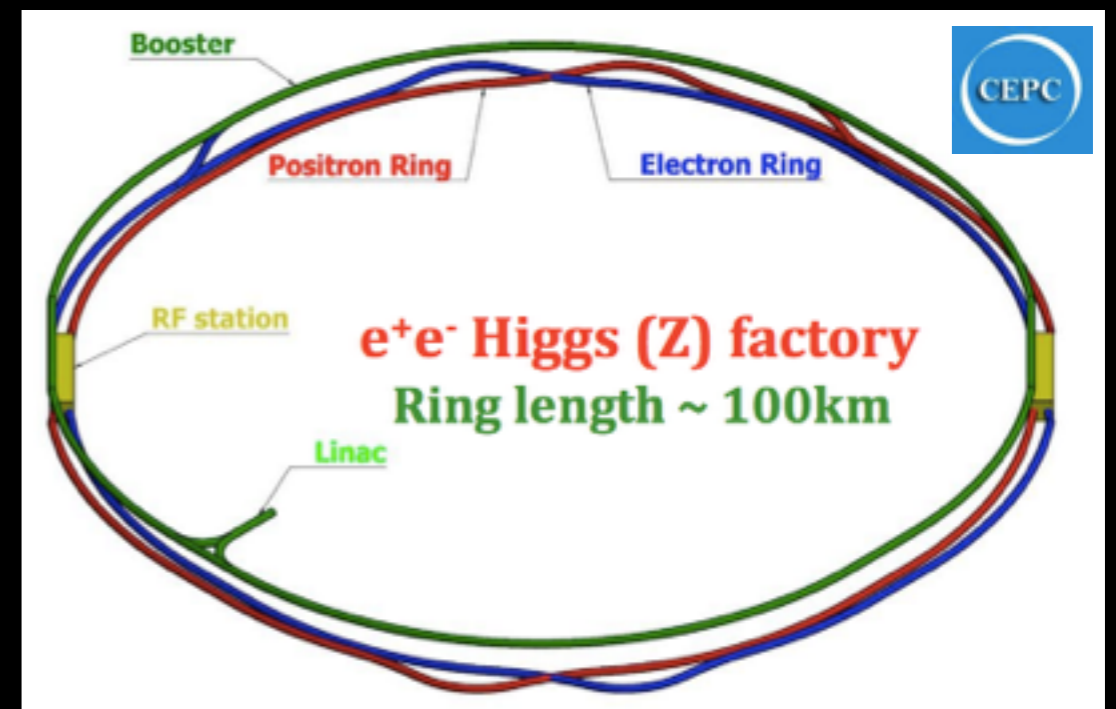
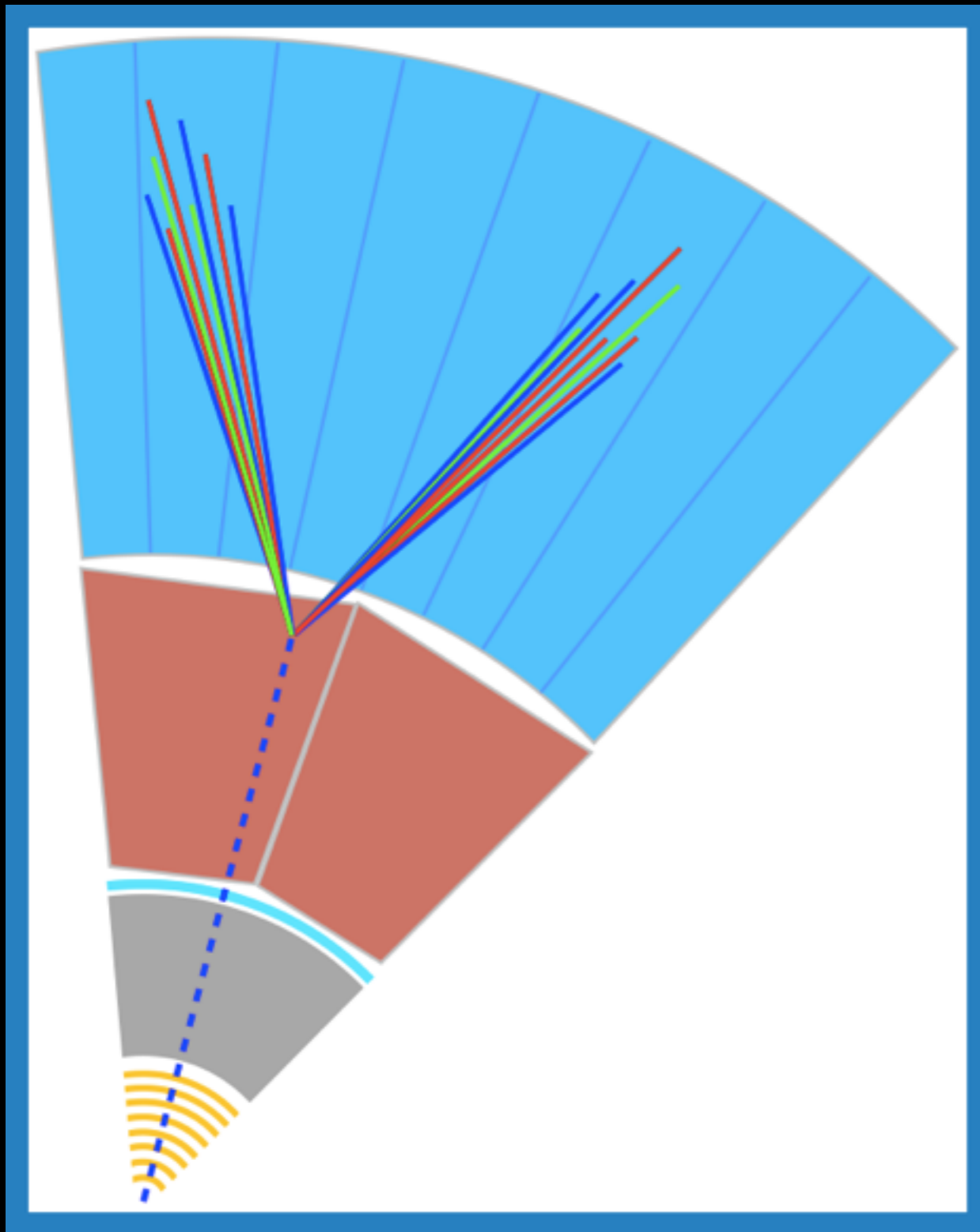


Searches for long-lived particles at the CEPC

Prospects and unknowns



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Higgs boson and EWSB

- m_H natural or fine-tuned ?
→ if natural: what new physics/symmetry?
- does it regularize the divergent $V_L V_L$ cross-section at high $M(V_L V_L)$? Or is there a new dynamics ?
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- origin of couplings to fermions
- coupling to dark matter ?
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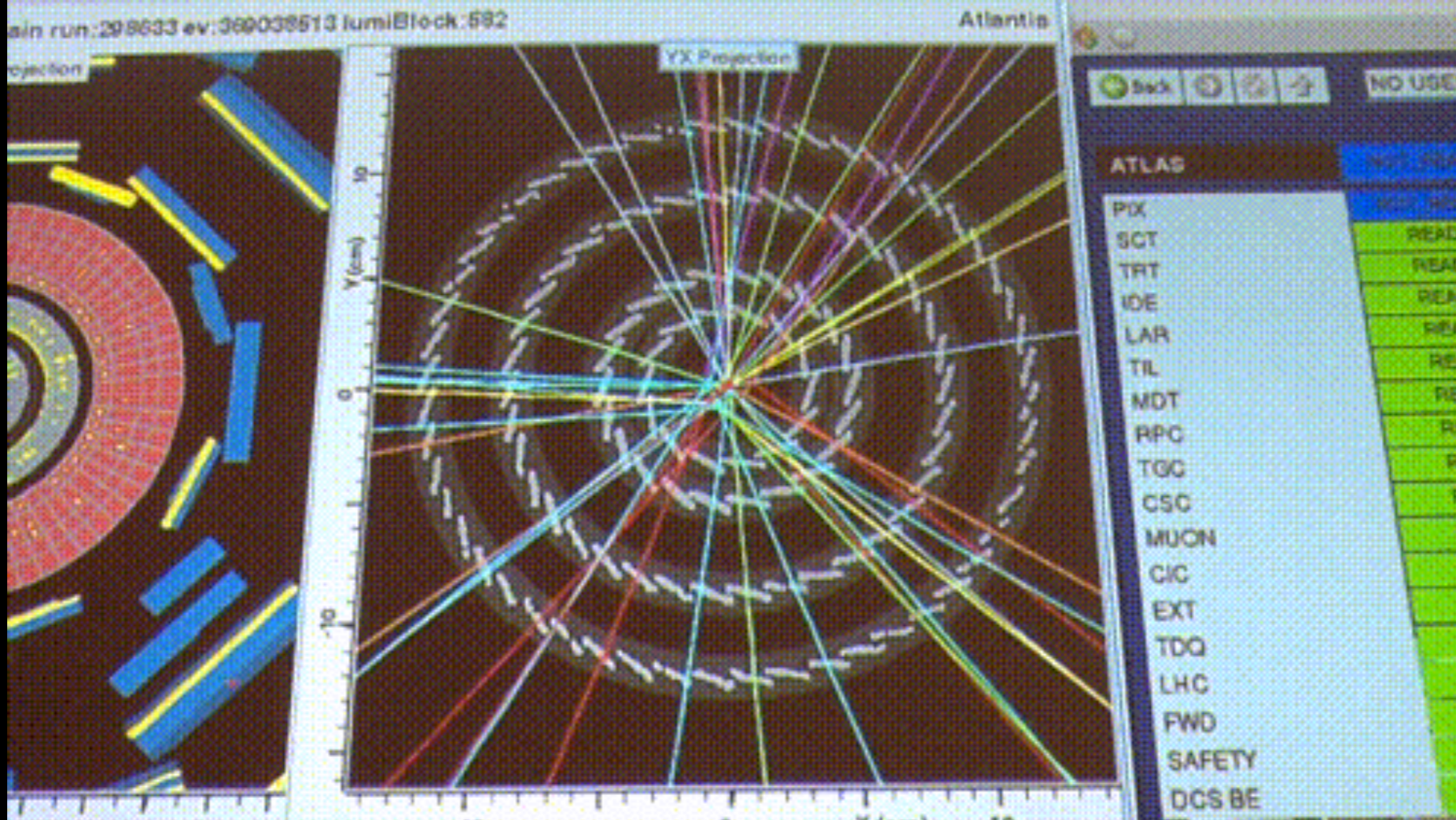
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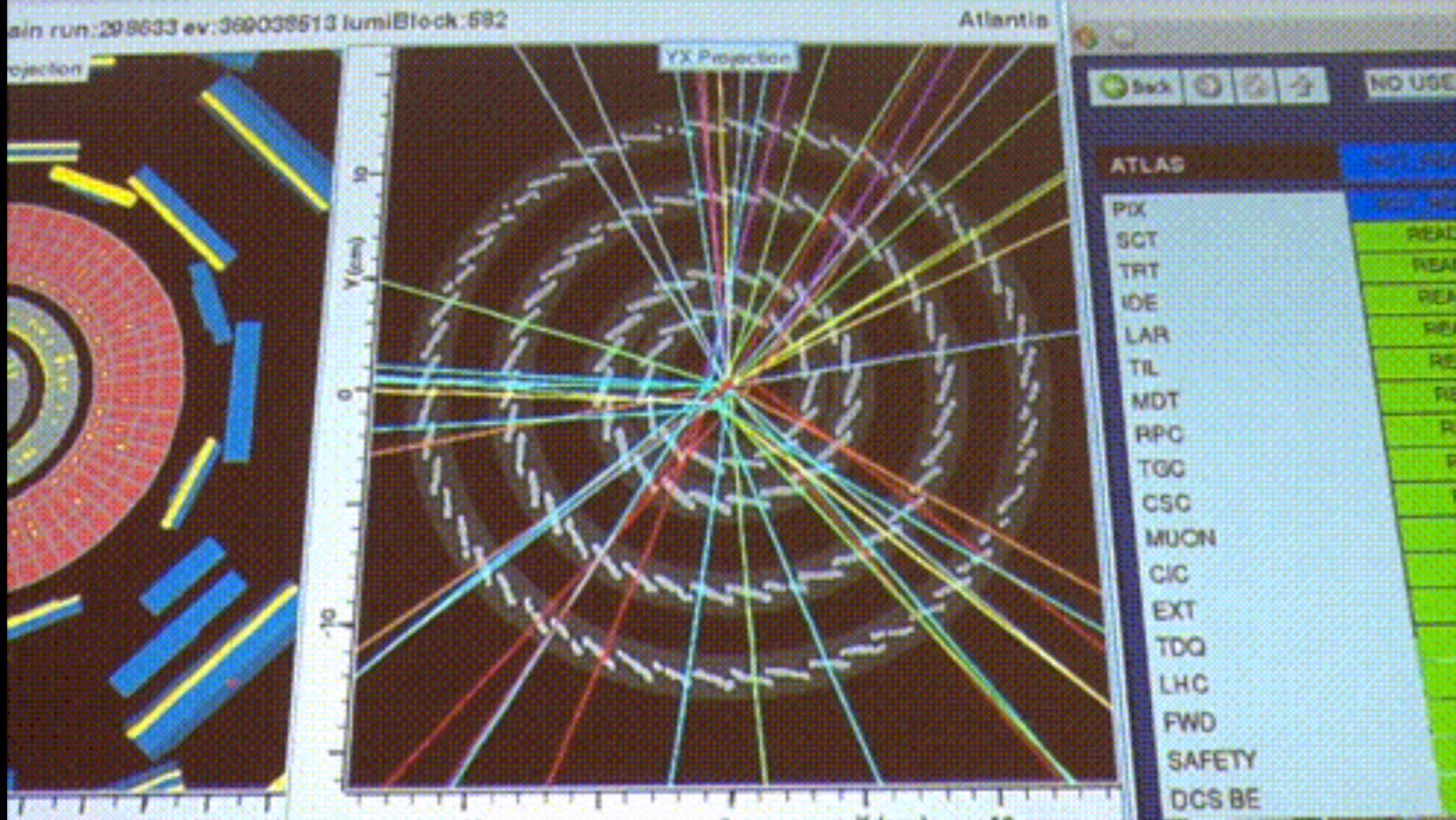
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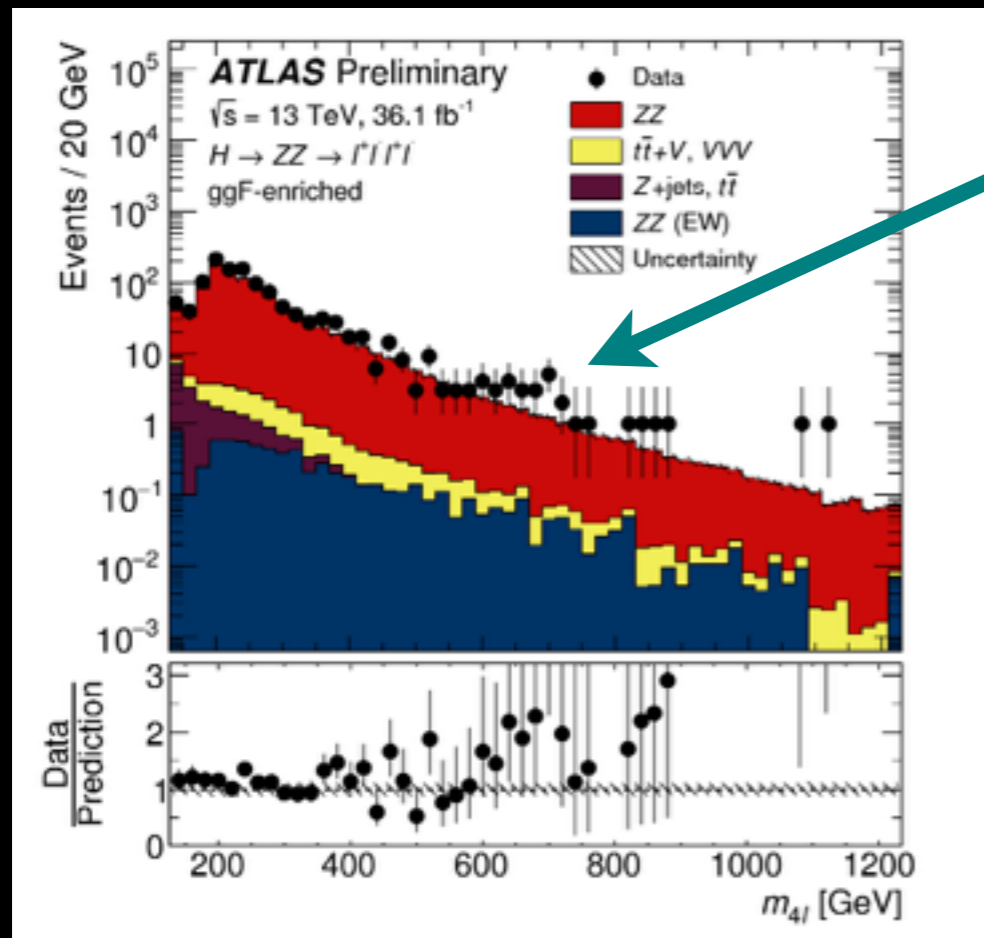
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There are no more guarantees
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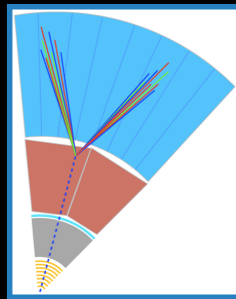
We must shift from theory-
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We're eager to see what 120/fb
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Our job is to map out parameter and signature space, with a more comprehensive look at all possible signatures, precision measurements, and general deviations from expectation

This message is more challenging to impart to the public...

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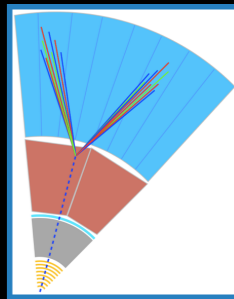
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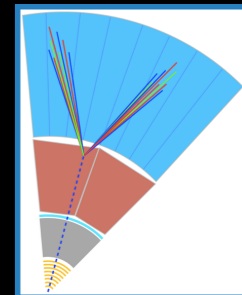
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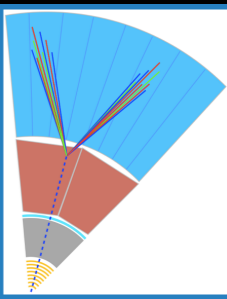
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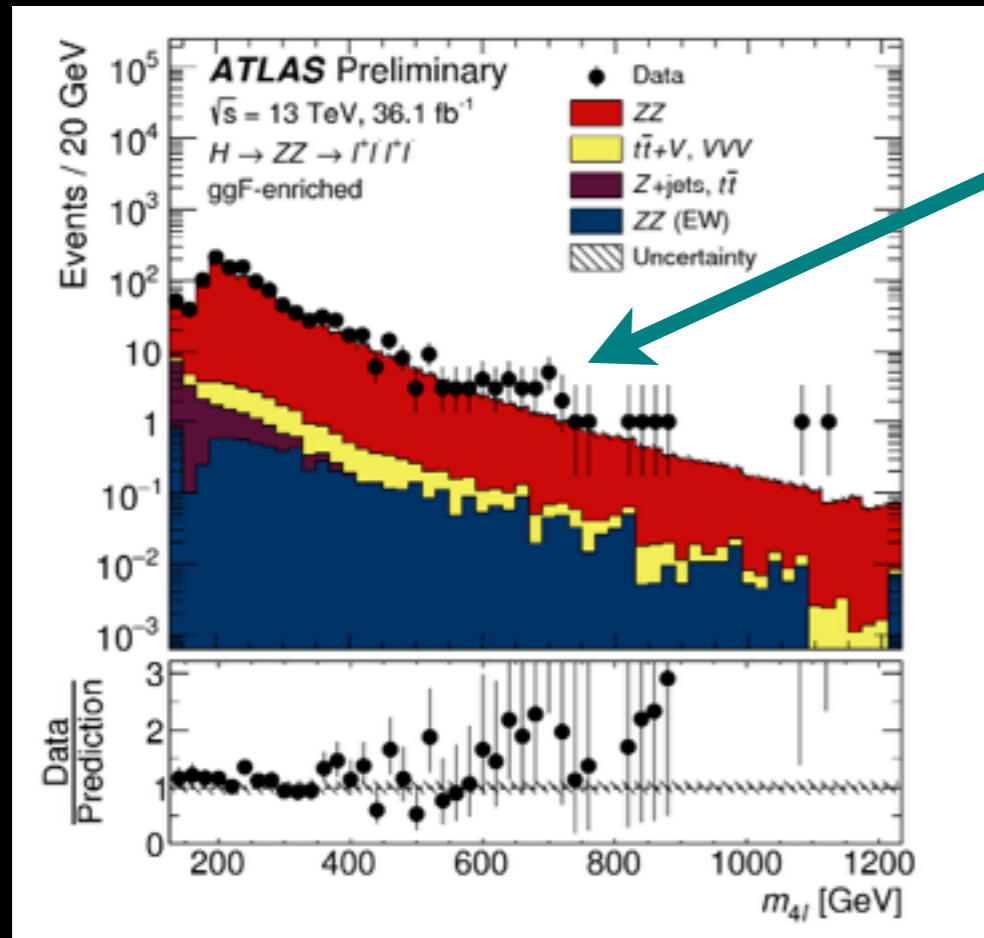
Lots of good ideas there but I have to get off my airplane now

Dennis

Sent from my iPhone

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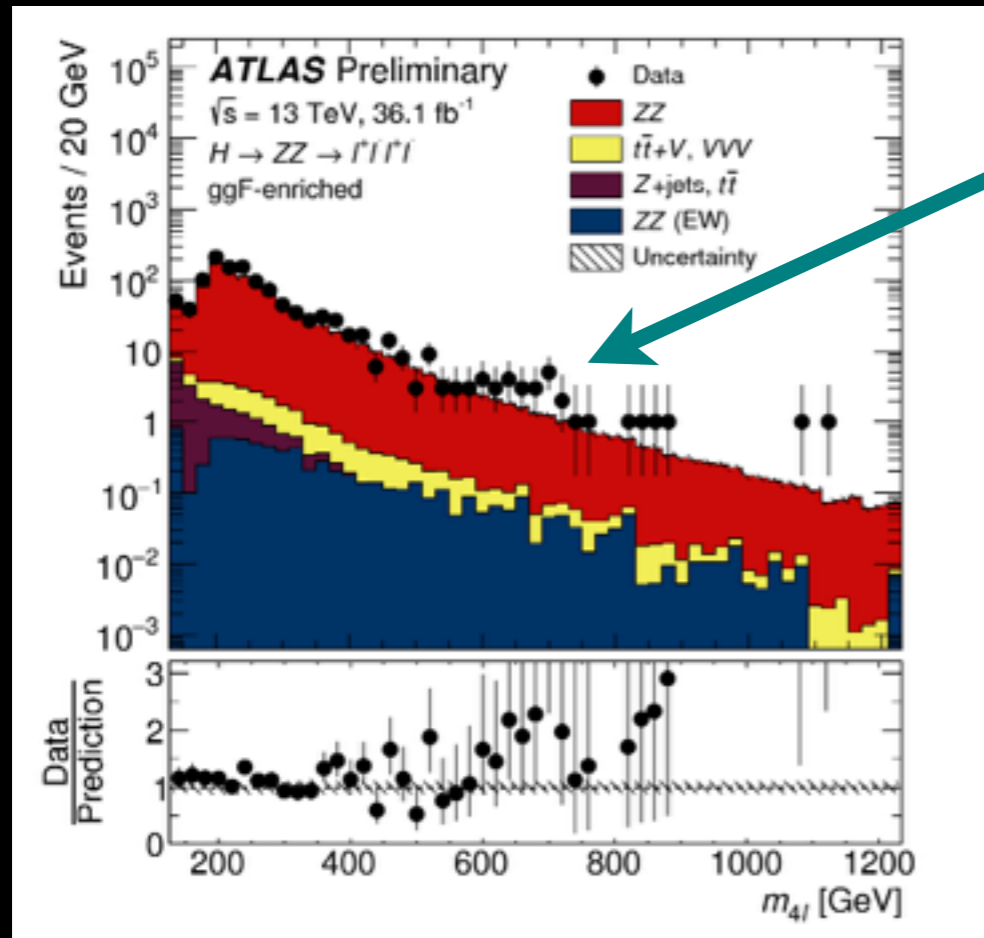
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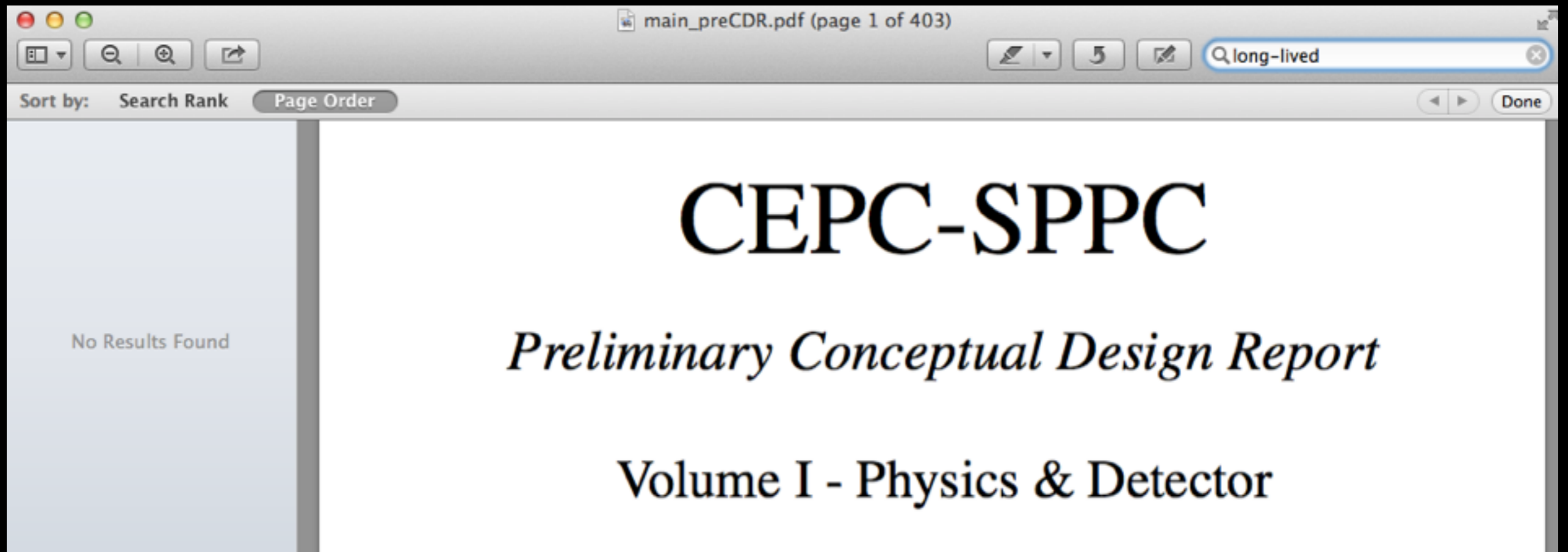
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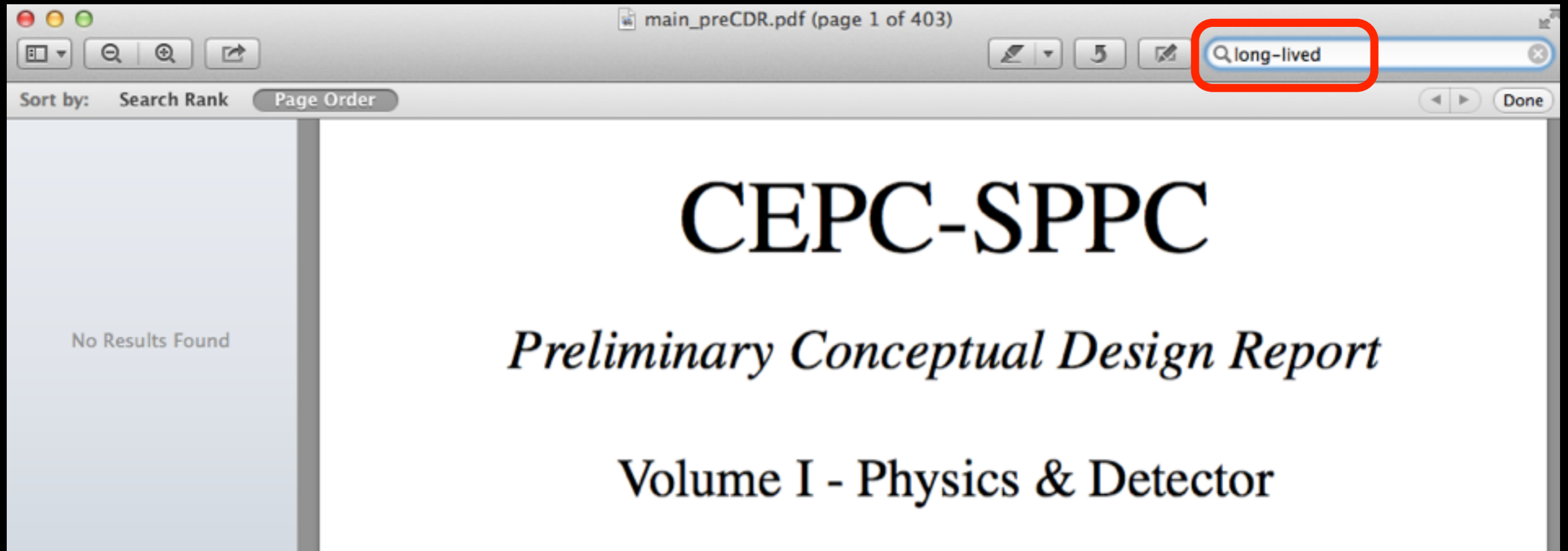
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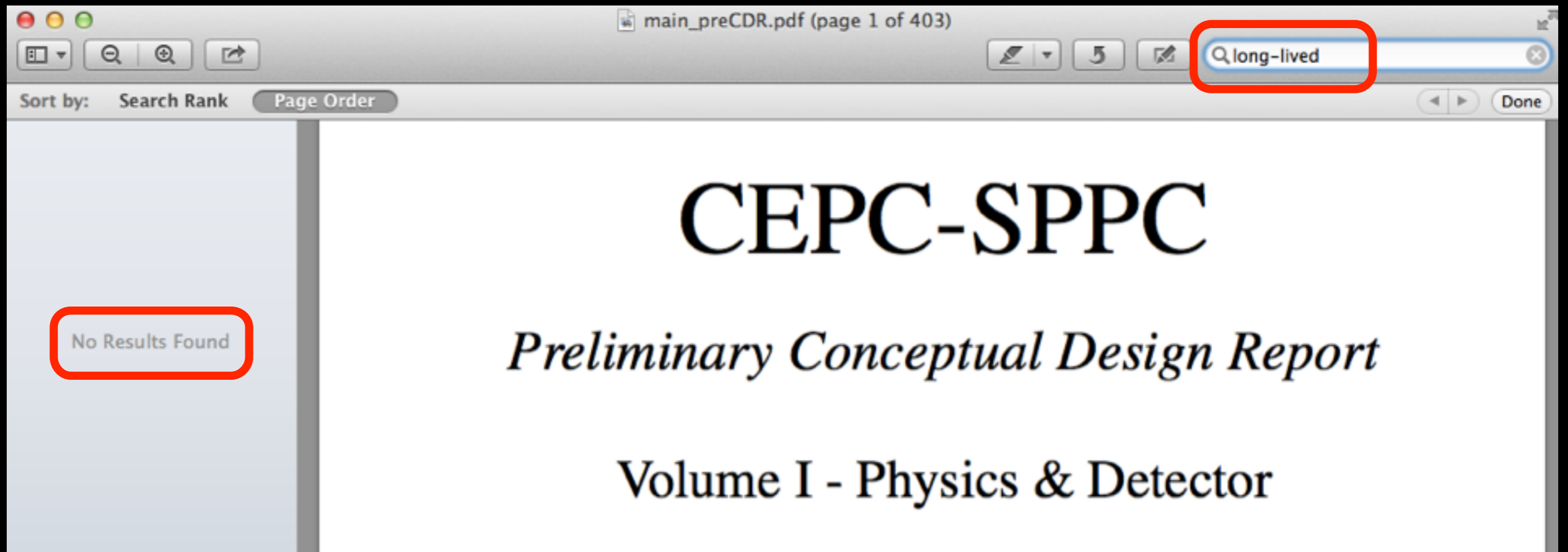
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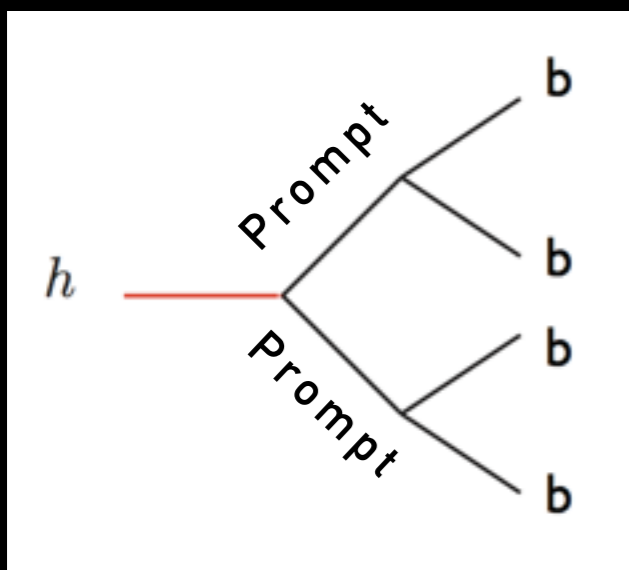
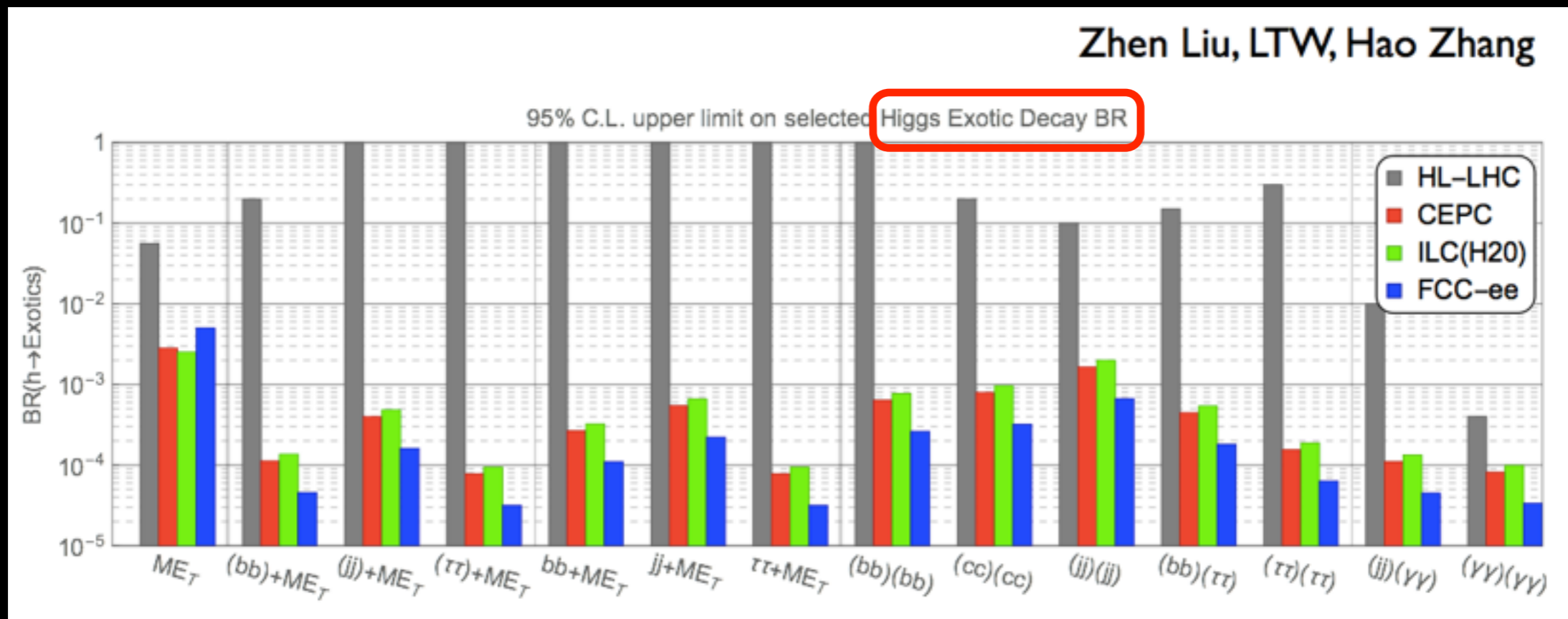
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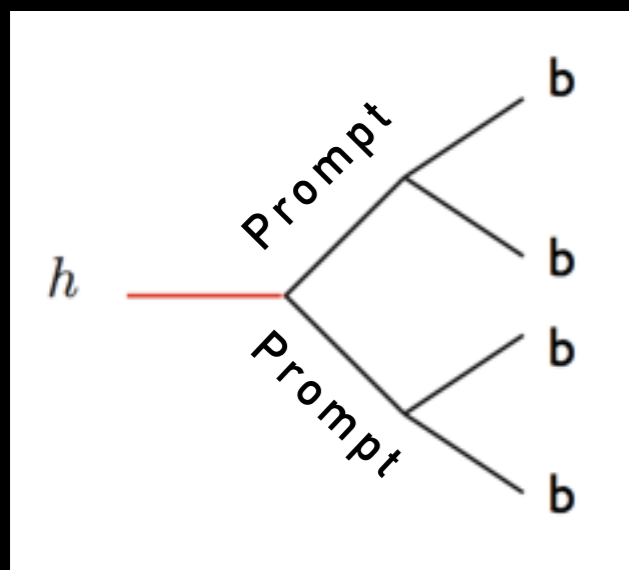
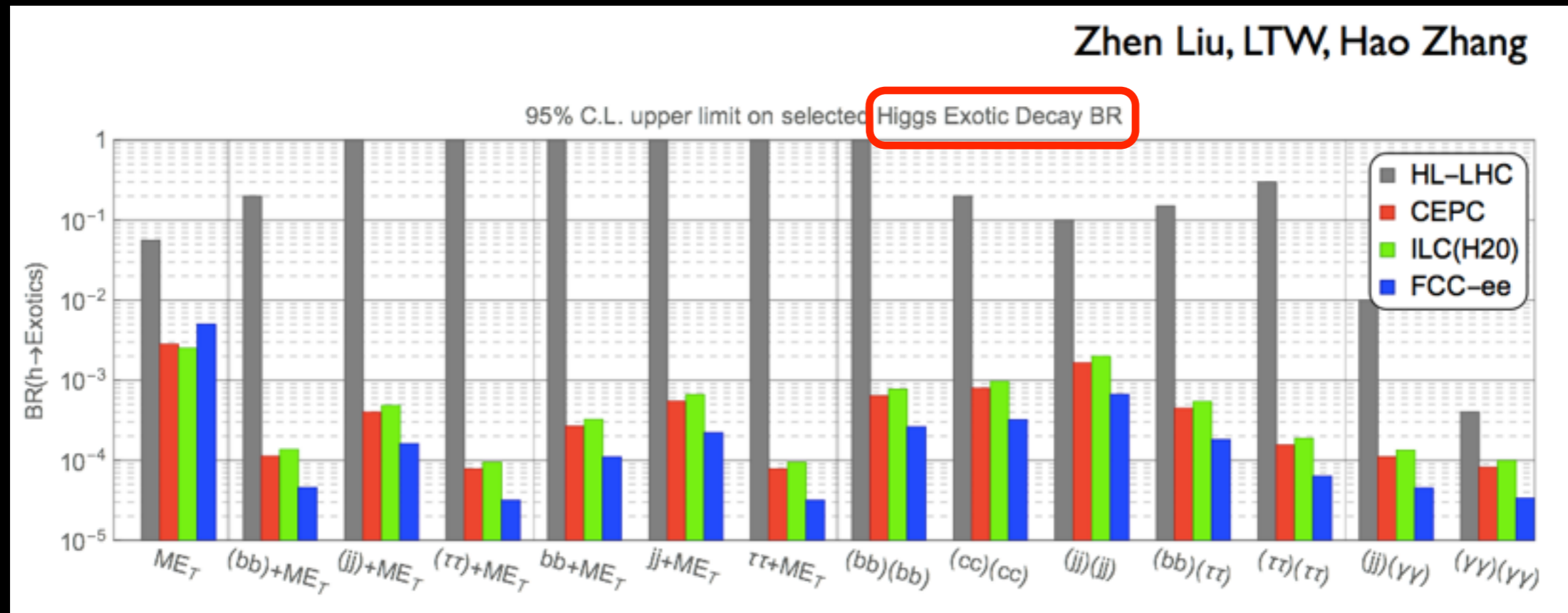
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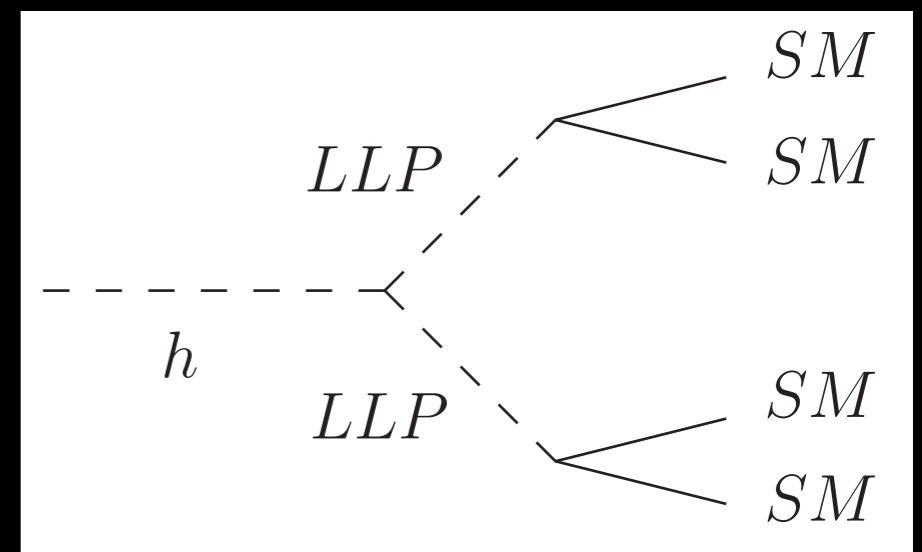


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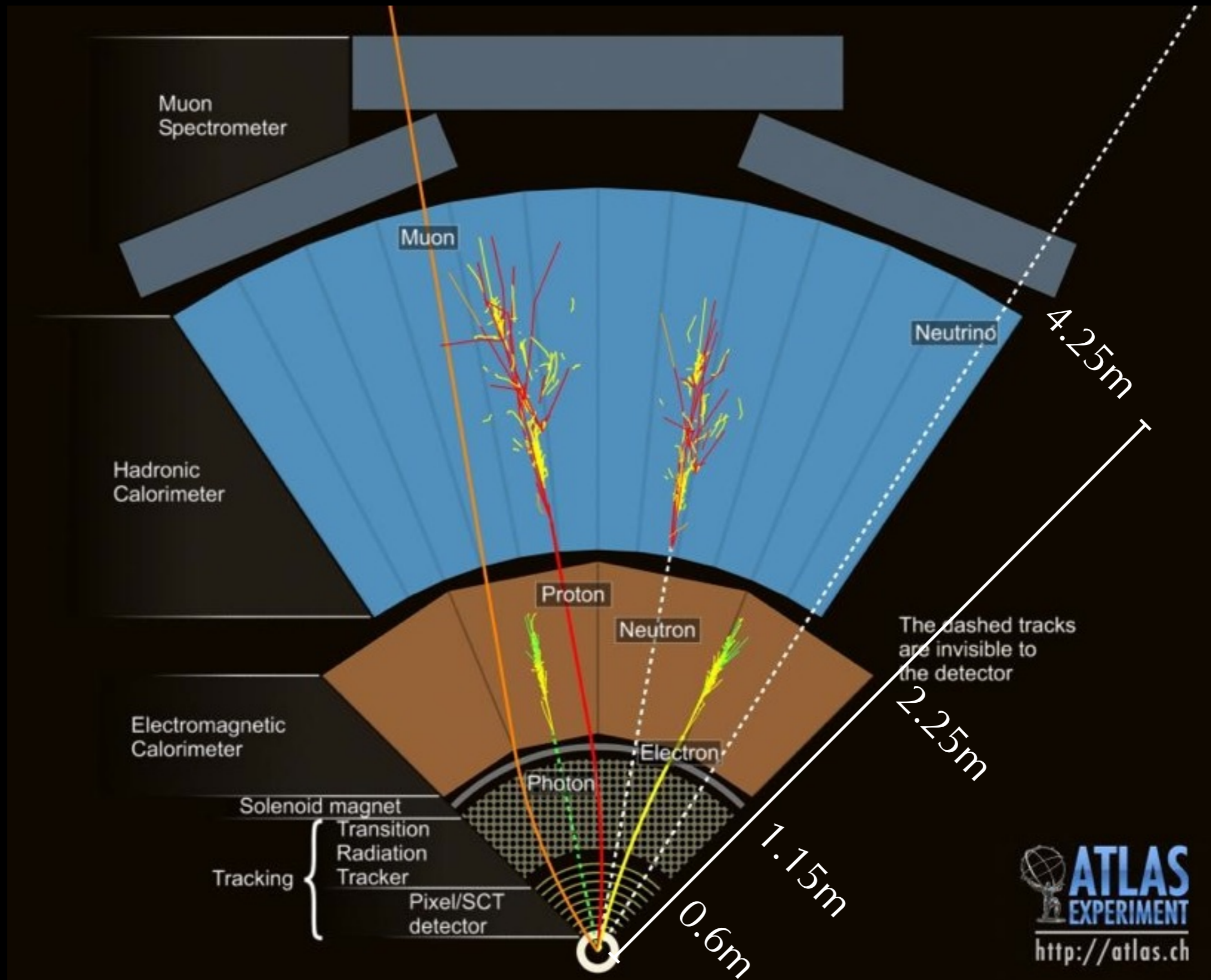
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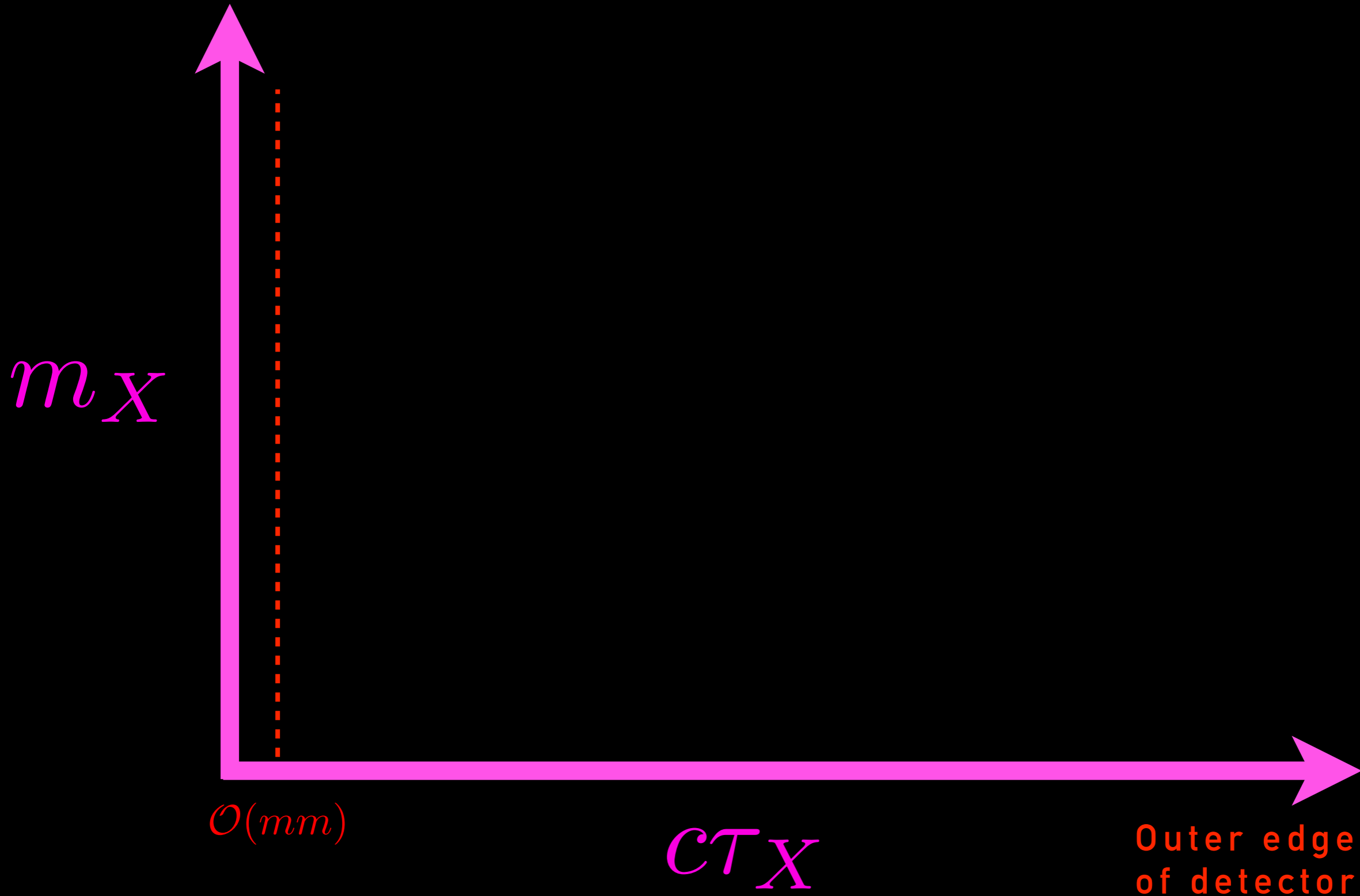
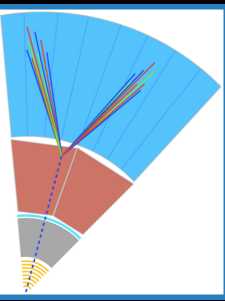
The intermediate particle can generically be **long-lived** \rightarrow completely different signatures



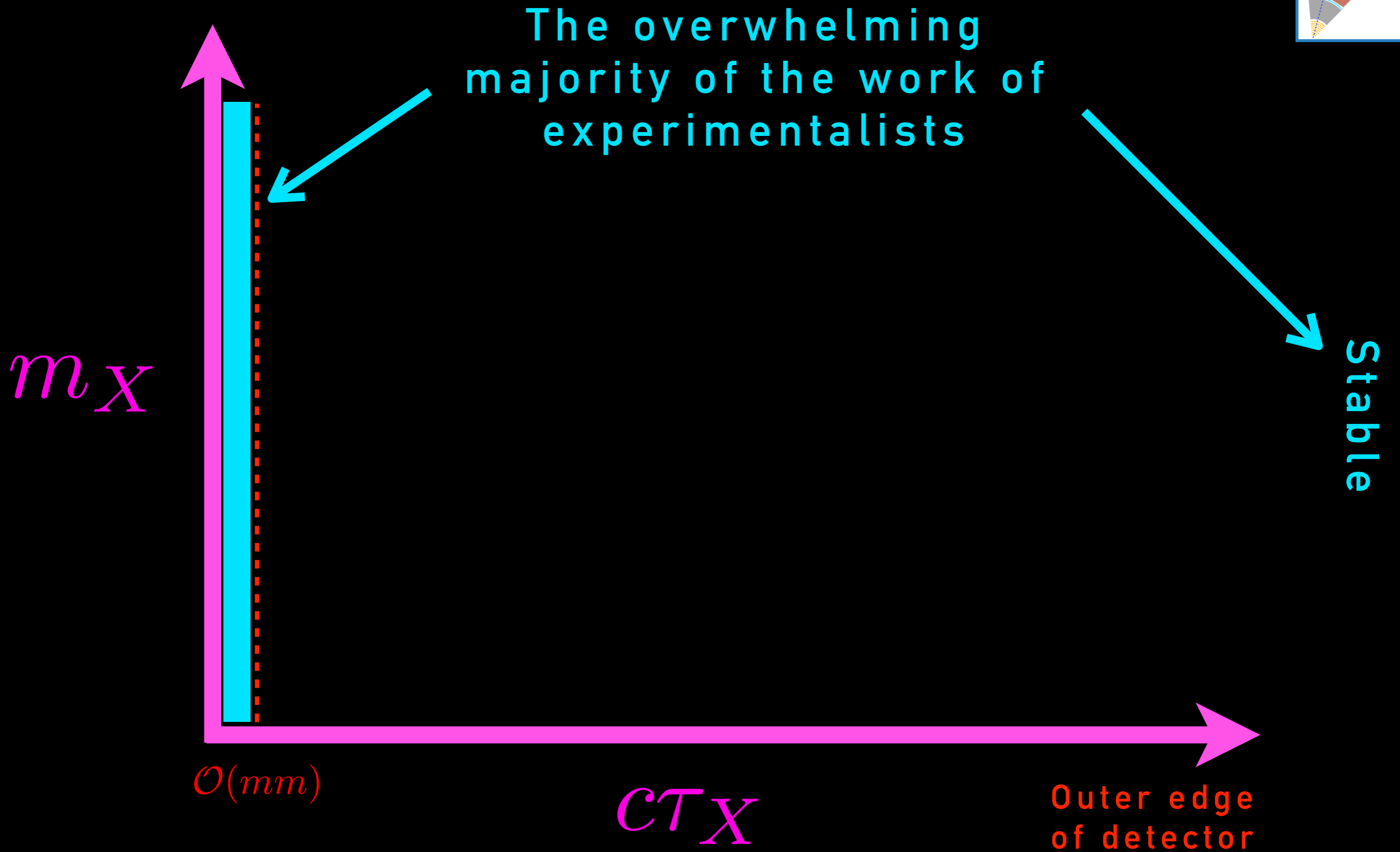
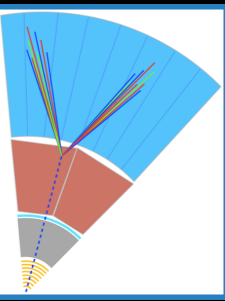
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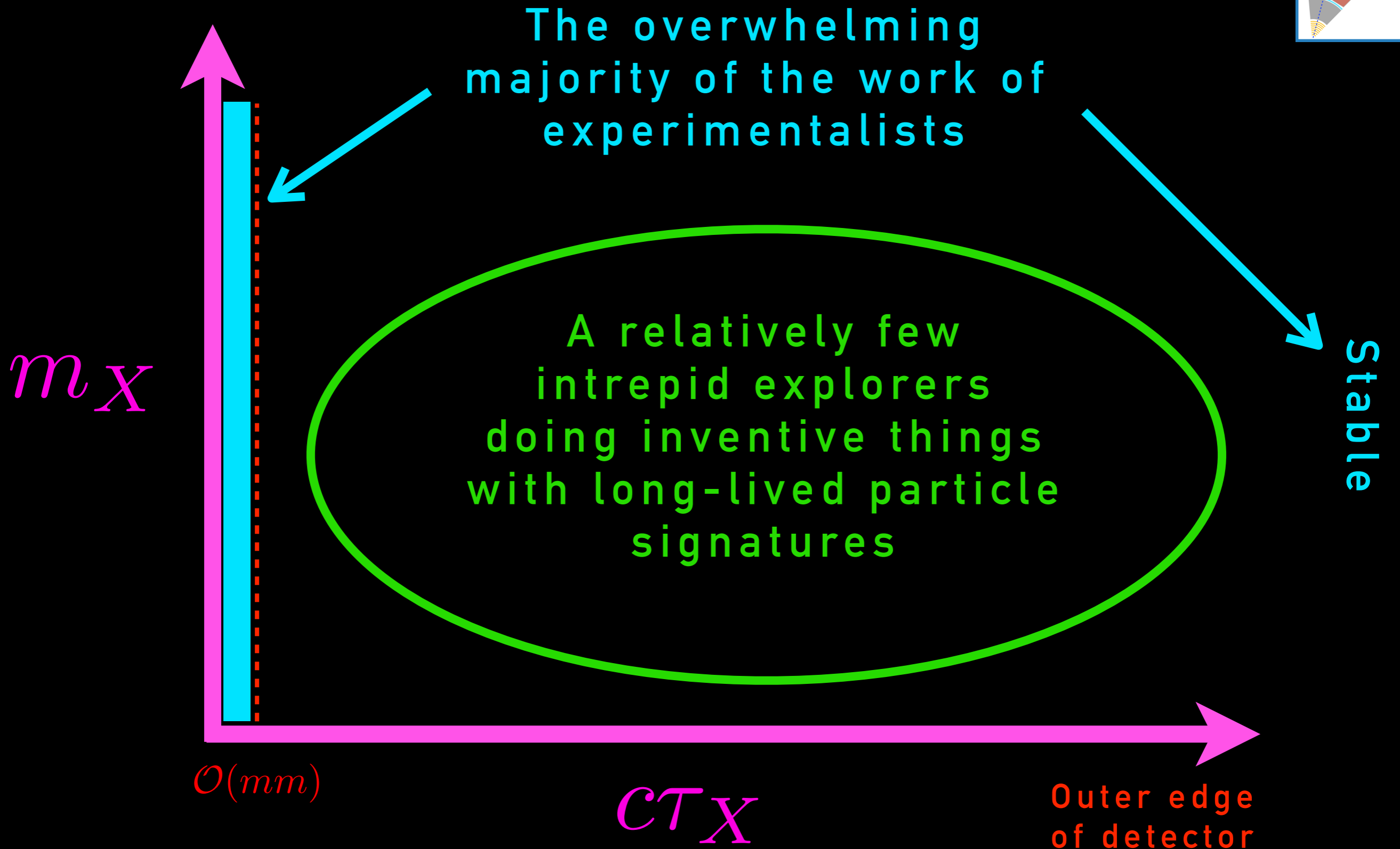
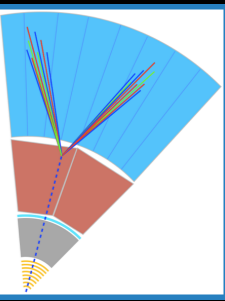
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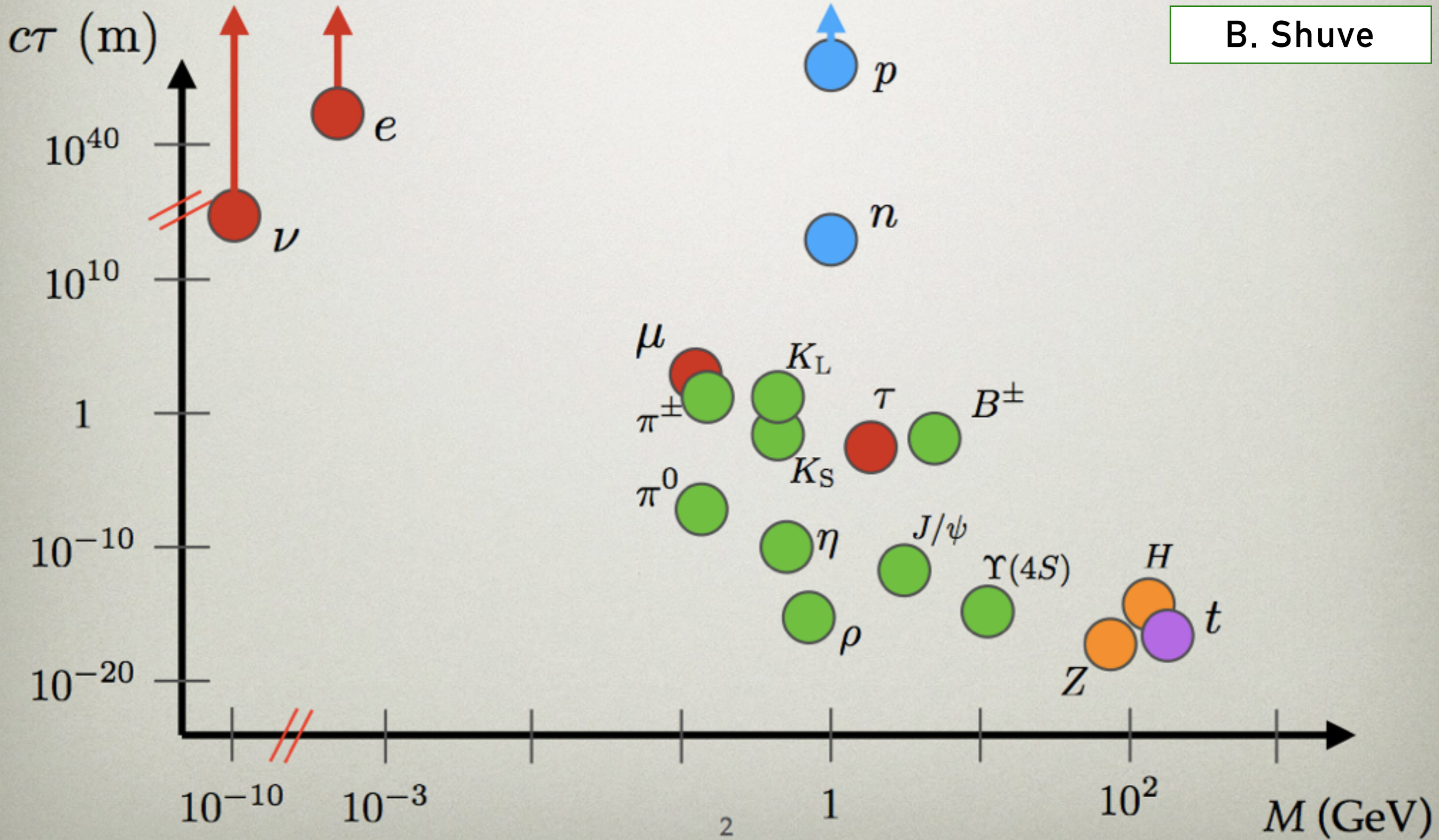


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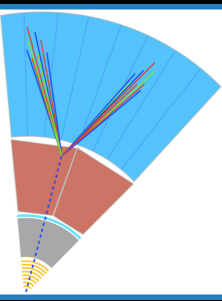


The lifetime frontier

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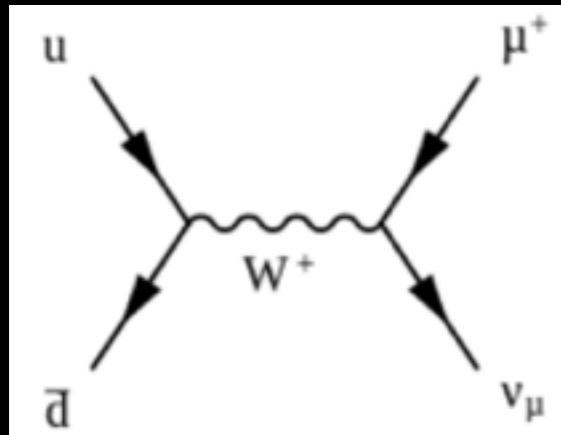


LLPs — SM and BSM



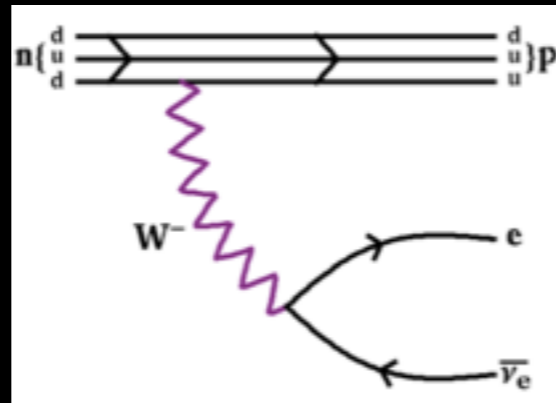
Long lifetimes typically arise in the SM when approximate symmetries make the particle stable

Small symmetry-breaking parameters can suppress the decay rate



Charged pion

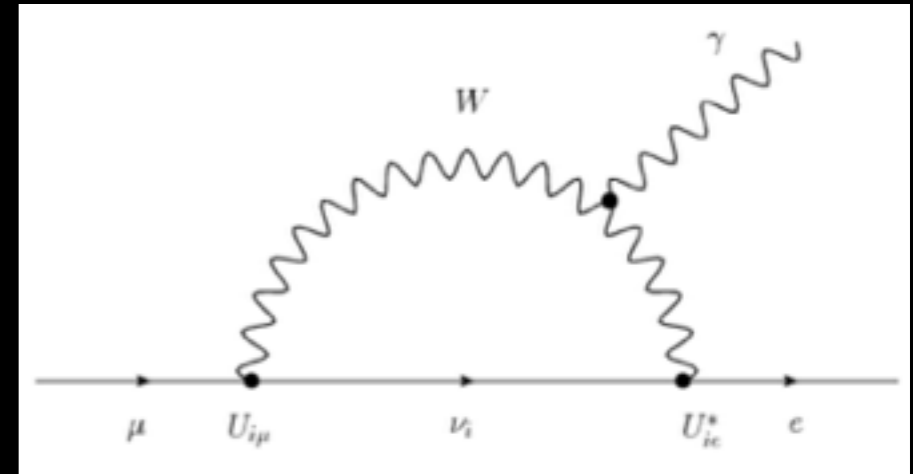
Decay highly off-shell



Neutron

Isospin: p and n nearly degenerate

Decay highly off-shell



FCNC

Lepton flavor violated only by extremely small neutrino Yukawas

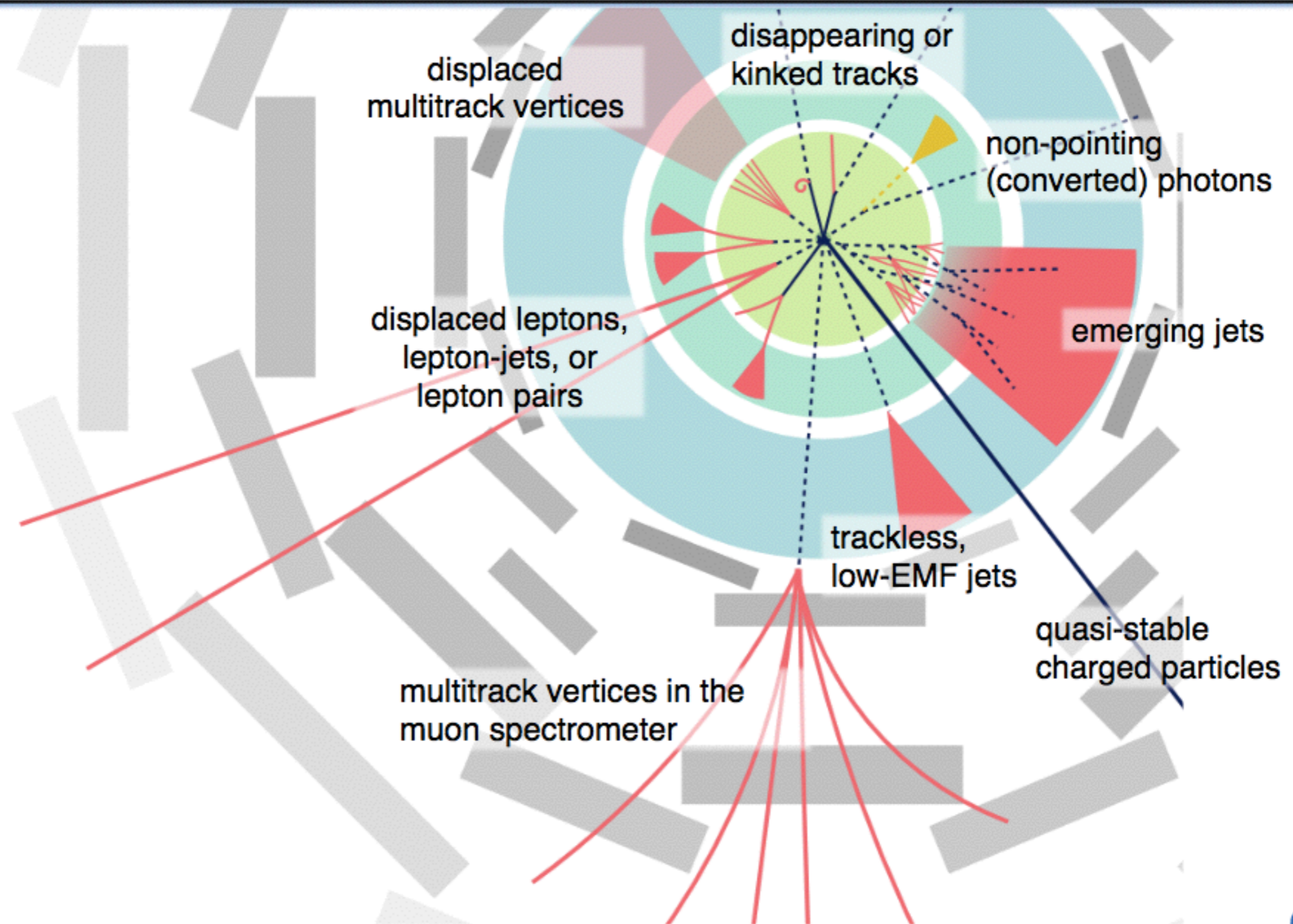
$$\text{BR}(\mu \rightarrow e\gamma) \sim 10^{-54}$$

Same principles apply to BSM LLPs, which can **generically appear**

- Lifetime is usually best treated as a free parameter

Talks by Strassler, Knapen, Shuve, Ramsey-Mulsof, others

Challenges of LLP searches in general

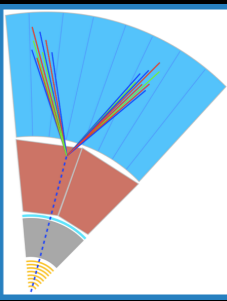


Heather Russell, McGill University

24 April 2017

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LLPs at the LHC



Long-lived particle searches are signature driven, requiring significant customization of analysis techniques

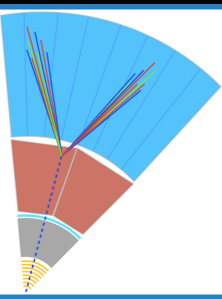
First searches were mostly tailored to be background-free

- Dominant backgrounds, though, can be from atypical sources (cosmics, beam halo, cavern, etc.)
- Great results but ended up being somewhat limited in scope (high p_T thresholds on objects and tracks, more stringent requirements on displaced vertices, etc.) which led to not-so-comprehensive coverage in LLP mass and $c\tau$

Subsequent rounds of searches relax some requirements at the cost of higher backgrounds

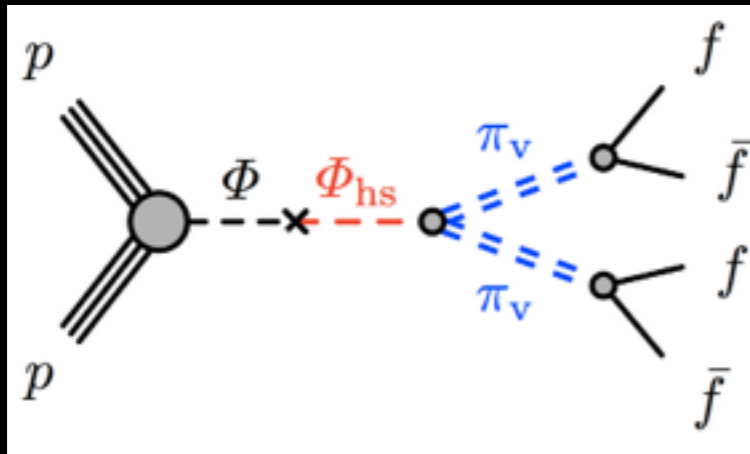
- **Our relevant example here: $h_{125} \rightarrow \text{LLPs} \rightarrow \text{jets}$**

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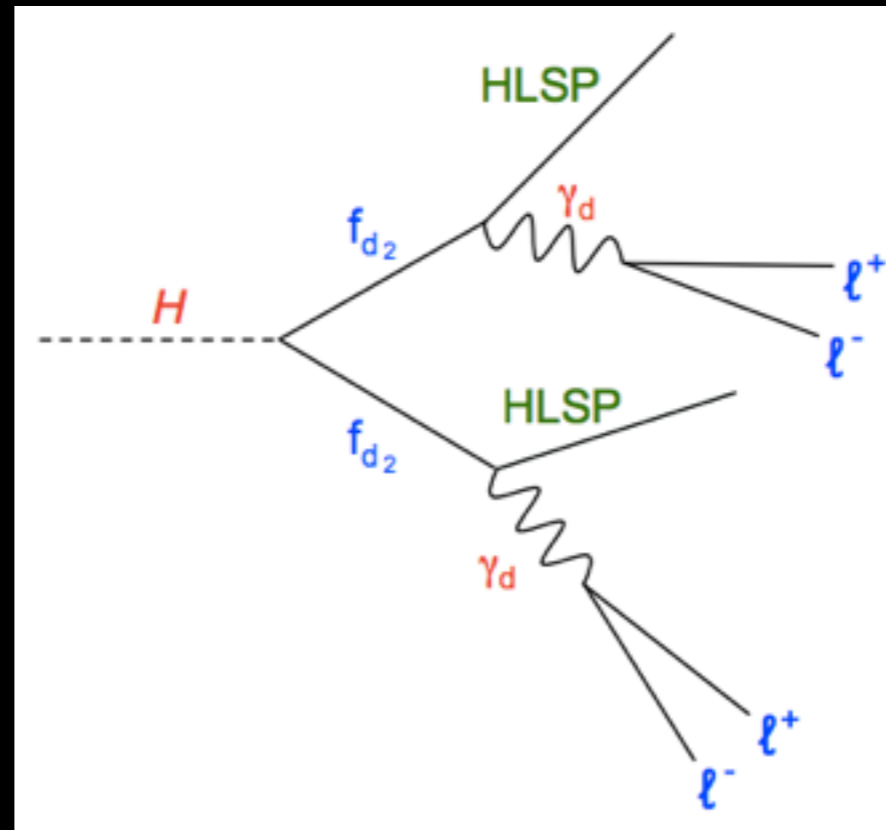


Higgs portal to hidden sector

- Small width of $h125 \rightarrow$ easy to get BSM physics
- A wide range of LLP signatures can arise



Higgs mixing with hidden sector scalar

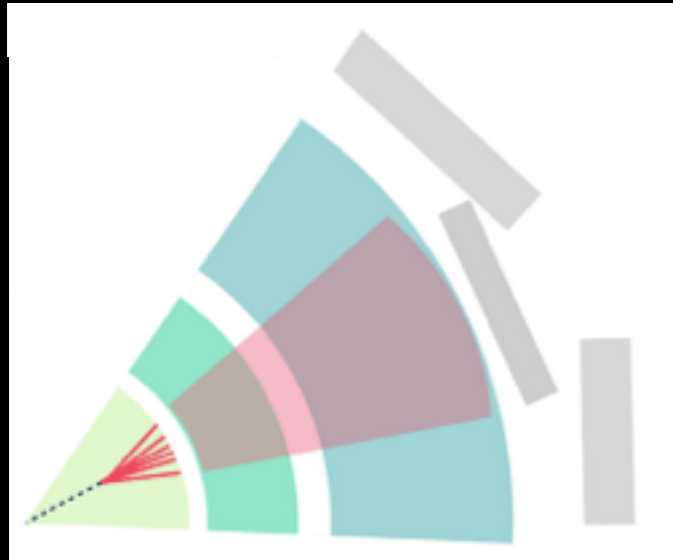
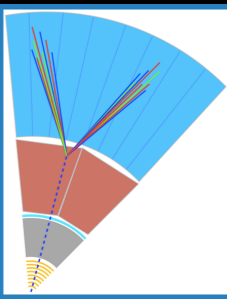


Higgs decaying to dark sector fermions which decay to long-lived dark photons and lepton-jets

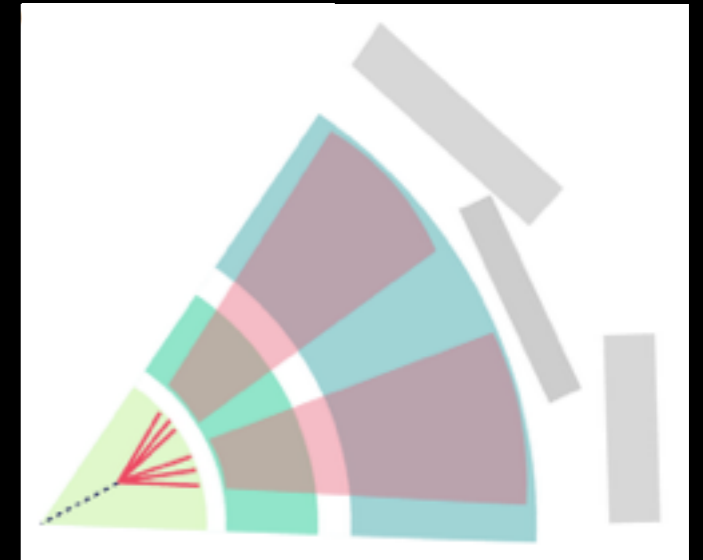
- Can use Higgs VBF and associated production modes for triggering on additional prompt objects \rightarrow trivial for a ZH run at CEPC

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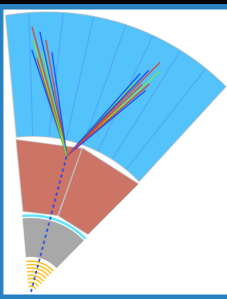


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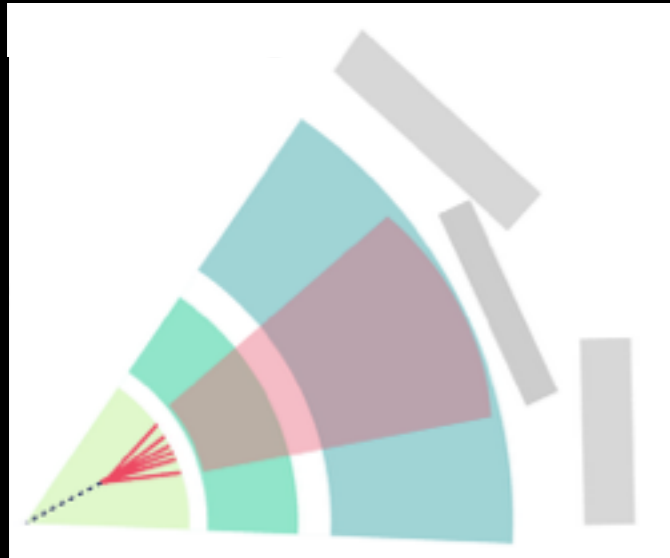
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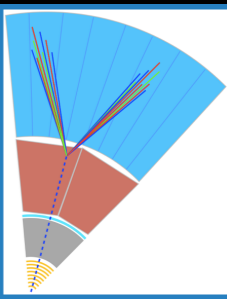
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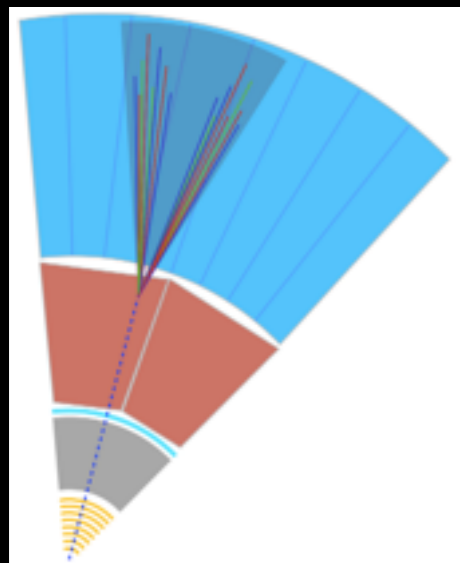
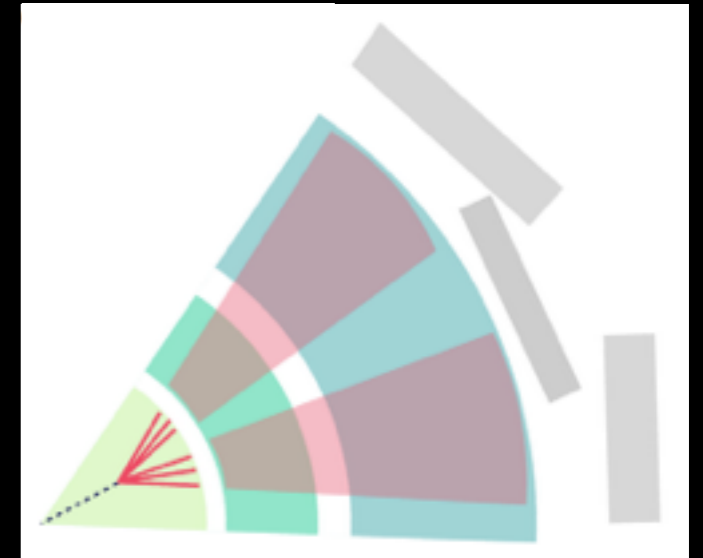
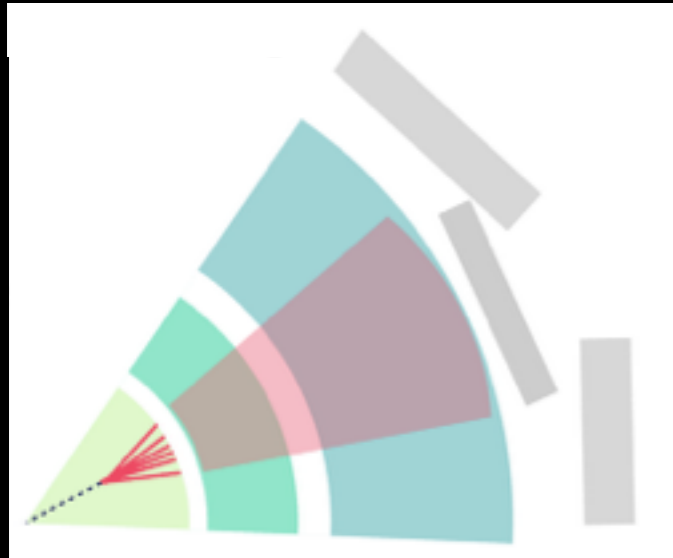
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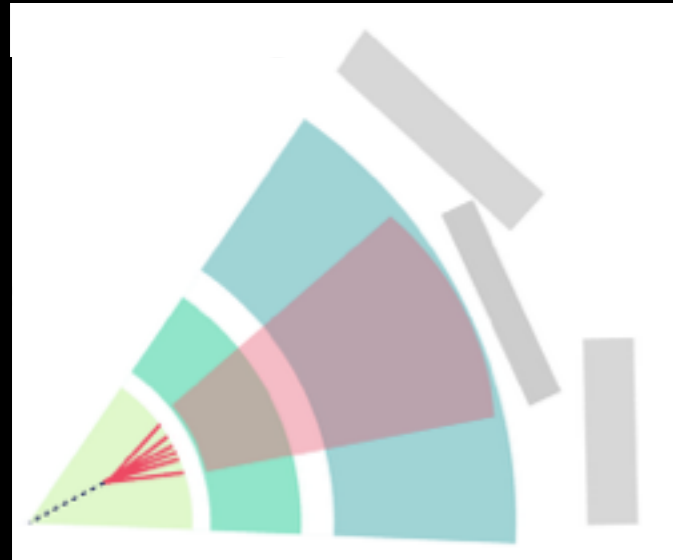
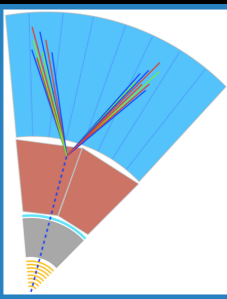
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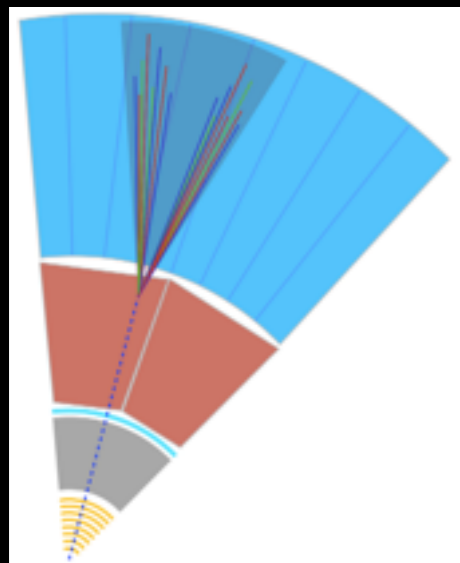
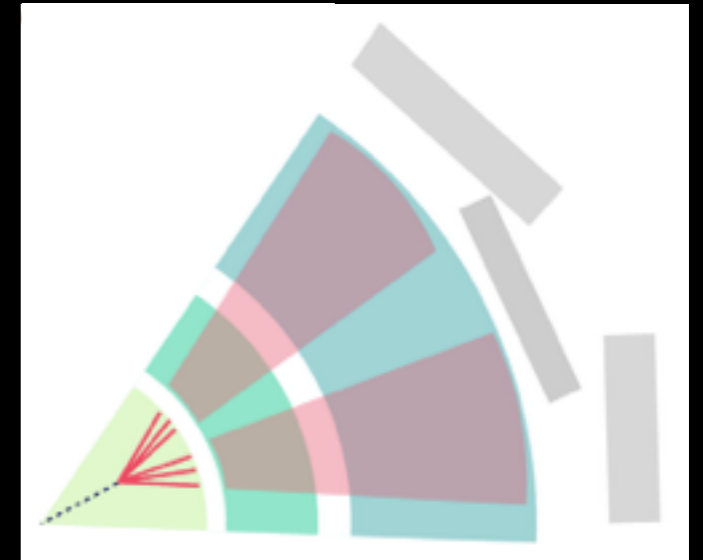
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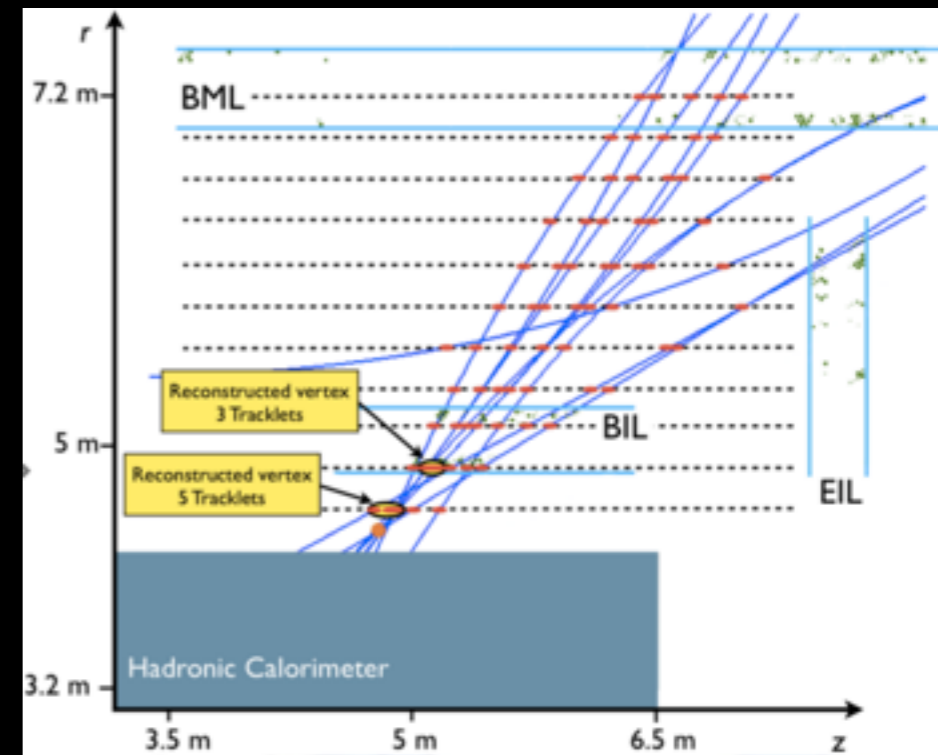
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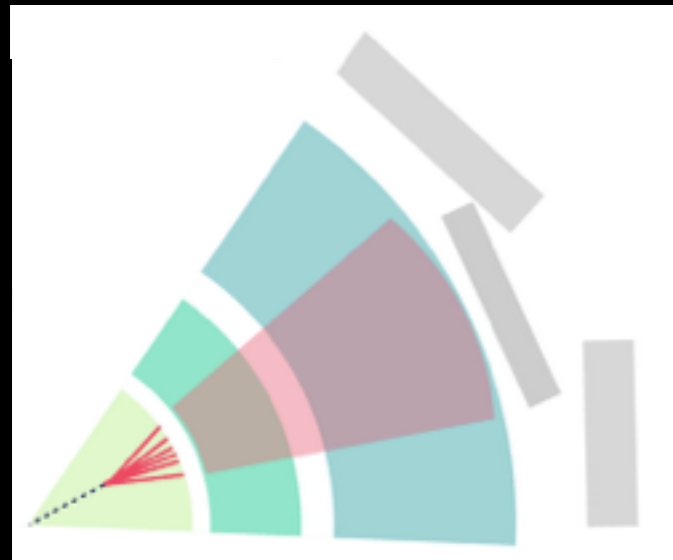
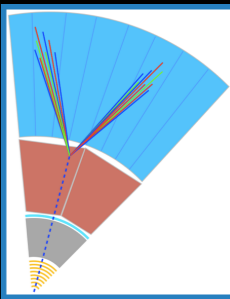
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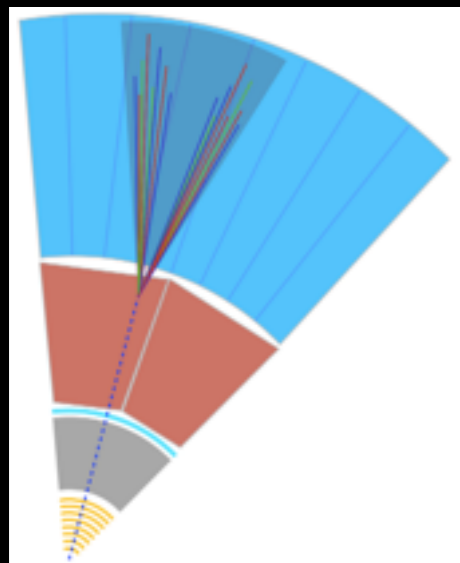
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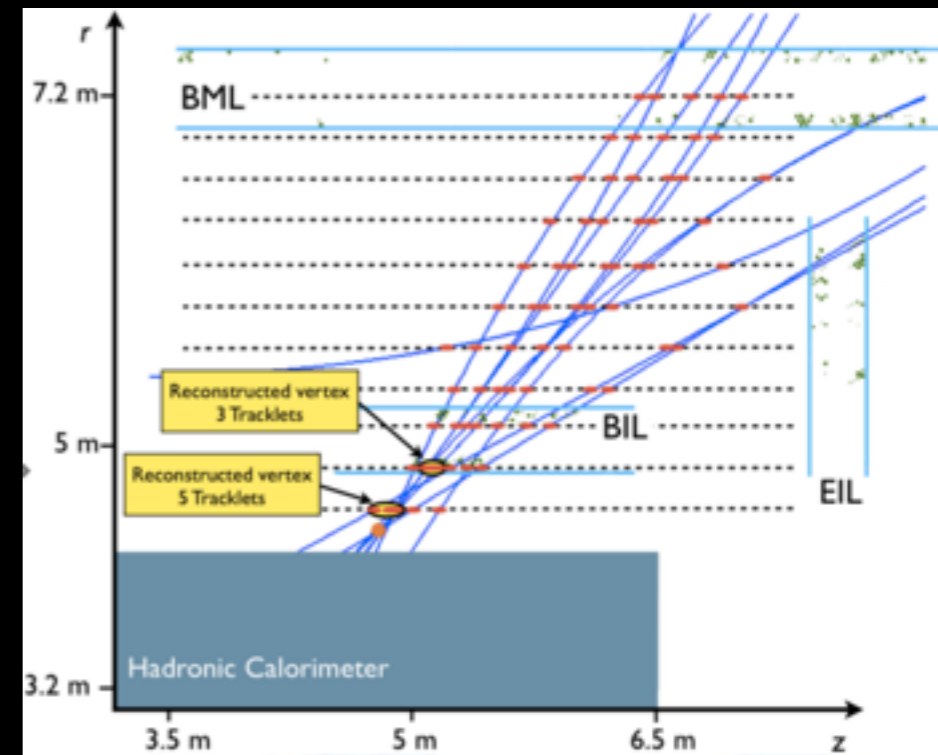
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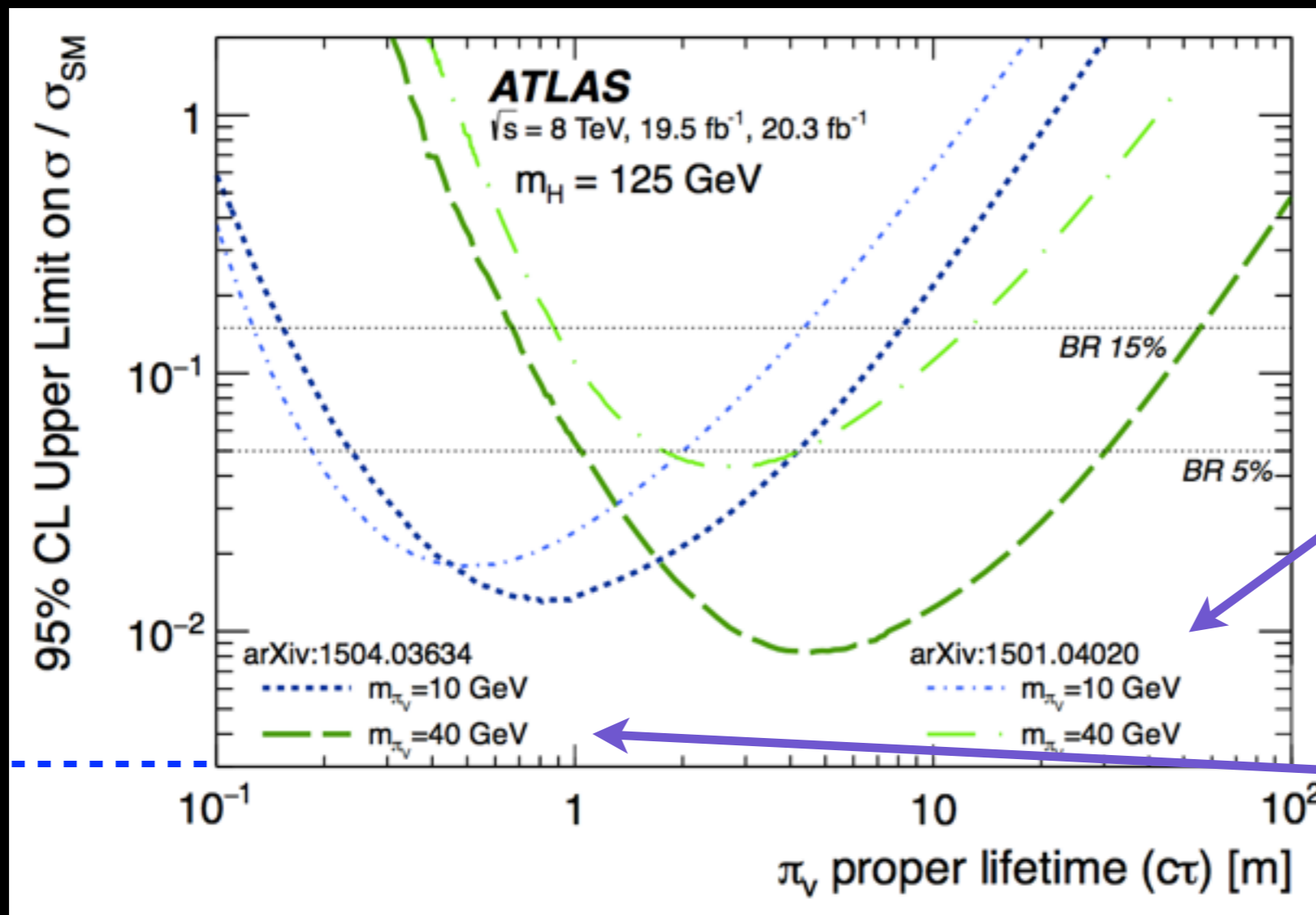
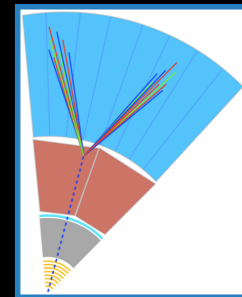
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the MS



Each of these requires a different triggering and analysis strategy, and when you do all the painful work you can stitch the results together for $h_{125} \rightarrow \text{LLPs} \rightarrow \text{jets}$...

$h125 \rightarrow$ displaced hadronic jets



Just-before-HCal search

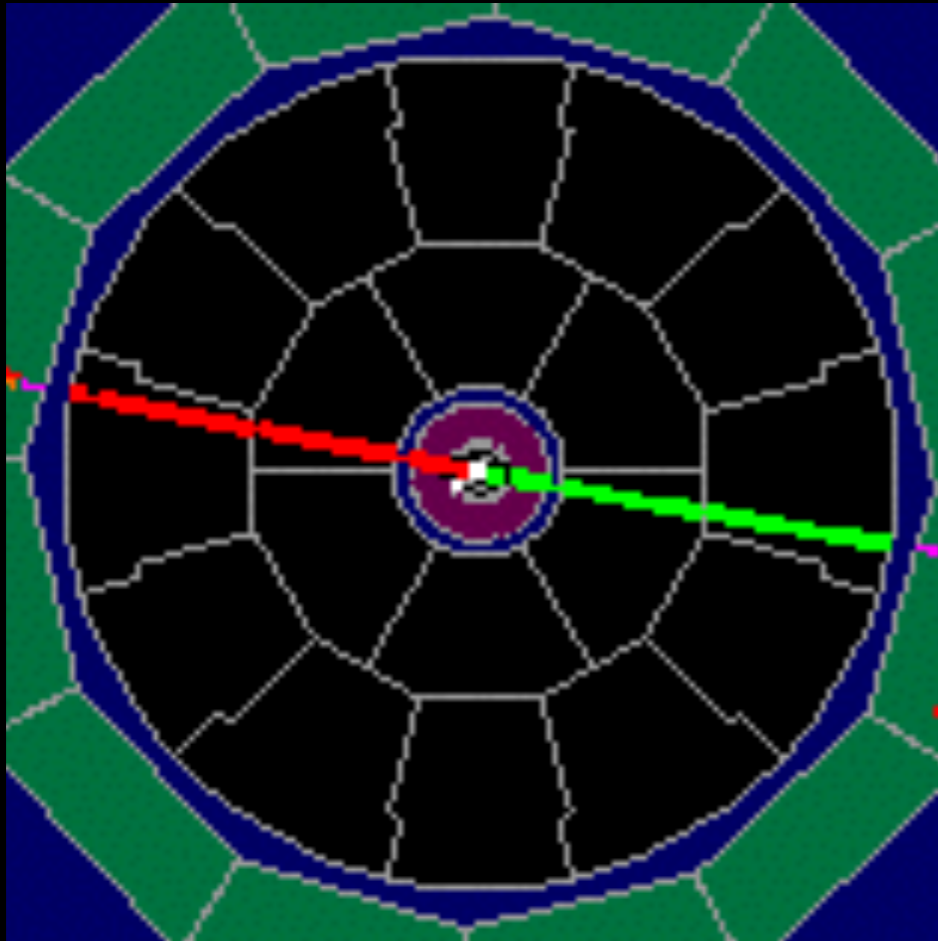
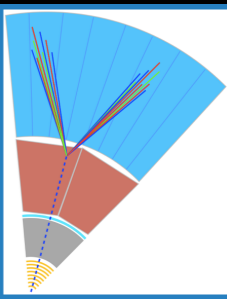
ID/MS search

If the CEPC detector can reconstruct displaced vertices at $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$, this is a complete game-changer for $h125 \rightarrow \text{LLPs} \rightarrow \text{SM}$

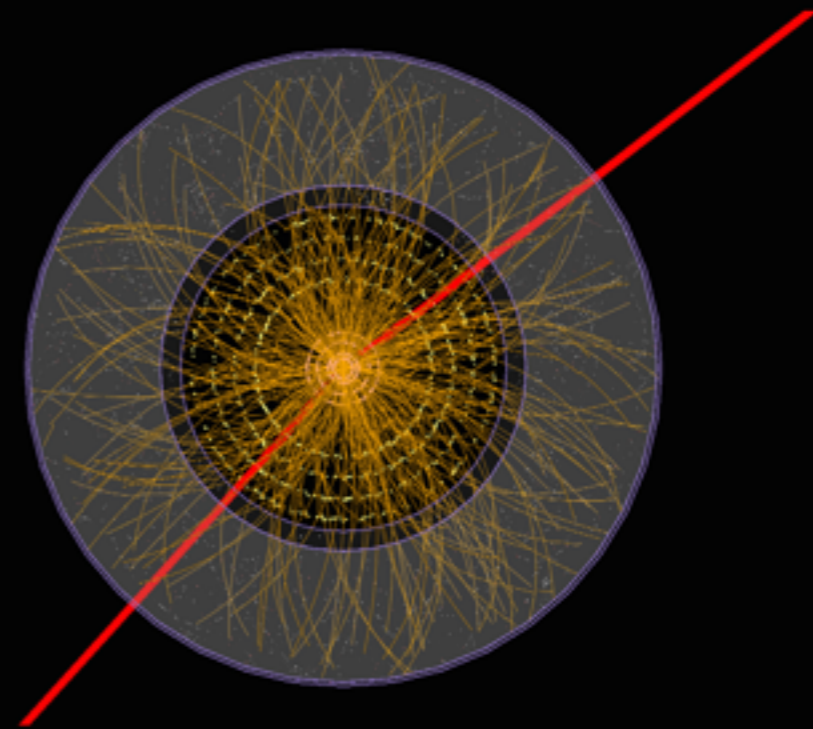
Prompt jet searches cover some of the range for small lifetimes, but pileup still dominates (and sensitivity still unknown)

LLP searches at future e+e- machines like CEPC

Lepton collisions are beautifully clean!



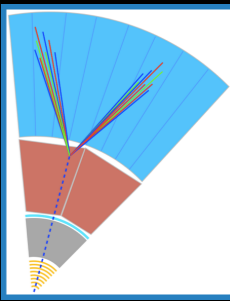
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ at ALEPH



$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ at ATLAS

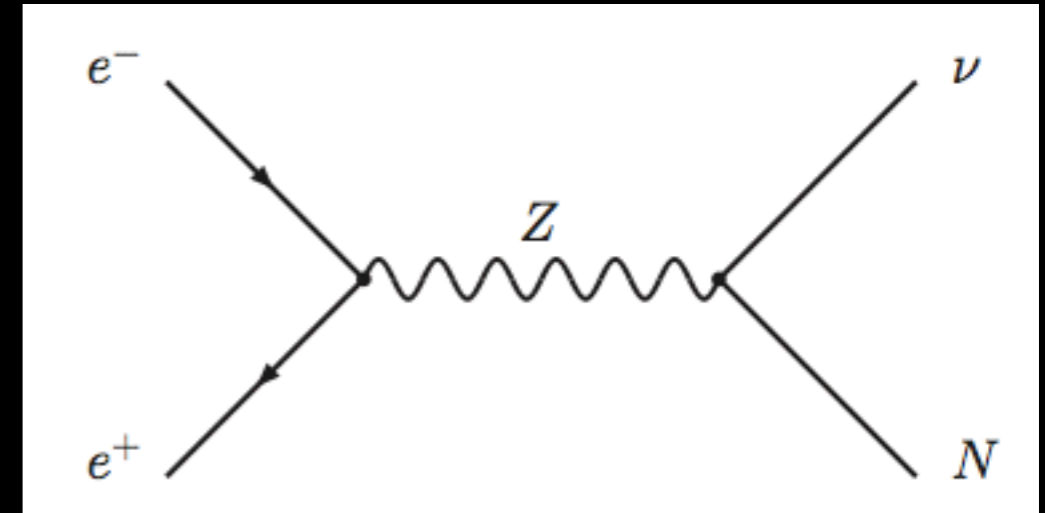
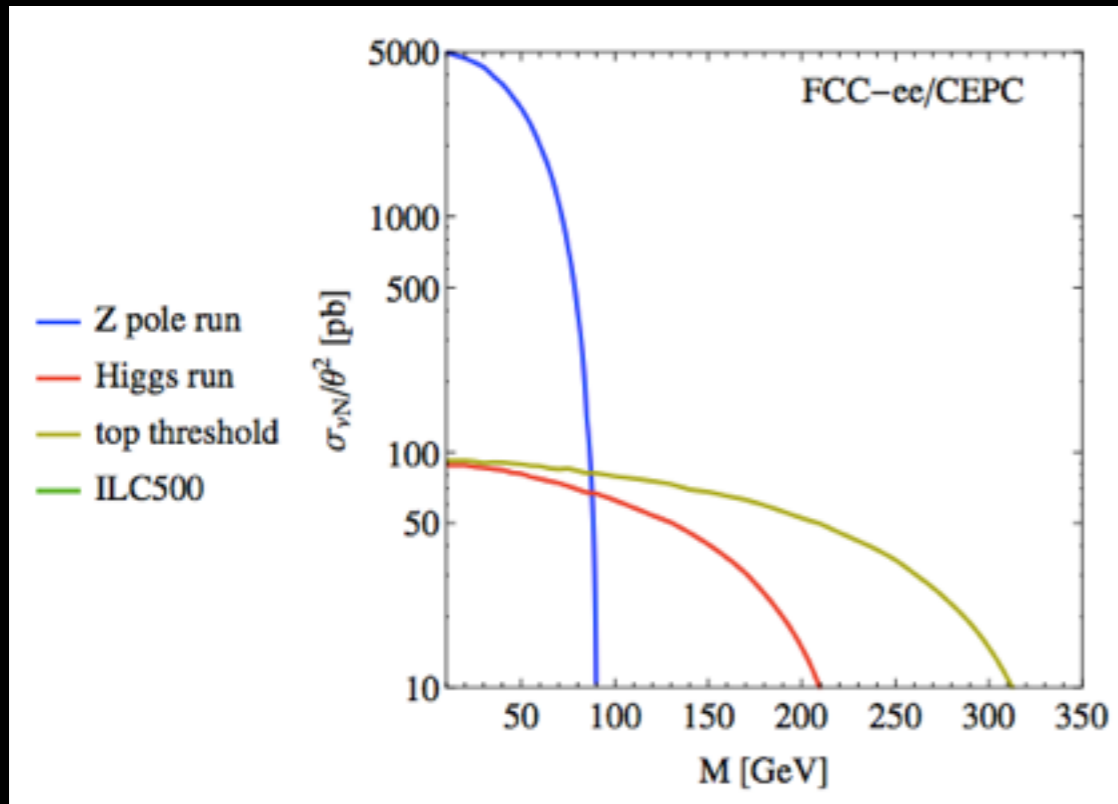
- Pileup not an issue — triggering straightforward
- Have full four-vector of initial state e+e- \rightarrow precision secondary vertexing
- Reconstruction of secondary vertices much closer to interaction point possible \rightarrow can push to lower lifetimes: $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$?

Very small displacements at a future e^+e^- machine



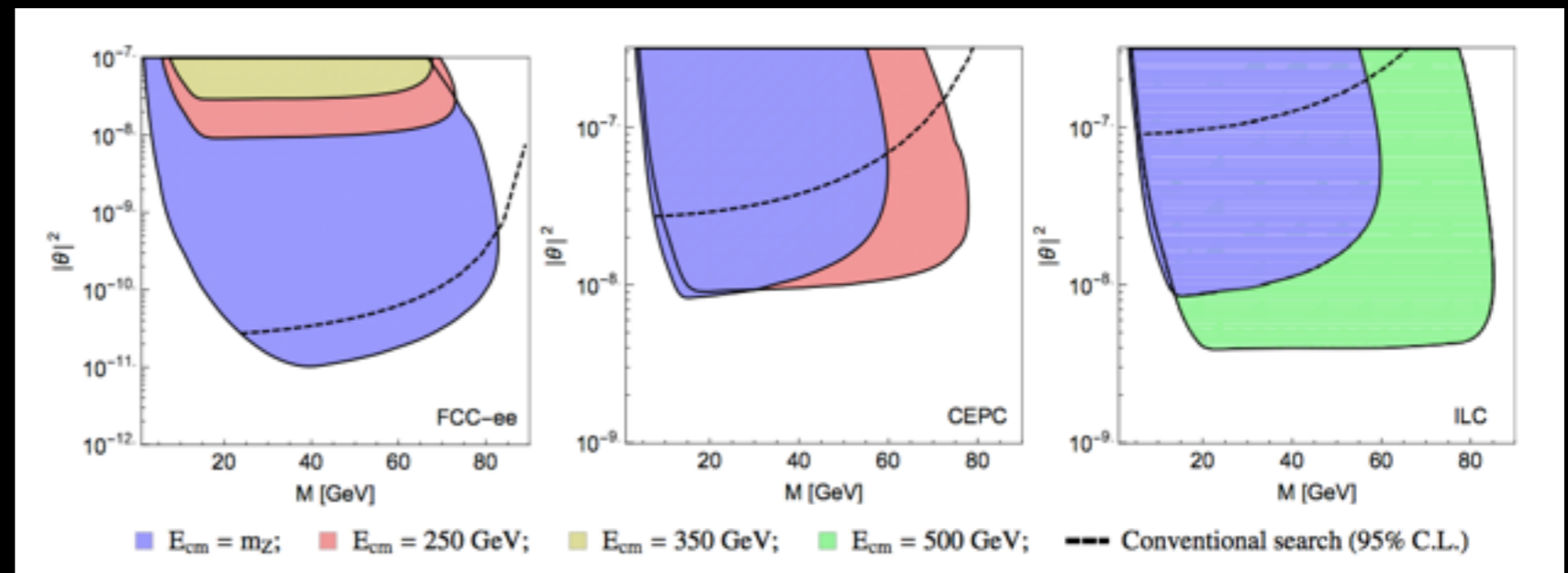
Excellent study by Antusch, Cazzato, and Fischer [[JHEP 1612 \(2016\) 007](#)]

- Long-lived heavy (sterile) neutrinos with displaced vertices
- Uses ILC SiD as benchmark detector

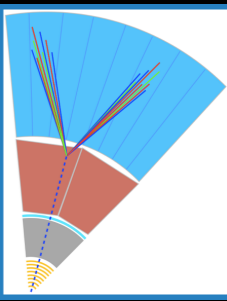


CEPC+SiD-type detector has excellent coverage at higher N masses at a Higgs-threshold run

They conclude that vertex displacements $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ are possible! How does this scale to the current version of the CDR?



LLP searches in general at future machines



Most of the thought for future LLP searches (for all the classes of models we consider) has gone into future circular hadron colliders

- FCC-hh plans for higher \sqrt{s} and higher luminosity
 - For direct production and detection of LLPs, hadron colliders win over lepton colliders, often by orders of magnitude
- Even HL-LHC will produce 100x more Higgses than CEPC...
- ...BUT the e^+e^- environment is so much cleaner that the biggest place where LLP discoveries could be hiding in $5/\text{ab}$ at the CEPC is in that $<5\%$ of the Higgs BR where $h \rightarrow$ very-short-lifetime LLPs
- Pileup always challenging at hadron machines, and for low-mass BSM LLPs with very small lifetimes a lepton collider wins
- Some studies and thoughts already, but the main message:

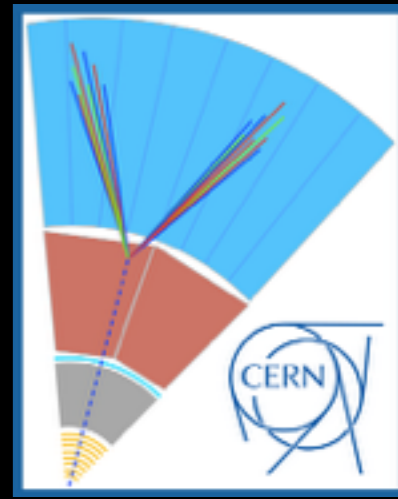
LLPs at CEPC need more study!

LHC Long-Lived Particle Community

We've recently been organizing our thinking around LLP signatures at the LHC



...in collaboration with the theory/pheno community and MoEDAL, SHiP, milliQan, MATHUSLA, etc., enthusiasts



Recent workshops —>

[https://indico.cern.ch/e/LHC LLP April 2017](https://indico.cern.ch/e/LHC%20LLP%20April%202017)

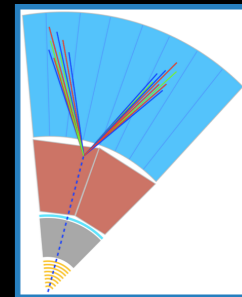
[https://indico.cern.ch/e/LHC LLP October 2017](https://indico.cern.ch/e/LHC%20LLP%20October%202017)

Overall goal is to address one question:

How do we best ensure that we don't miss BSM LLP signatures for the remainder of the LHC program?

Currently producing a community **white paper (to appear end of 2017 or beginning of 2018)** always focused on detector signatures that can arise from generic LLP decays with recommendations, uncovered signatures, and a simplified model proposal

LHC LLP Community initiative



Same structure and simplified model framework (and community spirit) could serve as a means to study such classes of models and signatures at CEPC/FCC-ee

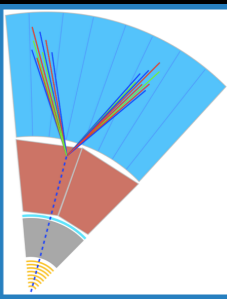
Find the places where CEPC / FCC-ee win over hadron colliders

- Hadrophobic LLPs?
- What are the production cross sections for dark QCD signatures like emerging jets and SUEP (soft, unclustered energy patterns)?
- Very light, very soft LLPs?
- Tiny disappearing tracklets? ($\sim 10\mu\text{m}$ scale tracking will serve this, too)
- $h_{125} \rightarrow$ long-lived dark Zs / dark photons \rightarrow electrons? (muons easy; electrons harder at hadron machines)
- Metastable charged particles?

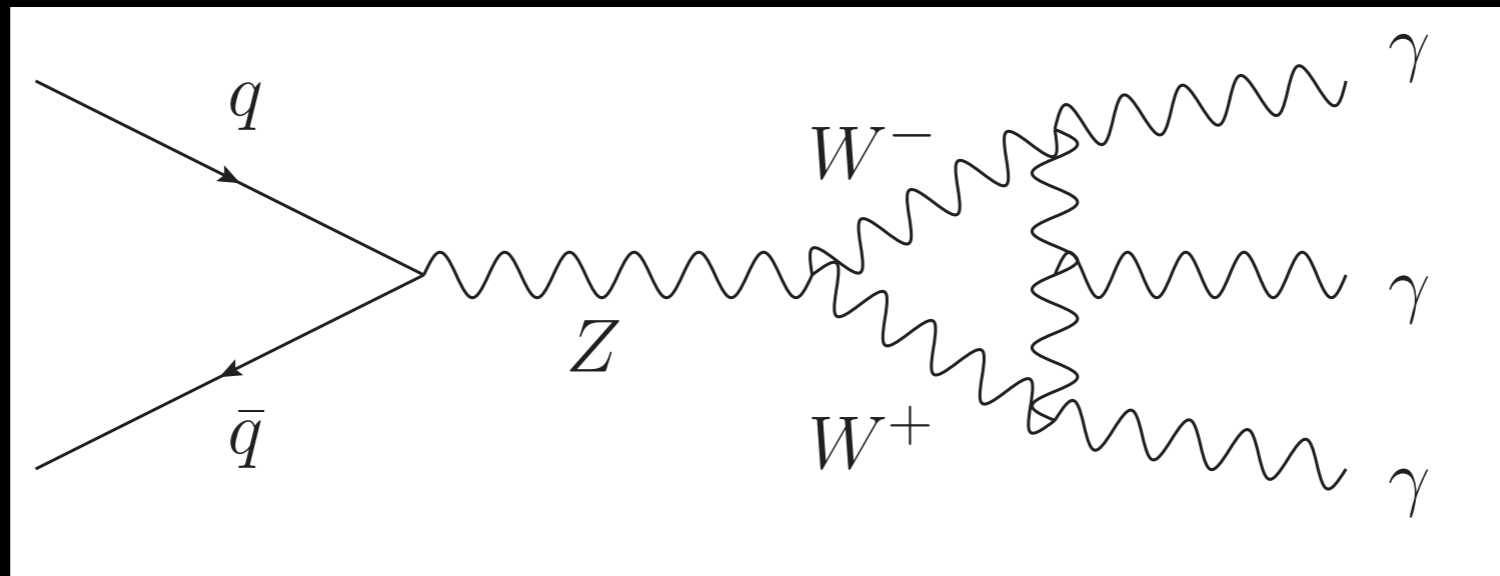
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DPP: sneutrino pair		SUSY	SUSY	SUSY	SUSY	SUSY
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Table 2.1: Simplified model channels for neutral LLPs. The LLP is indicated by X.

Other ideas — very rare processes within reach: $Z \rightarrow 3\text{LLP}$



$$Z \rightarrow \gamma^{(d)}\gamma^{(d)}\gamma^{(d)}$$



ATLAS result at 8 TeV: World's best limit on SM Z to three photons

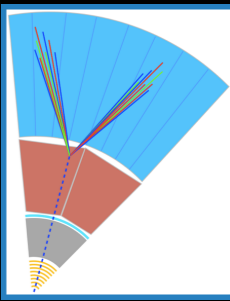
[arXiv:1509.05051](https://arxiv.org/abs/1509.05051)

Obs. (exp.) 95% CL upper limit on $\text{BR}(Z \rightarrow 3\gamma)$

- 2.2 (2.0)e-6
(almost 5 times better than LEP)
- SM prediction: 5e-10

With 10^{12} Z bosons at CEPC could see SM process and hope to probe photon / long-lived dark photon mixing

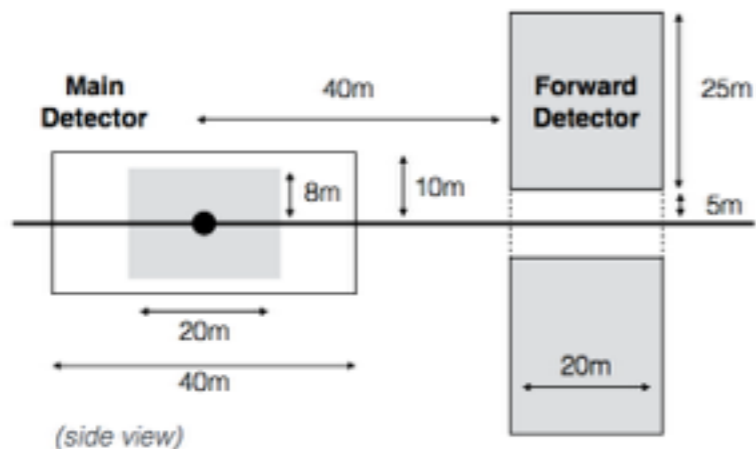
More general open questions about LLP searches



What detector capabilities have been studied for LLP searches at future e^+e^- machines like CEPC?

- Fast timing layers like those being discussed for ATLAS and CMS —> [C. Tully timing layer for CEPC study](#)
 - How could this aid searches for LLPs?
- Suggestions of dedicated detectors, e.g., a 1km decay tunnel lined with tracking, or a dedicated LLP detector underground

Incremental Add-On: LLP Detector!



Shielding from collision point eliminates hadronic backgrounds to LLP reconstruction.

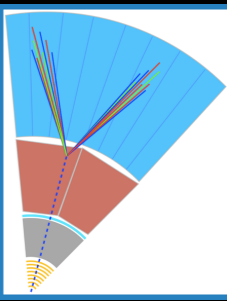
When digging a new tunnel, cavity for dedicated LLP detector carries very little additional cost!

Several exciting dedicated LLP experiments either underway or planned at the LHC (milliQan, MoEDAL, SHiP, FASER, MATHUSLA)

CEPC should incorporate these concepts from the beginning!

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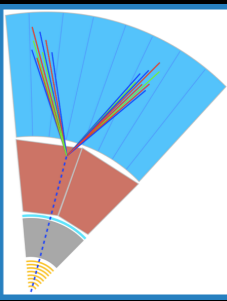
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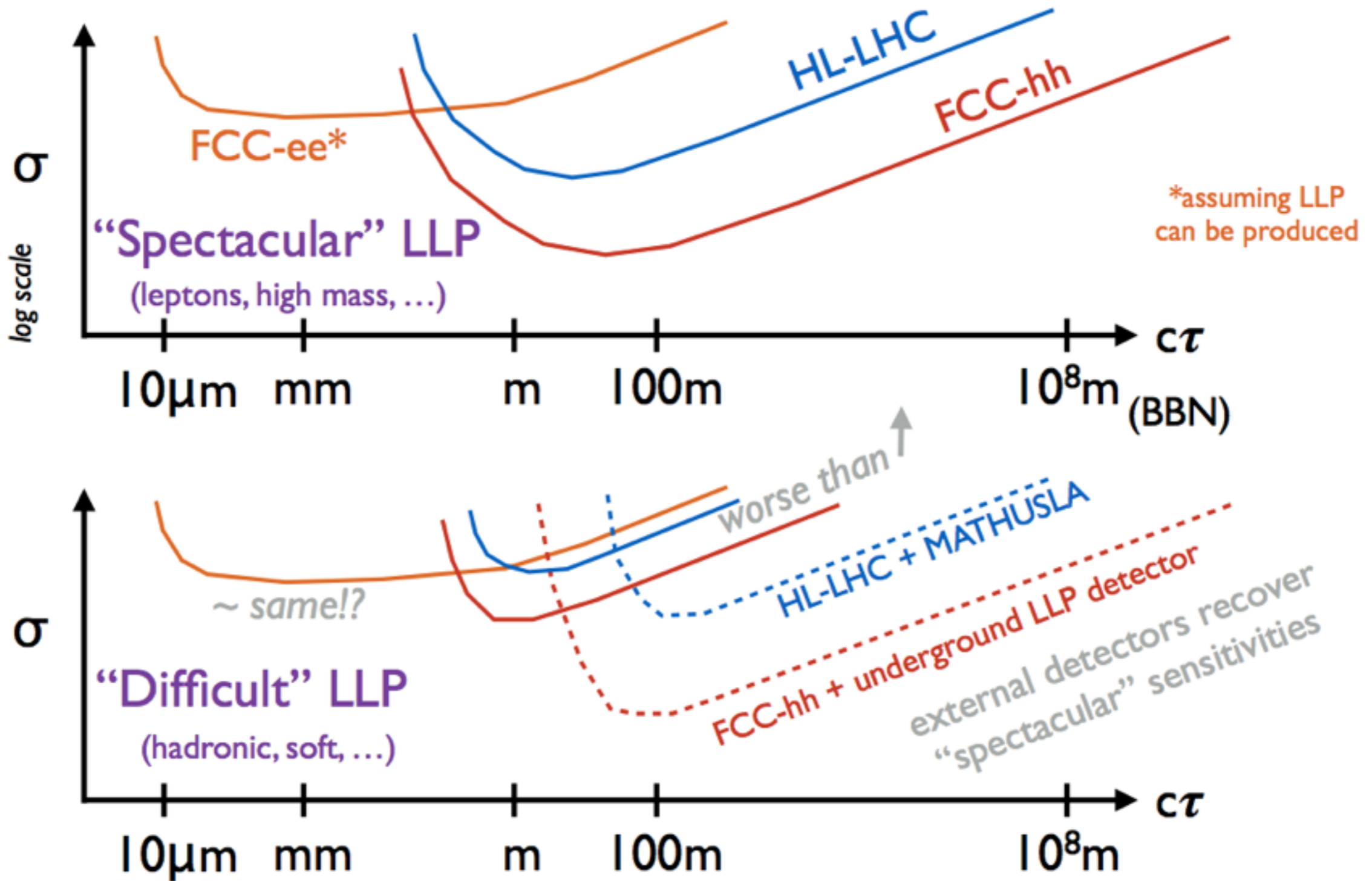
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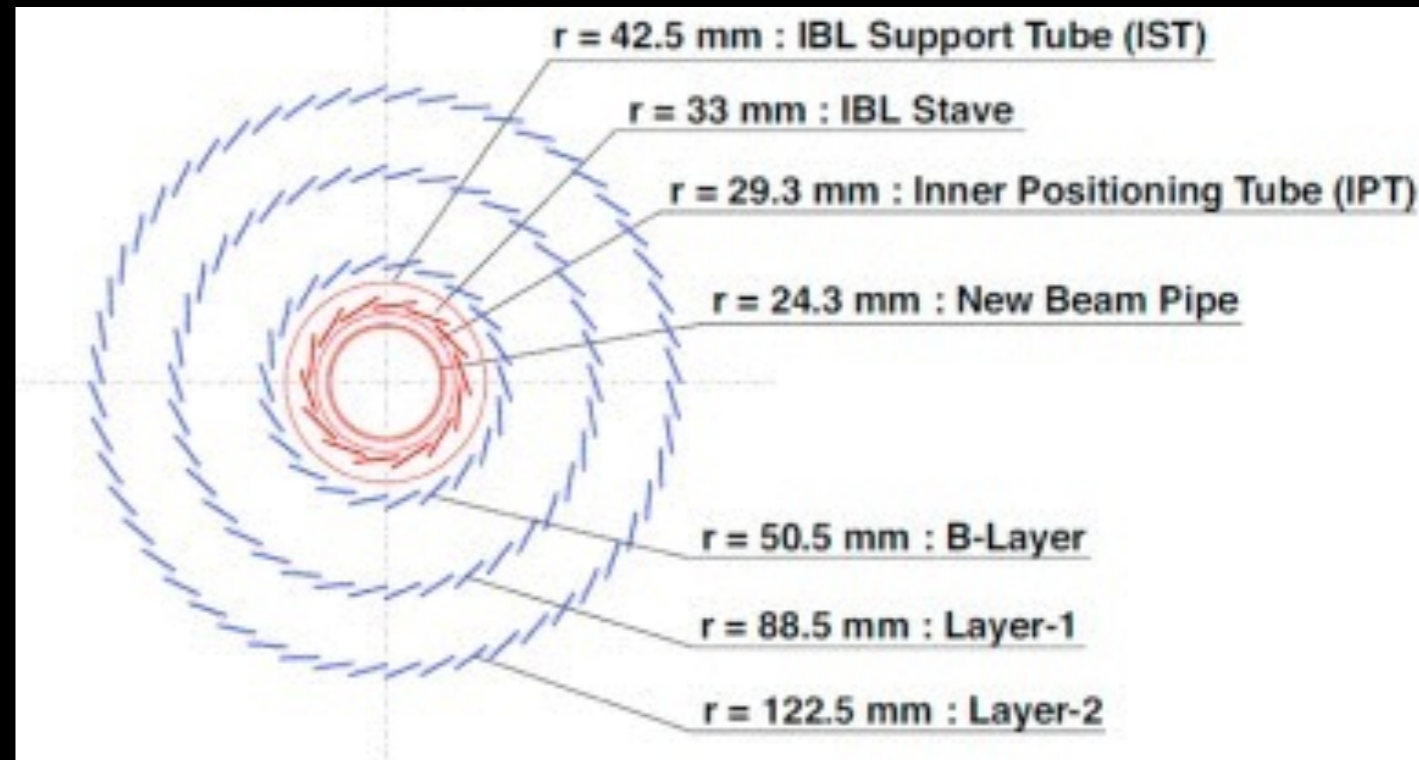
Reserve slides

★ Cartoon ★ of relative LLP sensitivities



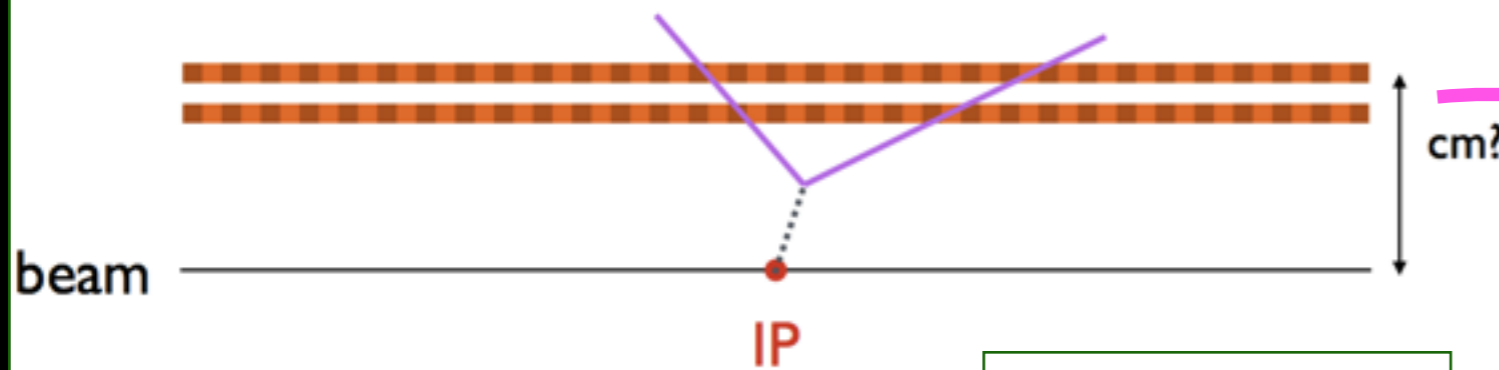
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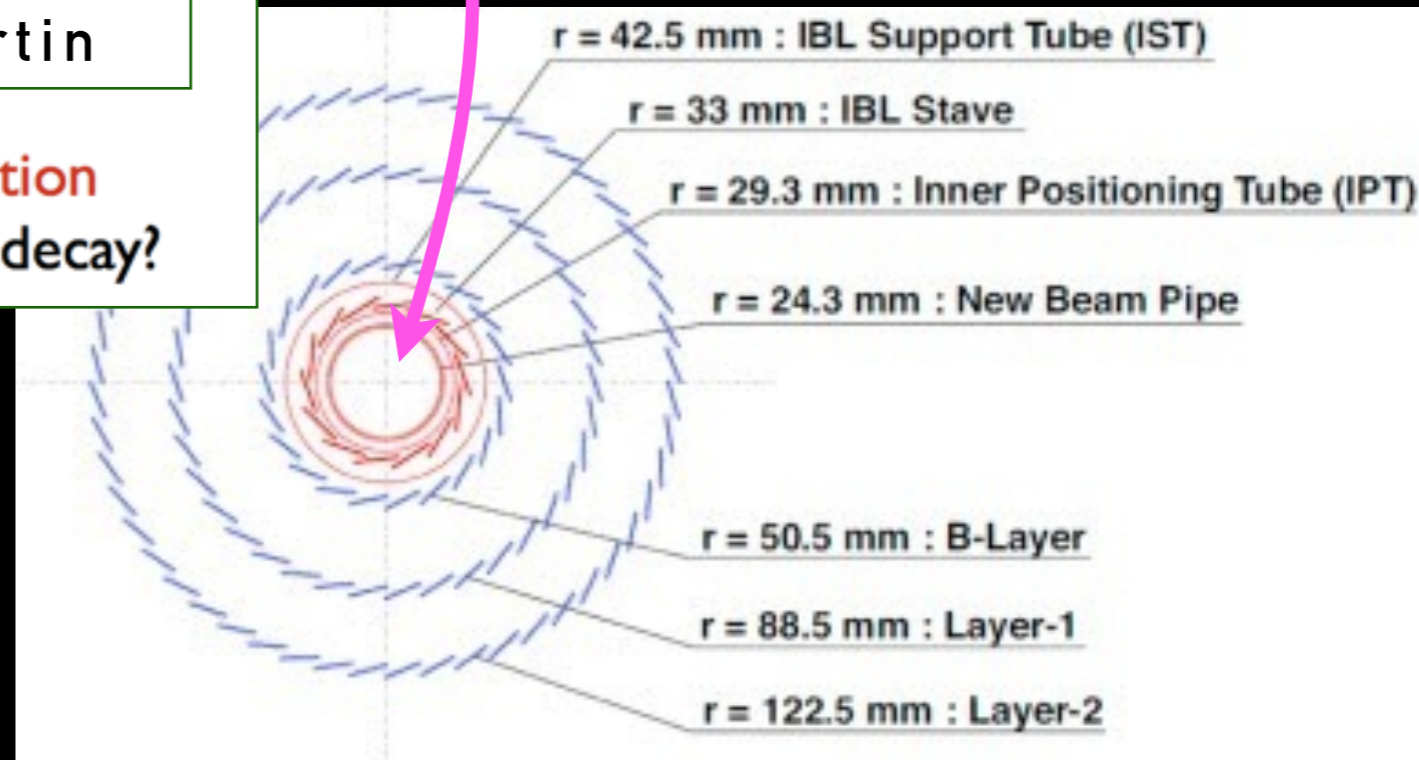
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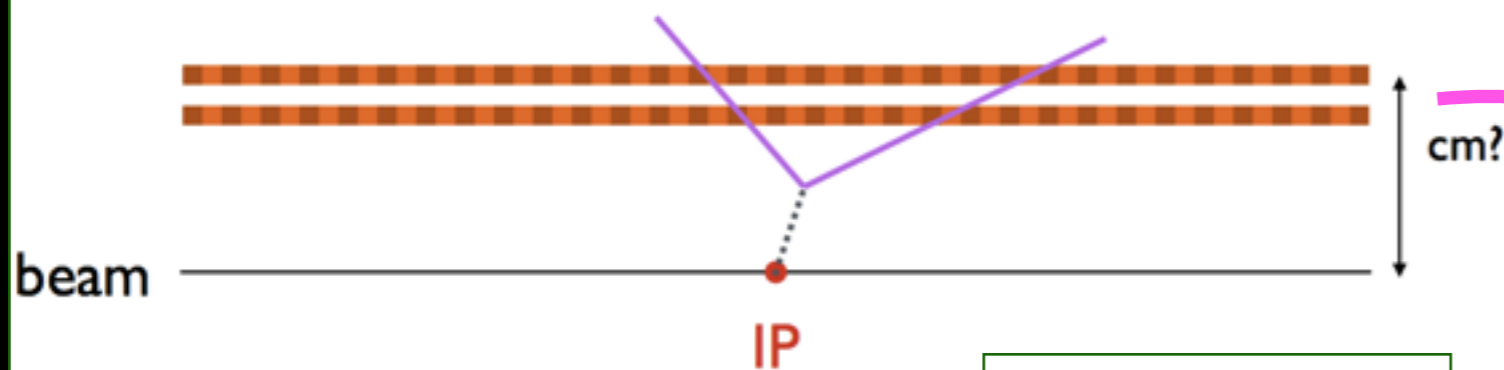
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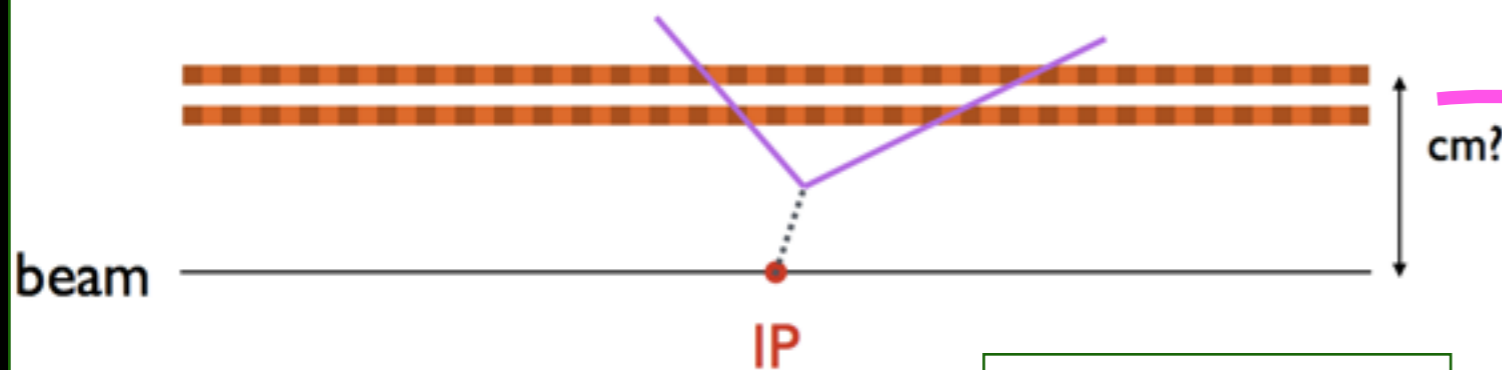
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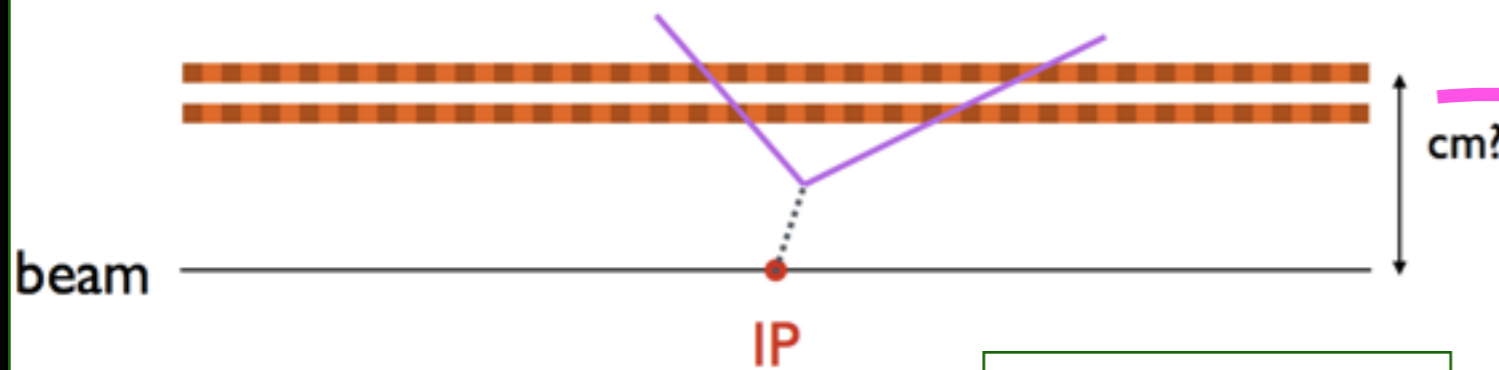
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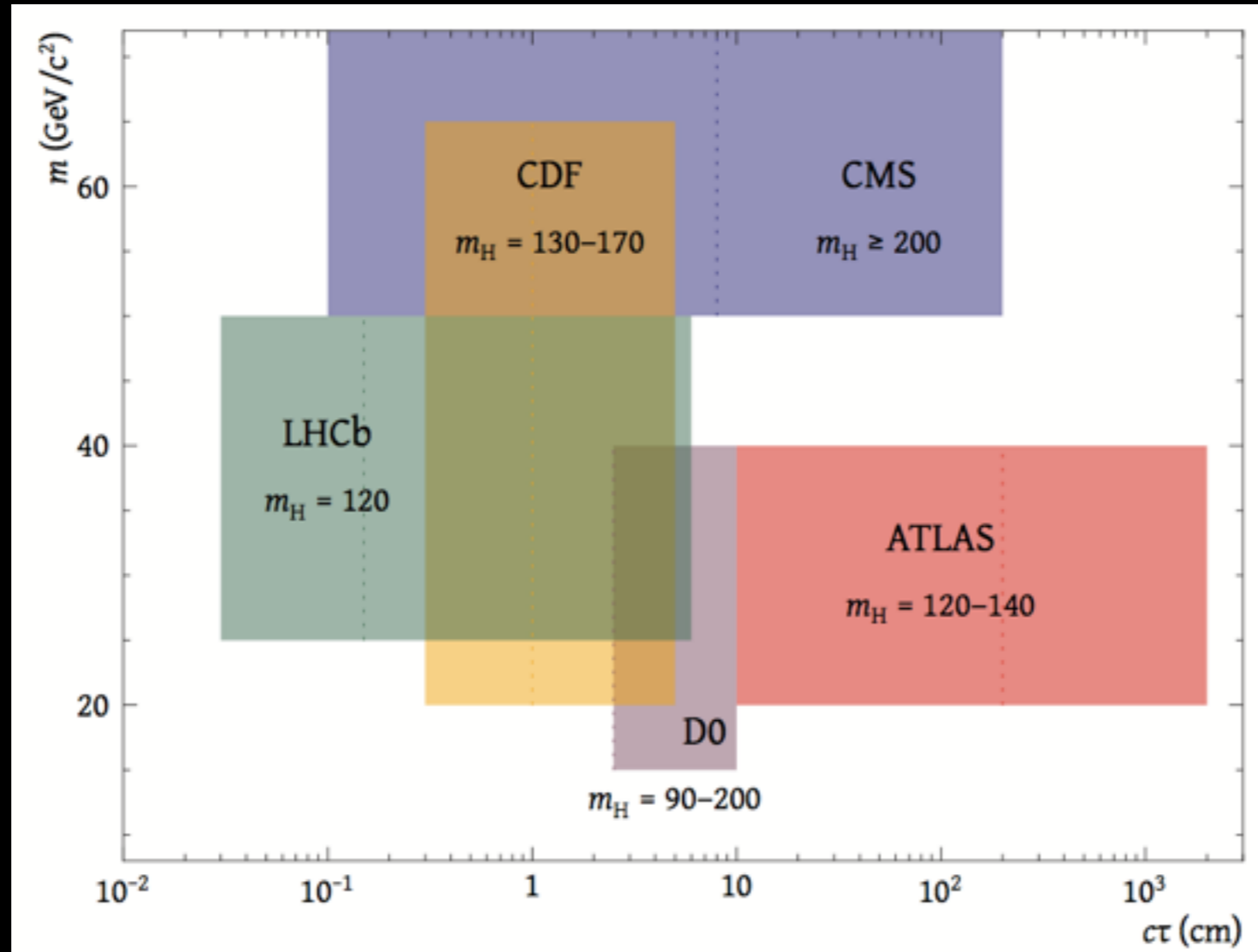
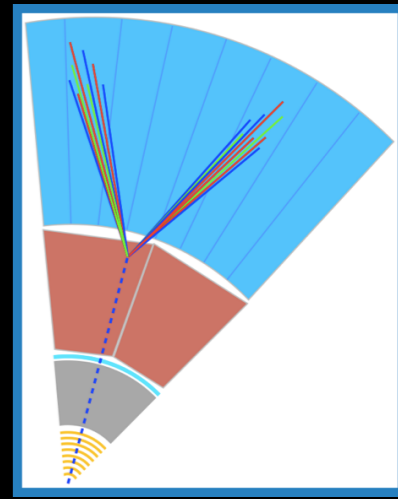


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- Pileup at hadron colliders would likely make it useless!
- Would probably be incinerated by the beam!
- What about a purposely temporary next-to-beam tracking layer that would only survive a certain integrated luminosity and die?

BSM example: Hidden sector portals

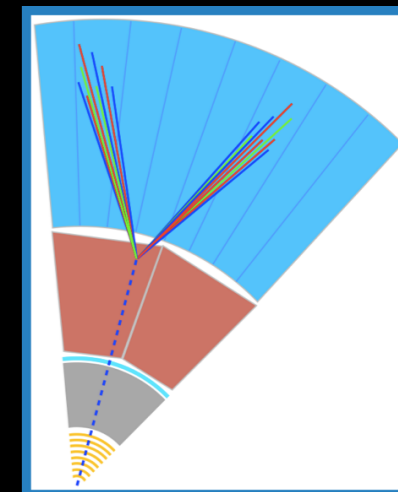
Higgs portal is also good for comparison among experiments



Pieter David thesis, LHCb, 2016

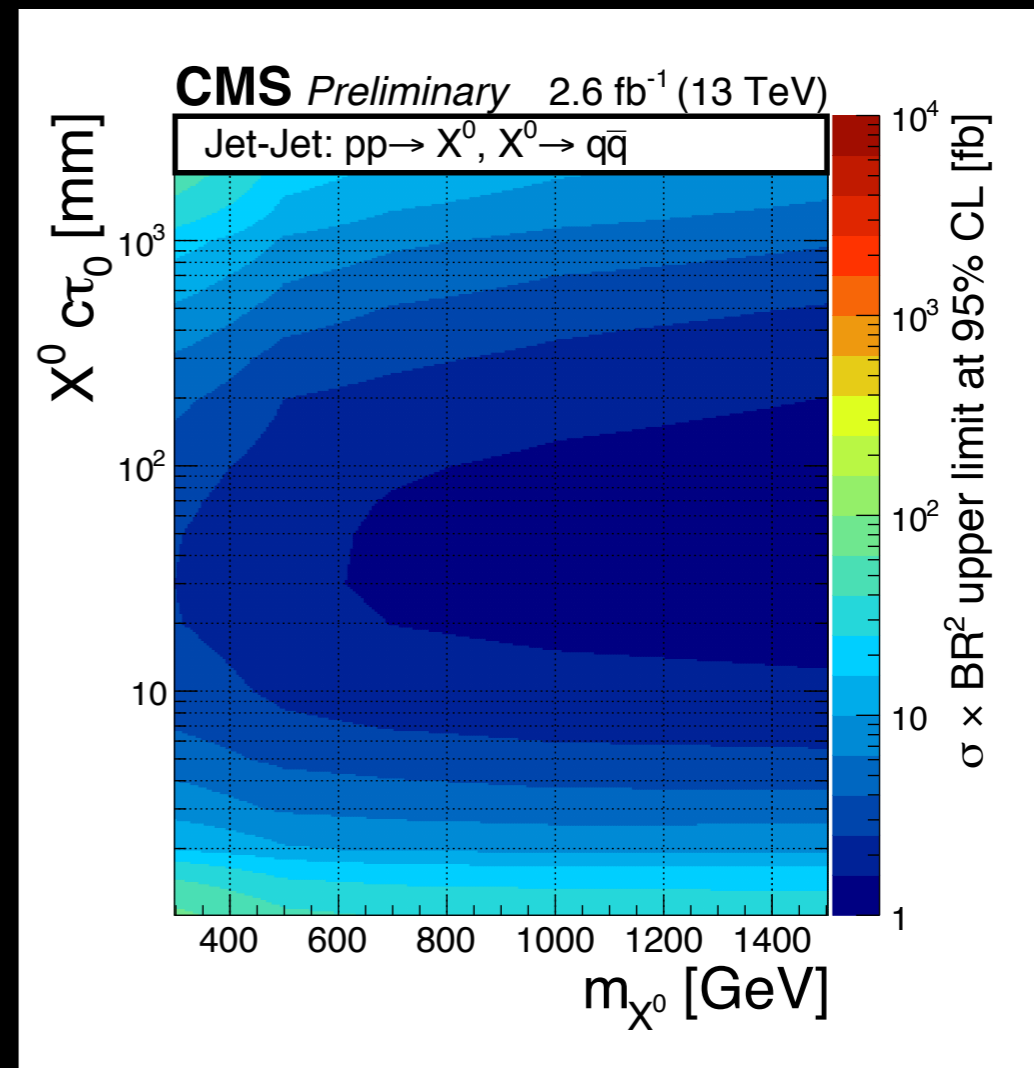
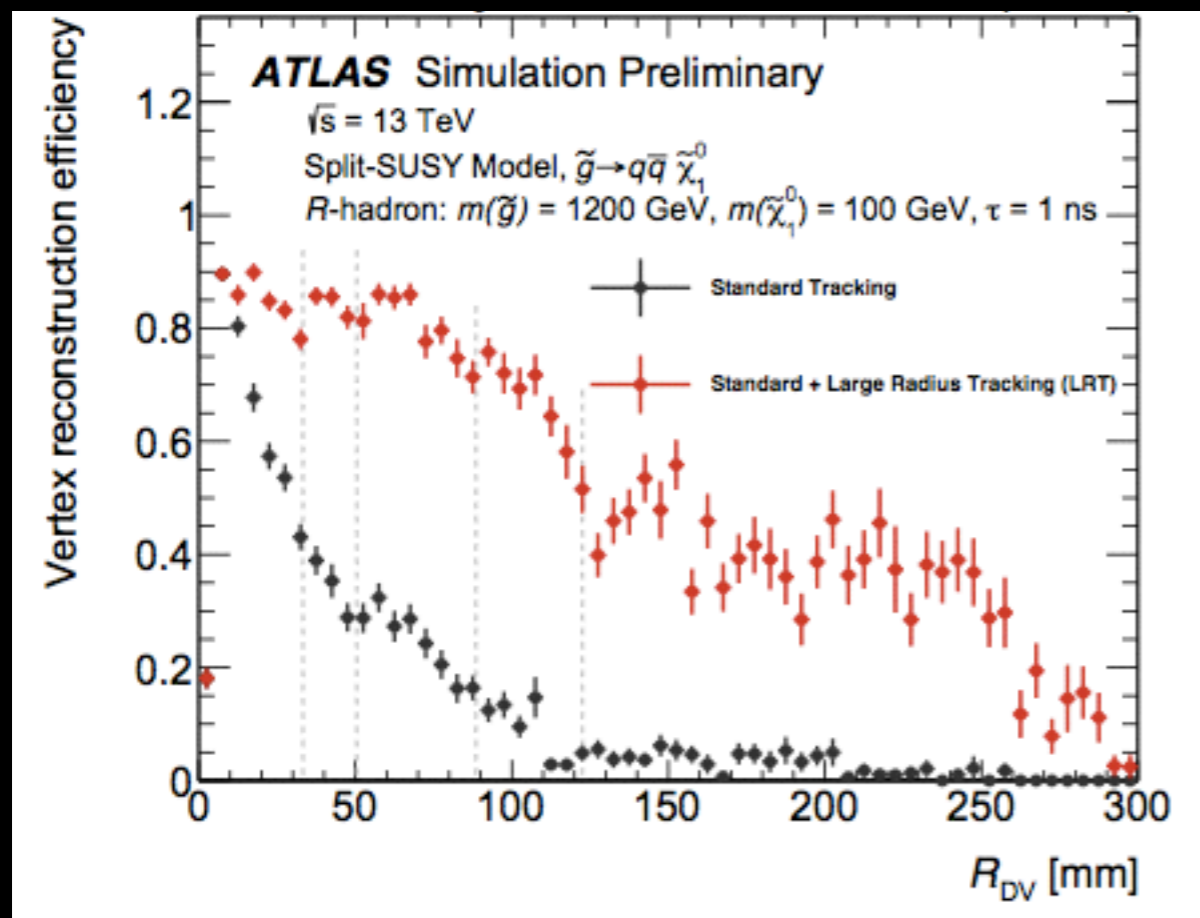
Displaced hadronic jets

The LLP can decay to jets in the inner tracker



[Phys. Rev. D 92, 072004 \(2015\)](#)

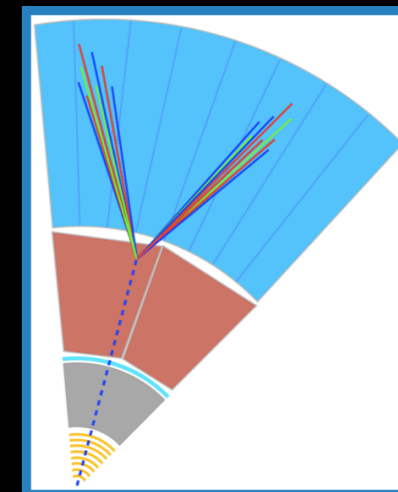
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Trigger on MET

Specialized HT trigger with track veto

What we could do better

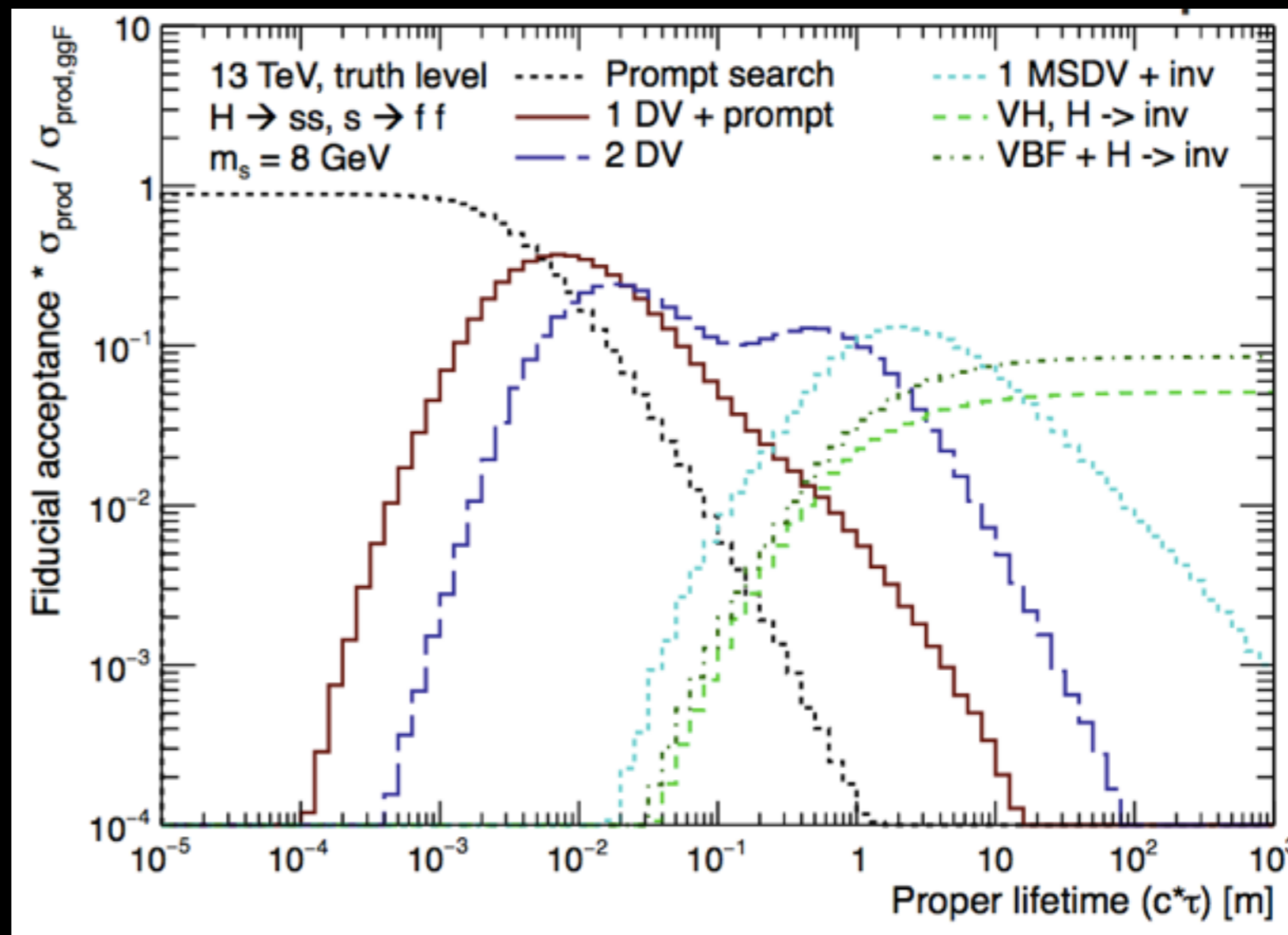


Where do our prompt and displaced searches overlap?

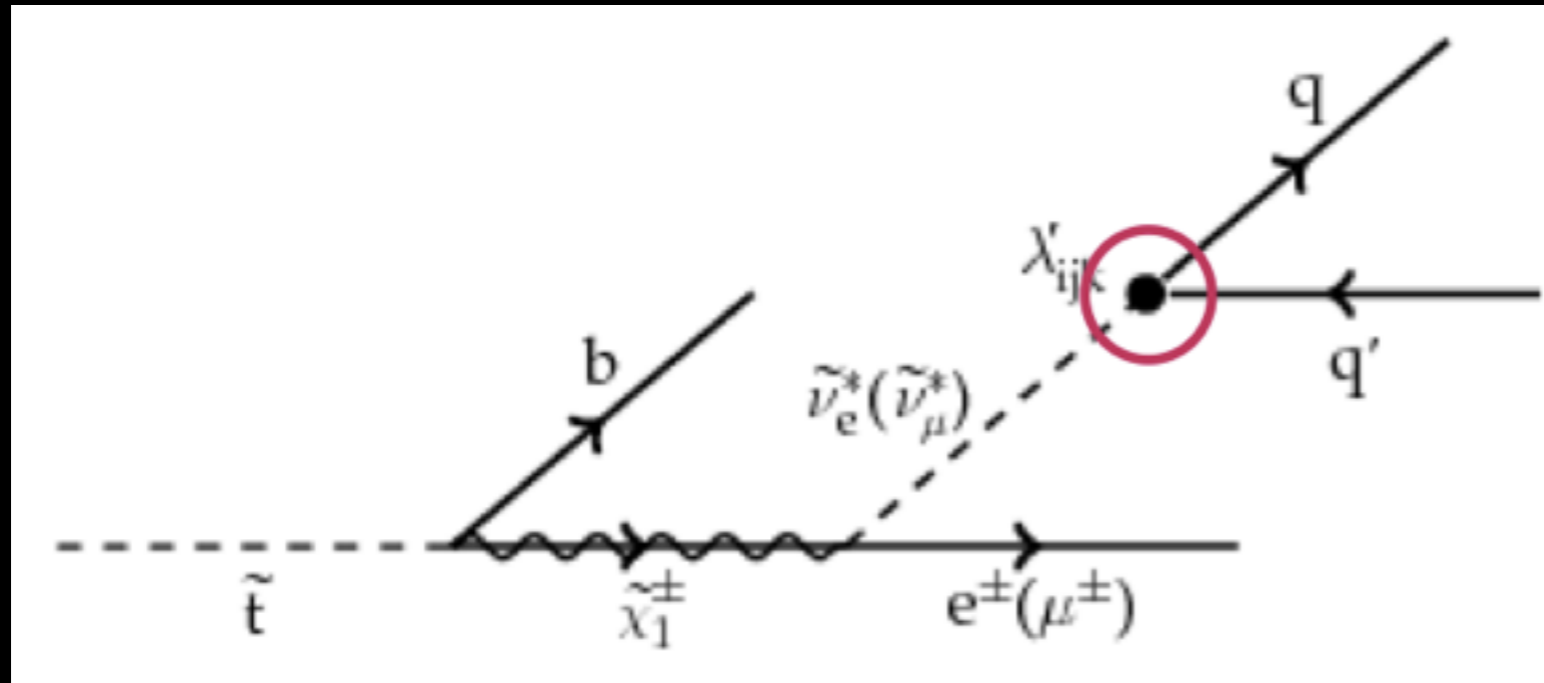
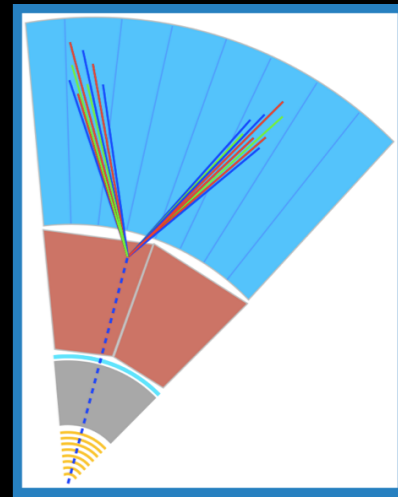
- Truth study by H. Russell for h_{125} decaying to fermions via a pair of 8 GeV LLPs at the 13 TeV LHC

Probably our smaller-lifetime coverage isn't this good, but need to know the answer

Also need comprehensive studies of existing b-triggers for small-to-intermediate lifetime signatures, because...

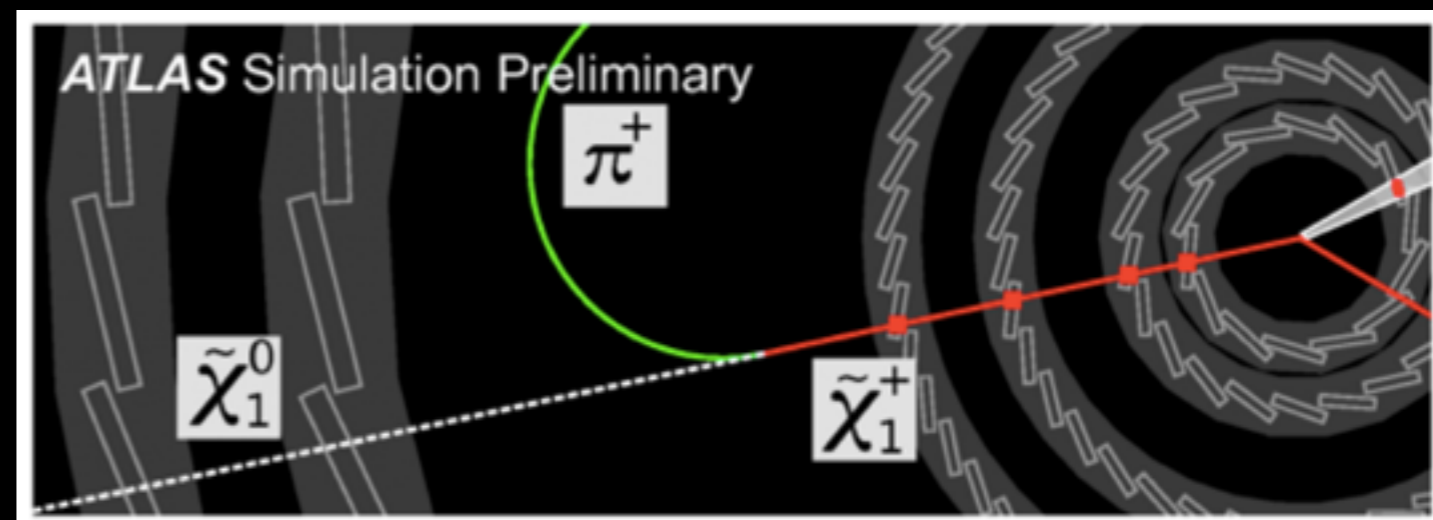


BSM example: RPV SUSY



$$|\lambda| < 10^{-8}$$

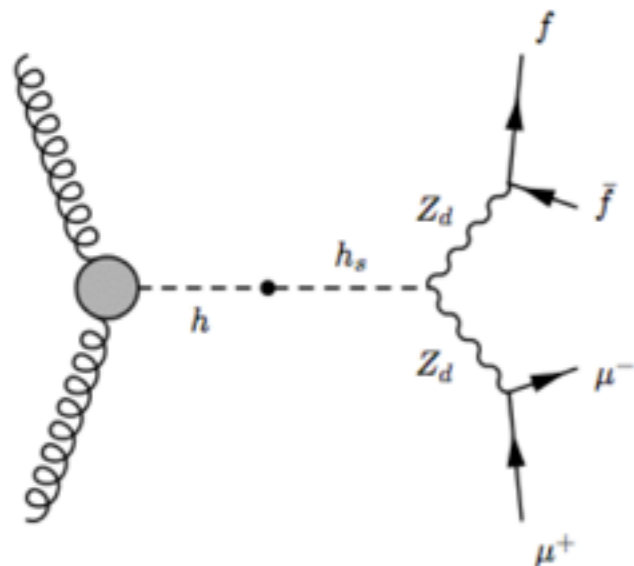
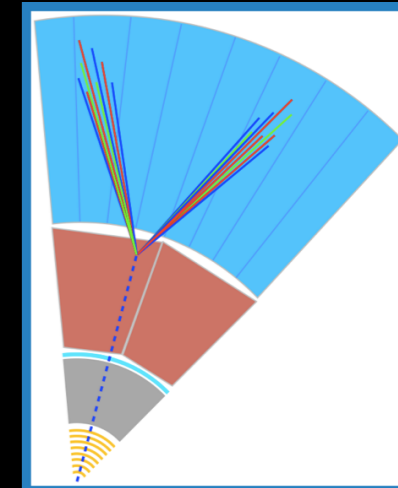
Electroweak symmetry
gives degeneracy of
NLSP and LSP masses if
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Displaced leptons at FCC-hh

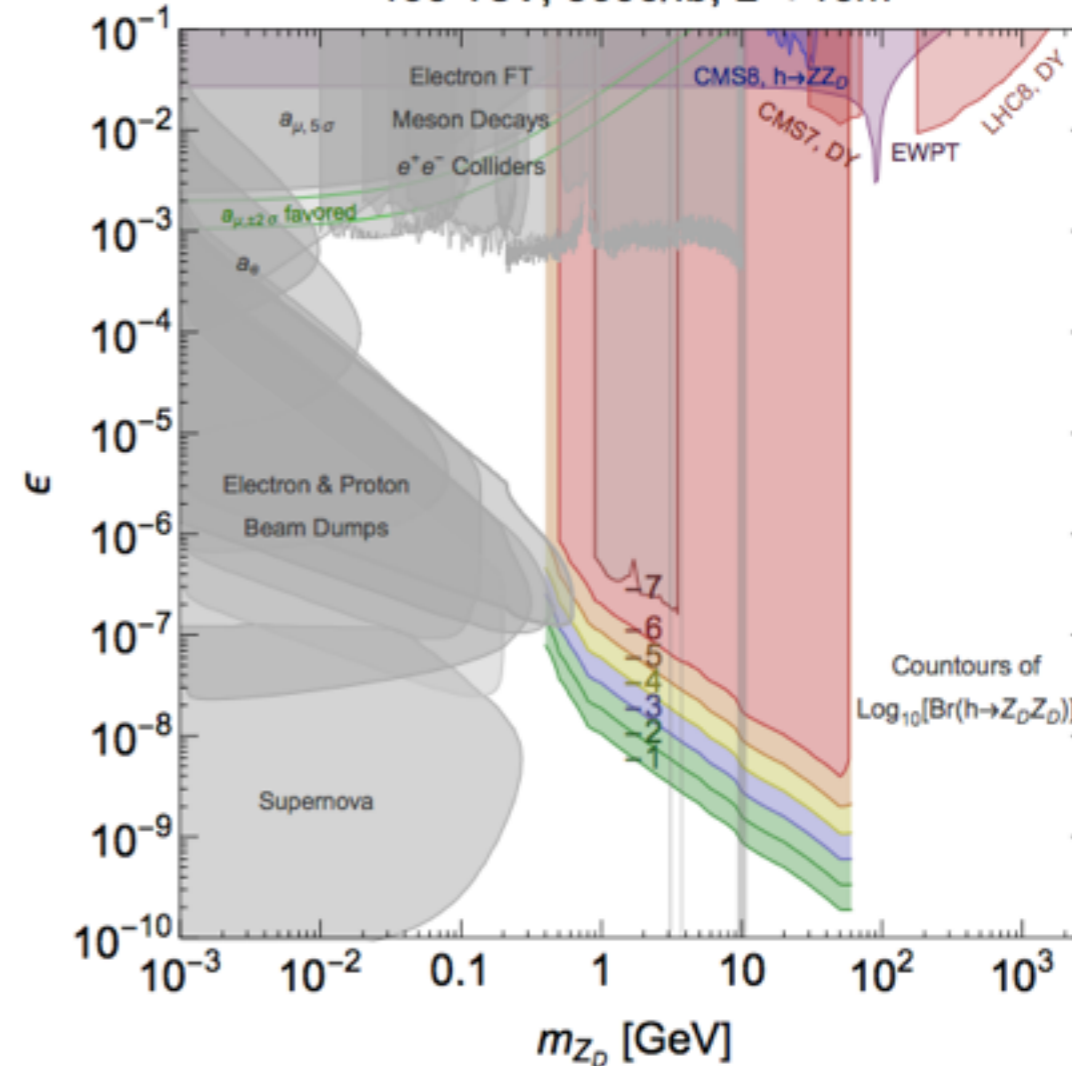
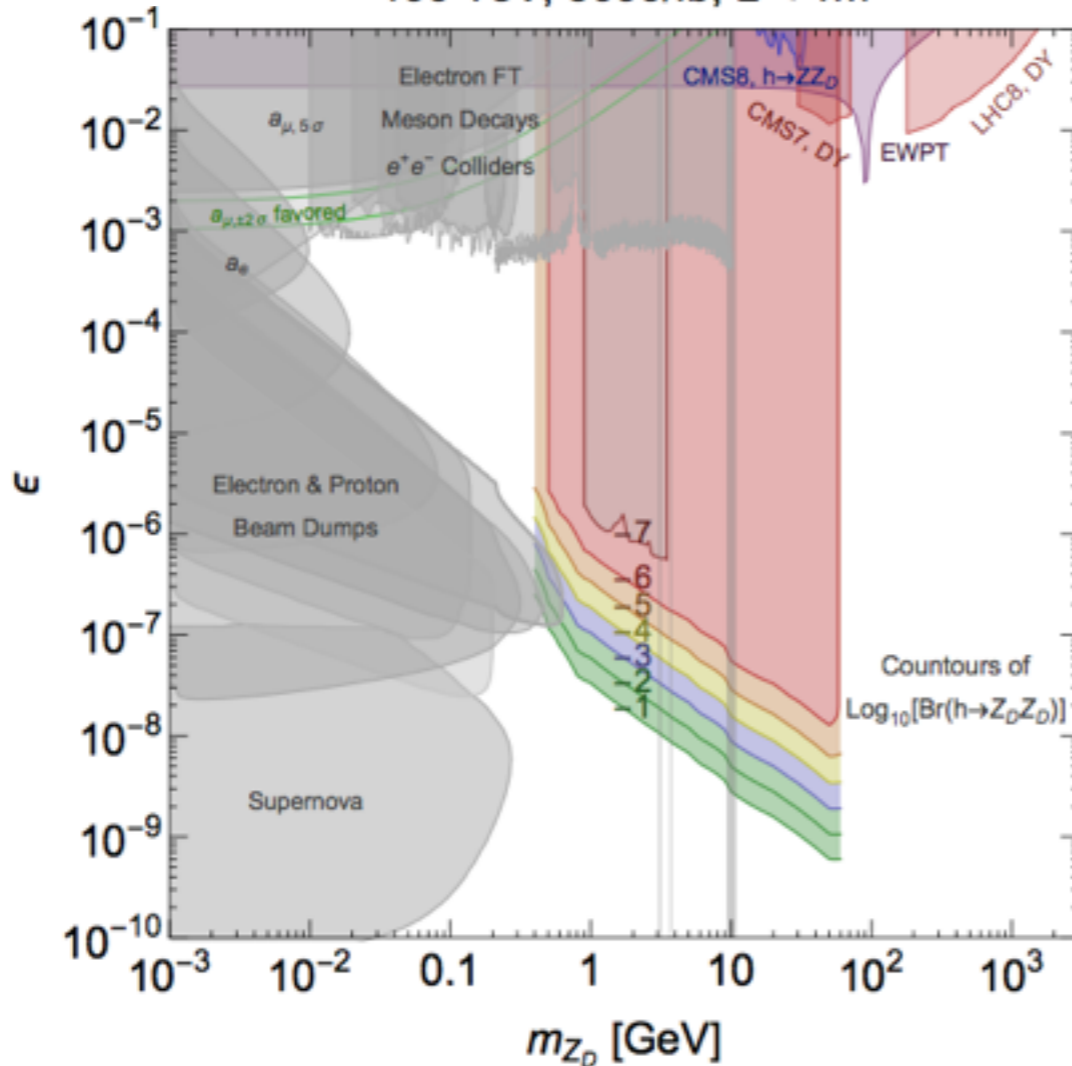
Higgs mixing with dark Higgs and subsequent decay to long-lived Z_{dark} pairs

What would this look like for CEPC/FCC-ee?



100 TeV, 3000/fb, $L < 1\text{m}$

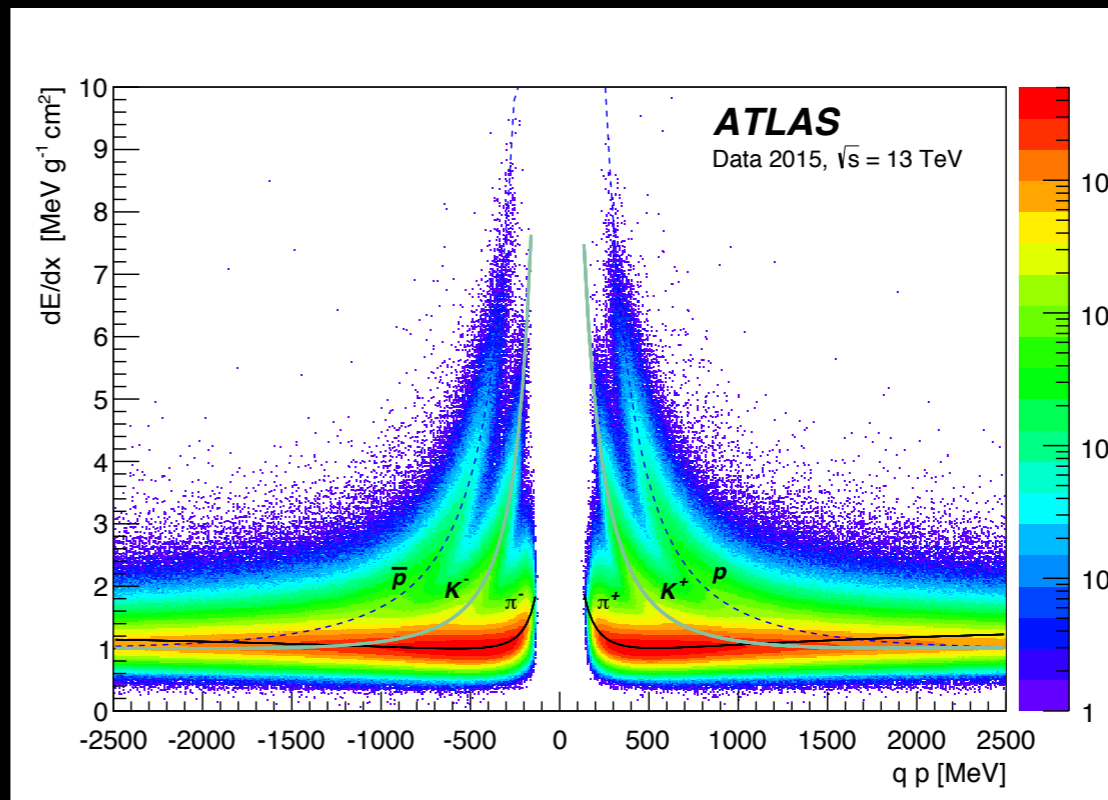
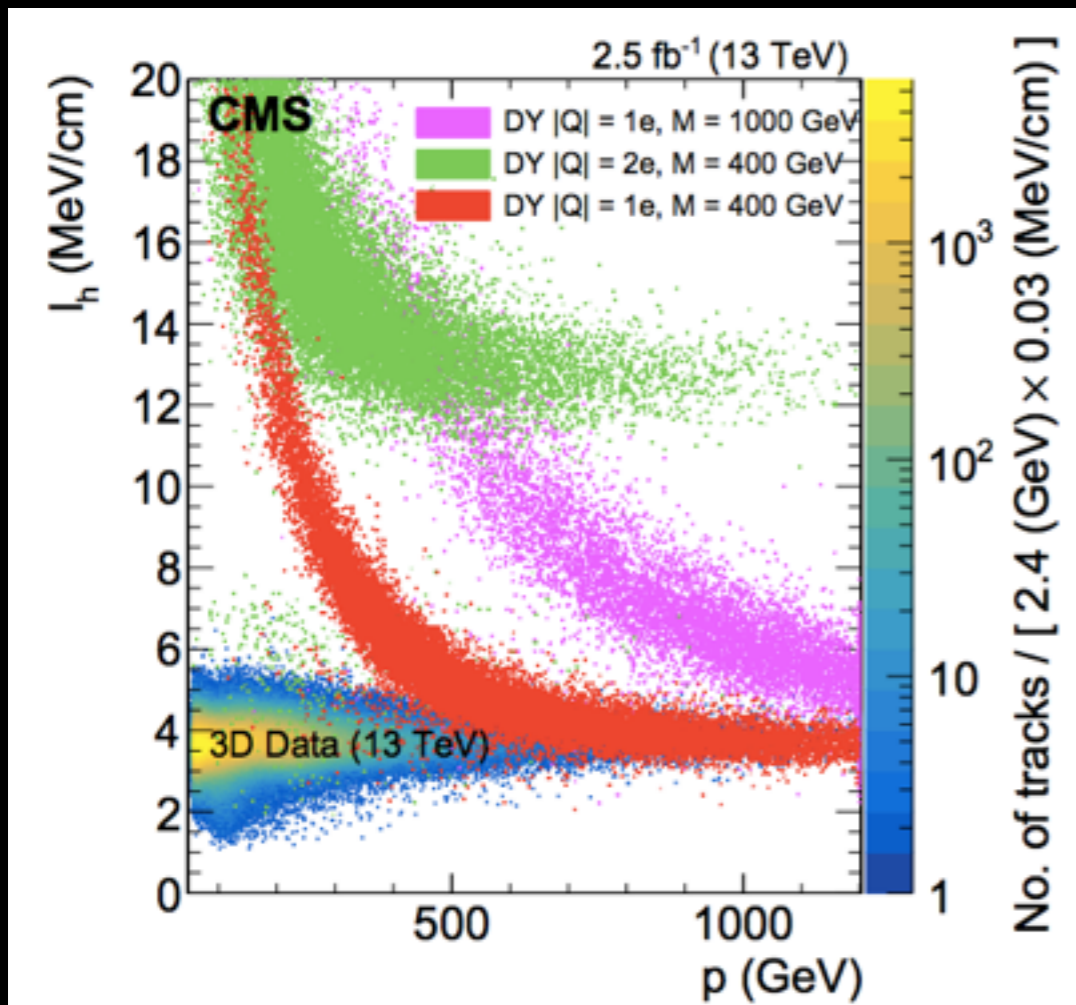
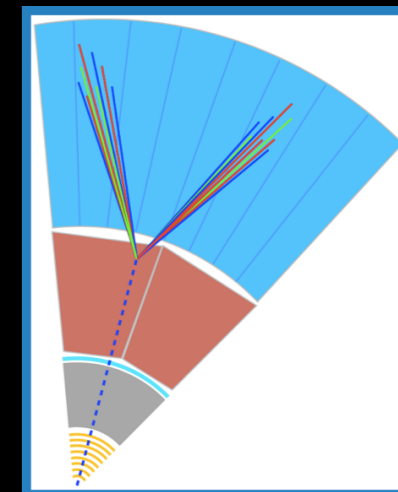
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What we do: Charged LLPs

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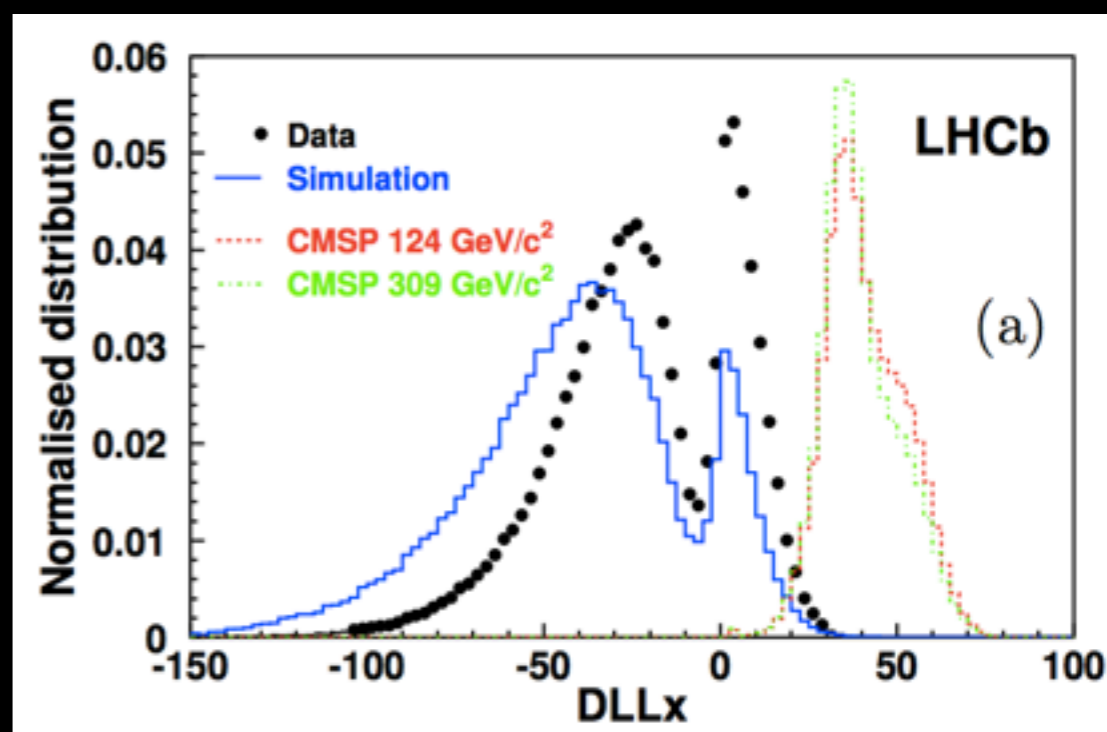
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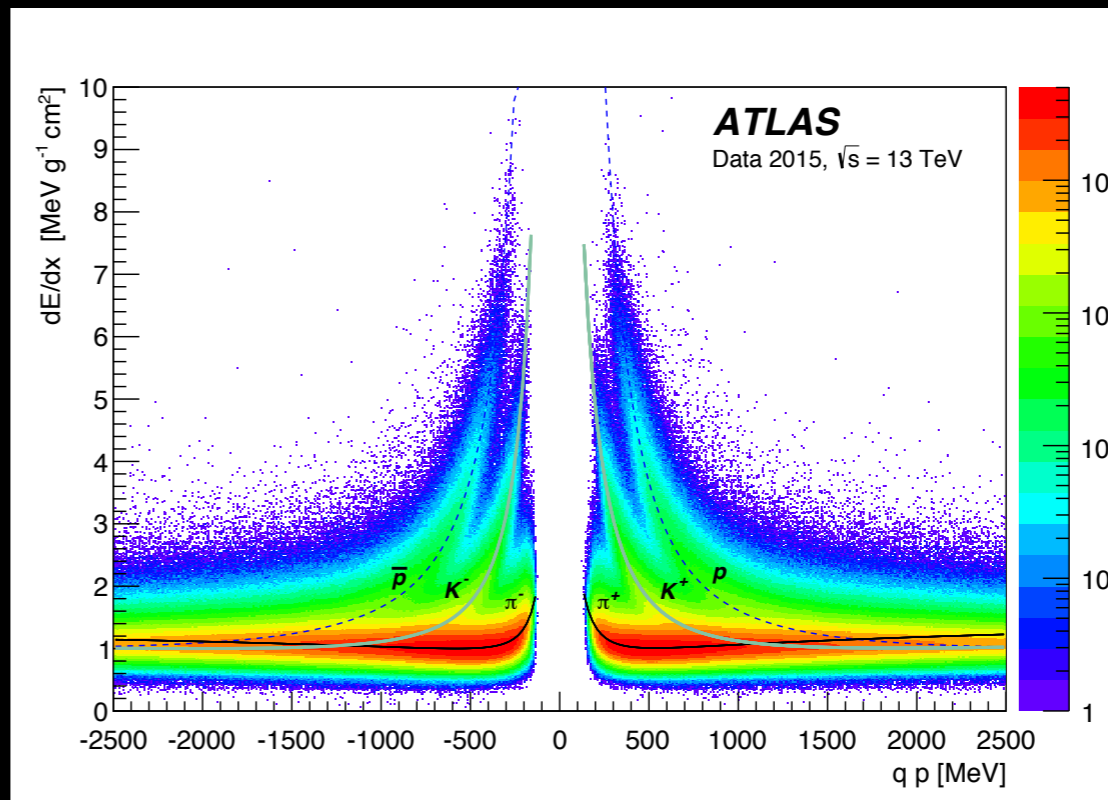
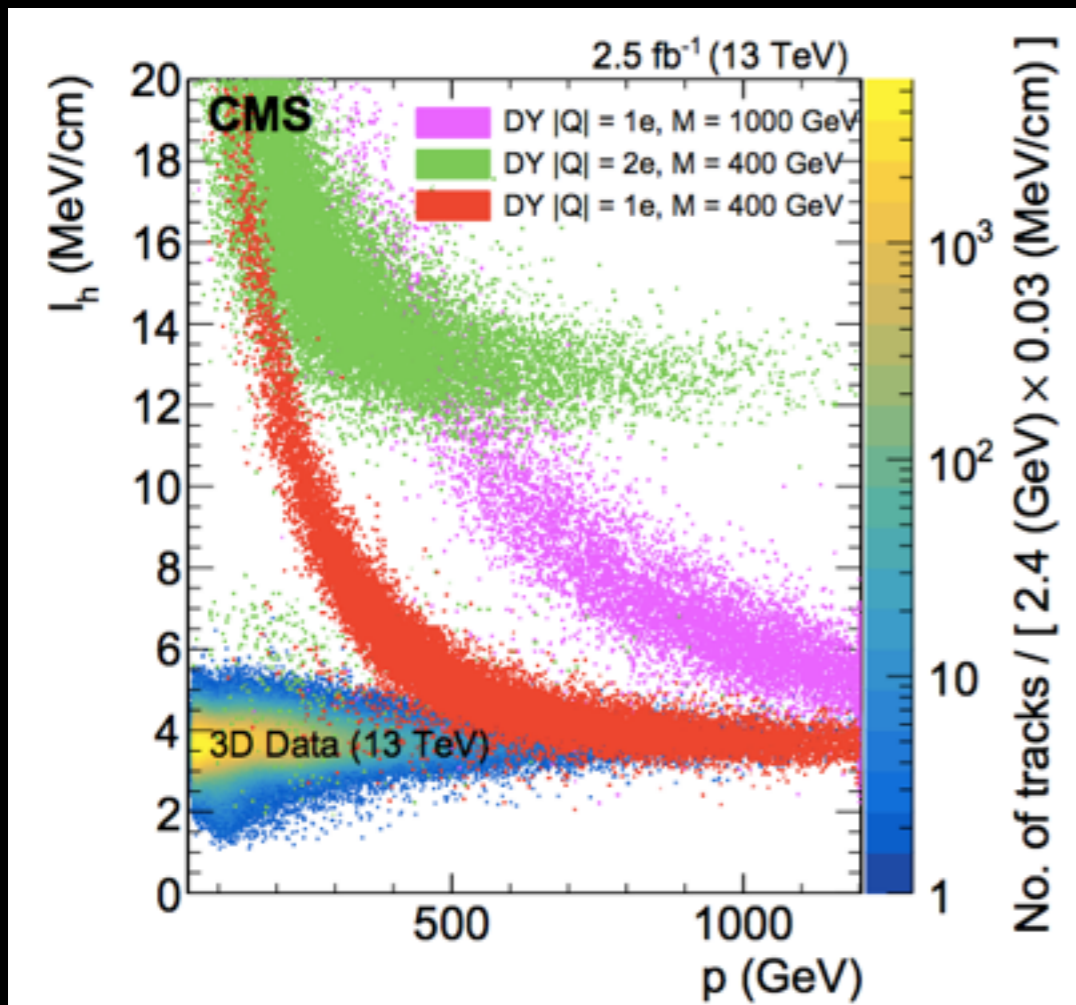
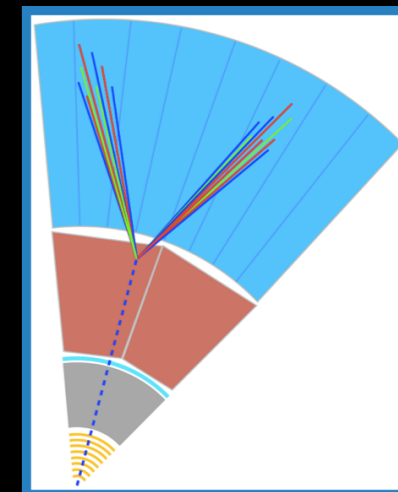
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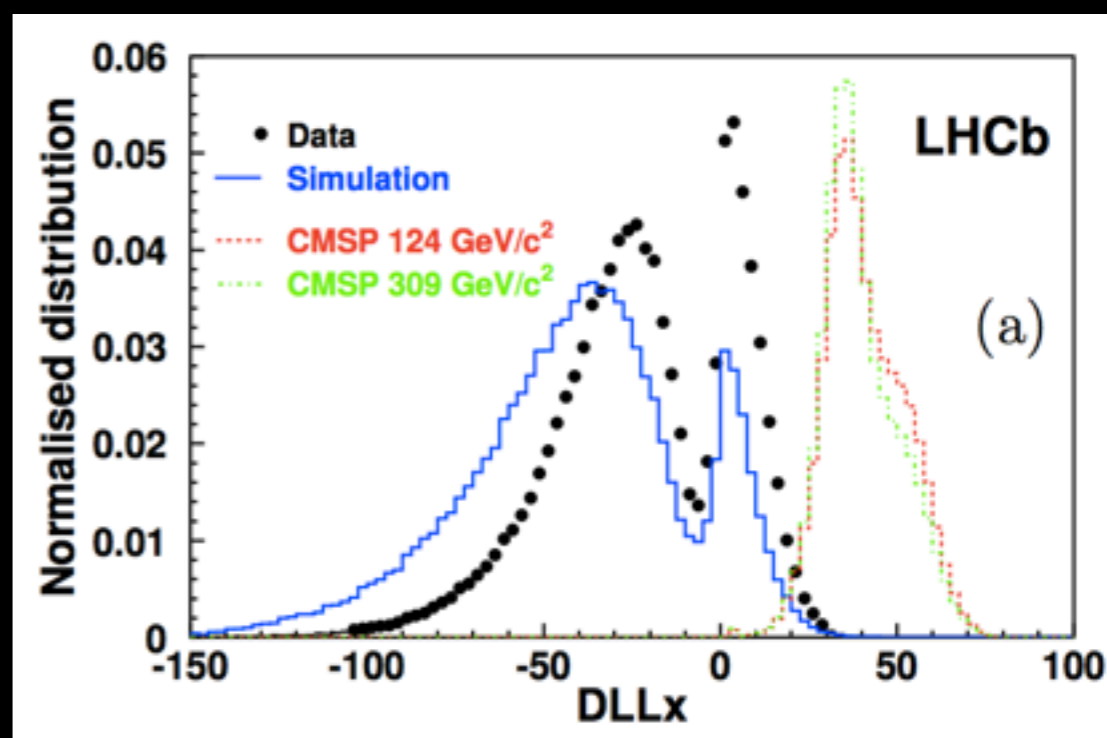


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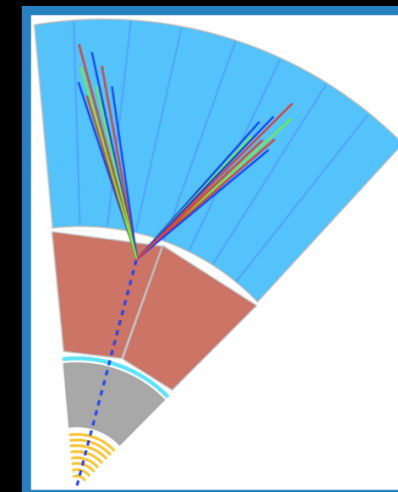
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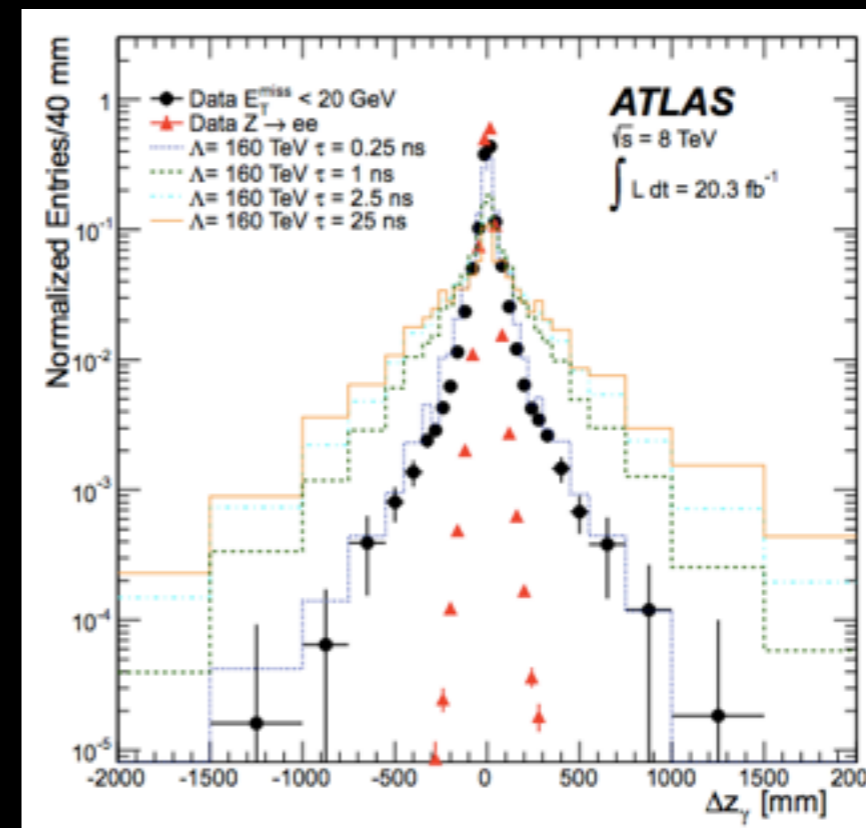
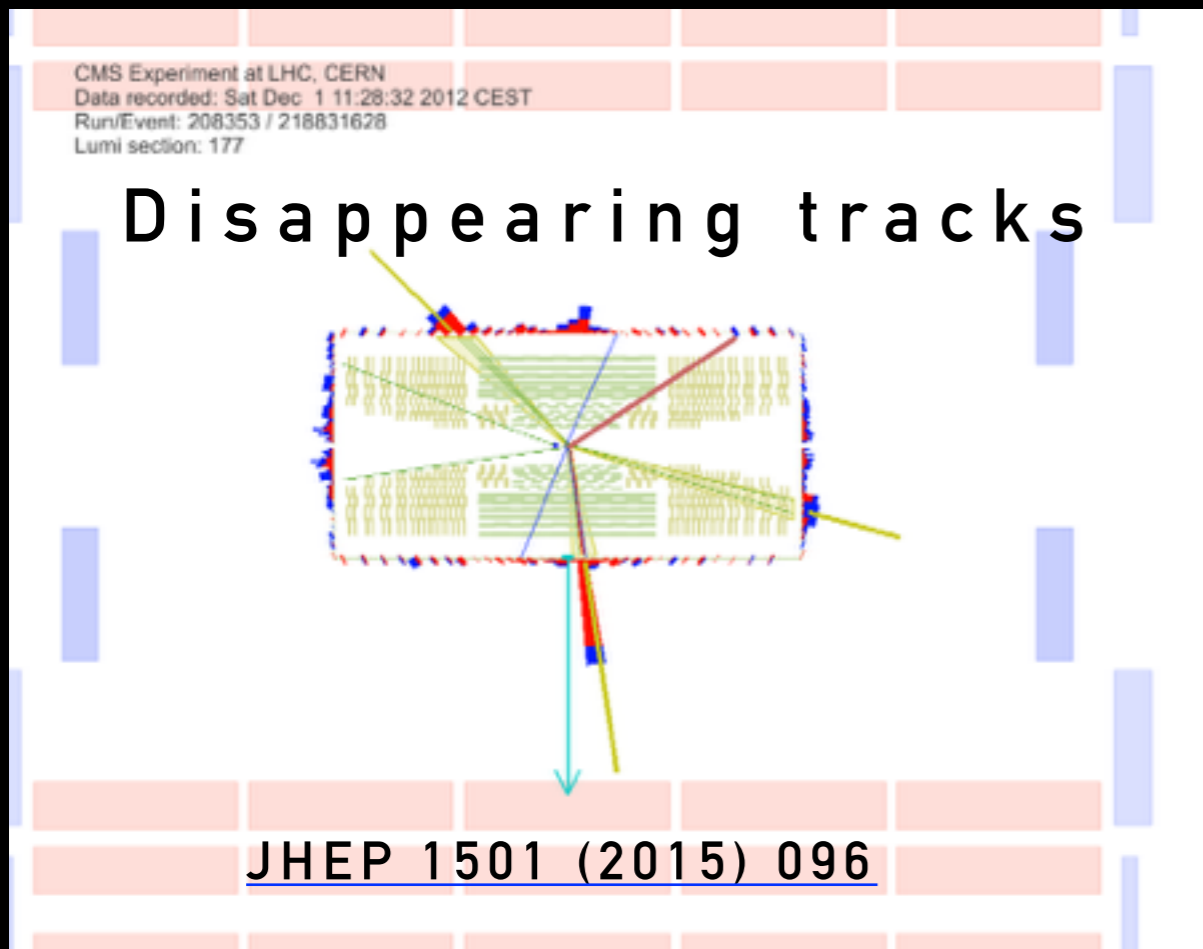
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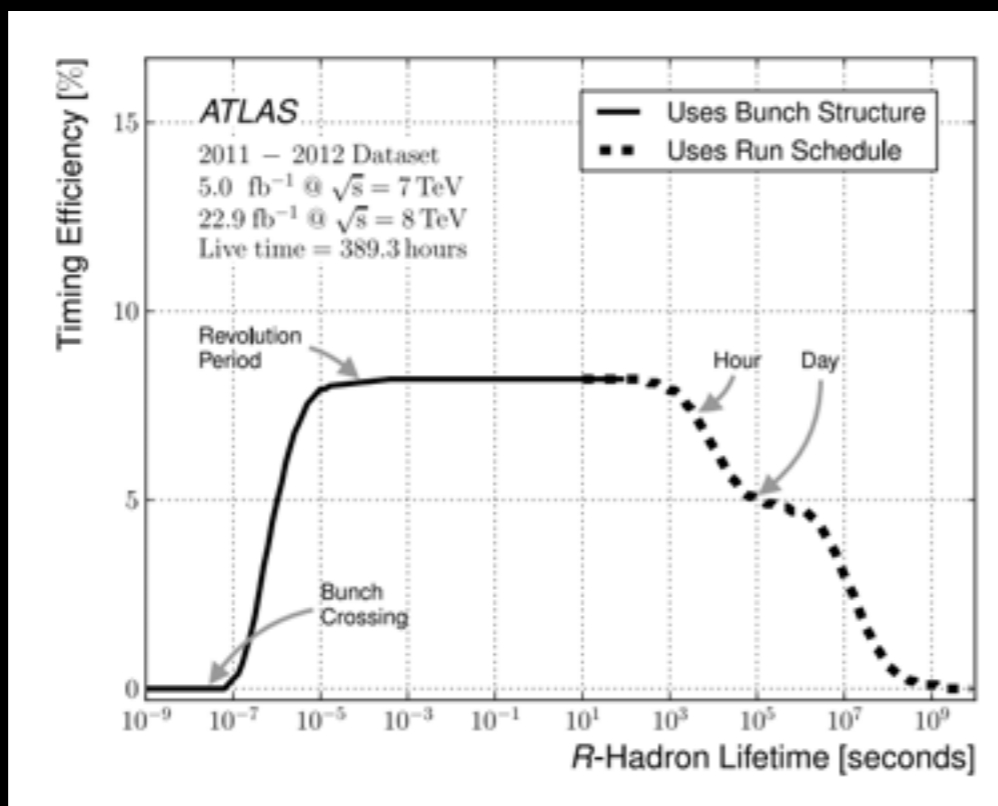
Other great searches not covered here



Non-pointing photons



[Phys. Rev. D 90, 112005 \(2014\)](#)

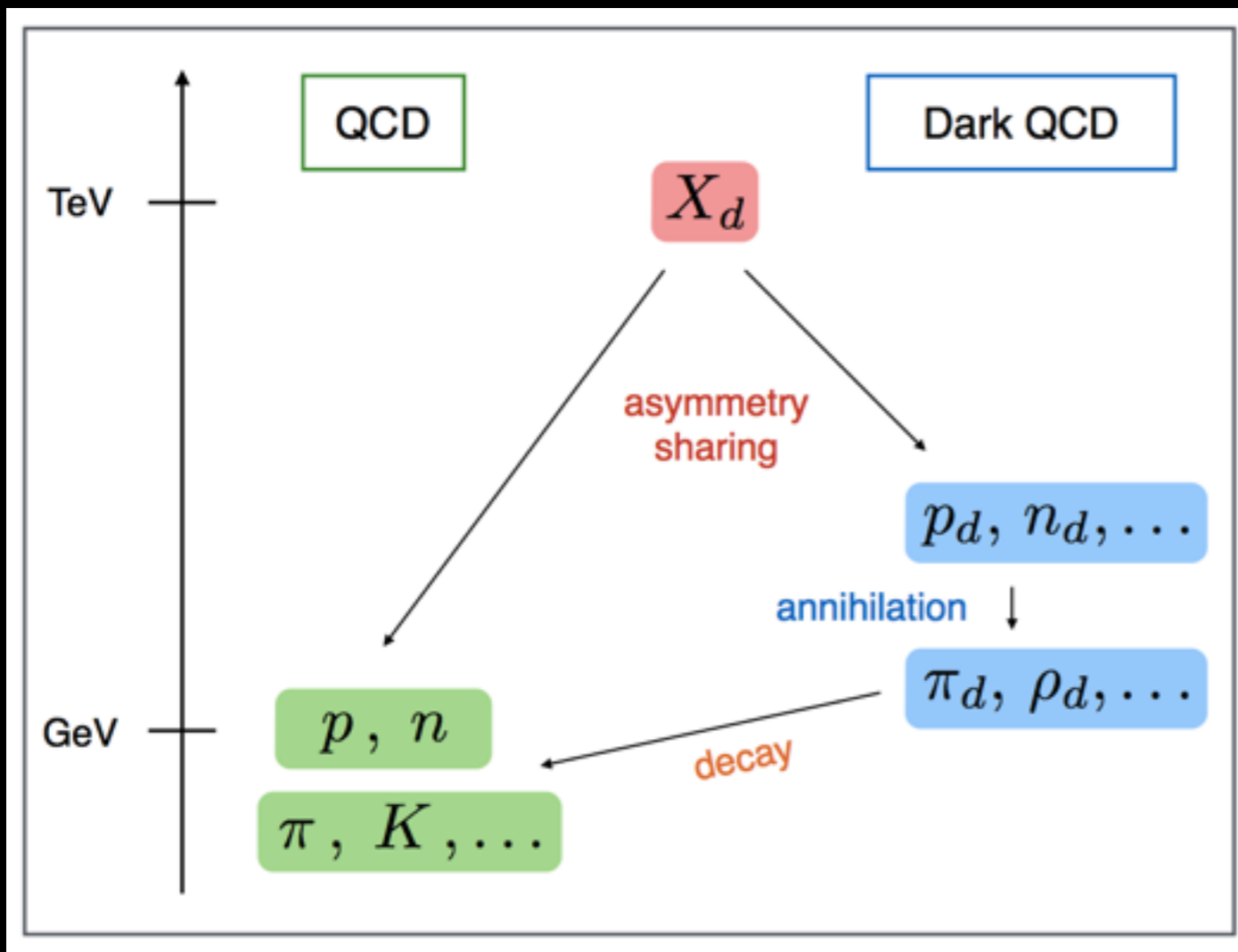
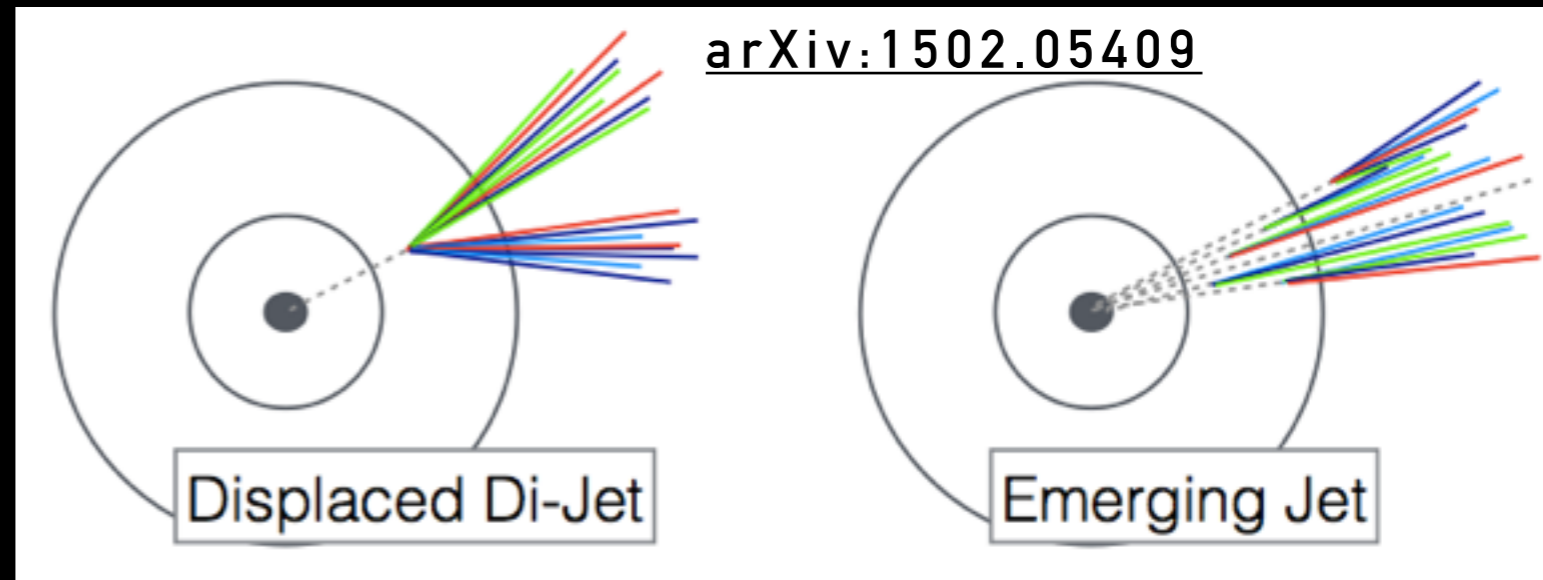


Stable/stopped particles

[Phys. Rev. D 88, 112003 \(2013\)](#)

Frontiers/uncovered realms: Emerging jets

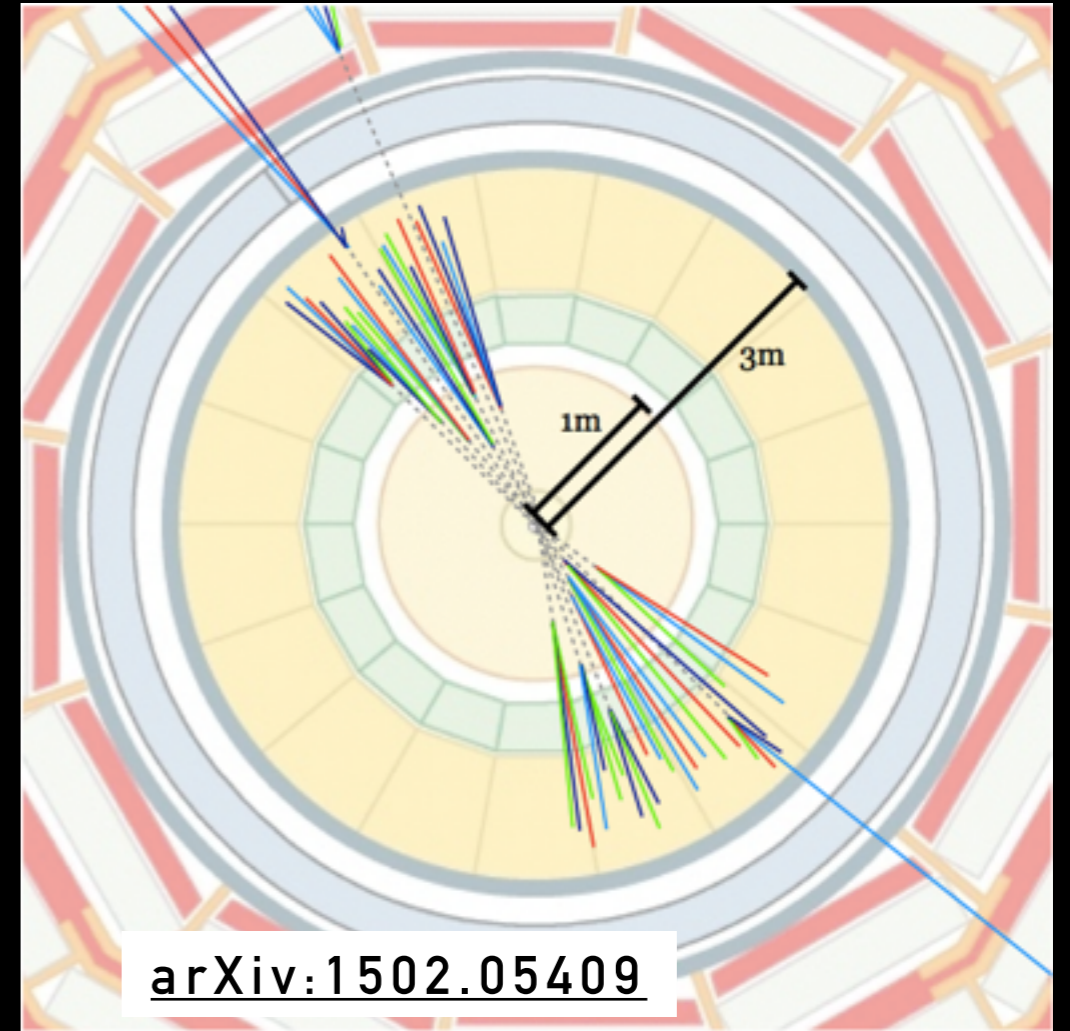
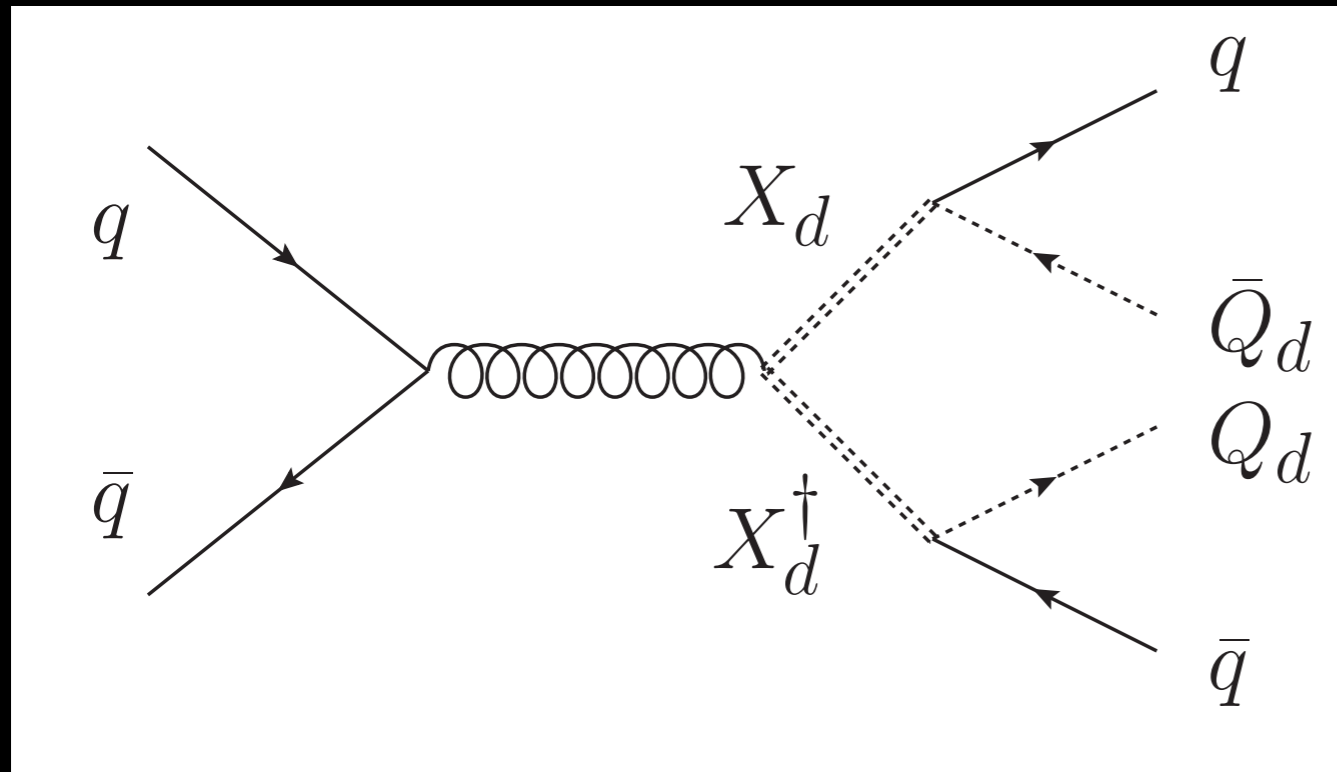
Why should beyond-the-Standard Model physics be simple, like a U(1) symmetry? What about dark QCD?



A novel LHC signature where dark or hidden sector quarks decay to the visible sector via multiple displaced vertices of varying displacements within the same jet object. Pair-produced dark quarks then give rise to neither prompt jets nor a pair of displaced jets pointing to the same displaced vertex, but to emerging jets.

Frontiers/uncovered realms: Emerging jets

Dark QCD-like sectors



Dark QCD \rightarrow dark quarks \rightarrow dark pions w/variable lifetimes \rightarrow jets w/multiple displaced vertices / tracks in a single jet or event

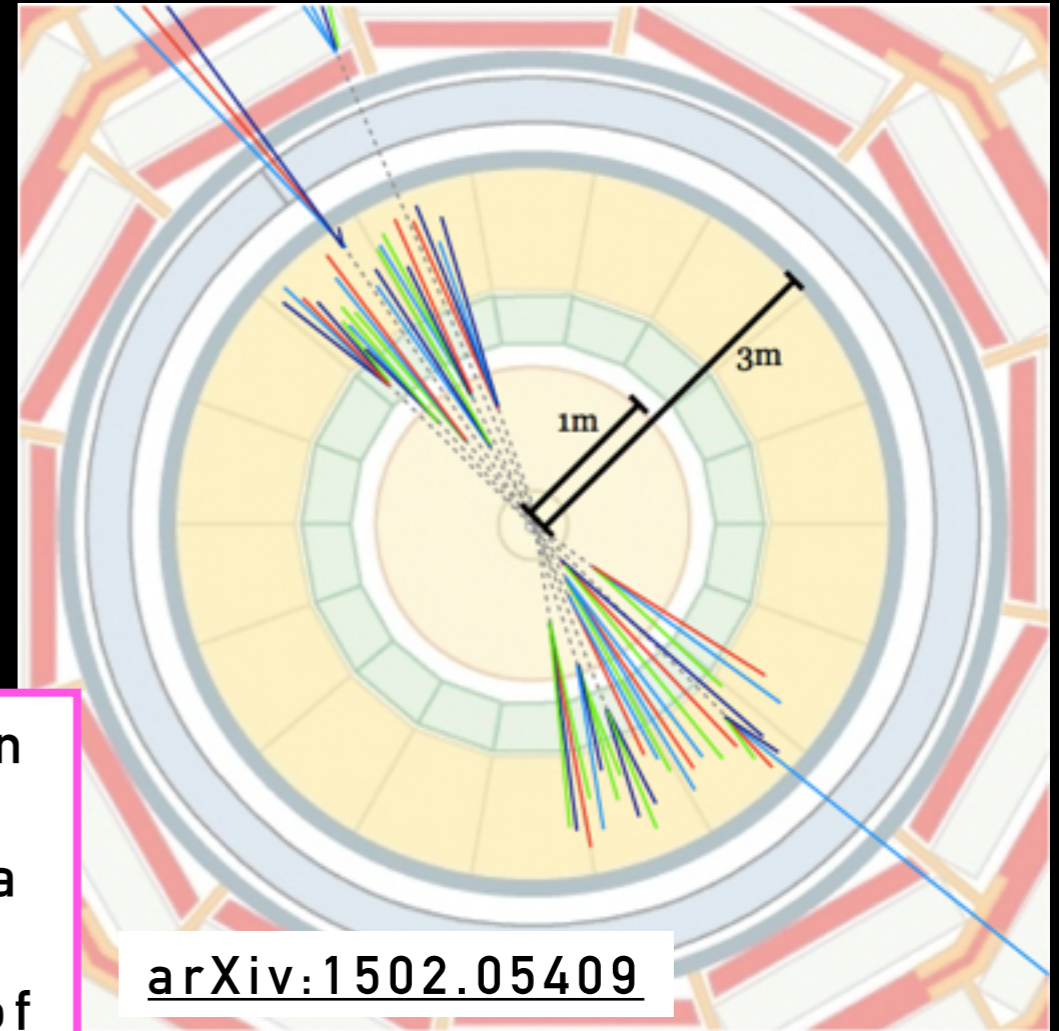
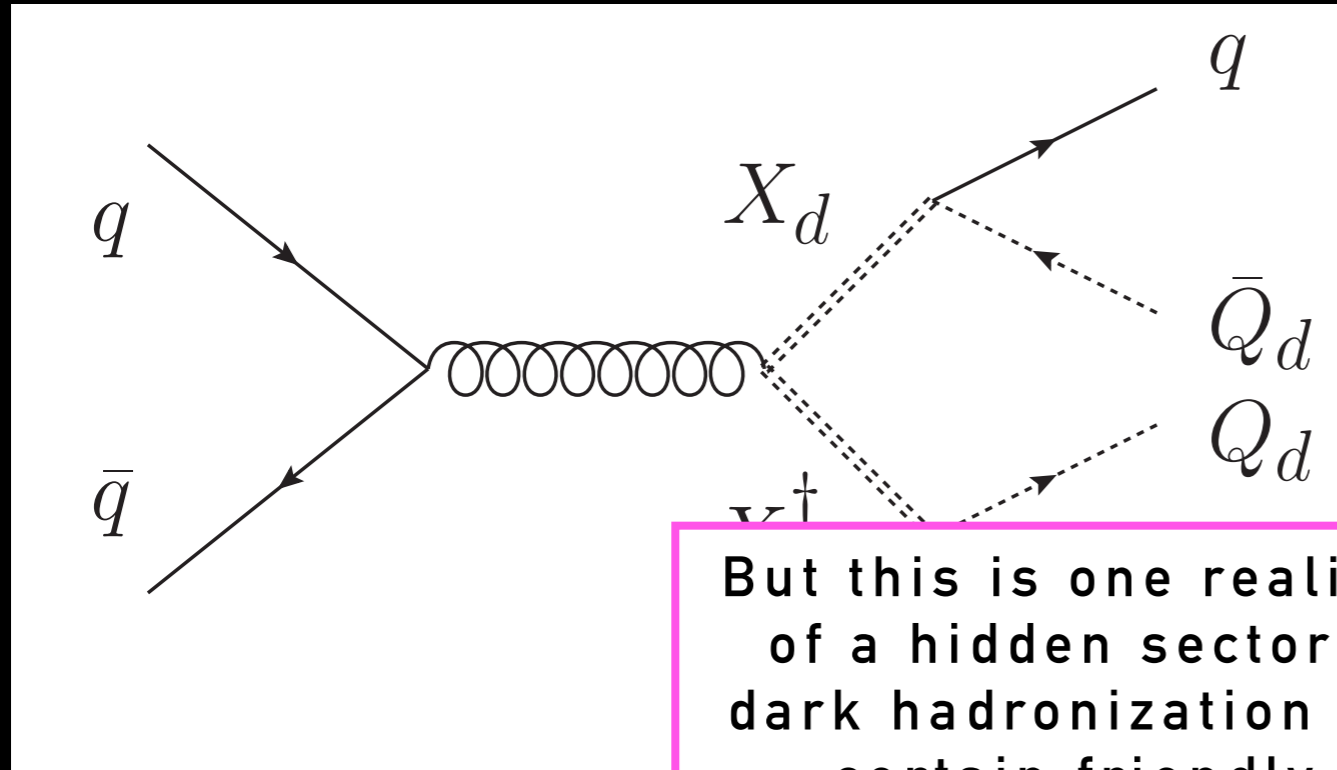
Analysis strategy could target 4-jet signal: 2 QCD jets + 2 dark-QCD / emerging jets

Need non-standard tracking for large- d_0 tracks + secondary vertex finding routines

Searches underway in ATLAS and CMS; hopefully public results soon-ish!

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[arXiv:1502.05409](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.05409)

But this is one realization of a hidden sector with dark hadronization with a certain friendly jet multiplicity and choices of mediator, dark vector meson, dark pion masses, dark confinement scale. How to design a comprehensive approach?

Dark QCD \rightarrow dark quarks
displaced vertices / tracks

lifetimes \rightarrow jets w/multiple

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Analysis strategy could

comprehensive approach?

+ 2 dark-QCD / emerging jets

Need non-standard tracking for large- d_0 tracks + secondary vertex finding routines

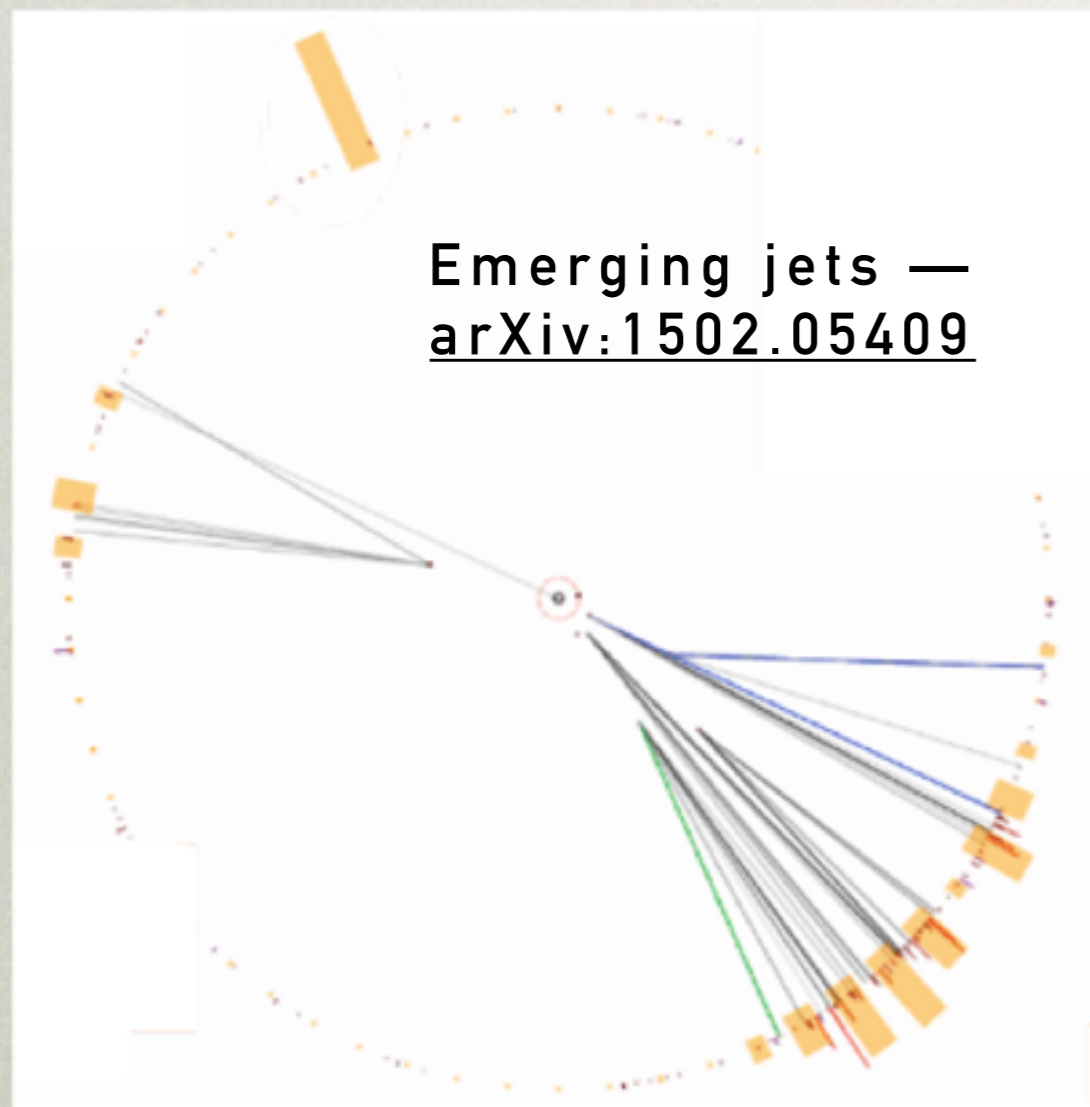
Searches underway in ATLAS and CMS; hopefully public results soon-ish!

Frontiers/uncovered realms

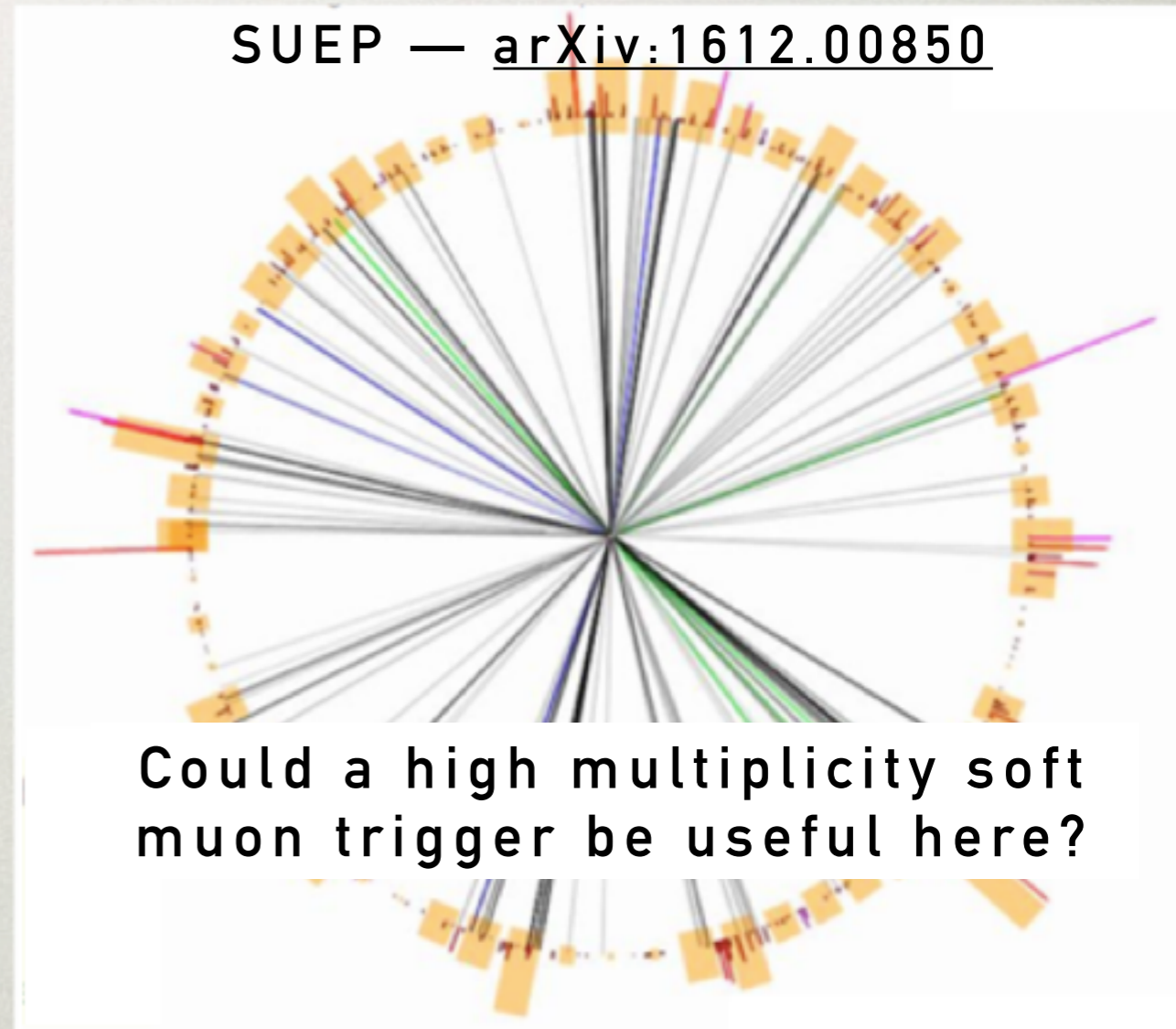
Dark QCD-like sectors

- Emerging jets vs. SUEP (soft, unclustered energy patterns)
- How to interpolate between these two?
- Dark showers WG in LHC LLP Community — laying groundwork now

Schwaller, Stolarski, Weiler 2015



Knapen *et al.*, 2016



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