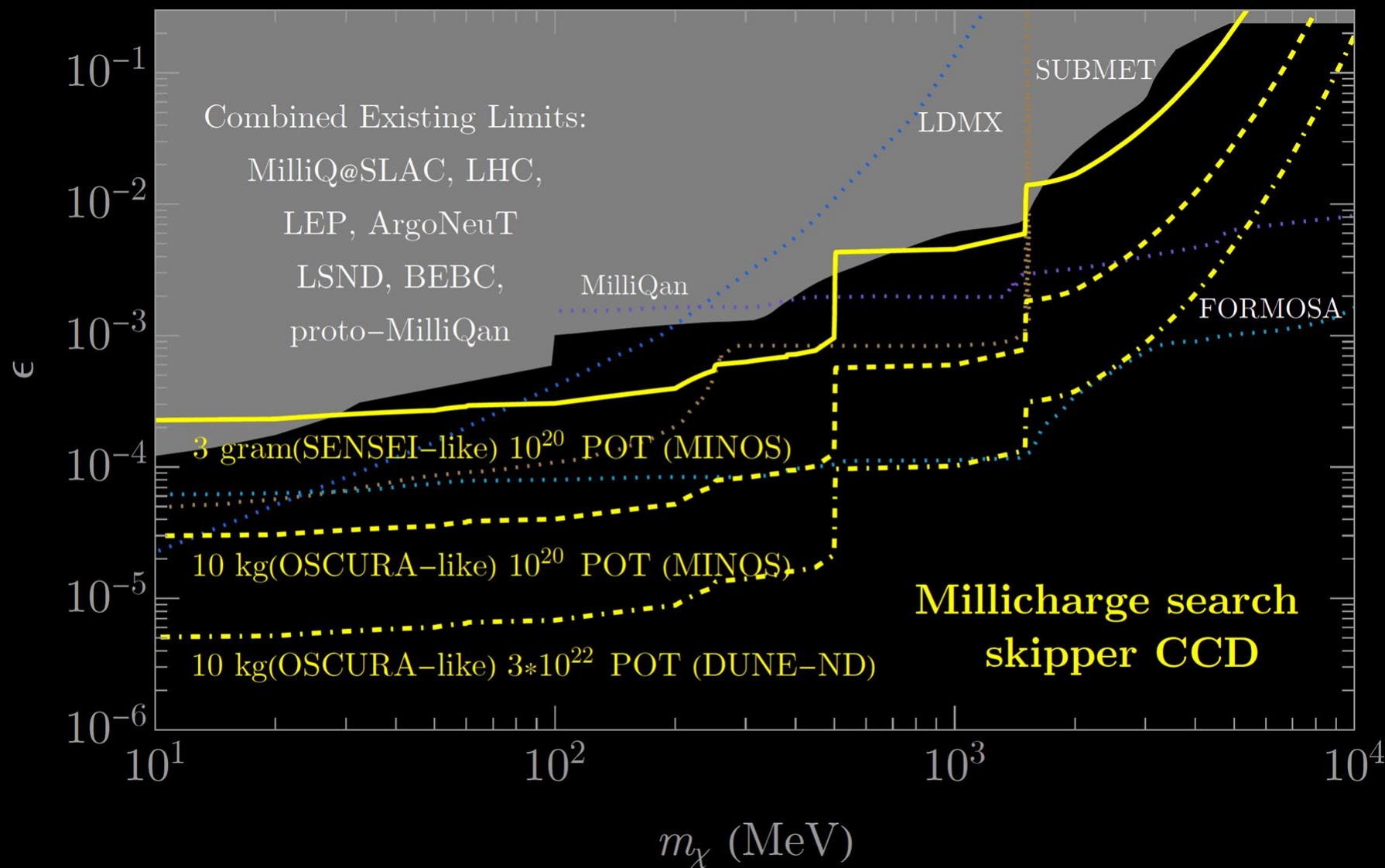
VI. LONG-LIVED PARTICLE SEARCHES (LIANG LI, YING-NAN MAO,
KECHEN WANG, ZEREN SIMON WANG)

LLP Type	Signal Signature	\sqrt{s} [GeV]	\mathcal{L} [ab ⁻¹]	Detector	Sensitivities on parameters [Assumptions]	Figs.	Refs.
New scalar particles (X)	$Z(\rightarrow \text{incl.}) h(\rightarrow XX),$ $X \rightarrow q\bar{q}/\nu\bar{\nu}$	240	20	ND	$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow XX) \sim 10^{-6}$ $[m \in (1, 50) \text{ GeV}, \tau \in (10^{-3}, 10^{-1}) \text{ ns}]$	38	[80]
	$Z(\rightarrow \text{incl.}) h(\rightarrow XX),$ $X \rightarrow \text{incl.}$	240	5.6	ND	$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow XX) \sim 3 \times 10^{-6}$ $[m = 0.5 \text{ GeV}, c\tau \sim 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}]$	50	[86]
				FD3	$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow XX) \sim 7 \times 10^{-5}$ $[m = 0.5 \text{ GeV}, c\tau \sim 1 \text{ m}]$	50	[86]
				LAYCAST	$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow XX) \sim 5 \times 10^{-6}$ $[m = 0.5 \text{ GeV}, c\tau \sim 10^{-1} \text{ m}]$	50	[257]
RPV-SUSY neutralinos ($\tilde{\chi}_1^0$)	$Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0,$ $\tilde{\chi}_1^0 \rightarrow \text{incl.}$	91.2	150	ND	$\lambda'_{112}/m_f^2 \in (2 \times 10^{-14}, 10^{-8}) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ $[m \sim 40 \text{ GeV}, \text{Br}(Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 10^{-3}]$	44	[86]
				FD3	$\lambda'_{112}/m_f^2 \in (10^{-14}, 10^{-9}) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ $[m \sim 40 \text{ GeV}, \text{Br}(Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 10^{-3}]$	51	[86]
				LAYCAST	$\lambda'_{112}/m_f^2 \in (7 \times 10^{-15}, 10^{-9}) \text{ GeV}^{-2}$ $[m \sim 40 \text{ GeV}, \text{Br}(Z \rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0) = 10^{-3}]$	51	[257]
ALPs (a)	$Z^{(*)} \rightarrow \mu^- \mu^+ a$	91	150	ND	$f_a/C_{\mu\mu}^A \lesssim 950 \text{ GeV}$	45	[85]
	$\gamma a,$ $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	91.2	150	ND	$C_{\gamma\gamma}/\Lambda \sim 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ $[C_{\gamma Z} = 0, m \sim 2 \text{ GeV}]$	52	[257]
				FD3	$C_{\gamma\gamma}/\Lambda \sim 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ $[C_{\gamma Z} = 0, m \sim 0.3 \text{ GeV}]$	52	[258]
				LAYCAST	$C_{\gamma\gamma}/\Lambda \sim 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ $[C_{\gamma Z} = 0, m \sim 0.7 \text{ GeV}]$	52	[257]
Hidden valley particles (π_V^0)	$Z h(\rightarrow \pi_V^0 \pi_V^0),$ $\pi_V^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	350	1.0	ND	$\sigma(h) \times \text{BR}(h \rightarrow \pi_V^0 \pi_V^0) \sim 10^{-4} \text{ pb}$ $[m \in (25, 50) \text{ GeV}, \tau \sim 10^2 \text{ ps}]$	42	[259]
Dark photons (γ_D)	$Z(\rightarrow q\bar{q}) h(\rightarrow \gamma_D \gamma_D),$ $\gamma_D \rightarrow \ell^- \ell^+ / q\bar{q}$	250	2.0	ND	$\text{Br}(h \rightarrow \gamma_D \gamma_D) \sim 10^{-5},$ $[m \in (5, 16) \text{ GeV}, \tau \sim 10^2 \text{ ps}, \epsilon \in (10^{-6}, 10^{-7})]$	43	[83]

Heavy Neutrino Portal



Millicharged Particles from Colliders



Future projections:
SENSEI@MINOS
DUNE-ND
LDMX
 Etc.

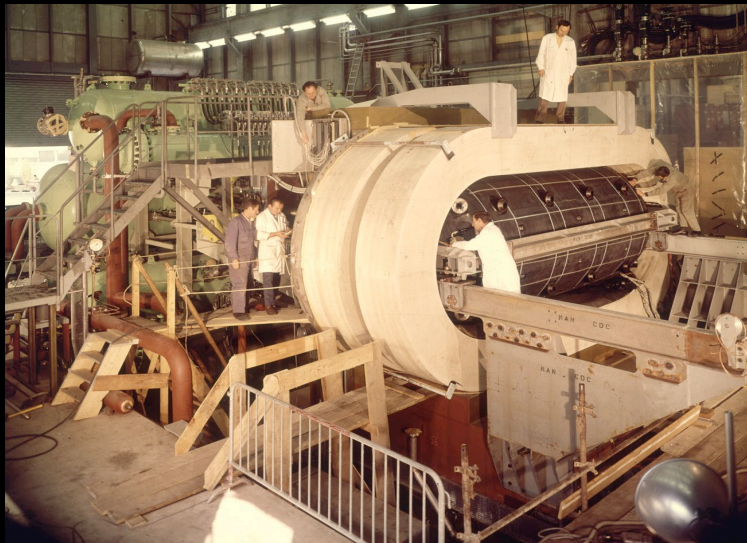
ZL's estimation.
 Also updated with various
 more realistic
 considerations with
 SENSEI and OSCURA
 collaboration
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Looking into the Future: Lessons from History

42 Years of W boson Discovery

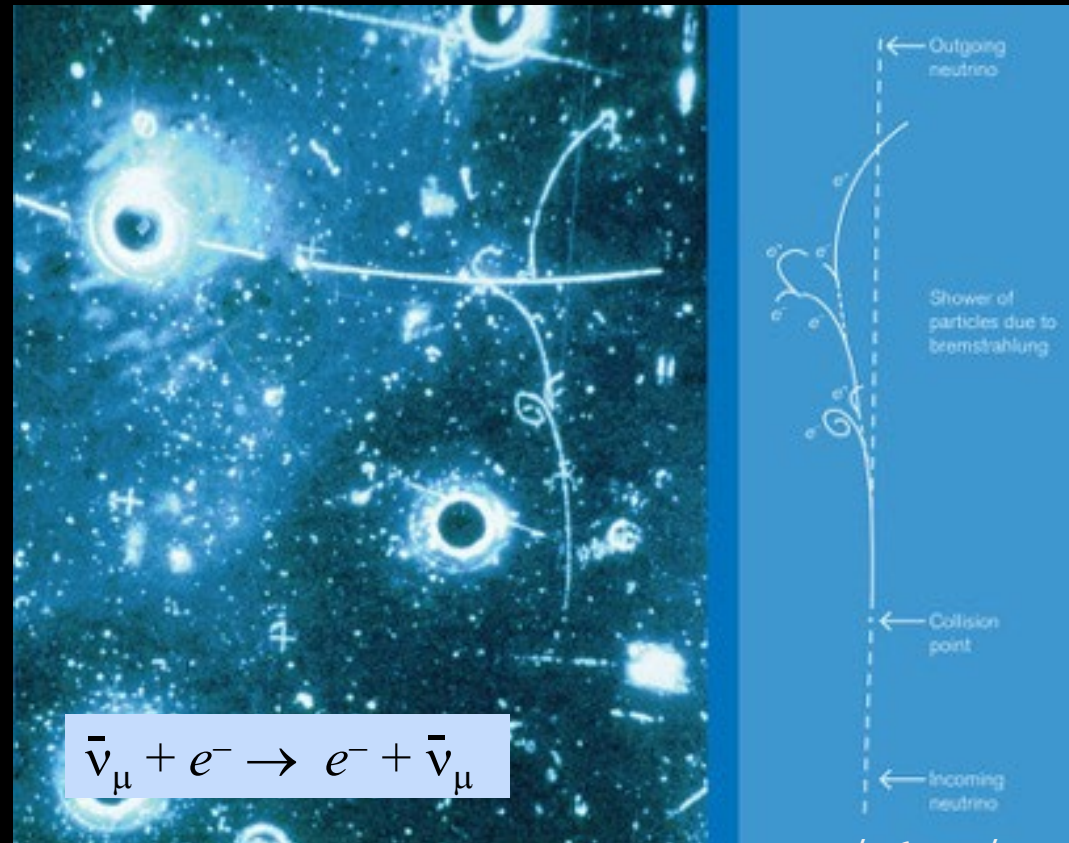
Neutral currents and Weinberg angle

- 1973 Discovery of neutral currents at CERN with neutrino interactions in the Gargamelle bubble chamber, supporting electroweak theory
- ~1977 Measurements of Weinberg angle from cross-section ratios between neutral and charged current interactions -> prediction for W mass $M_W \sim 60 - 80 \text{ GeV}$
- ~1980 More precise measurements of Weinberg angle -> $M_W = 82.0 \pm 2.4 \text{ GeV}$



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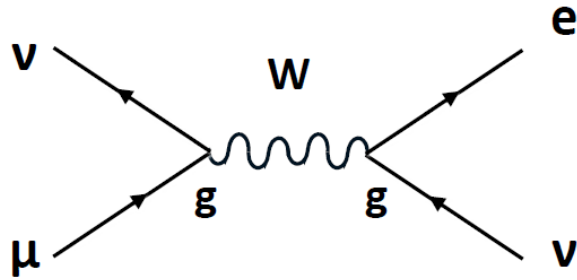
Collider BSM



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Before 1983



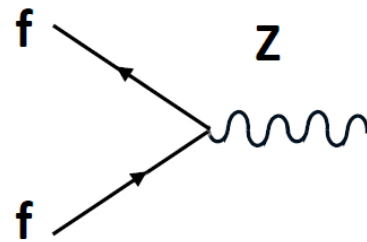
$$\Gamma(\mu \rightarrow e \nu \bar{\nu}) \propto G_F = \frac{\pi}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{g^2}{M_W^2} \rightarrow$$

known

SM:

$$g = e/\sin \theta_W$$

$$M_W = M_Z \cos \theta_W$$



$$g_V = T_3 - 2Q \sin^2 \theta_W$$

$$g_A = T_3$$

measure $\sin \theta_W$ in NC/CC DIS

predict
(up to rad corr's)

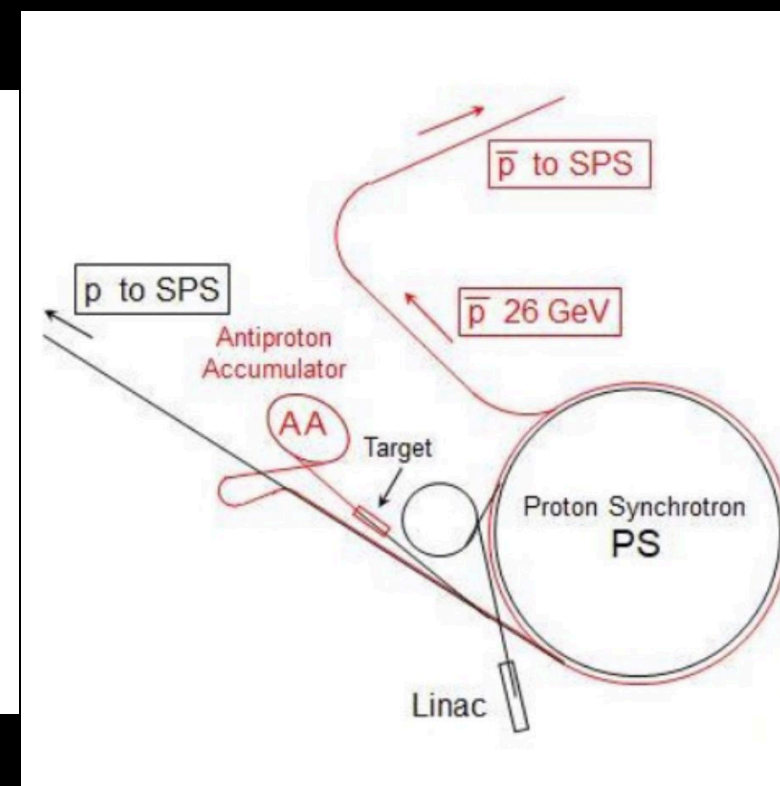
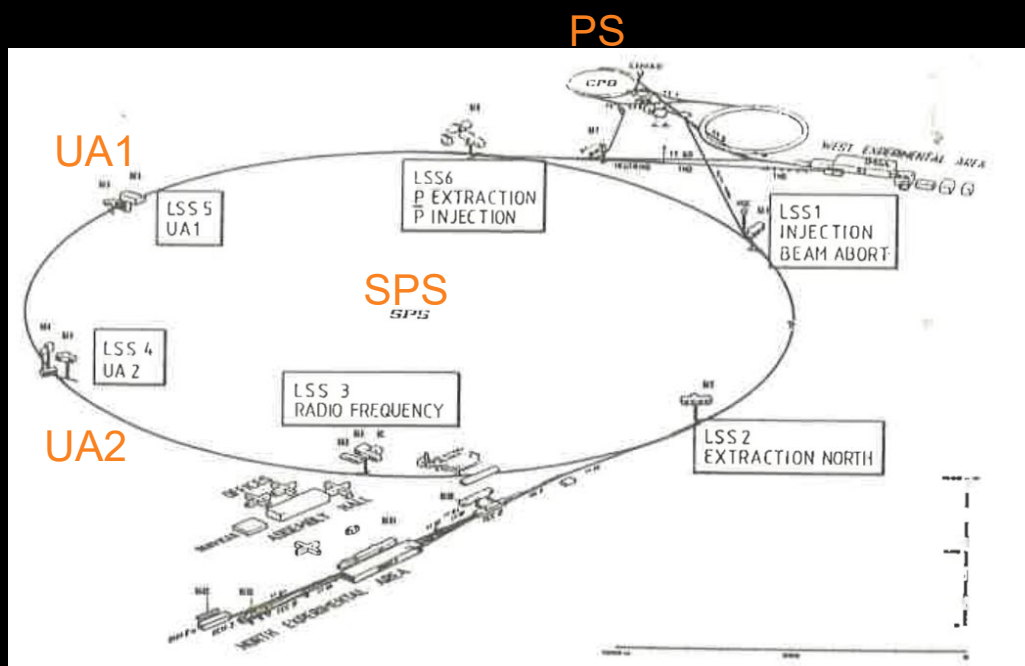
$$M_W^2 = \frac{\pi \alpha}{\sqrt{2} G_F \sin^2 \theta_W}$$

and

$$M_Z = M_W / \cos \theta_W$$

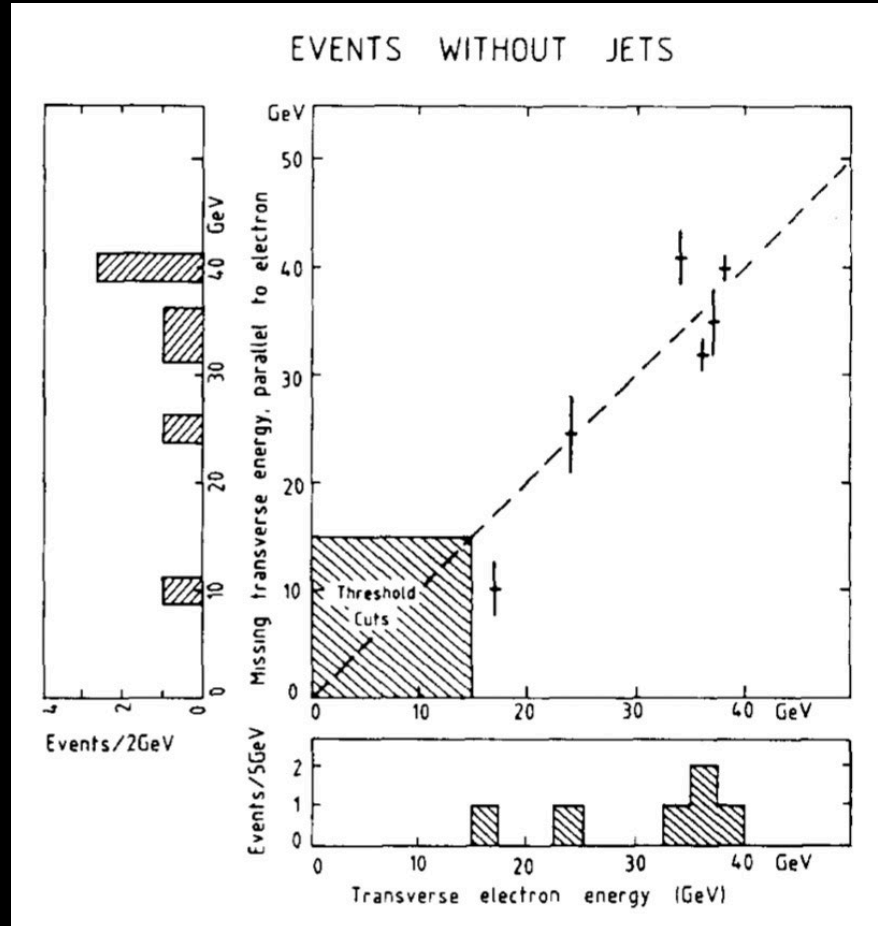
Timeline leading to the W discovery

- 1976 First beam in the CERN Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS)
- 1976 Cline, McIntyre, Rubbia propose conversion of existing machine into a $p\bar{p}$ collider
- 1978 Decision to convert the SPS into the Super Proton-Antiproton Synchrotron (Sp \bar{p} S)
- 1981 First proton-antiproton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 540$ GeV
- 1982 Experiments UA1 and UA2 have acquired enough data to enable the W discovery
- 1983 Announcement of W discovery

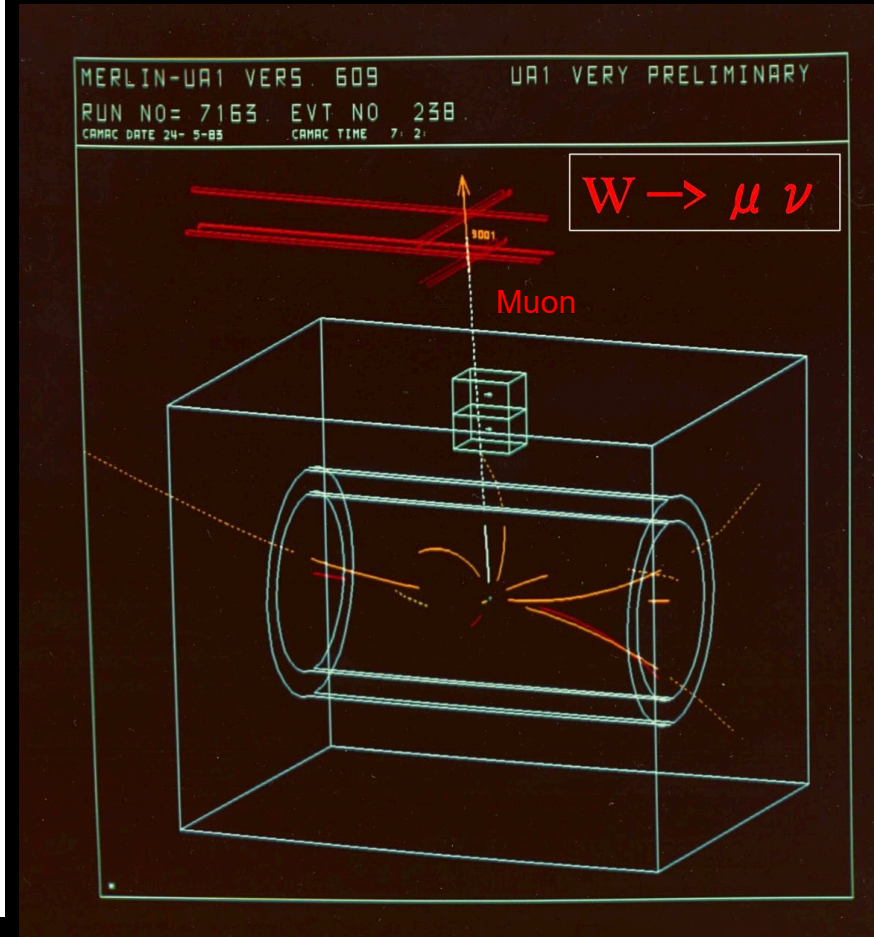


W events in UA1

Electron events



Muon event (not in discovery paper)



13 years of Higgs Discovery

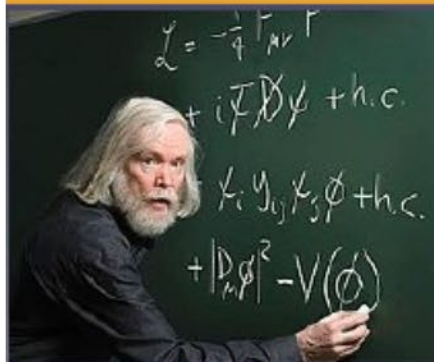


We all take Higgs for granted, but

First Study of the Higgs, 1976

- The beginning of Higgs phenomenology

We should perhaps finish with an apology and a caution. We apologize to experimentalists for having no idea what is the mass of the Higgs boson, unlike the case with charm [3,4] and for not being sure of its couplings to other particles, except that they are probably all very small. For these reasons we do not want to encourage big experimental searches for the Higgs boson, but we do feel that people performing experiments vulnerable to the Higgs boson should know how it may turn up.



Ellis



Gaillard

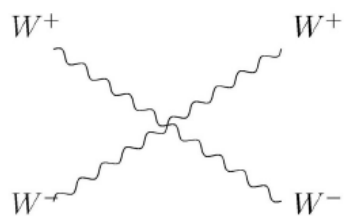


Nanopoulos

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S. Dawson

Unitarity, 1977

- We did know something about the Higgs mass
- Either $M_H < 800 \text{ GeV}$ or perturbative unitarity violated around 3 TeV



Cross sections grow with energy without Higgs

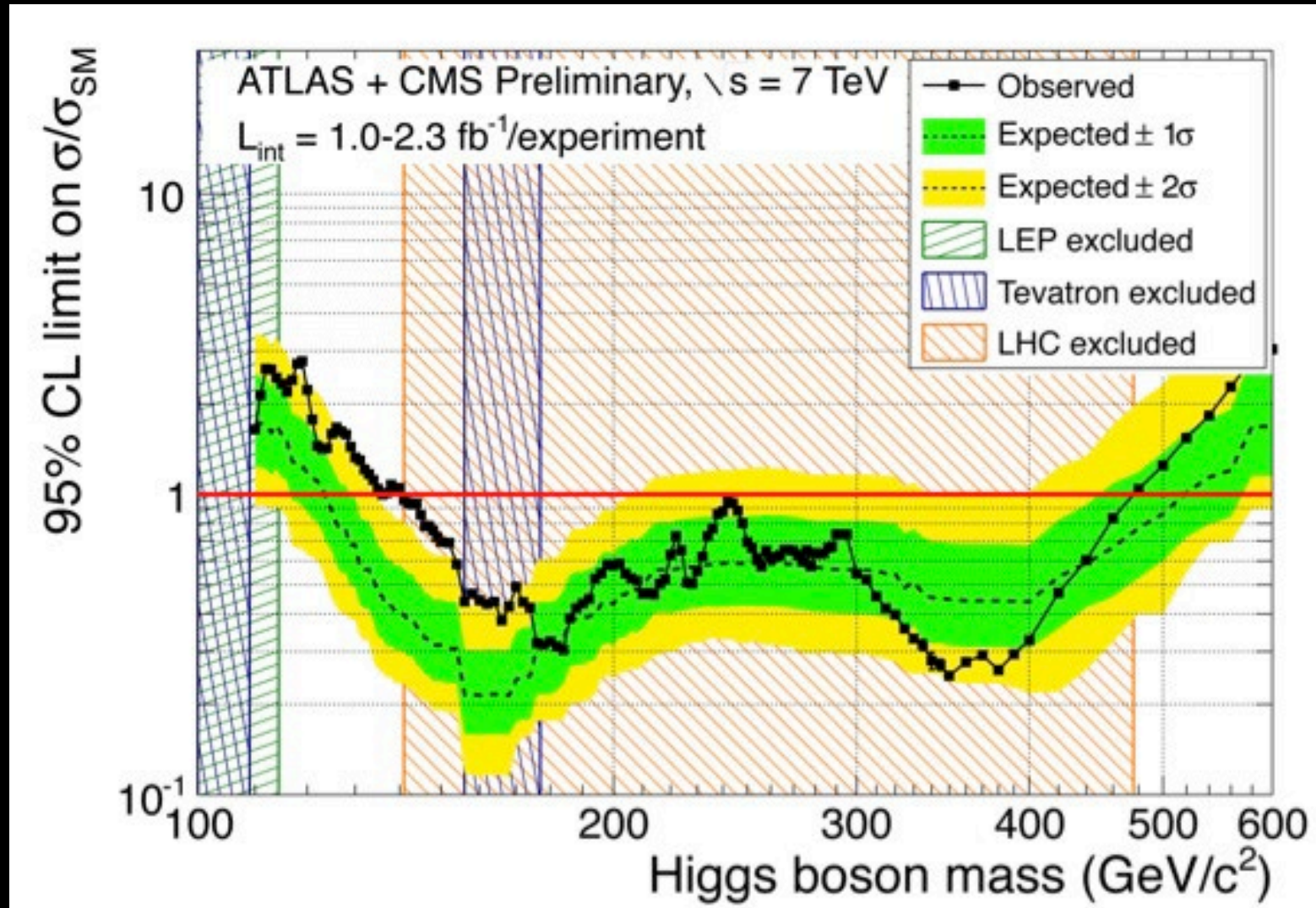
- Led to the powerful idea of a "no-lose" theorem
- "The LHC had to find a Higgs or something else at an accessible scale"

[Lee, Quigg, and Thacker](#)

And SSC

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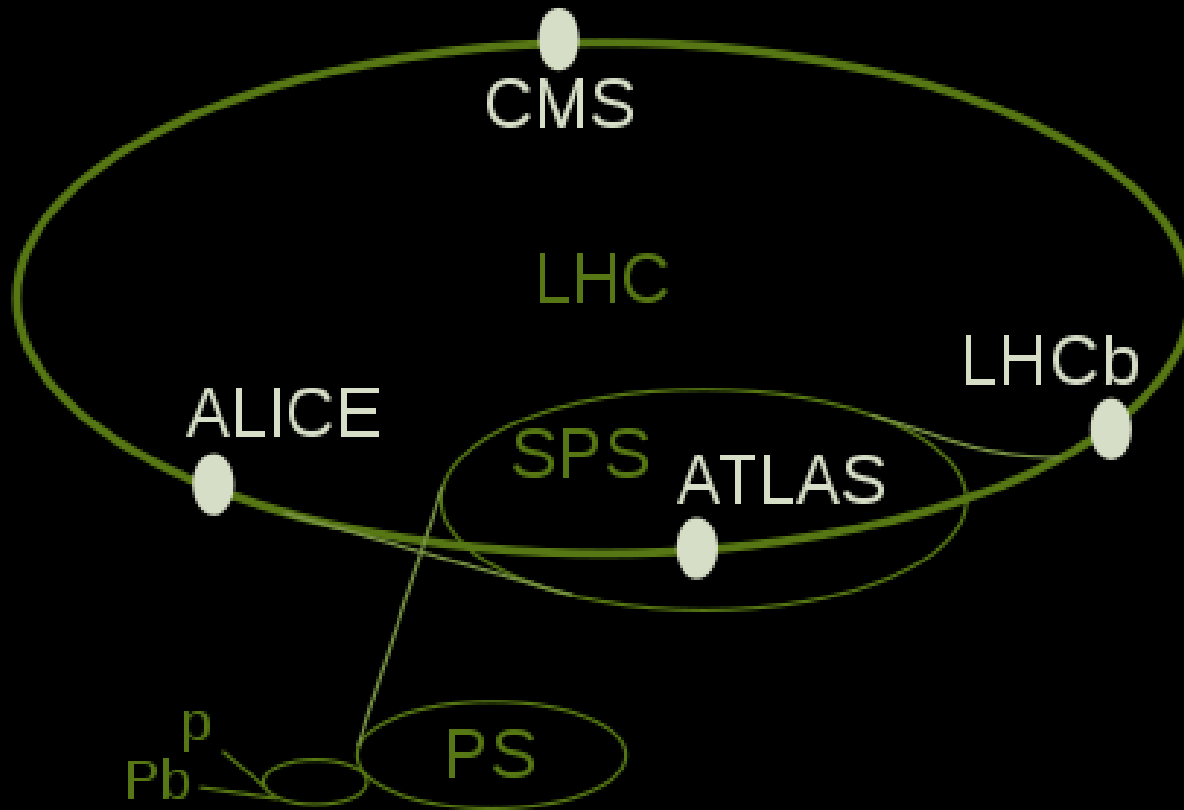
Higgs is not that obvious



I felt lucky to witness a bit of pre-Higgs era:

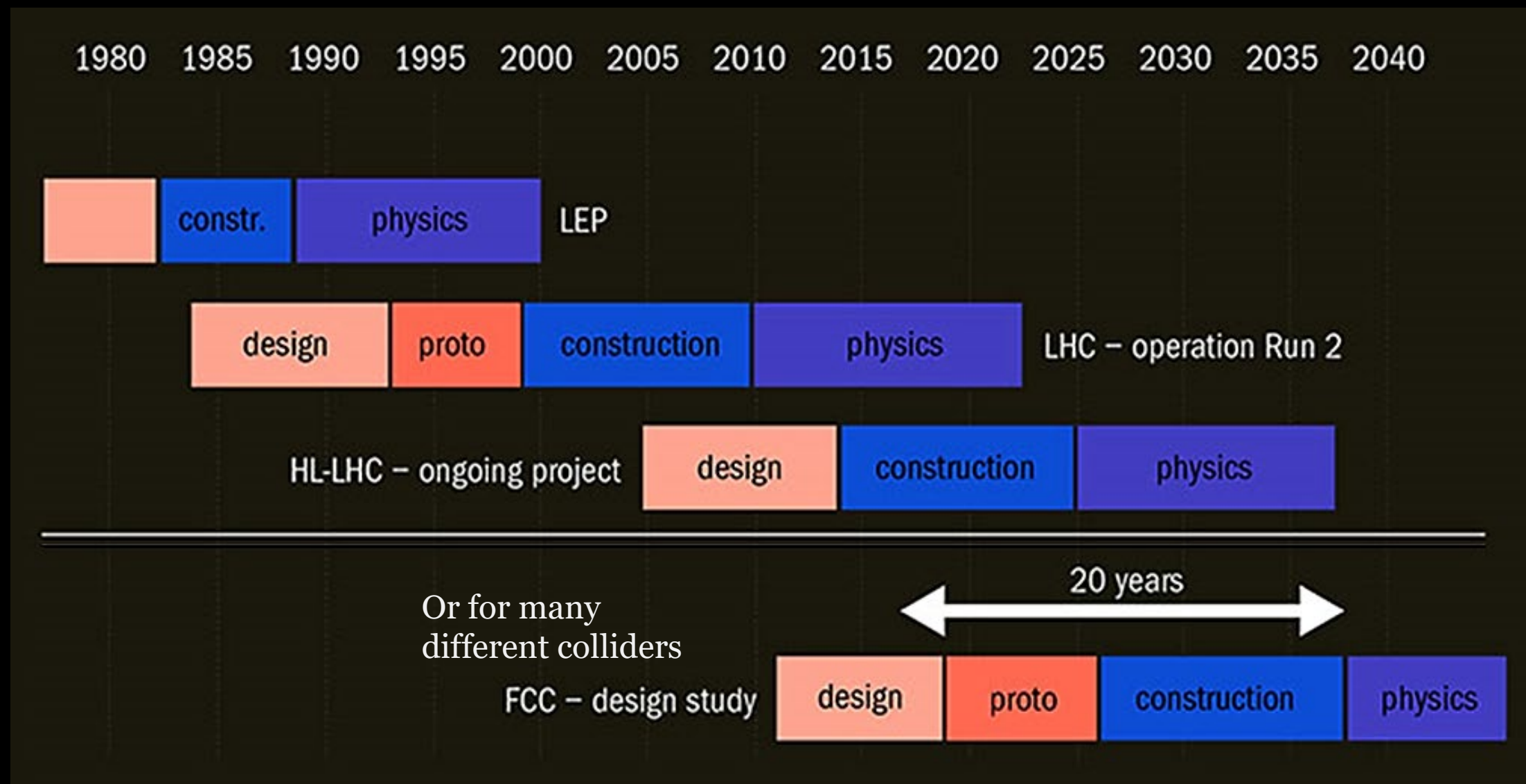
- New regions immediately covered by the LHC between 160-500 GeV
- Still, we didn't know where Higgs or New Physics would show up
- Higgsless theories were still motivated
- Higgs discovery was a huge step forward

Higgs was then Discovered in 2012 at the LHC



Does this ring
look familiar?

The Lifespans of HEP programs are long...



But I also think these discoveries spoiled us

We knew:

- W is there with already a target mass before searching;
- Top quark is there
- Higgs is there, or new physics enters before 800 GeV (no-lose theorem)

But, research is about the unknown, and we shall not over-promise.

Summary and Outlook

All measurements are BSM probes!

Goal:

- Establish/Reinforce Collider Landscape
- Establish Basic Examples of BSM Searches
- Show how different physics goals give rise to vastly different BSM probes.



BSM Opportunities

Around the Higgs
Go Exotic
Have Fun

Theoretical
plausible

Experimentally
possible