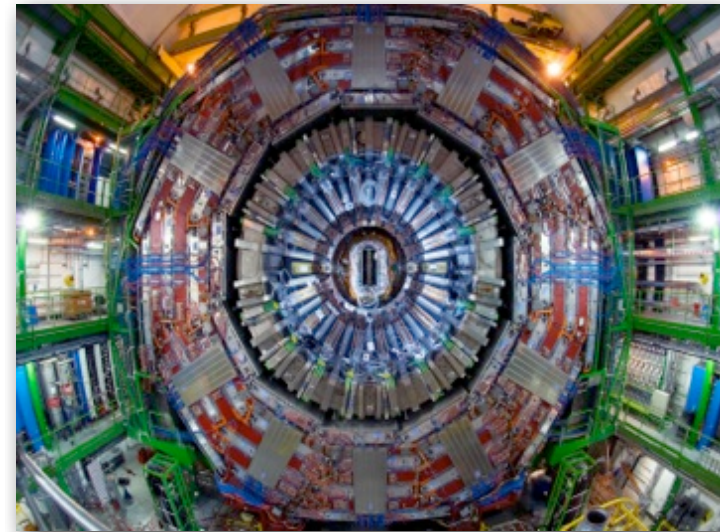


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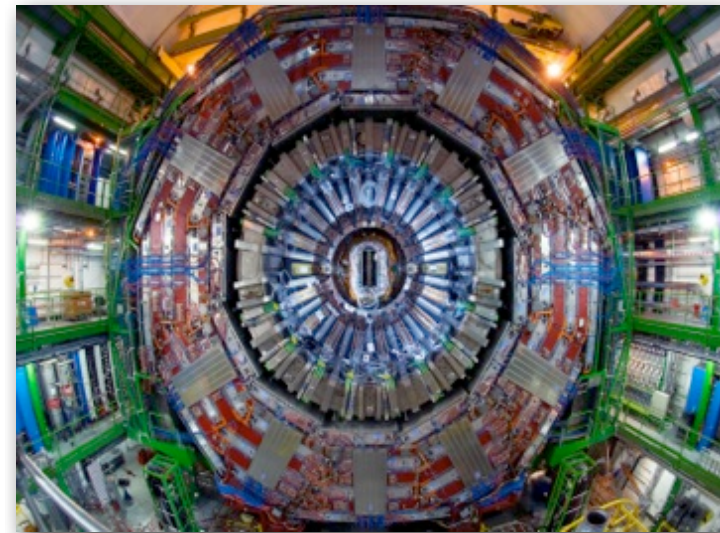
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# OUTLINE

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- *What is “Exotic”?*
  - Standard Model, standard problems
  - New energy regime
  - Top example and detectors
- *Resonances and “standard stuff”*
  - $Z'$ , ADD
  - $W'$
  - Dijet, dijet w/ b-tag
  - 3-jet, 3-jet w/ b-tag
  - black holes
- *Top-like BSM*
  - $W' \rightarrow tb$
  - vector-like  $T'$
  - $Q=5/3$  top partners
  - $X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$  semi-leptonic, hadronic
- *Di-boson resonance*
  - Boosted techniques
  - $W'/\rho_{TC} \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow 3l + MET$
  - $G_{bulk} \rightarrow WW \rightarrow l + jet + MET$
  - $G_{bulk} \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 2l + 2jets$
  - $G_{RS} \rightarrow WW/ZZ$  and  $W' \rightarrow WZ$
- *Long-lived particles*
  - displaced jets
  - HSCP
- *Dark Matter*
  - monojet
  - monolepton
- *Conclusions*

# DISCLAIMER

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- Not an attempt to cover all Exotica results for ATLAS or CMS
  - Each collaboration has 60-70 analyses going at any given moment
  - I selected some highlights and a few to discuss in more detail
- Extra apologies to ATLAS... I probably show more CMS results
- Thanks to H. Bachacou, C. Issever, E. Thompson from which I stole a few ideas (and slides)





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# SOME BASICS...

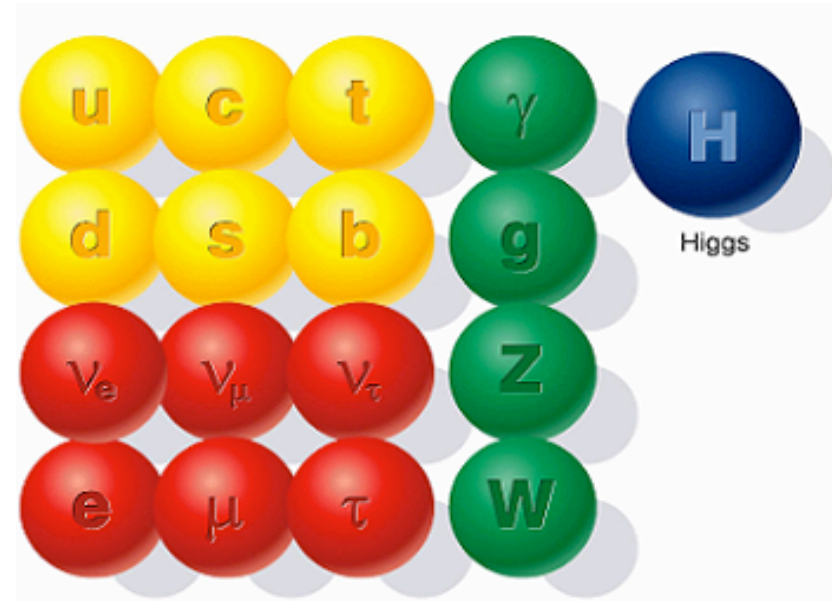
# THE STANDARD MODEL

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From experimental evidence and theory insight, a simple picture emerged:

The Standard “Ingredients”:

- Handful of fundamental particles
- Particles constructed by 2 or 3 quarks and only a few rules
- A few forces mediated by bosons
- Add one particle, the Higgs give the particles mass



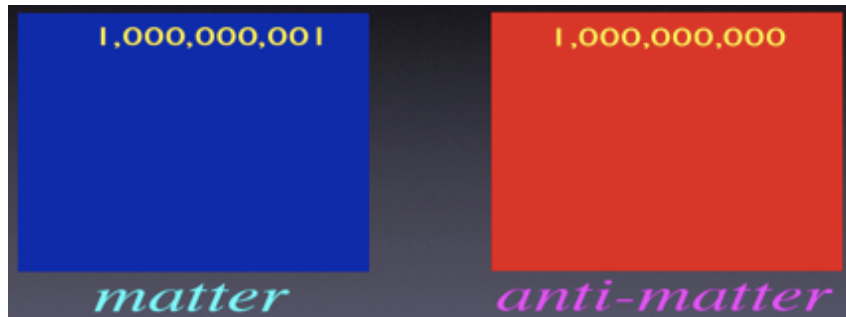
*Standard Model Particles*

*The Standard Model has been incredibly successful in explaining all data...*

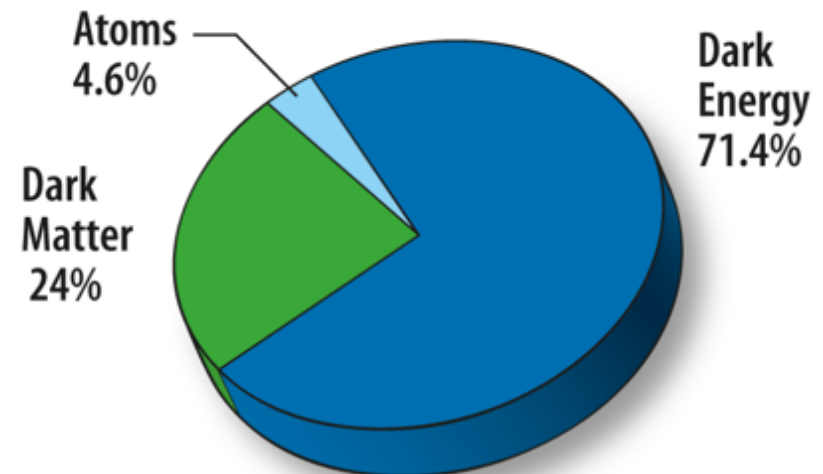
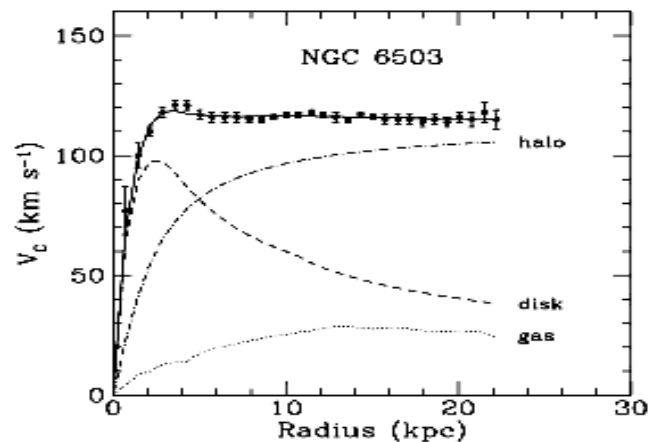
*...but there are problems too*

# STANDARD MODEL, STANDARD PROBLEMS

- Antimatter: *What happened to all the antimatter?*



- Dark Matter: *We don't know what most of the matter in our world is made of!*



# STANDARD MODEL, STANDARD PROBLEMS

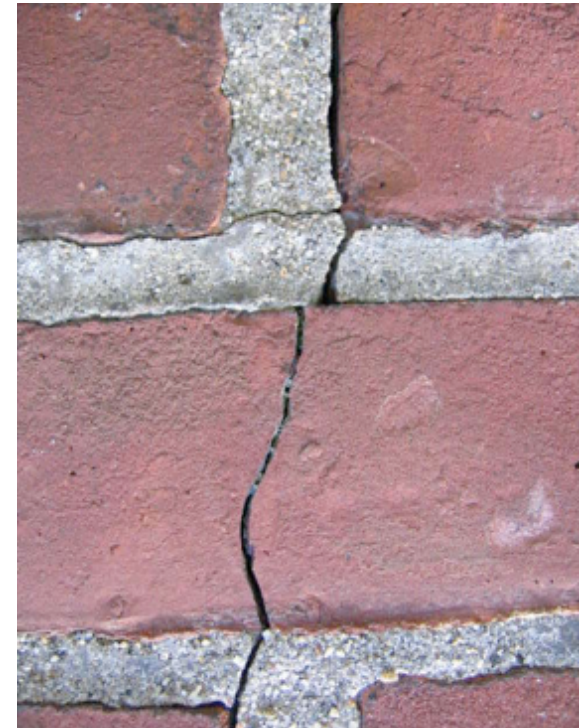
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“Cracks” have started to appear in the Standard Model...

Many problems identified over time

- No explanation of masses, coupling constants
- Why three families?
- Gravity not included
- The “hierarchy” problem, fine tuning...
- What is the Dark Energy?

...and yet it explains the data



*The Standard Model isn't so much wrong as it is incomplete*

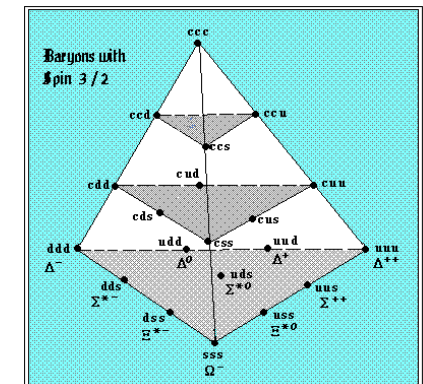


# EFFECTIVE THEORIES... AND SCALE

- Fundamental theory may be hiding at shorter distances (higher energies)
- ~1900 we reached the atomic scale
  - $10^{-8}$  cm  $\approx \hbar^2/e^2m_e$
  - Quantum Mechanics
  - Quantum Electrodynamics
- ~1950 we reached strong interaction scale
  - $10^{-13}$  cm  $\approx M \exp[-8\pi^2 g_s^2(M) b_0]$
  - QCD
  - Quarks, Gluons
- 2010 we reach (and exceeded) the EWK scale
  - $10^{-17}$  cm, the TeV scale
  - EWK phase transition is happening
  - W, Z, electron...etc. acquire mass
  - $v = (v_2 G_F)^{-1/2} \approx 246$  GeV  $\leftarrow$  Higgs VEV

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

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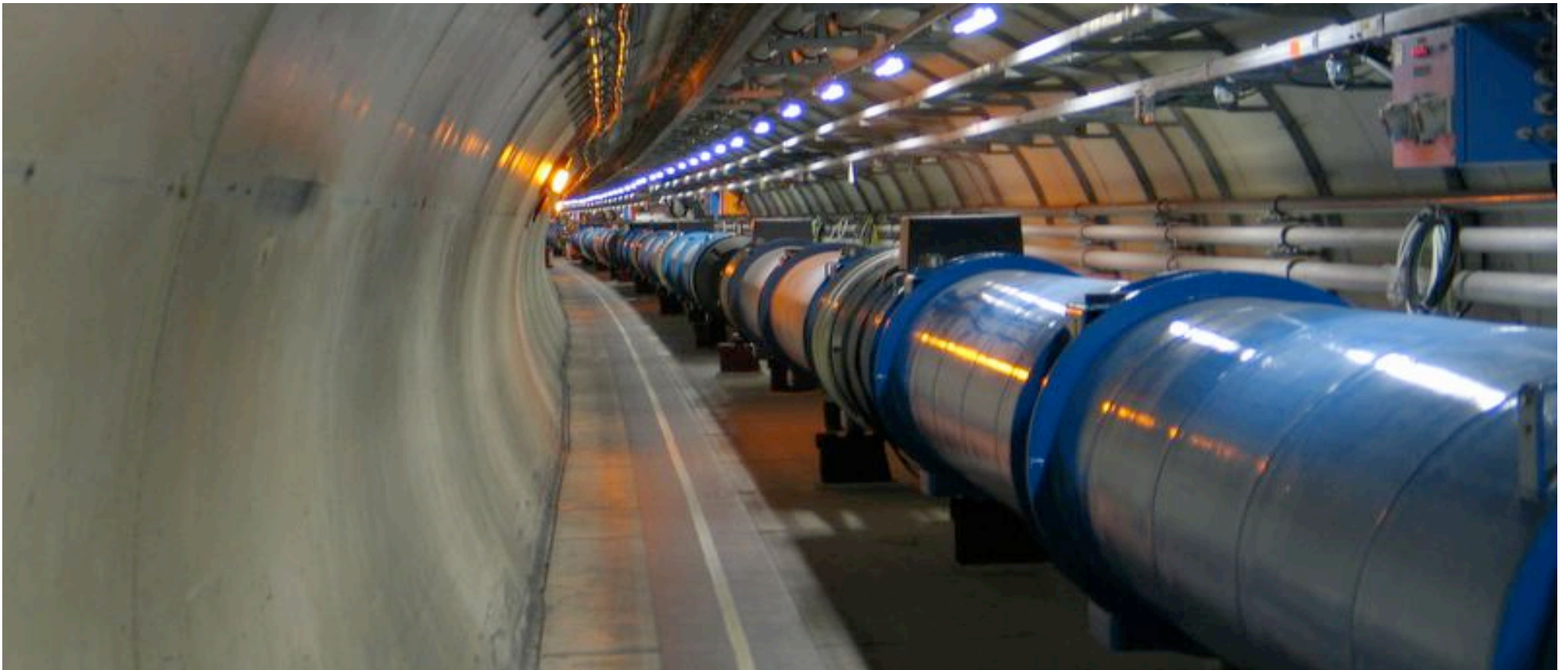
*Expect lots of interesting stuff at 14 TeV!*

# ACCELERATOR ADVANCES

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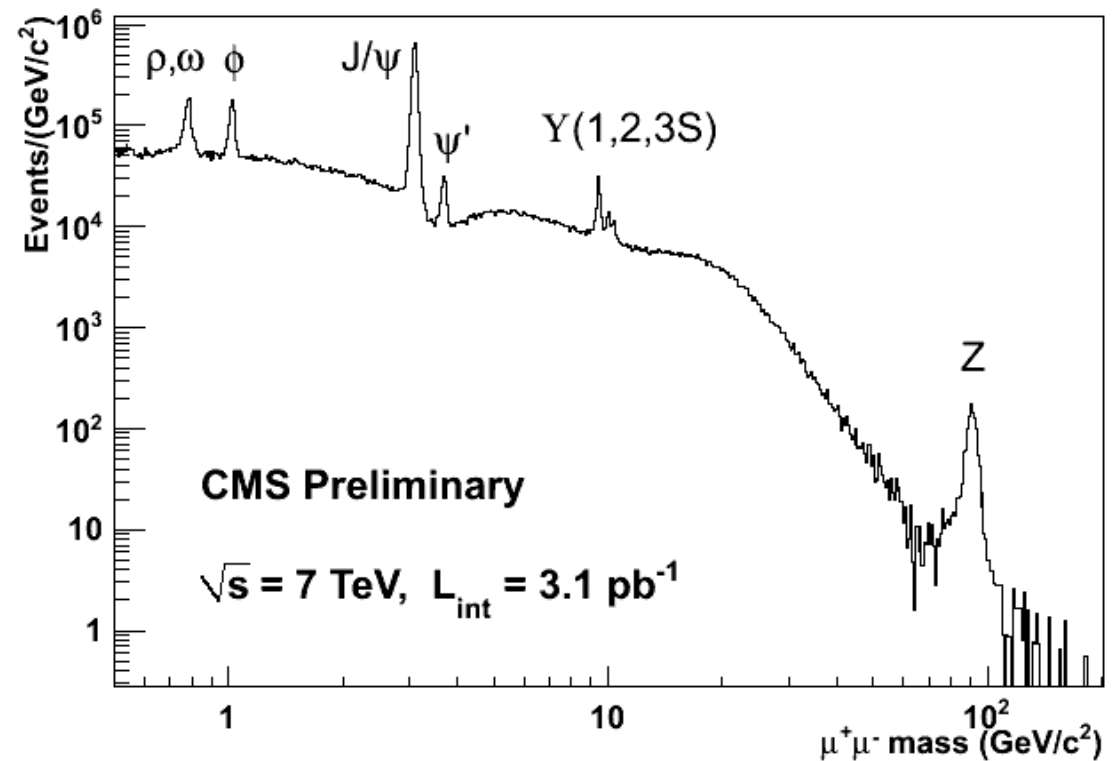
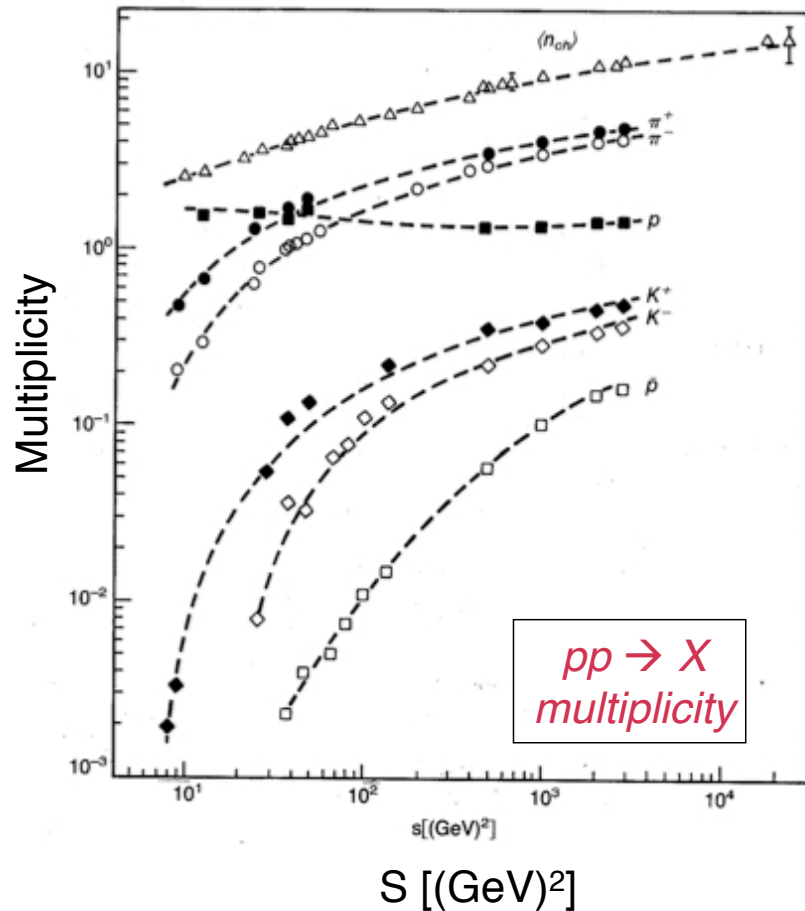
- Each advance is a revolution... but sadly only once or twice per generation
  - Previous energy record-holder (Tevatron) first started in 1983 - 30 years ago
  - LEP at CERN stopped in 2000 - 13 years ago

*The jump to 14 TeV will be a huge advance for BSM searches*



# NEW ENERGY REGIMES

- Each advance in territory makes new discovery possible
- Many historic examples...
- Hunting for “bumps” in the mass spectra is the first step



# SOME EXPERIMENTAL BASICS...

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$$\text{Number of events} = \mathcal{L} \sigma \text{ Br } A \varepsilon$$

- Integrated Luminosity – how much beam (protons passing each other)
- Cross section – likelihood of interaction between particles
- Branching ratio – how often we get the interaction/decay we want
- Acceptance – did the event enter the detector?
- Efficiency – was the event detected? (trigger, detector, selection...)



# EXAMPLE: TOP SEARCH CIRCA 1993

- Integrated luminosity:  $25 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Top production cross section:  $7 \text{ pb}$
- Branching Fraction (not to taus):
  - Lepton+lepton (plus b jets) = 5%
  - Lepton+jets = 30%
  - Multi-jet = 44%
- Acceptance\*:  $\sim 30\%$  (varies by decay,  $m_T$ )
- Efficiencies\*:
  - Trigger efficiency:  $\sim 90\%$
  - Lepton recon. eff.:  $\sim 90\%$  (applied twice)
  - Lepton isolation, other cuts:  $\sim 30\%$
  - b-tag efficiency:  $\sim 50\text{-}60\%$  (applied once)
- Background:
  - “noise” in dilepton channel  $\sim 0.5$  event

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Events} &= \mathcal{L} \sigma \text{Br} A \epsilon \\ &= (25)(7)(0.05)(0.3)^2(0.9)^3(0.6) \\ &= \sim 2\end{aligned}$$

*Did we find it?*

*What can be done better?*

- \*(Warning! Numbers are approximate)

# EXAMPLE: TOP SEARCH CIRCA 1993

- Did not find the top... can set limits on mass/cross section
- Roughly equivalent to saying “We looked at low mass and didn’t find it”

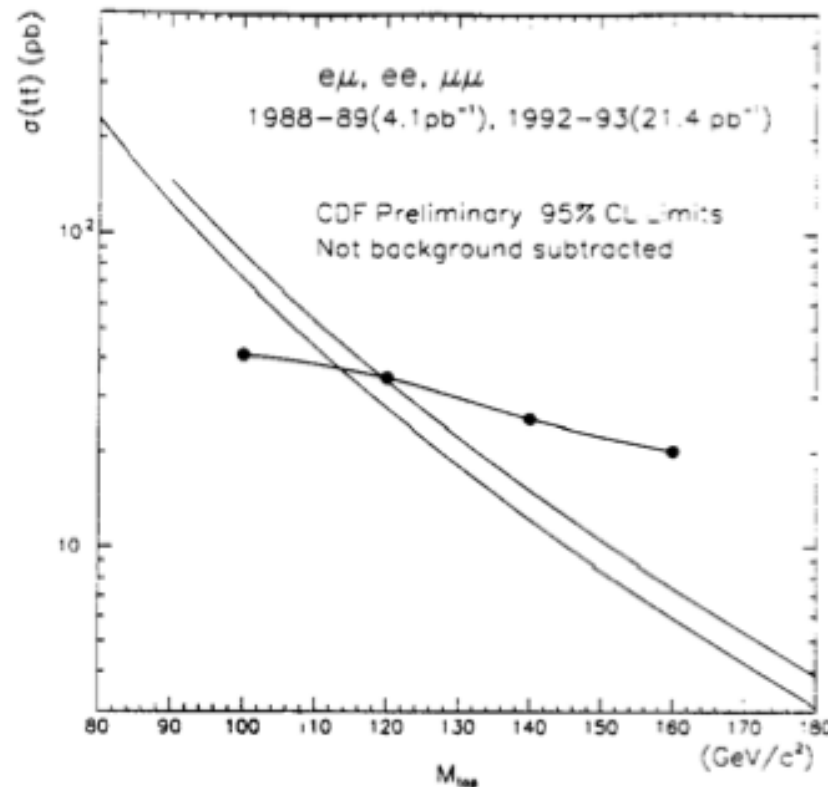
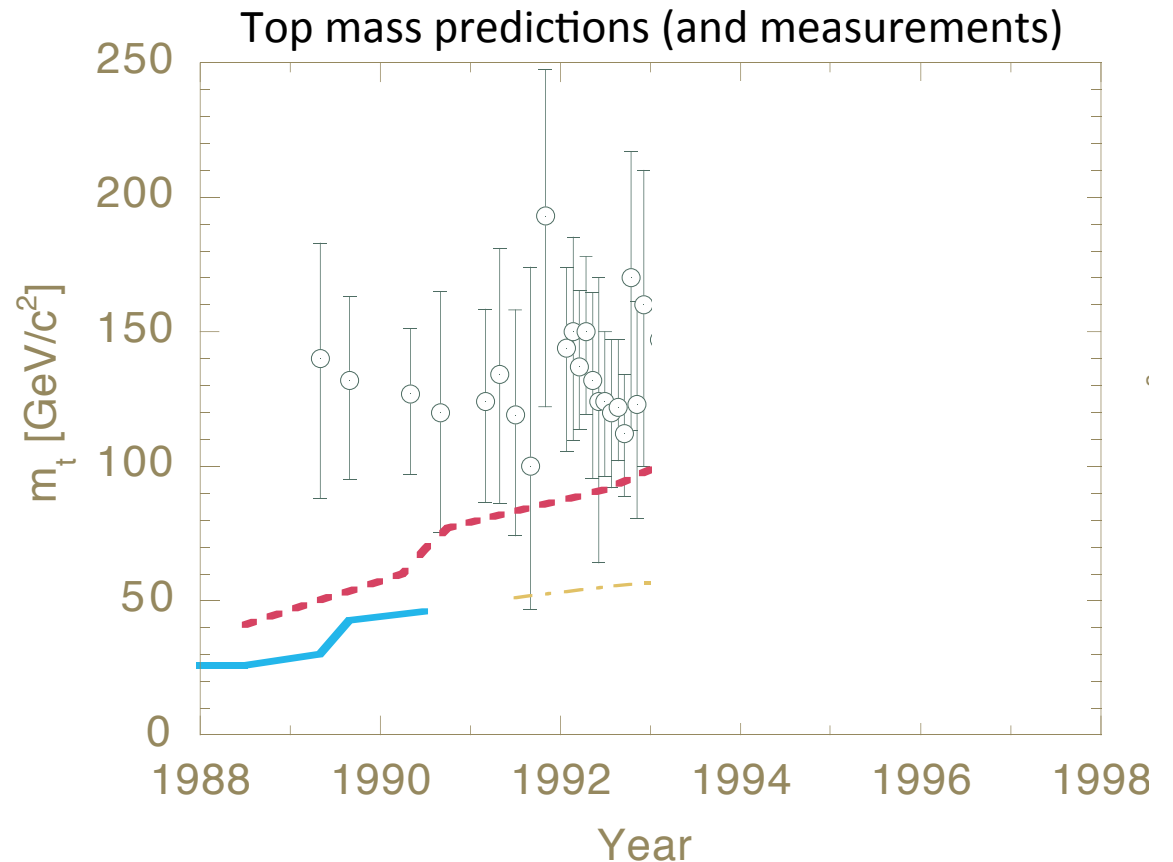


Figure 2: The experimental 95% C.L. limit on  $\sigma_{tt}$  as measured in the dilepton channel (points) and two theoretical predictions.

- *Knowing where it isn't... is still useful!*

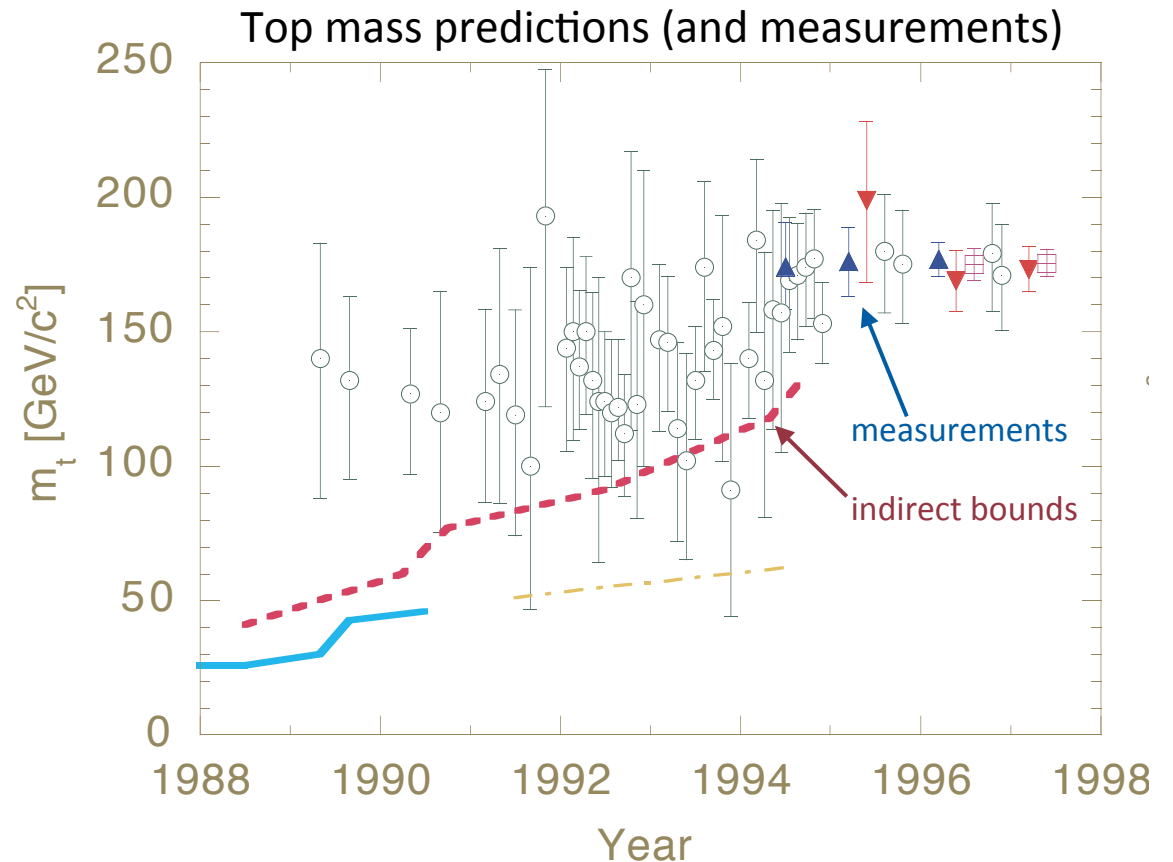
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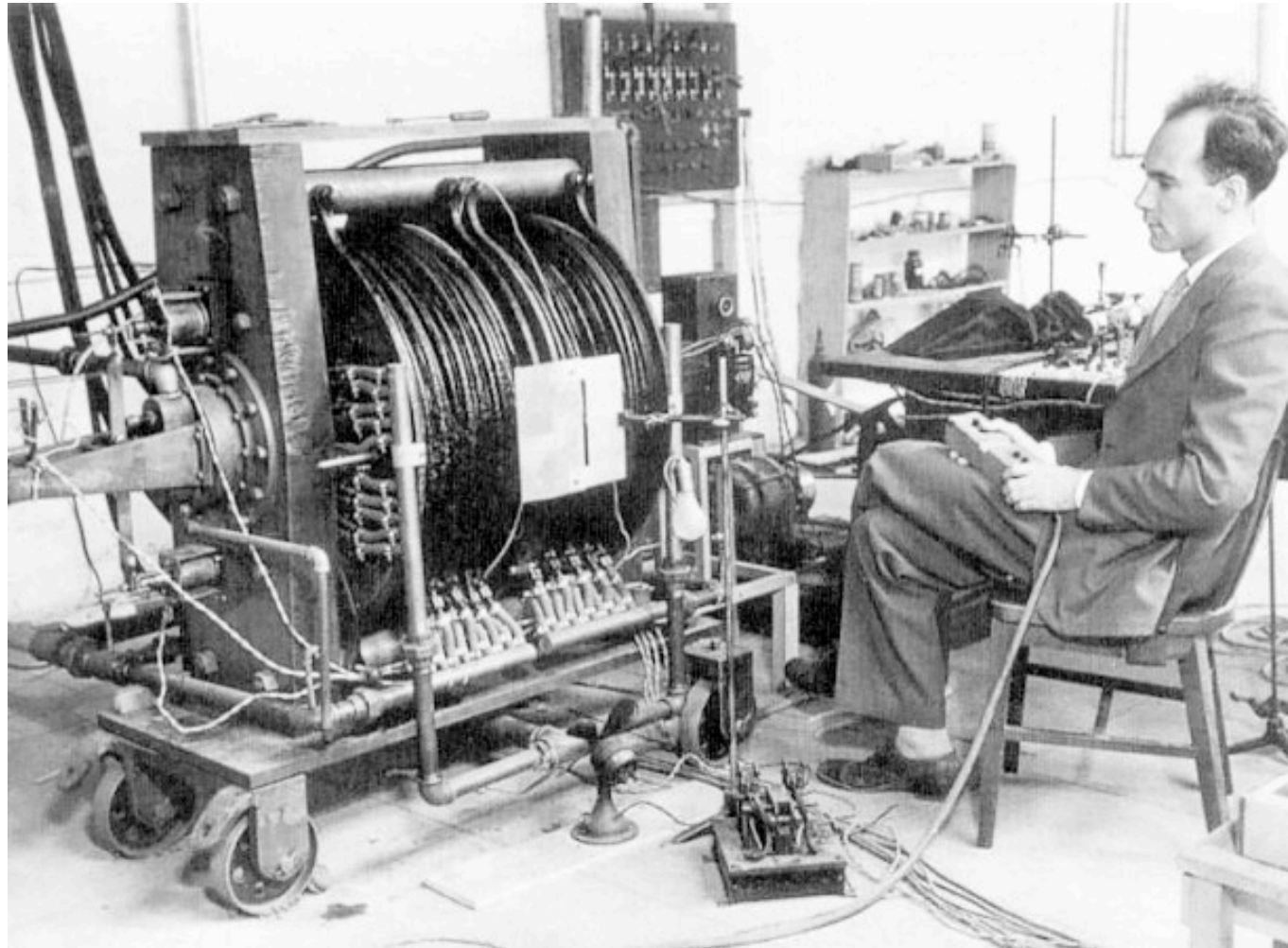


*Top found in ~1995 with more data... role of detector was crucial*



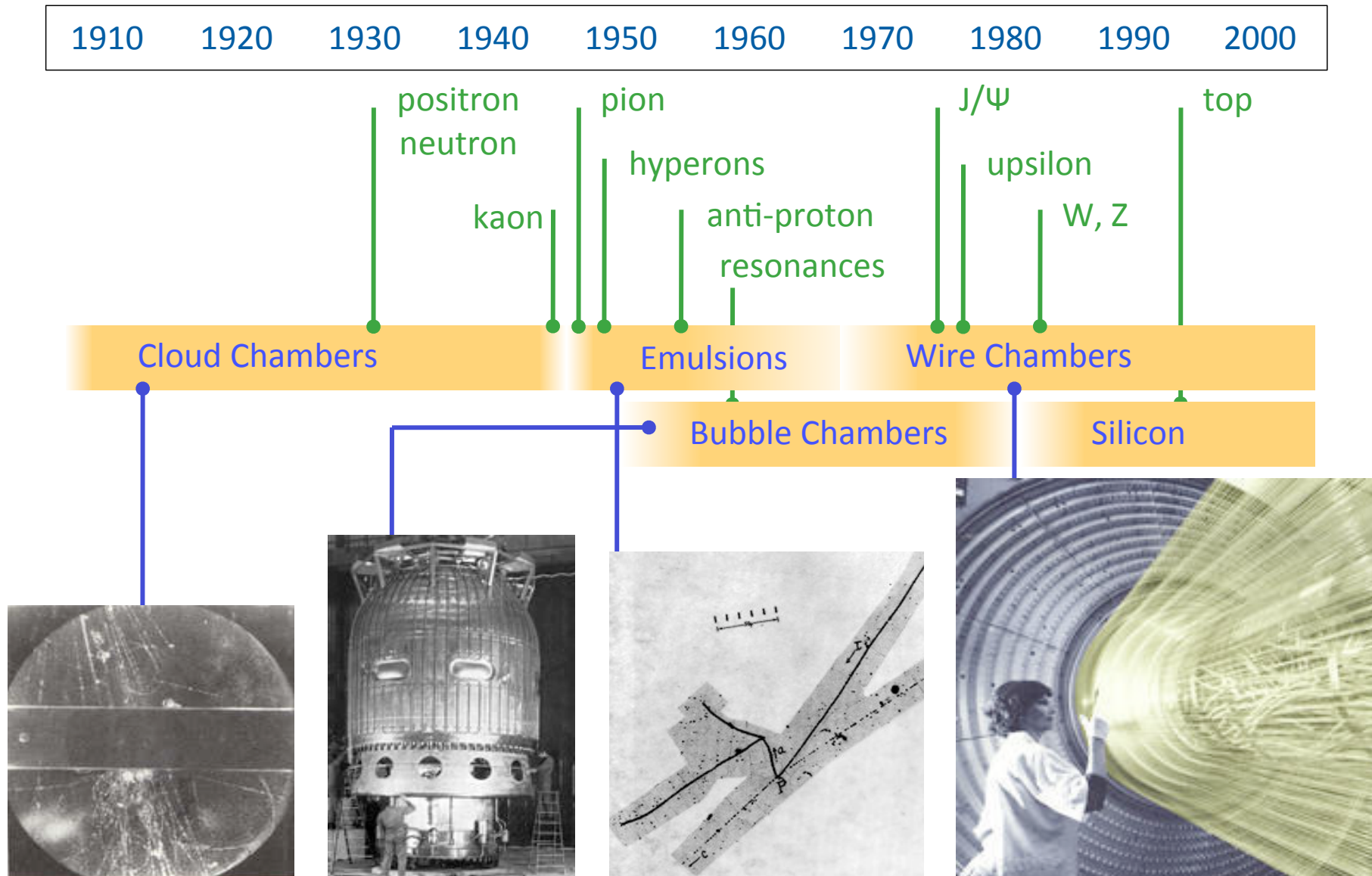
# SEARCHES AND (OLD FASHIONED) DETECTORS

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*New/better detector → new physics found → Nobel prize* (simple, isn't it?)

# INTERPLAY OF DETECTORS AND DISCOVERIES



*Don't underestimate the role of new technology, techniques, triggers...*

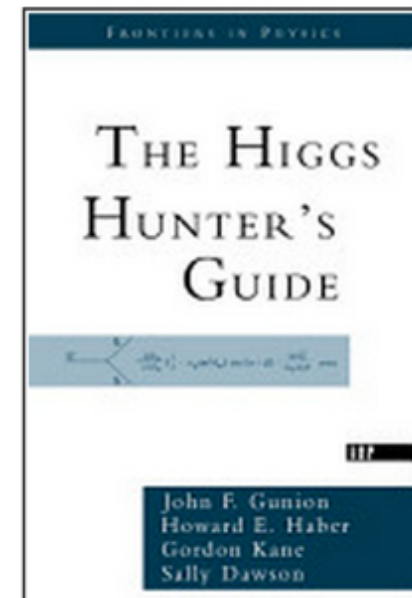
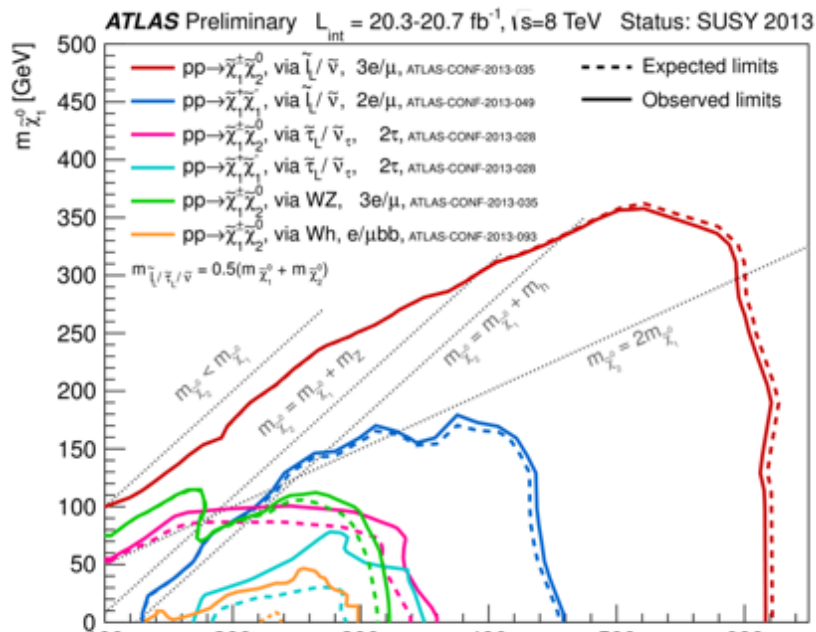
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# WHAT IS “EXOTIC”?

# BSM AND EXOTICA: WHAT IS “EXOTICA”?

*Comprehensive search of the landscape of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV proton collisions*

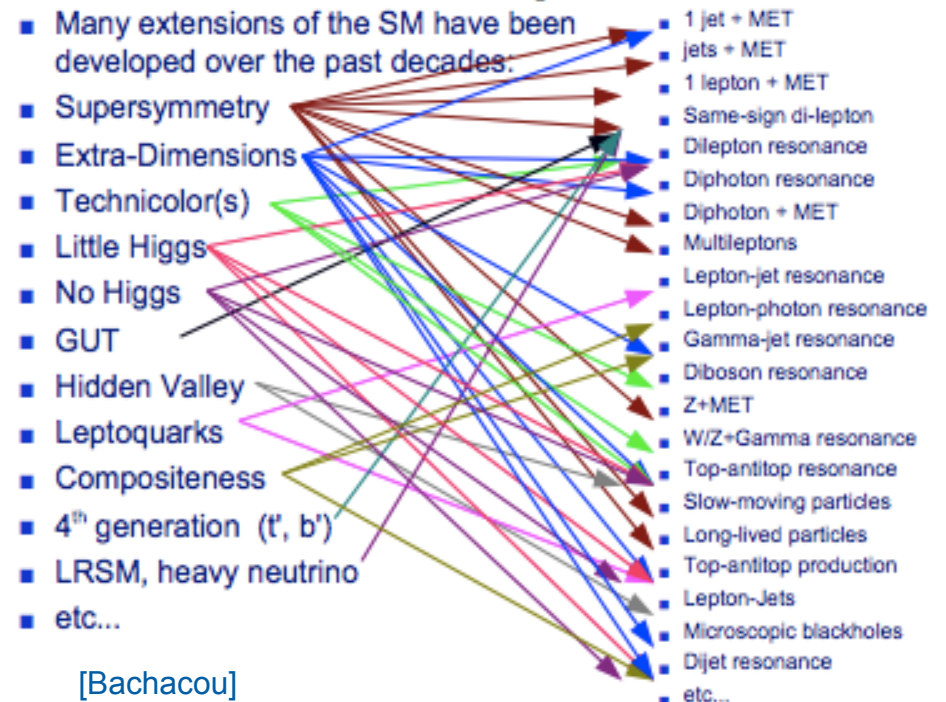
- *SUSY* provides a framework in which to search and compare results: *a map*
- *Higgs* phenomenology fleshed-out many years ago: *a guide book*
- *Exotica* searches have to cover a wide range... no set map or guide
  - with new data, race to cover as much as possible in search for BSM physics
  - now working on depth: more “general” searches, more complete coverage



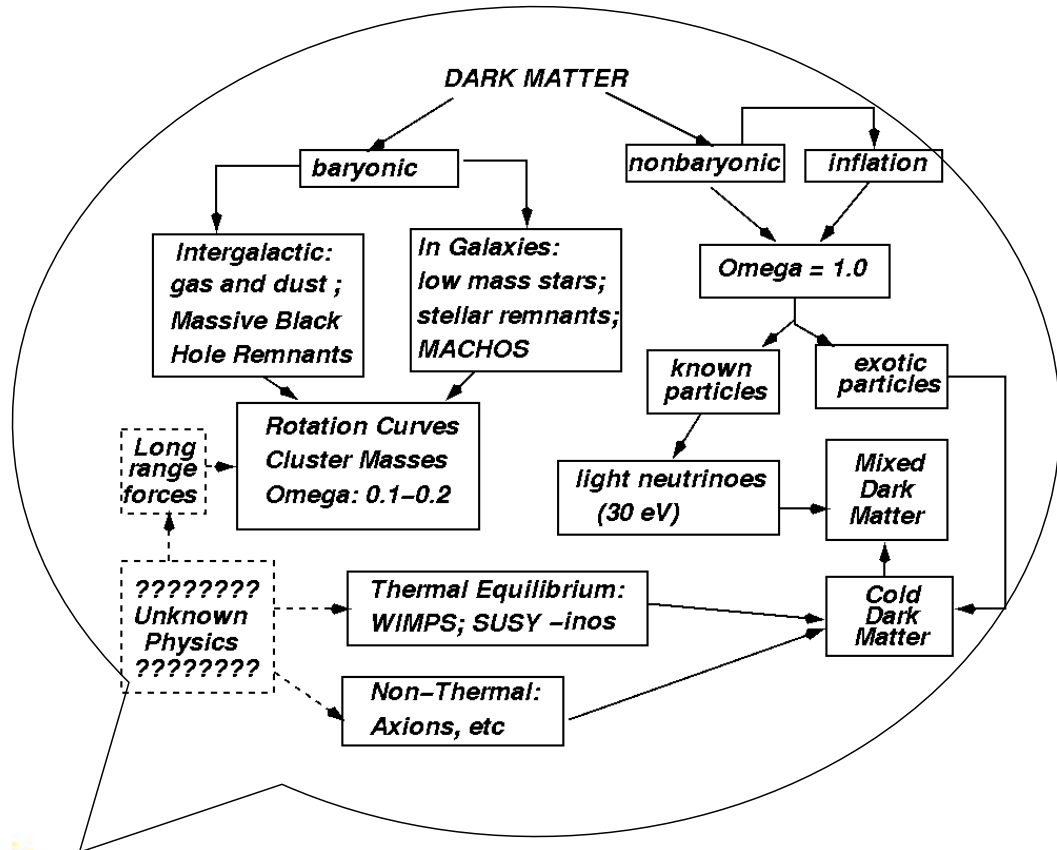


# BSM AND EXOTICA: WHAT IS “EXOTICA”?

- So how to cover so much parameter space? How to conduct searches, to categorize? How do we plot out progress with few models?
- Wide variety of search strategies used
  - look for interesting features in the data – new resonant states e.g.  $Z'$ ,  $W'$
  - look at all possible channels for disagreements with expectation – leptons, photons, jets
  - follow-up interesting new BSM models



# CAN THEORY HELP?



Yes, but they also need to see something new in the data (no shortage of good ideas)

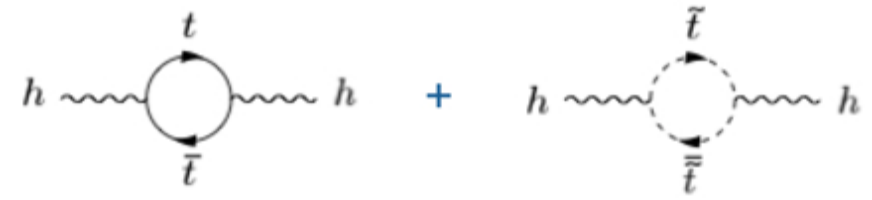
# THE HIERARCHY PROBLEM

*Low-mass Higgs causes tensions, but also motivates new physics at  $\sim TeV$*

- Implications of Higgs as a scalar
  - radiative corrections to self-energy are divergent
  - maybe we are missing a new (fermion/scalar/vector) degree of freedom?

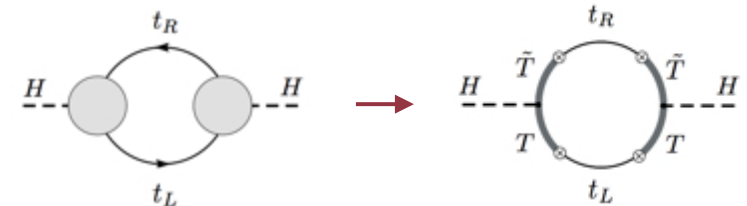
- **Supersymmetry:**

- sparticles cancel particle contributions
- well-studied but so far undetected



- **Higgs is a composite:**

- strongly-coupled BSM, yielding vector-like  $q$
- multi-jet resonances from heavy gluons



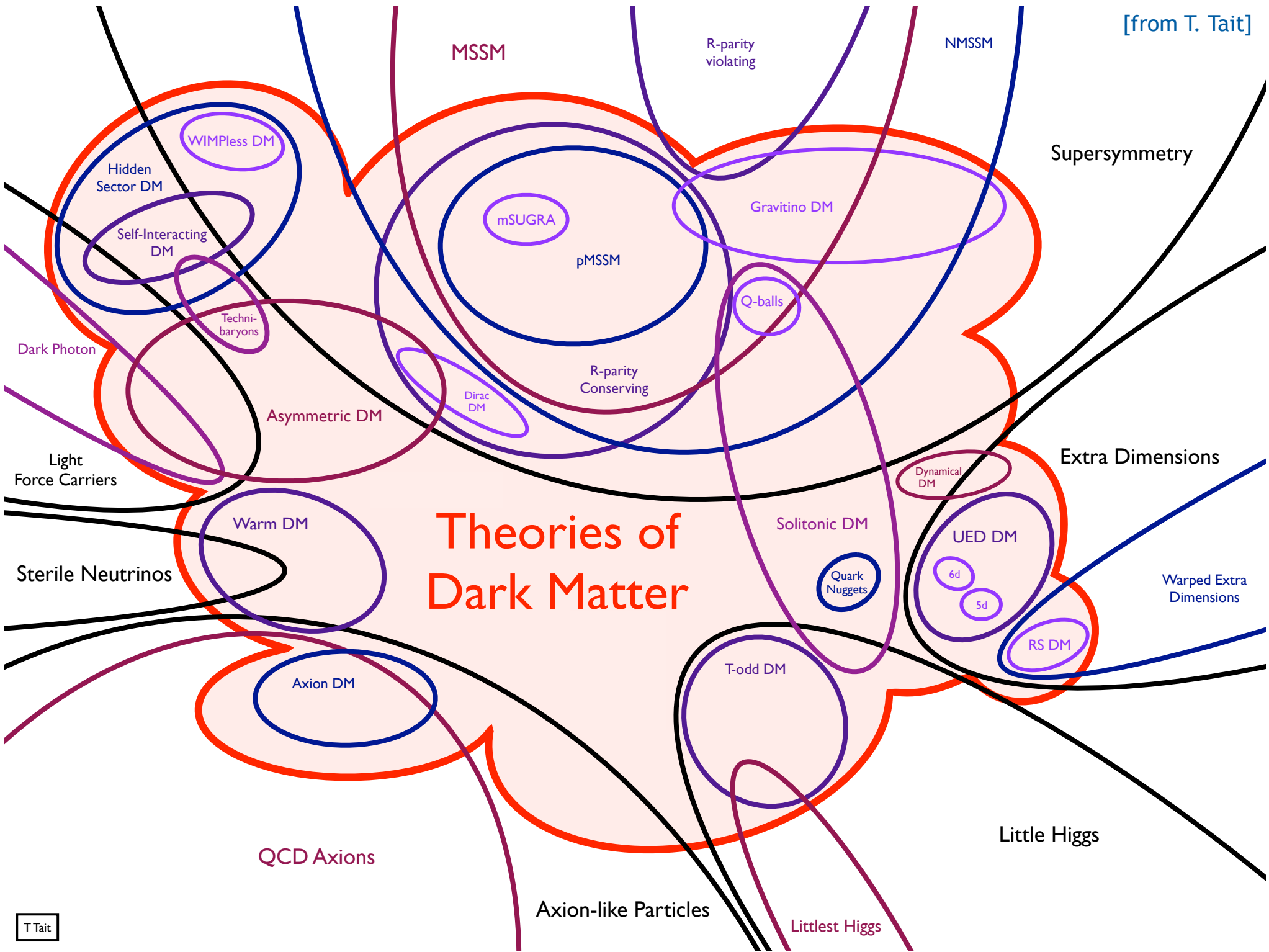
- **Extra Dimensions:**

- Higgs is a vector in 5D
- motivates LED searches, KK excitations

$$M_{Pl}^2 \sim M_D^{2+n} R^n$$

- Or maybe there is no fine tuning problem!

- See for example [arXiv:1306.5647](https://arxiv.org/abs/1306.5647)

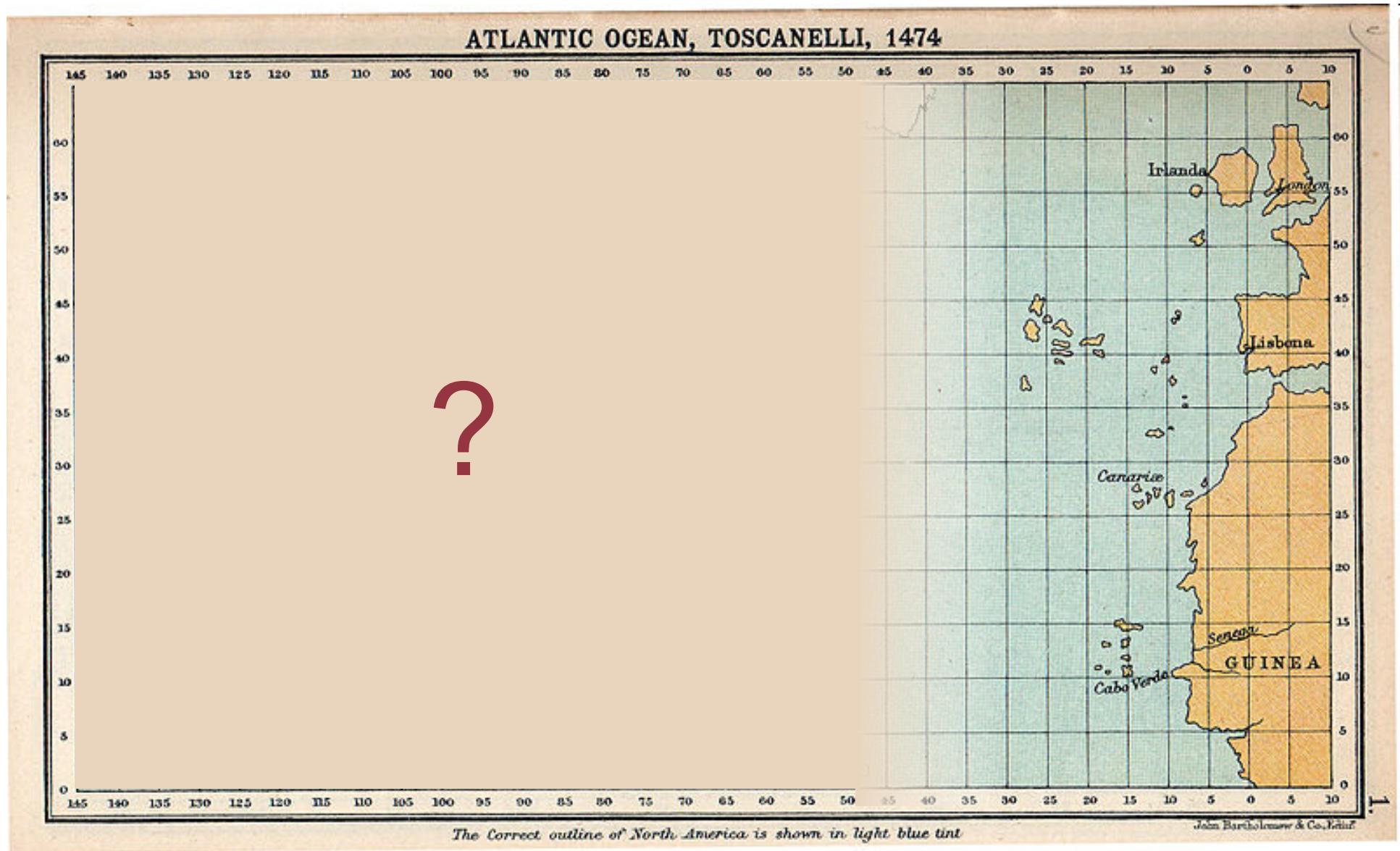


# Theories of Dark Matter



# ROLE OF MODELS IN EXOTICA

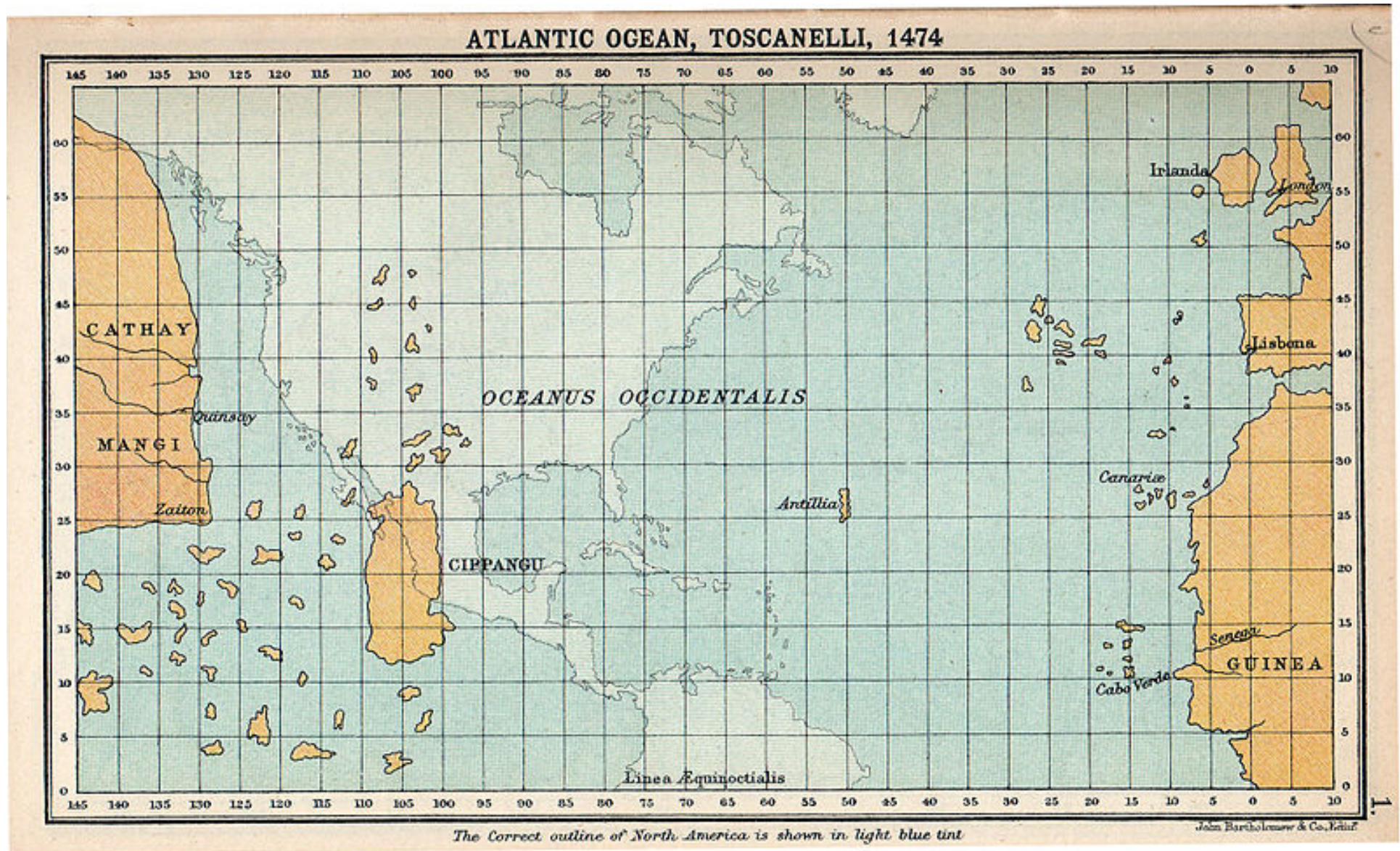
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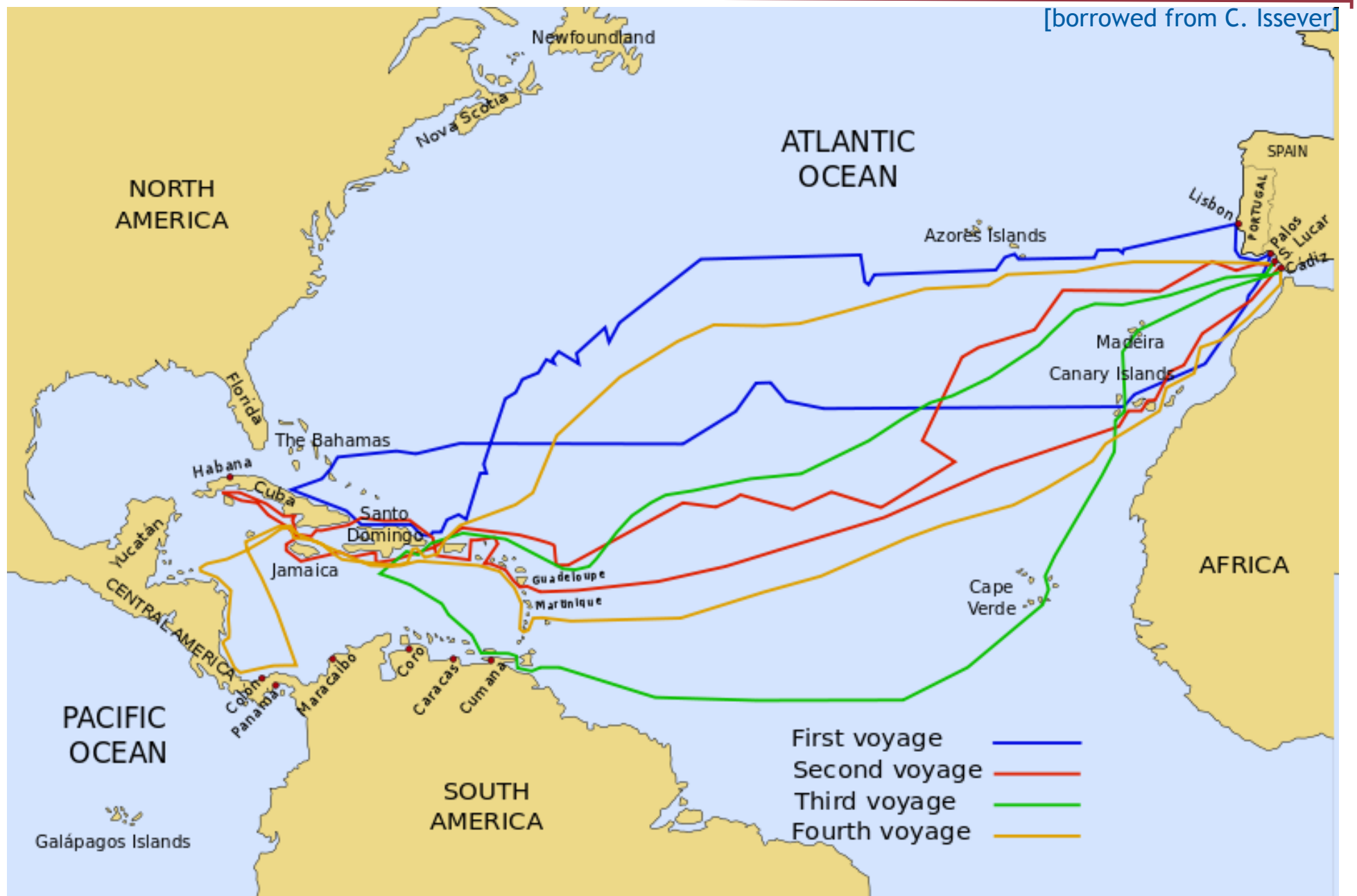
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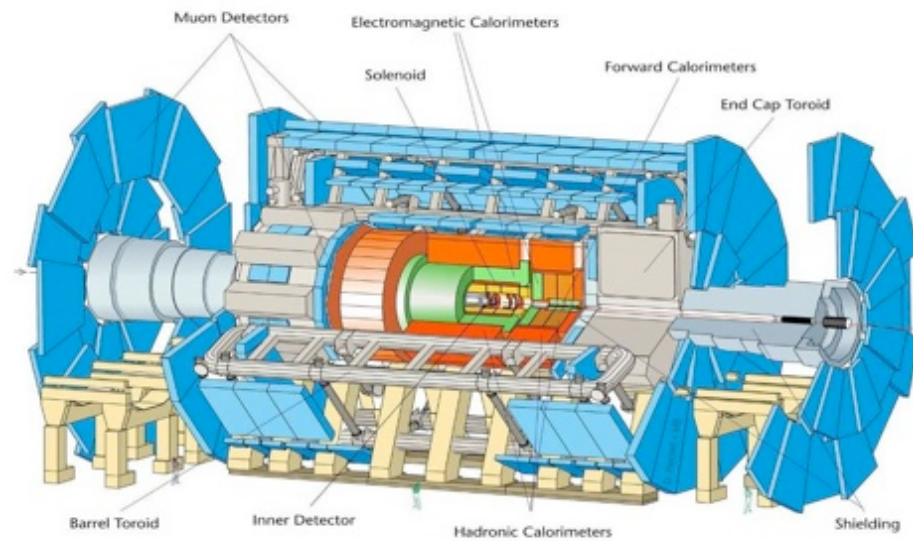


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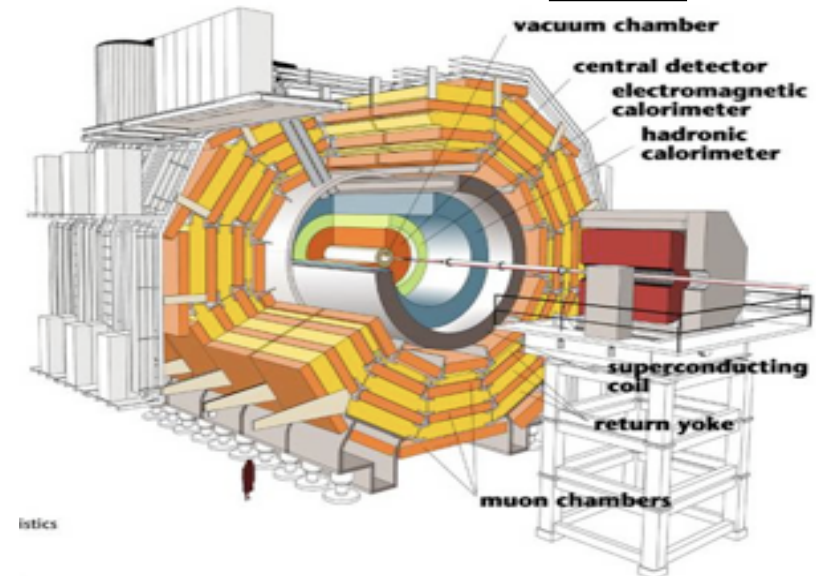


# THE FOUR MAIN LHC EXPERIMENTS

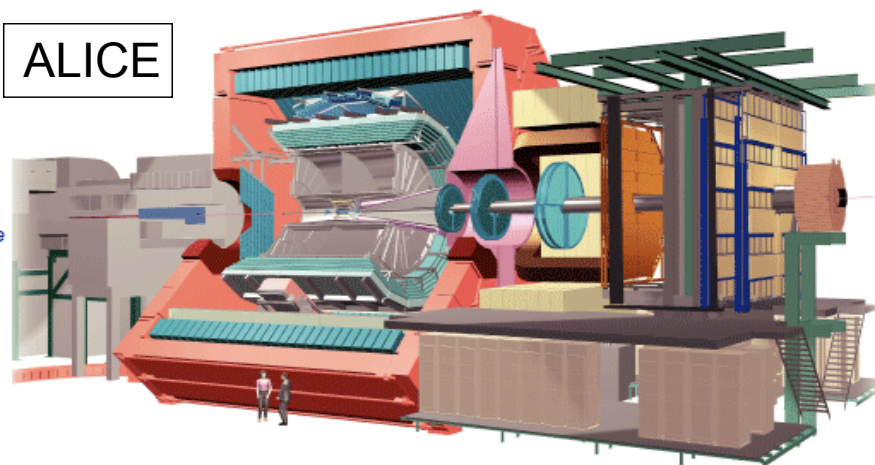
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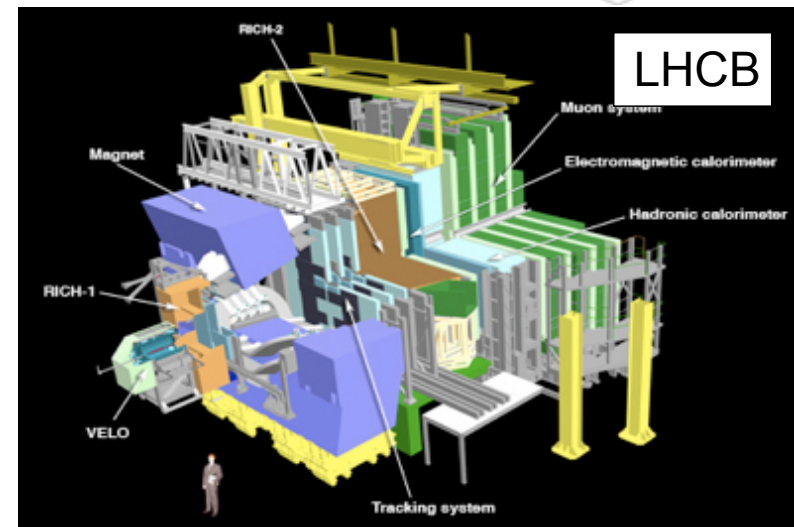
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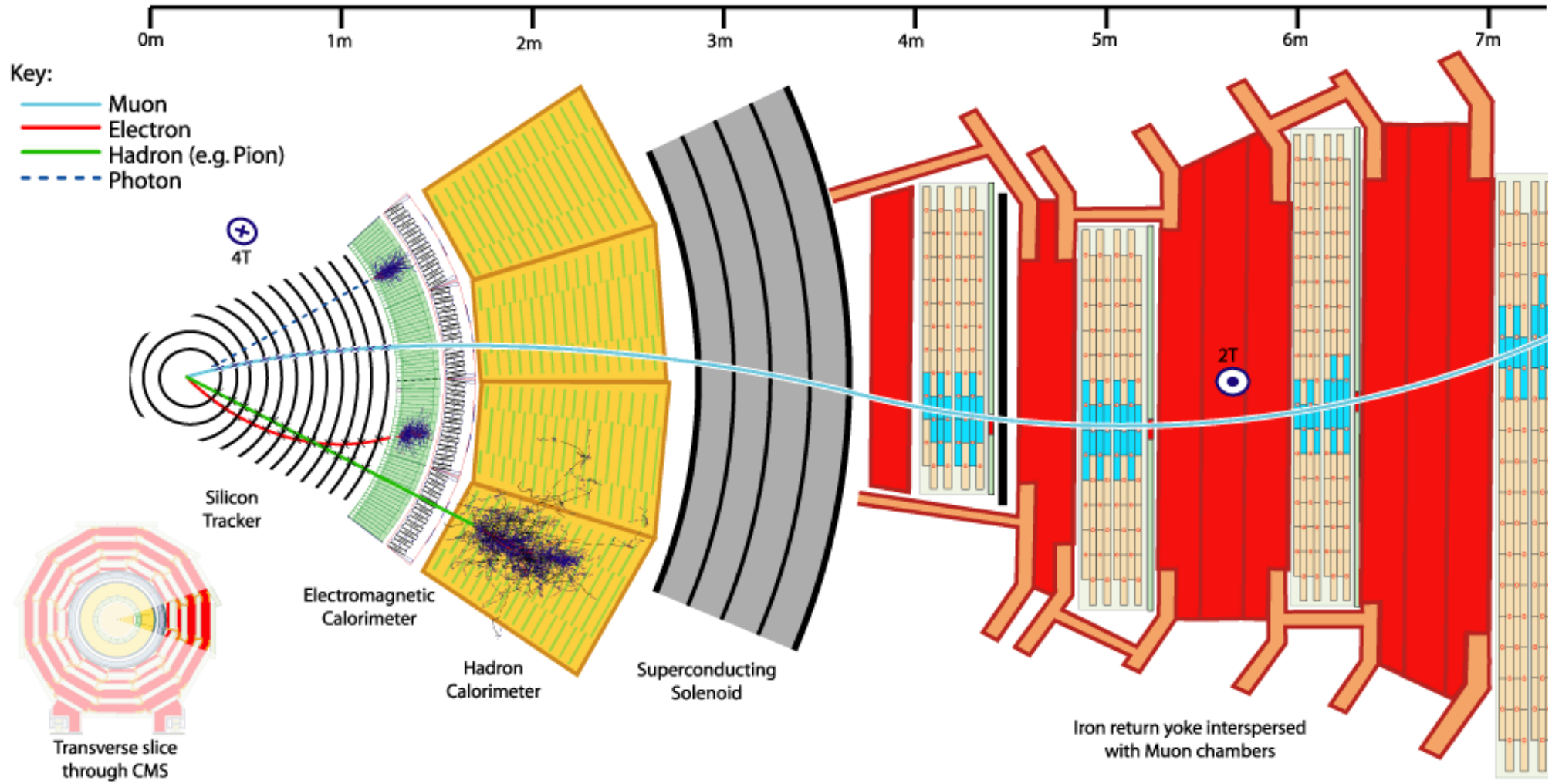
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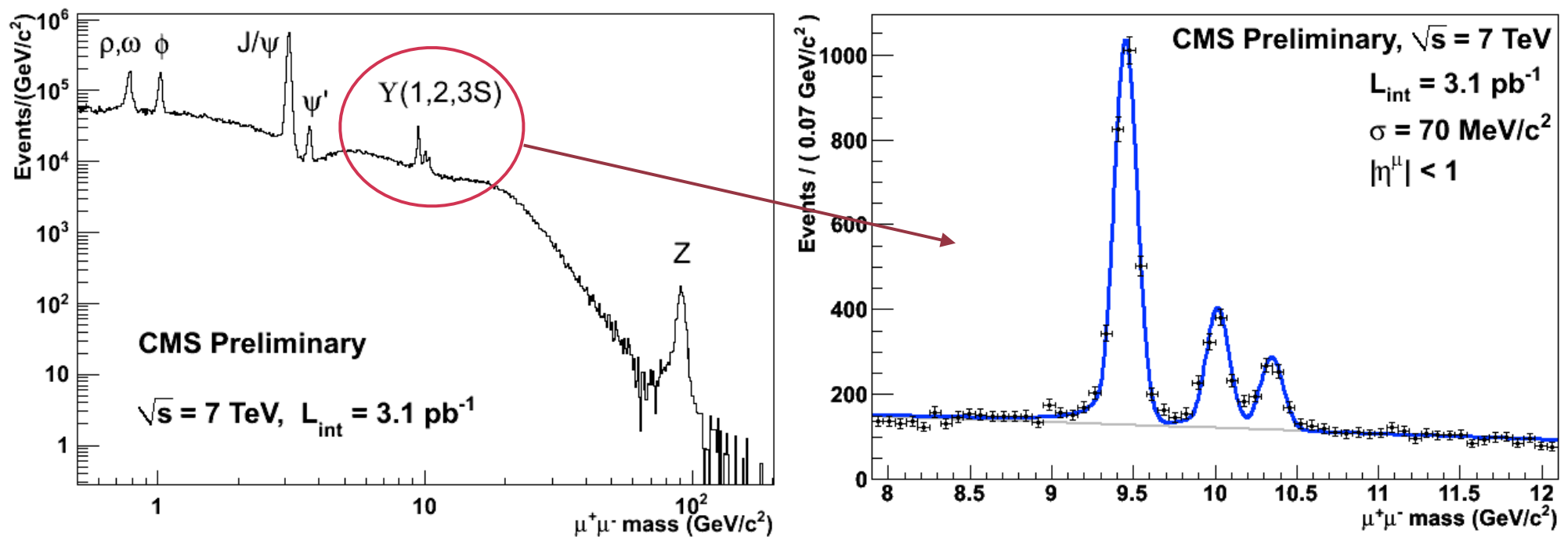


# (NORMAL) PARTICLES IN THE DETECTOR



# UPSILONS

- CMS: clear calibration peaks after only a few weeks
  - Width related to precision with which we can reconstruct the particles
  - Careful alignment will improved things, but only a little: already extremely good at 3 pb<sup>-1</sup>
- ATLAS, Alice, LHCb similar: no major problems at startup



*Now on to searches for higher-mass resonances...*

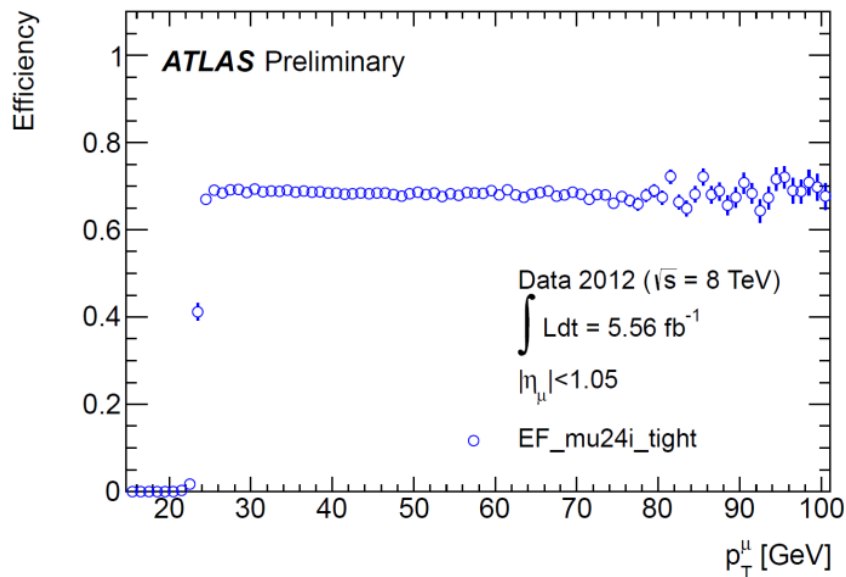
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# RESONANCES AND OTHER “USUAL SUSPECTS”: Z’, W’, DIJETS, ...

# DILEPTON RESONANCE SEARCH: TRIGGER

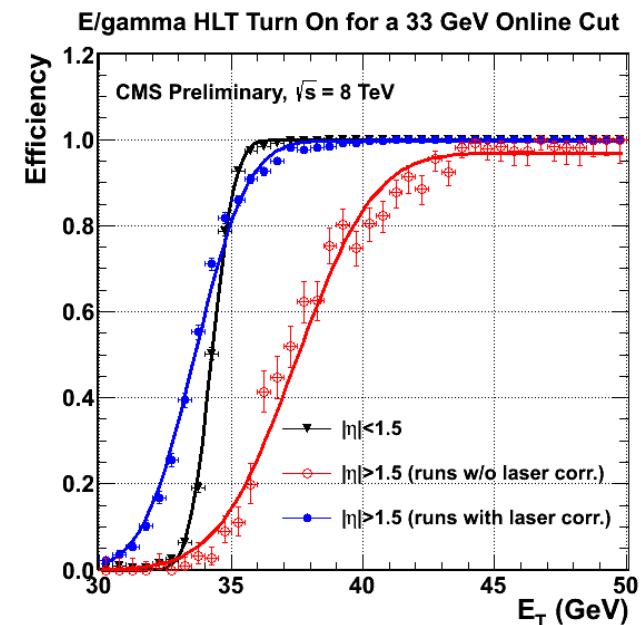
## ATLAS

- ee channel
  - Diphoton trigger
  - $E_T > 35$  GeV and  $E_T > 25$  GeV
- $\mu\mu$  channel
  - Single muon triggers
  - $E_T > 24$  GeV or  $E_T > 36$  GeV



## CMS

- ee channel
  - Dielectron trigger
  - Both clusters w  $E_T > 33$  GeV
- $\mu\mu$  channel
  - single muon trigger
  - $E_T > 40$  GeV





# EM CALORIMETRY (ATLAS)

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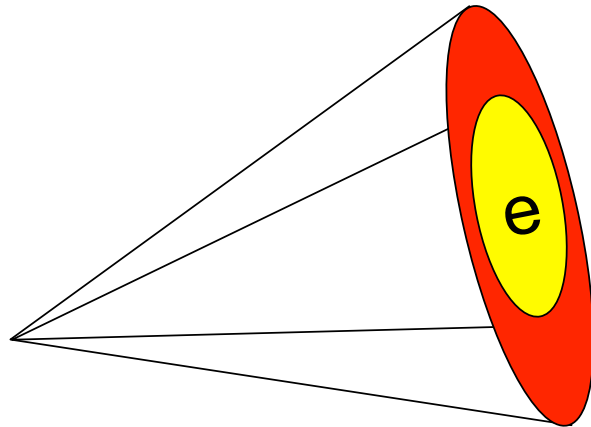
Barrel Liquid Argon Calorimeter



Accordion Sampling Layers

# DILEPTON RESONANCE SEARCH: ELECTRONS

- Electron  $p_T$  thresholds similar
- Jets fake electrons: use isolation to reduce fakes



ATLAS	CMS
$E_T^1 > 40 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^1 > 35 \text{ GeV}$
$E_T^2 > 30 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^2 > 35 \text{ GeV}$

	ATLAS	CMS	
leading	$ ^{\text{calo}}_{0.2} < 0.7\% \cdot E_T + 5 \text{ GeV}$	$ ^{\text{tracker}}_{0.3} < 5 \text{ GeV}$	$ ^{\text{Calo}}_{0.3} < 3\% \cdot E_T$
subleading	$ ^{\text{calo}}_{0.2} < 2.2\% \cdot E_T + 6 \text{ GeV}$		

ATLAS

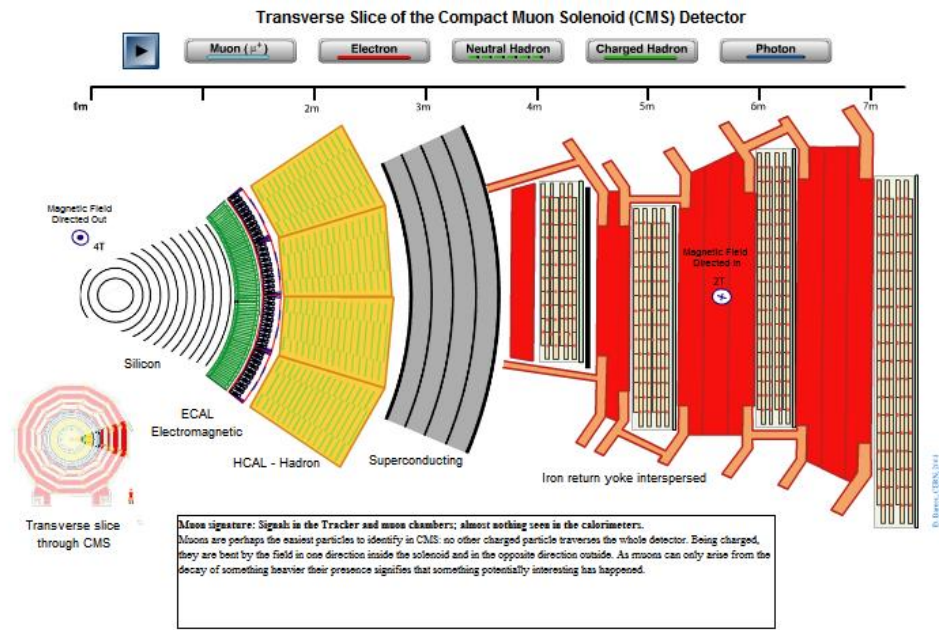
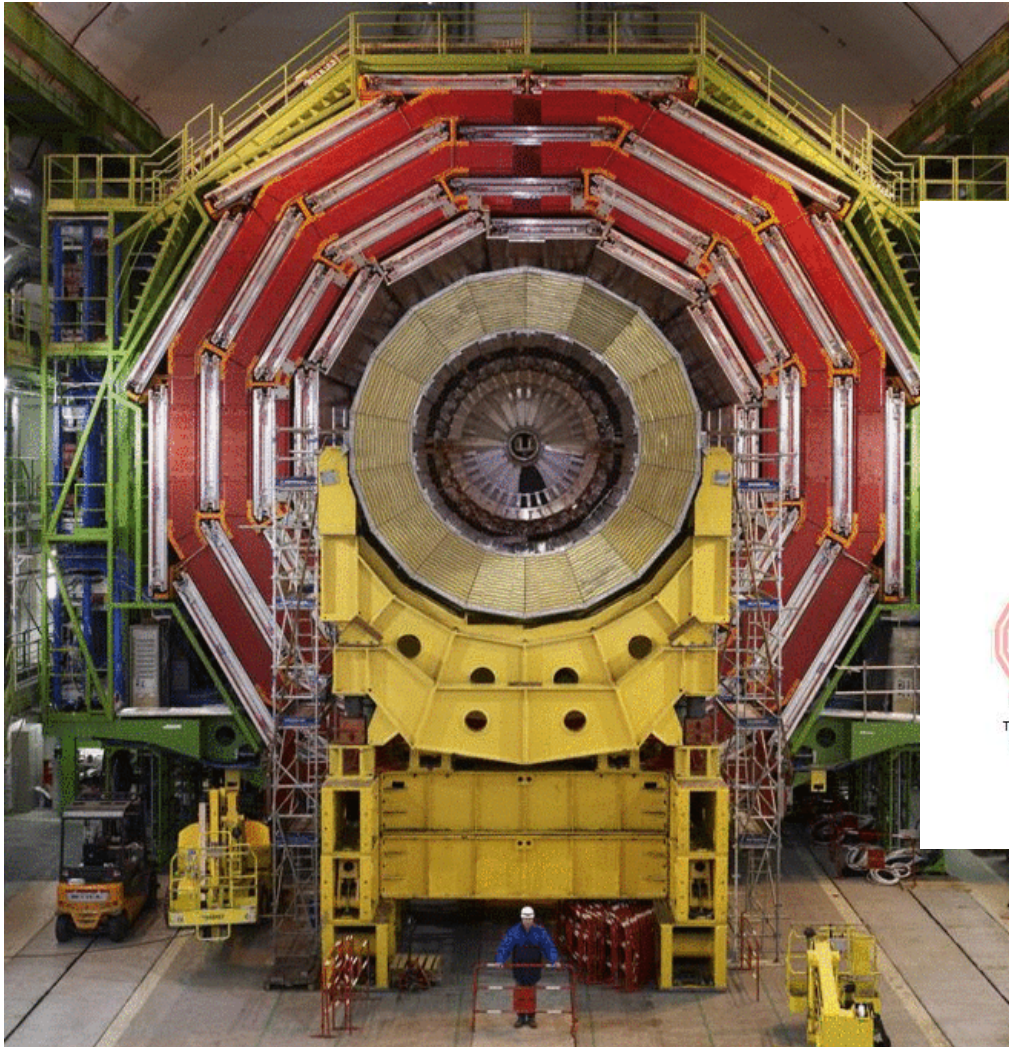
CMS

- $A \times \varepsilon = 73\%$  ( $m = 2 \text{ TeV}$ )

- $A \times \varepsilon = 67\%$  ( $m = 2.5 \text{ TeV}$ )



# MUON DETECTORS (CMS)



# DILEPTON RESONANCE SEARCH: MUONS

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## ATLAS

- Single muon triggers
  - $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$
  - $|\eta| < 2.4$
- Suppress cosmic rays
  - $|d_0| < 0.2 \text{ mm}$
  - $|z_0 - z_{(\text{vertex})}| < 1 \text{ mm}$
- Suppress jets faking  $\mu$ 's
  - $\sum p_T(\Delta R < 0.3) < 5\% \cdot p_T$
- Require opposite charge
  
- $A \times \varepsilon = 46\%$  ( $m = 2 \text{ TeV}$ )

## CMS

- Single muon trigger
  - $p_T > 45 \text{ GeV}$
  - $|\eta| < 2.4$
- Suppress cosmic rays
  - $|d_0| < 0.2 \text{ mm}$
  - $|z_0 - z_{(\text{vertex})}| < 24 \text{ cm}$
- Suppress jets faking  $\mu$ 's
  - $\sum p_T(\Delta R < 0.3) < 10\% \cdot p_T$
  - $|z_0 - z_{(\text{vertex})}| < 0.2 \text{ mm}$
- Require opposite charge
  
- $A \times \varepsilon = 80\%$  ( $m = 2.5 \text{ TeV}$ )

# DILEPTON RESONANCE SEARCH: BACKGROUNDS

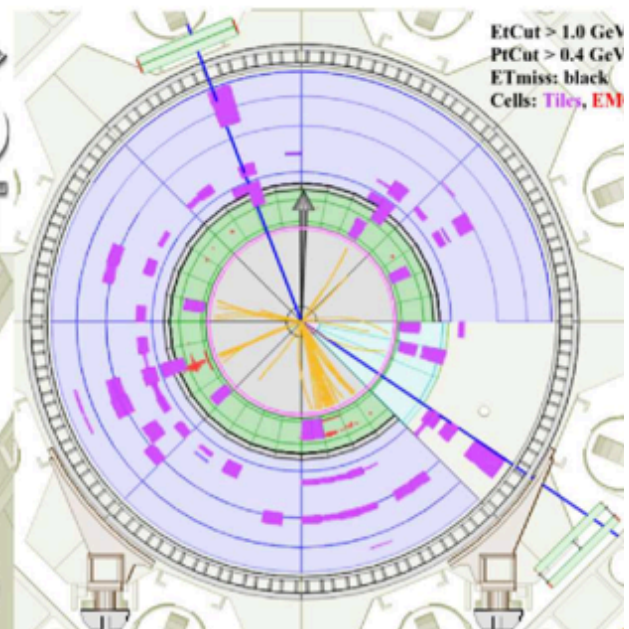
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- SM Drell-Yan:  $\gamma^*/Z \rightarrow l+l-$ 
  - shape taken from Monte Carlo
  - normalisation taken from Z peak in data
- t-tbar:
  - where tt goes to  $e+e-$ ,  $\mu+\mu-$
  - est. from MC, cross-checked in data
  - also includes  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ , WW, WZ
- Jet Background (for ee):
  - di-jet, W+jet events where the jets are misidentified as electrons/muons
- Cosmic Ray Background (for  $\mu\mu$ ):
  - muons from cosmic rays
  - estimated  $<0.1$  event after vertex and angular difference requirements

*...Start taking data and what do we see?*



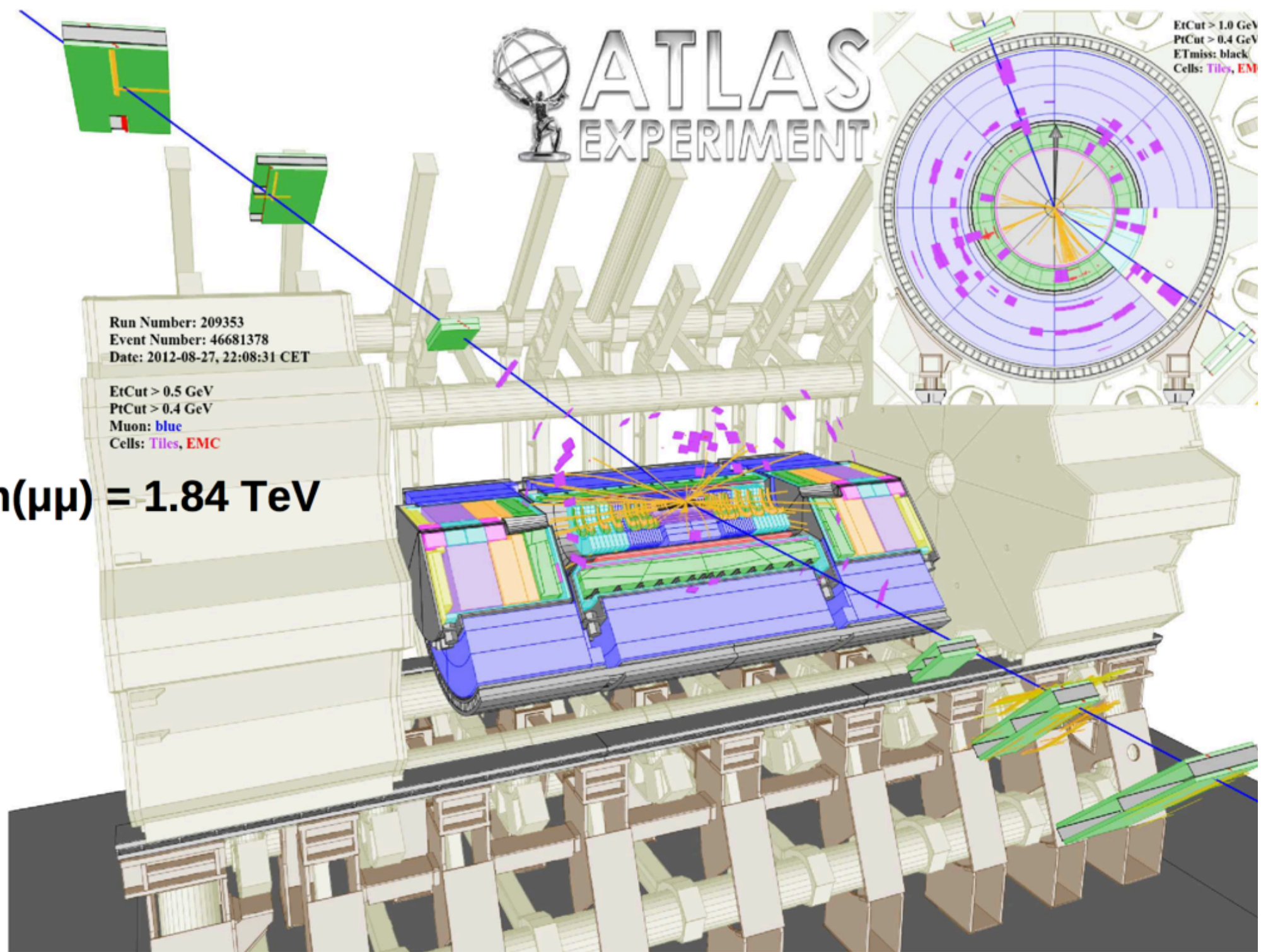
# ATLAS EXPERIMENT



Run Number: 209353  
Event Number: 46681378  
Date: 2012-08-27, 22:08:31 CET

EtCut > 0.5 GeV  
PtCut > 0.4 GeV  
Muon: blue  
Cells: Tiles, EMC

$m(\mu\mu) = 1.84 \text{ TeV}$



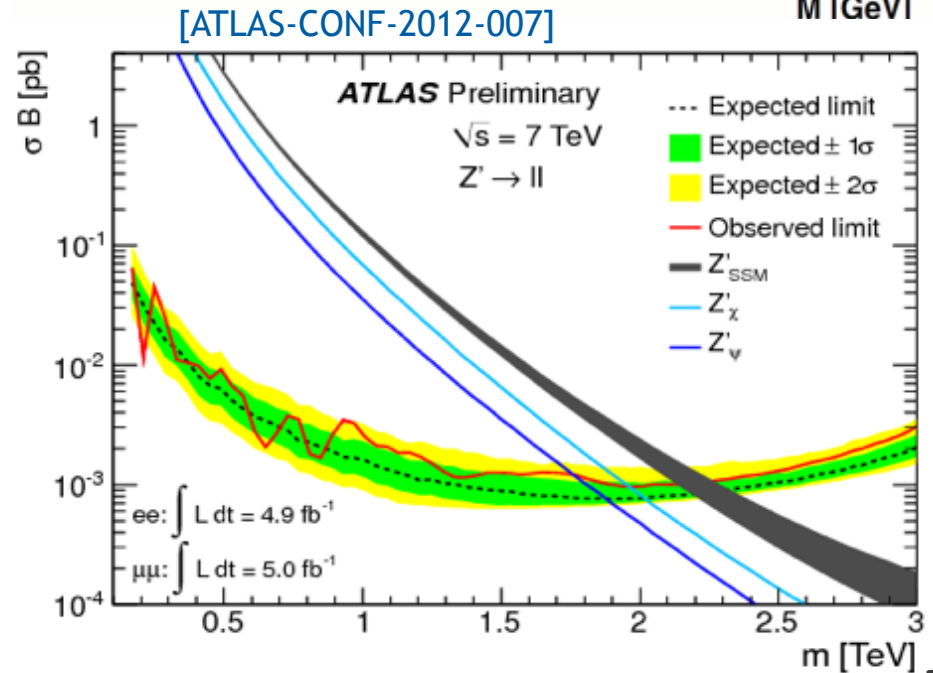
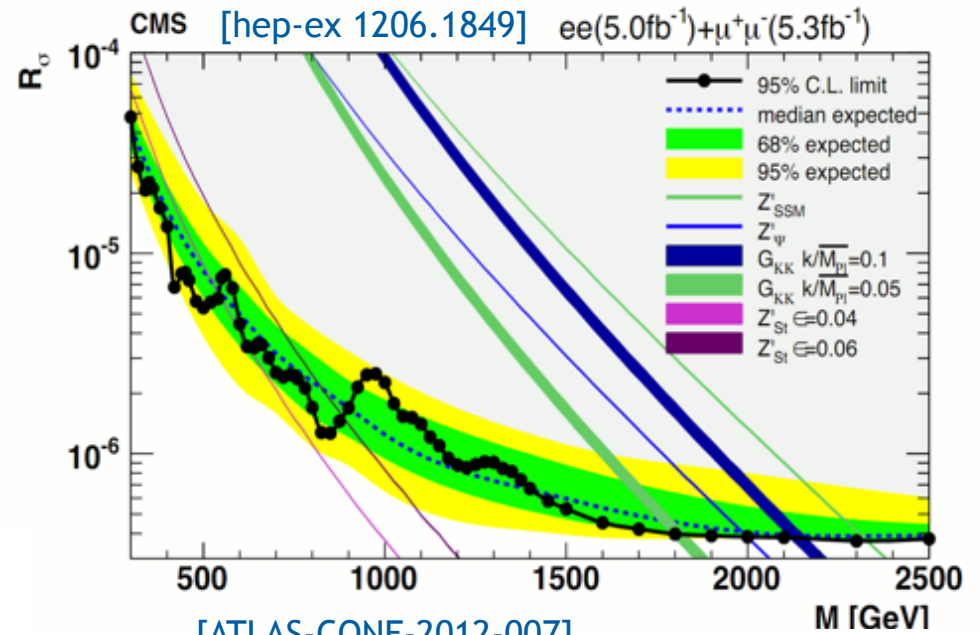
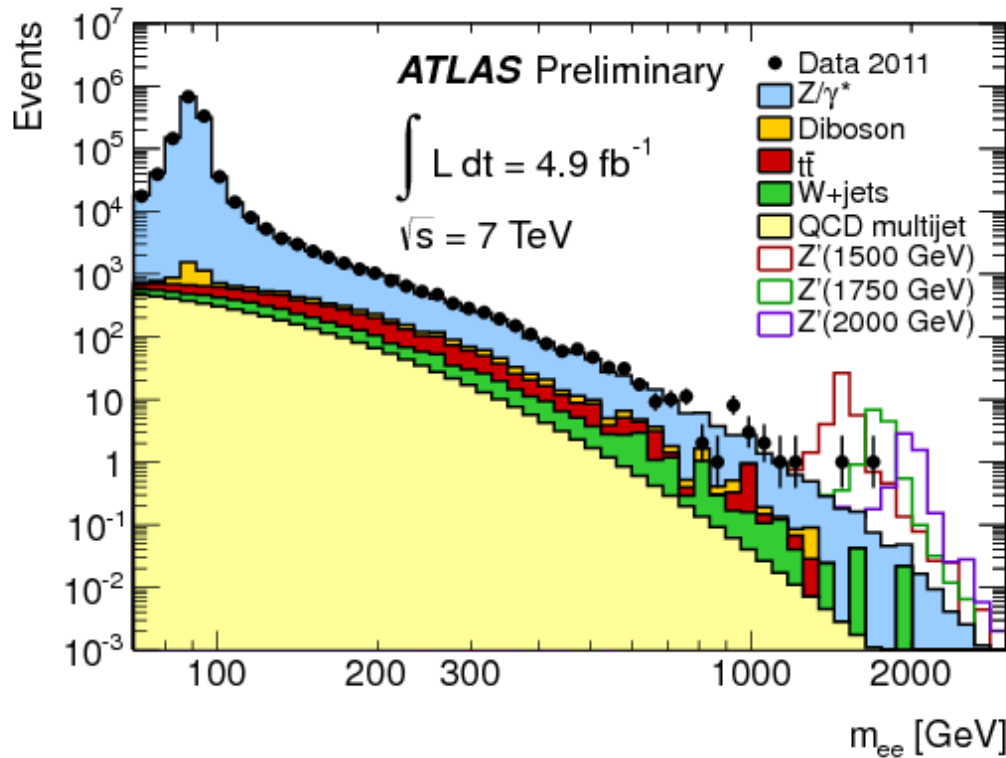


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# Z' IN 2011 DATA?

- Many new models have Z-like narrow resonances decaying to dileptons
- Interesting features in dilepton spectra
  - around  $2\sigma$  each for CMS & ATLAS in  $e\mu$
  - similar in scale to 2011 Higgs excess

*Worth watching in 2012's 8 TeV data...*

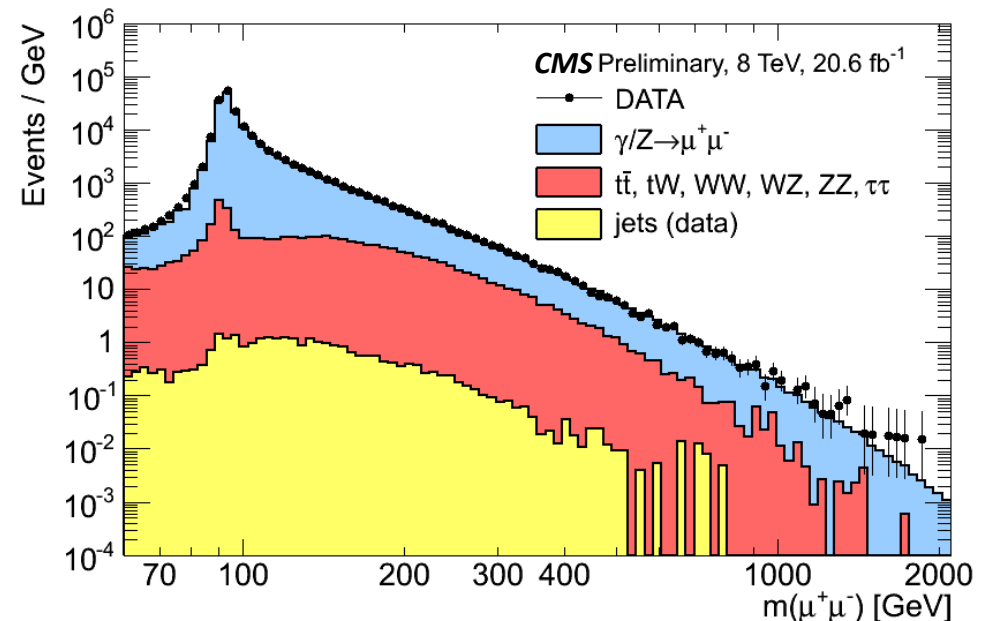
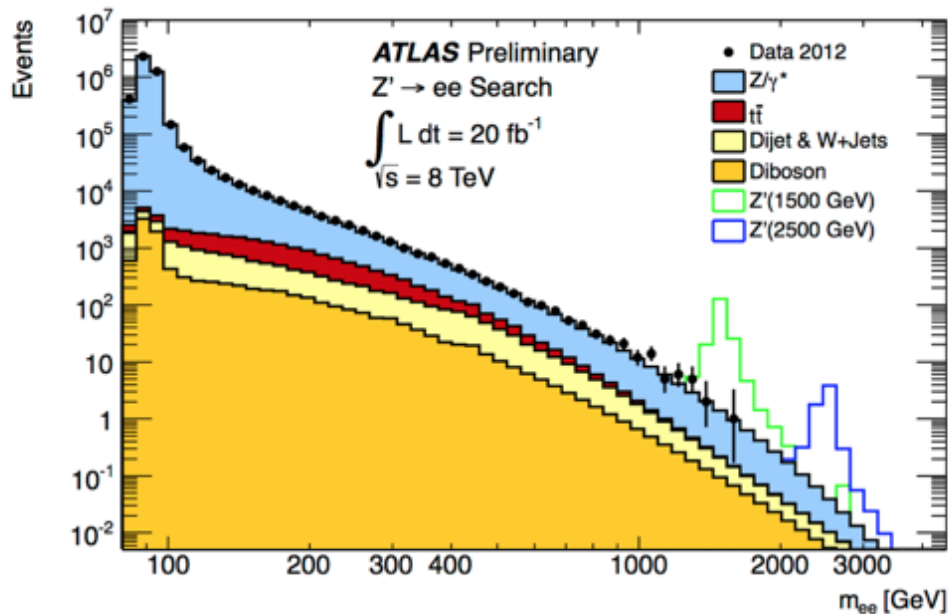


# DILEPTON RESONANCE SEARCH

[ATLAS-CONF-2013-017, CMS EXO-12-061]

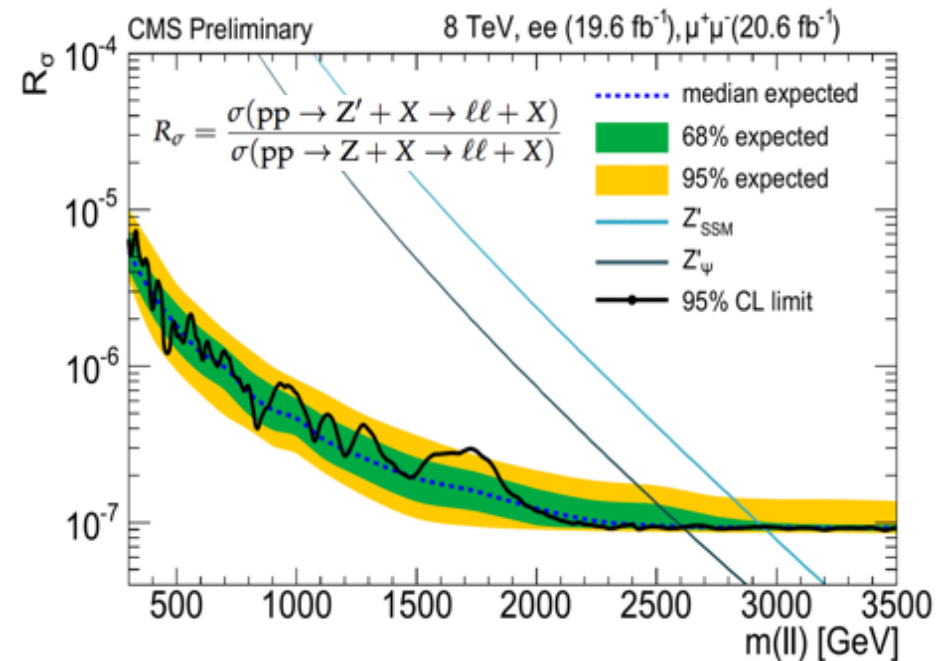
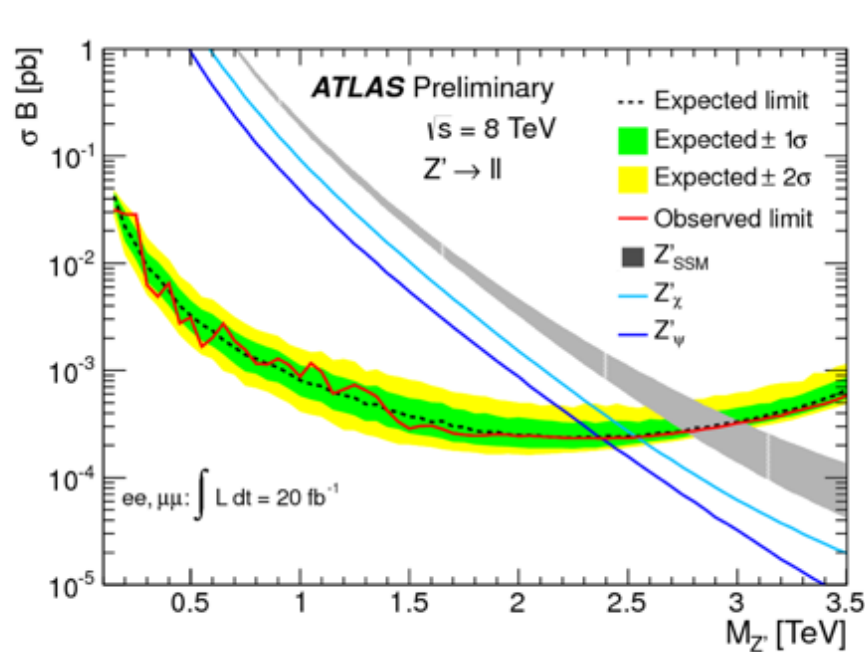
- Event selection
  - CMS:  $E_T(e1,e2) > 35$  GeV,  $p_T(\mu1,\mu2) > 45$  GeV, plus isolation criteria
  - ATLAS:  $E_T(e1,e2) > (40,30)$  GeV,  $p_T(\mu1,\mu2) > 25$  GeV, plus isolation criteria
- Backgrounds
  - $Z/\gamma^*$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $tW$ ,  $VV$ ,  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ , multijets with  $\geq 1$  jet reconstructed as lepton
  - estimated by functional fit

*No obvious excess observed in 2012 data*



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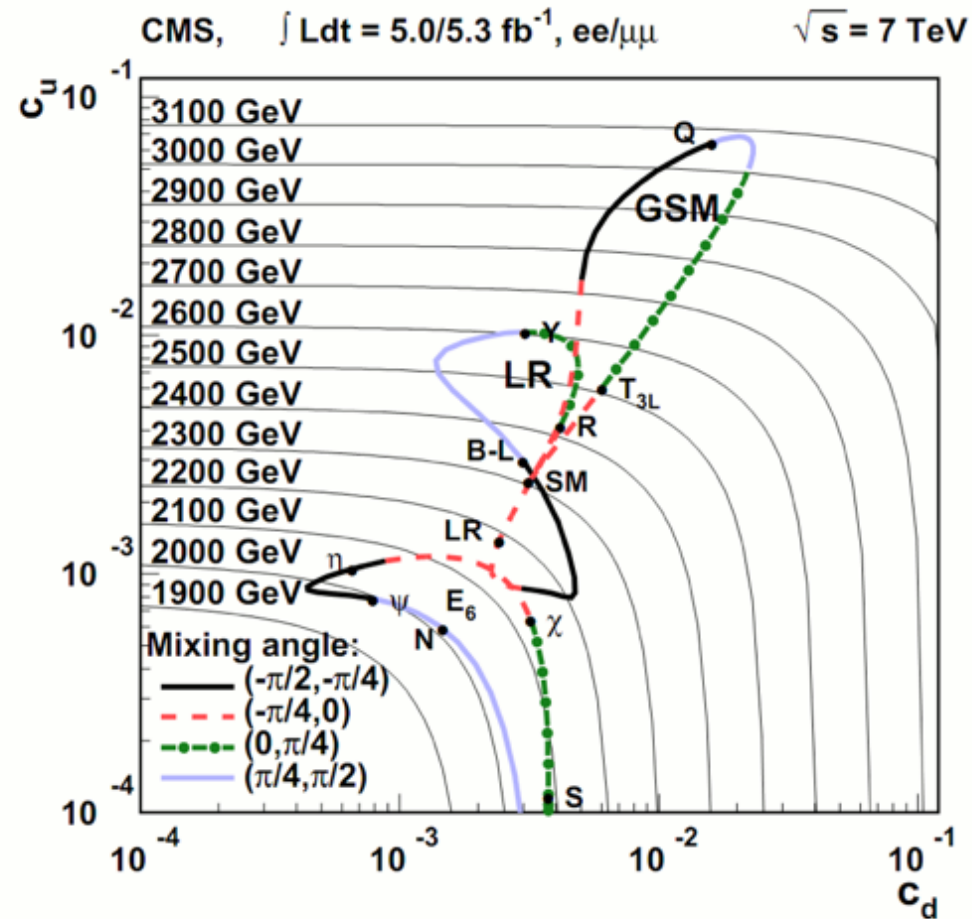


$M(Z'_{SSM})$	expected	observed
CMS	> 2.96 TeV	> 2.96 TeV
ATLAS	> 2.85 TeV	> 2.86 TeV

*Excess in 2011 data just below 1 TeV all but gone in 2012*

# SEARCH FOR $Z'$ (DILEPTON RESONANCE)

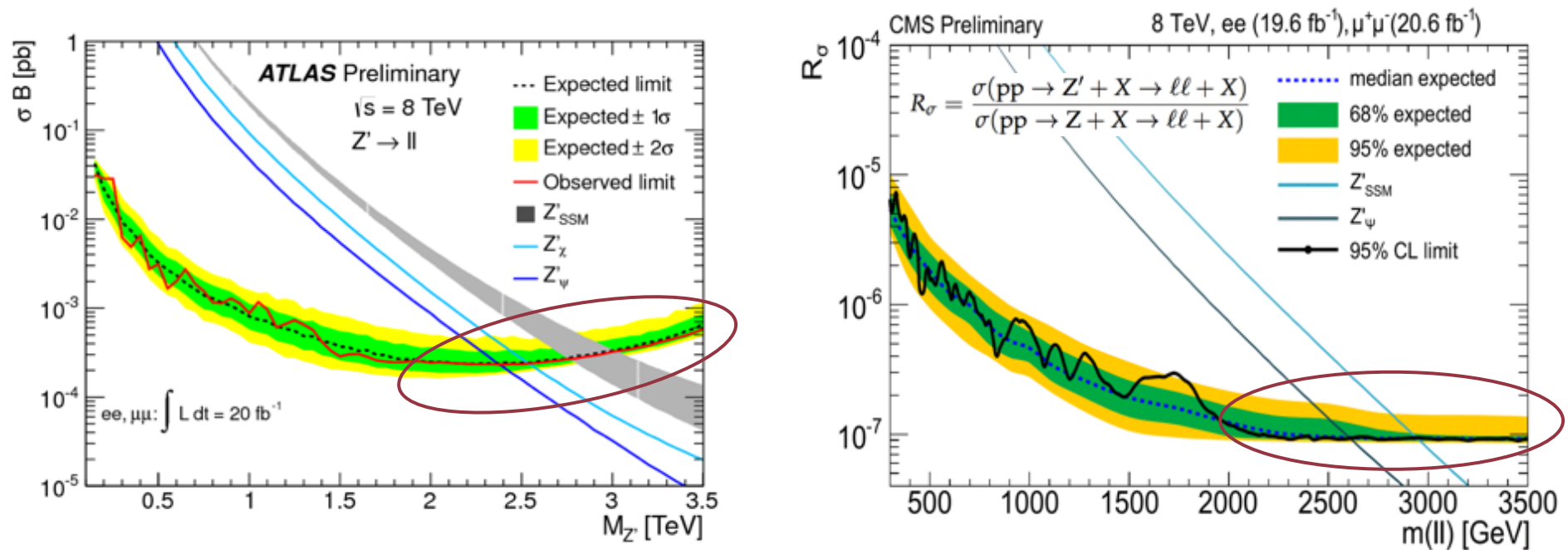
- Working to extend usefulness of search by (for example) plotting vs coupling
- Can plot many  $Z'$ -like models in one, unfortunately not a simple mass-vs-coupling



*For theorists: if our searches are almost what you want, but not quite, then contact us*

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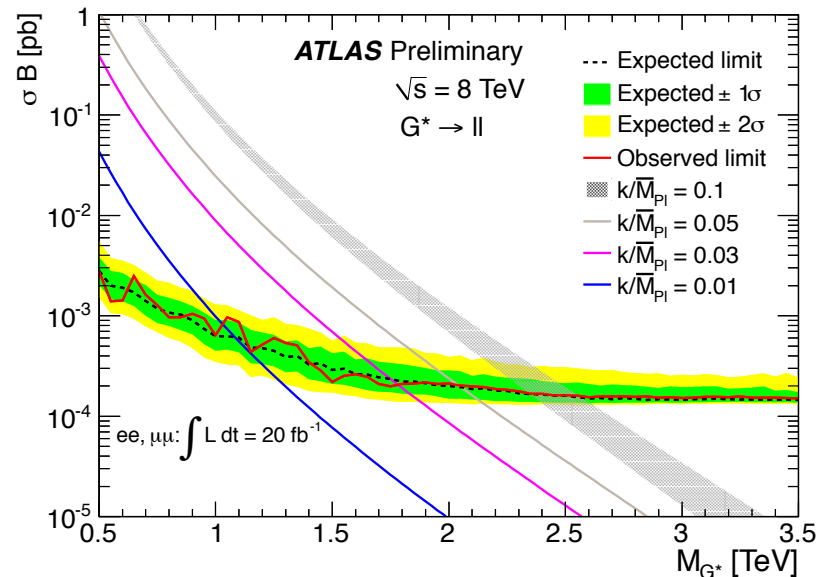


*Interesting also to look at the differences in the searches...*

# ATLAS AND CMS DIFFERENCES?

## ATLAS

- Uses signal templates for  $Z'$  limits
- Loss of sensitivity at high masses (parton luminosities)
- Cross section limits model-specific
- narrow resonance  $G^*$  has no rise:



## CMS

- Use narrow resonance window
  - Cross section upper limits less model dependent
  - Give outside world description of what was done
- Take signal shapes within  $\pm 40\%$  of the mass peak into account to compute theory curves
- Not sensitive to parton luminosities
- Generic resonance search

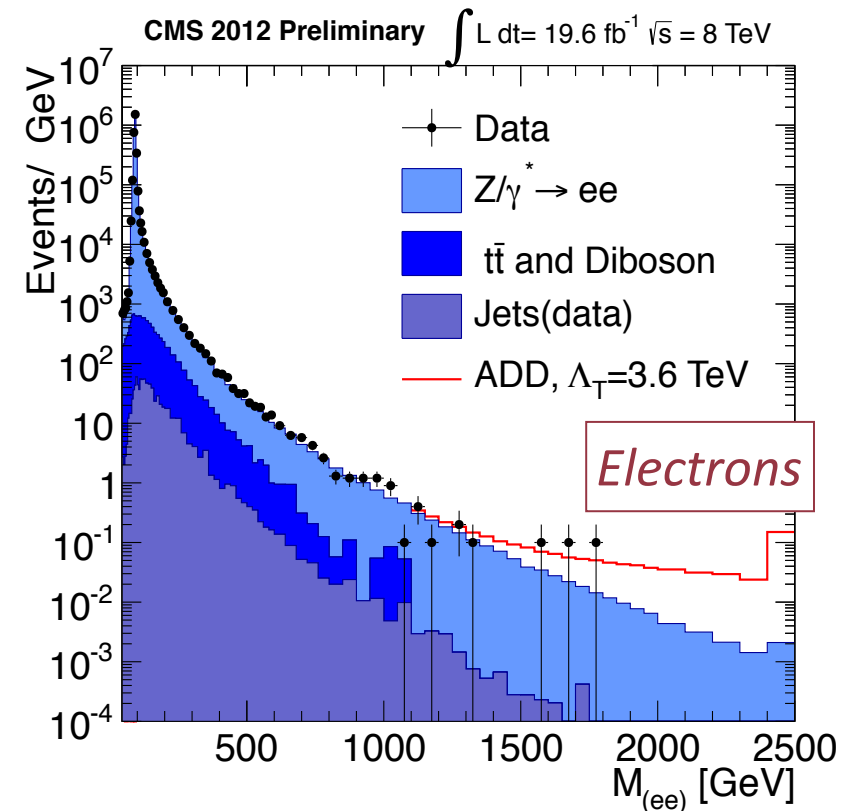
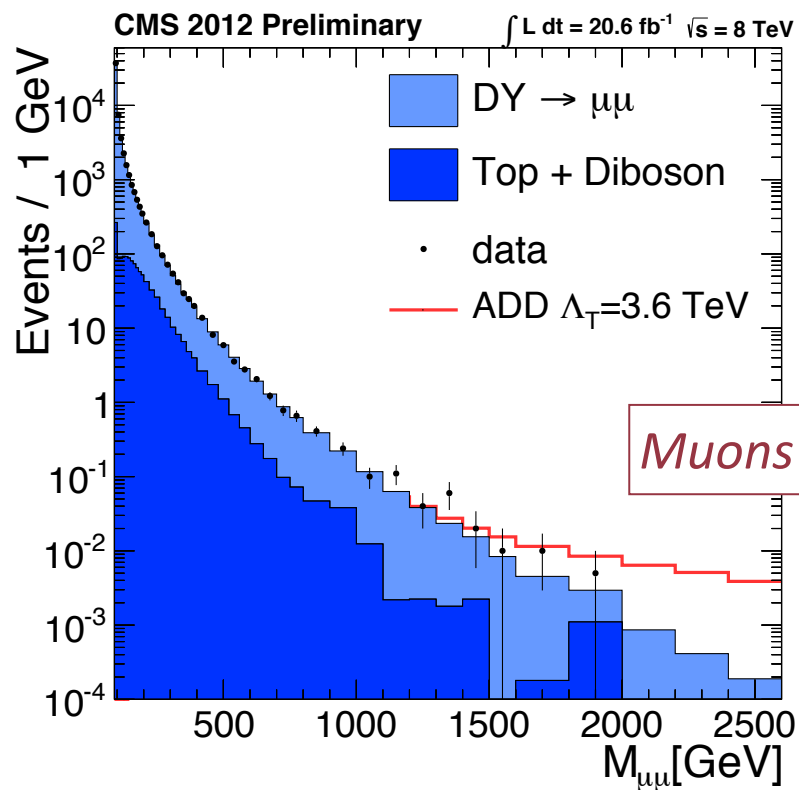
*Big difference in efficiency and approach... small difference in limit*



# SEARCH FOR EXTRA DIMENSIONS IN DILEPTONS

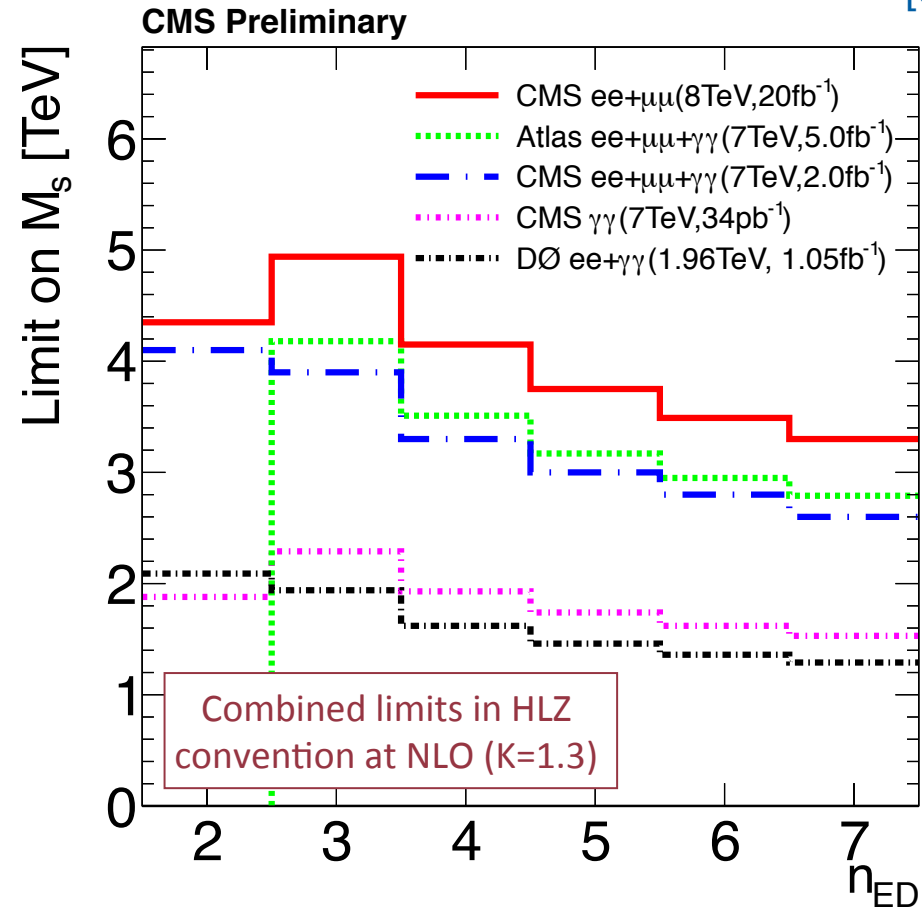
[CMS EXO-12-027, CMS EXO-12-031]

- Extra Dimension search in dilepton invariant mass spectra (same as  $Z'$ )
- Simple counting experiment on integral above a mass threshold (Bayesian)
- Leading systematics from momentum scale (muons) and PDF (electrons)



# EXTRA DIMENSIONS IN DILEPTONS

[CMS EXO-12-027, CMS EXO-12-031]



$M_s$ (ADD) at LO 95% CL limits	Lumi. [fb <sup>-1</sup> ]	$\delta=3$ Exp.	$\delta=3$ Obs.	$\delta=6$ Exp.	$\delta=6$ Obs.	$\Lambda_T$ (GRW) [TeV]
CMS dimuon	20.6	4.34	4.33	3.07	3.06	3.64
CMS dielectron	19.6	4.62	4.64	3.27	3.28	3.90
Combined:	20.6+19.6	4.76	4.77	3.37	3.37	4.01

# W' → lν IN 8 TEV DATA

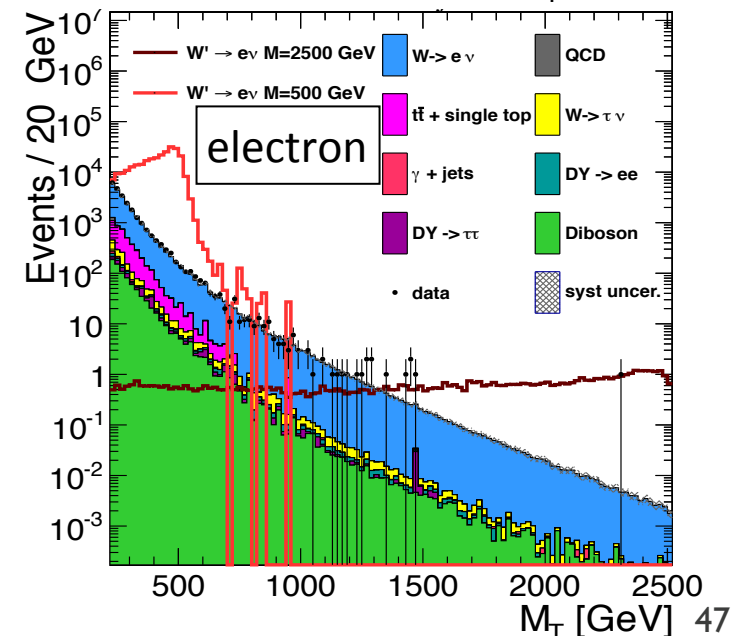
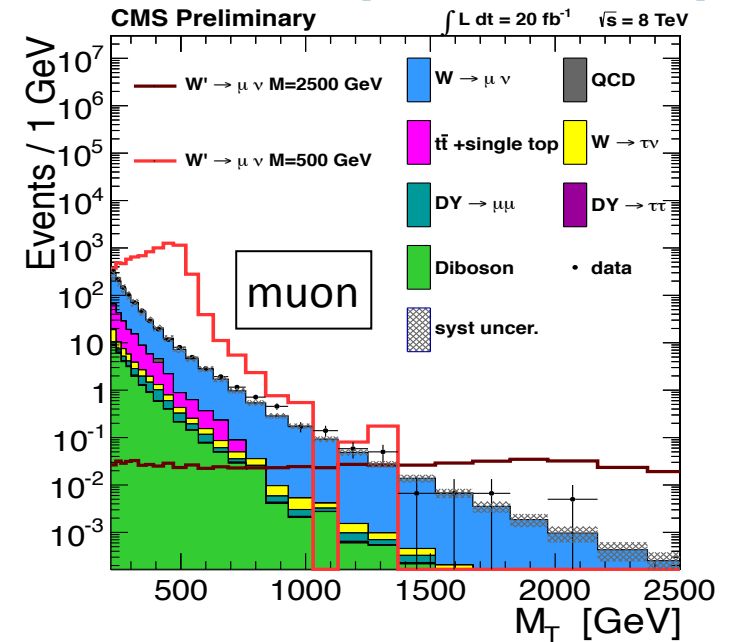
- Search for a new heavy gauge boson W' decaying to a charged lepton (μ or e) and ν

$$M_T = \sqrt{2 \cdot p_T^\ell \cdot E_T^{\text{miss}} \cdot (1 - \cos \Delta\phi_{\ell,\nu})}$$

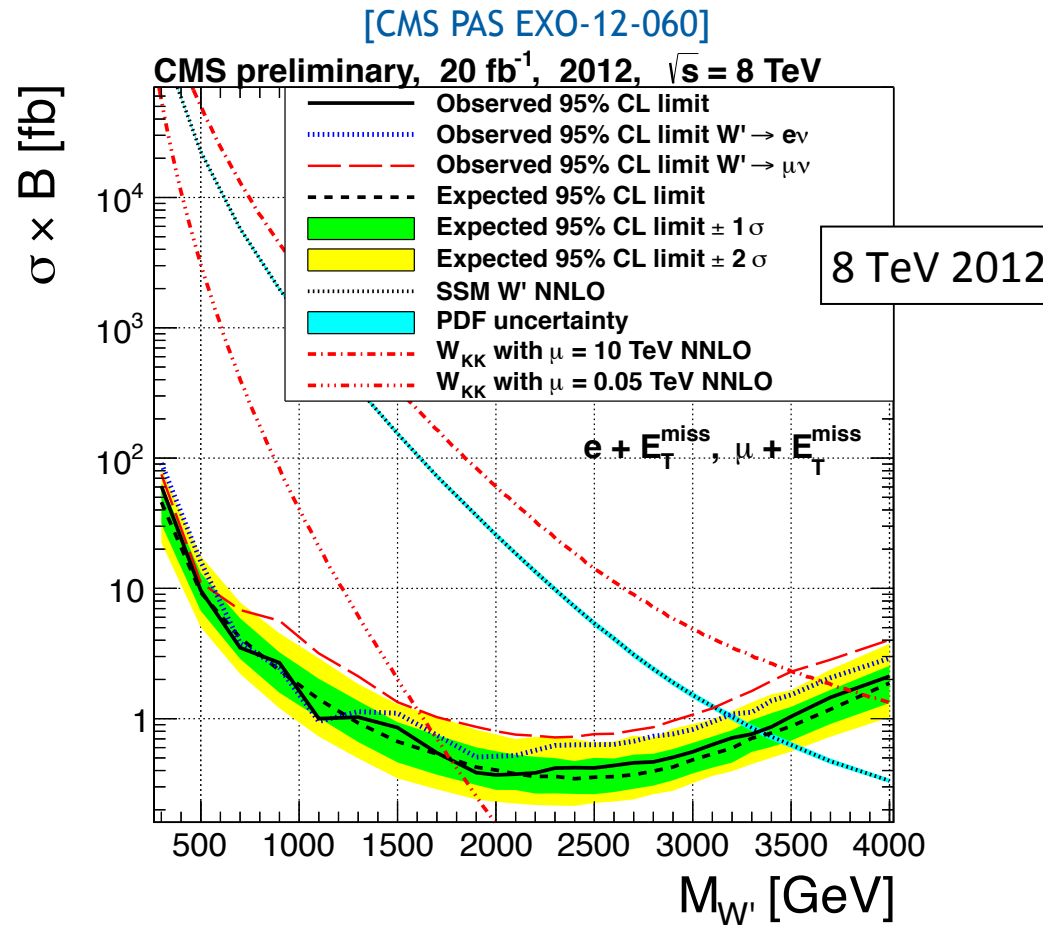
- Many models possible
  - right-handed W' bosons with standard-model couplings
  - left-handed W' bosons including interference
  - Kaluza-Klein W'\_{KK}-states in split-UED
  - Excited chiral boson (W\*)
- Event Selection and Backgrounds
  - back-to-back isolated lepton and E\_T^{miss}
  - Plot transverse mass of lν system
  - backgrounds from W, QCD, tt+single t, DY, VV from data

*No significant excess observed*

[CMS PAS EXO-12-060]



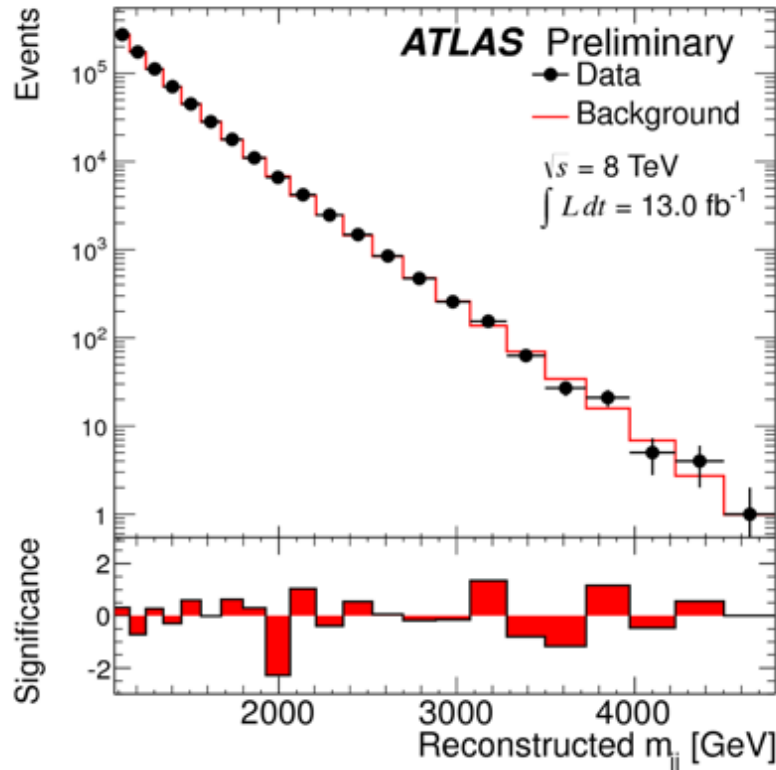
# $W' \rightarrow \nu$ IN 7 AND 8 TeV



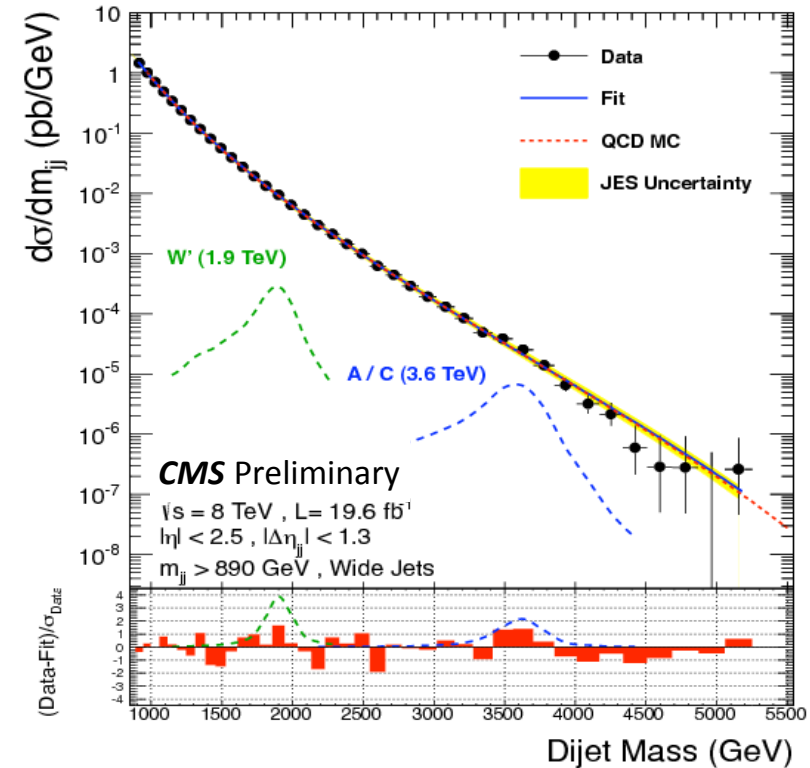
$M(W'_{SSM})$ 95% CL	Luminosity	Expected	Observed
ATLAS $e+\mu$ , 2011	4.7	> 2.55 TeV	> 2.55 TeV
CMS $e+\mu$ , 2012	3.7	> 2.80 TeV	> 2.85 TeV
CMS $e+\mu$ , 2012	20	> 3.37 TeV	> 3.35 TeV

# DIJETS IN 8 TeV DATA

[ATLAS-CONF-2012-148]



[CMS PAS EXO-12-059]



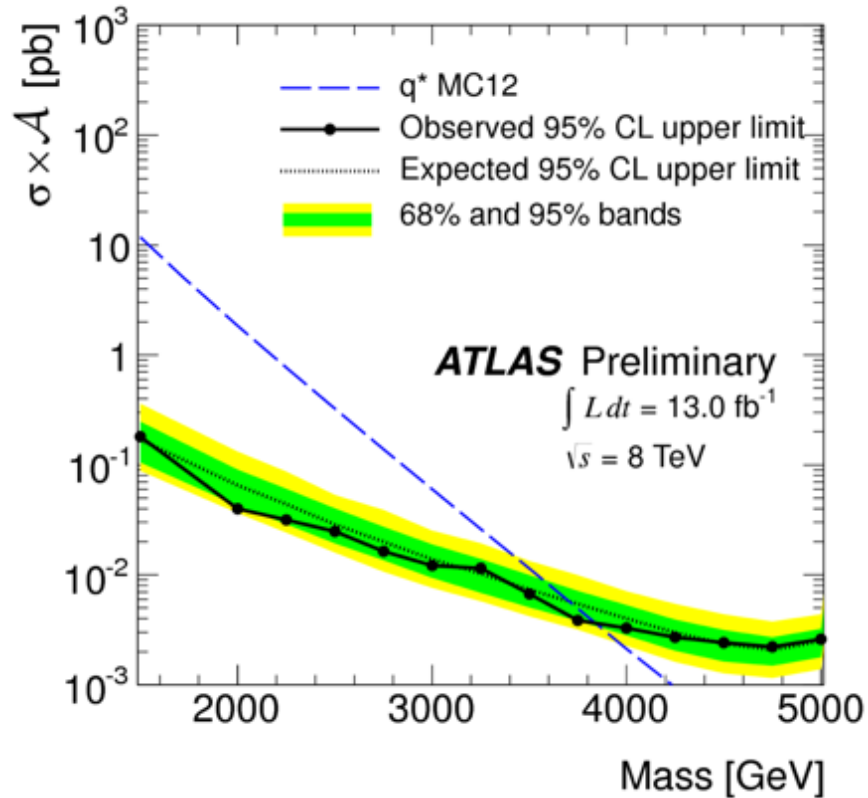
- Search for dijet resonance in smoothly falling mass spectrum
  - leading jet mass  $m_{jj} > 0.9\text{-}1 \text{ TeV}$  from trigger and other constraints
  - Background estimated from smooth functional fit

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dm_{jj}} = \frac{P_0(1-x)^{P_1}}{x^{P_2+P_3 \ln(x)}}$$

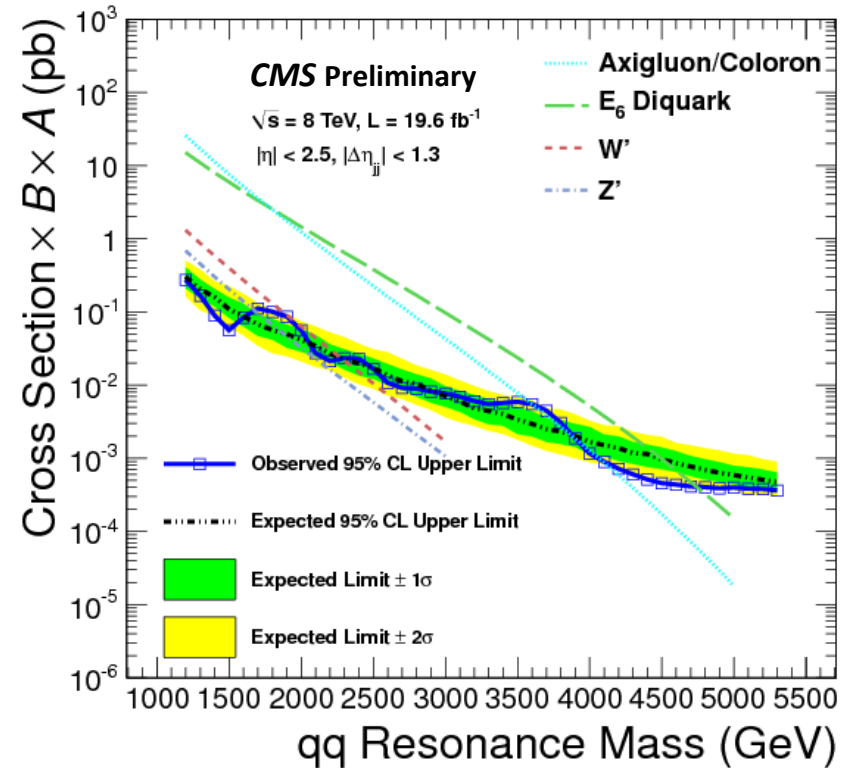


# DIJETS IN 8 TEV DATA

[ATLAS-CONF-2012-110]



[CMS PAS EXO-12-016]



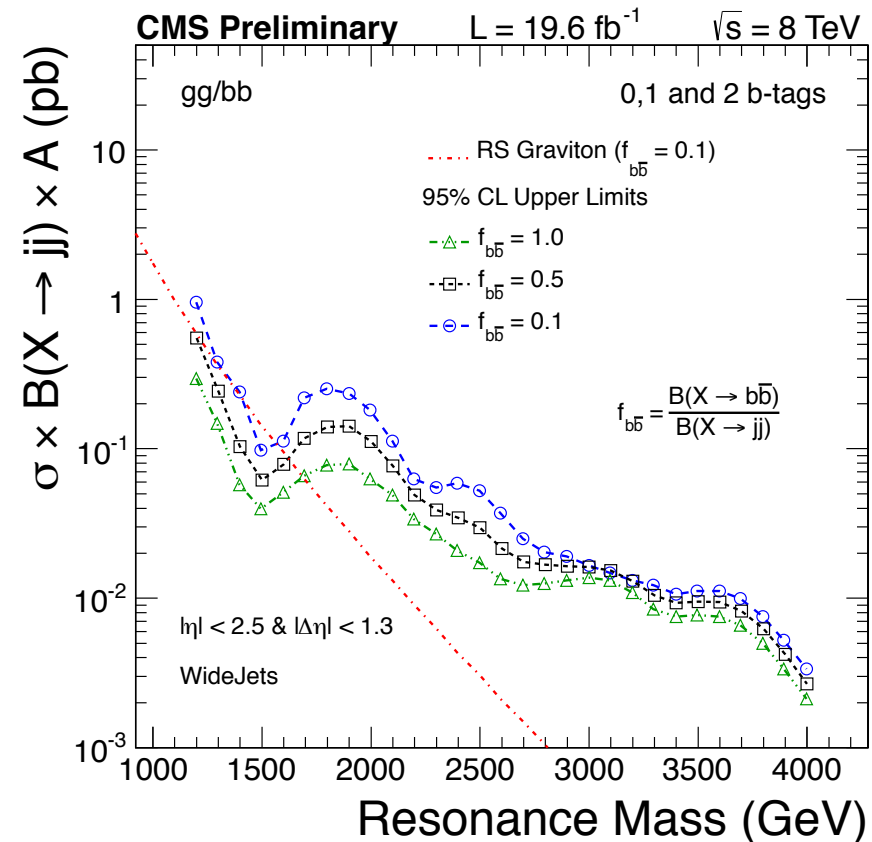
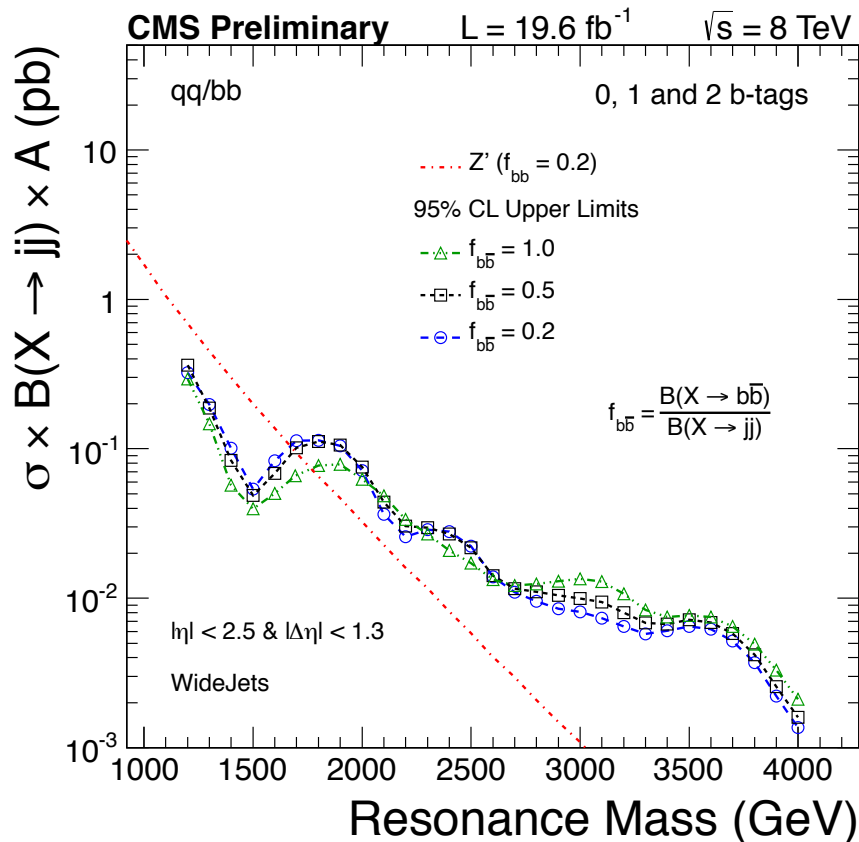
$M(q^*)$ 95% CL	Luminosity	Expected	Observed
ATLAS 2011	4.8	> 3.09 TeV	> 3.55 TeV
CMS 2011	5.0	> 3.27 TeV	> 3.05 TeV
ATLAS 2012	13.0	> 3.70 TeV	> 3.84 TeV
CMS 2012	19.6	> 3.75 TeV	> 3.50 TeV

# DIJET WITH b-TAG

[CMS EXO-12-023]

- Dijet with 0, 1, 2 b-tags
  - model-independent limits vs. BR
  - Simultaneous search in 0, 1 and 2 b-tags
  - Limits set on qq, gg and bg ( $Z'$ ,  $G_{RS}$  and  $b^*$  models)

$$f_{b\bar{b}} = \frac{\text{BR}(X \rightarrow b\bar{b})}{\text{BR}(X \rightarrow jj)}$$

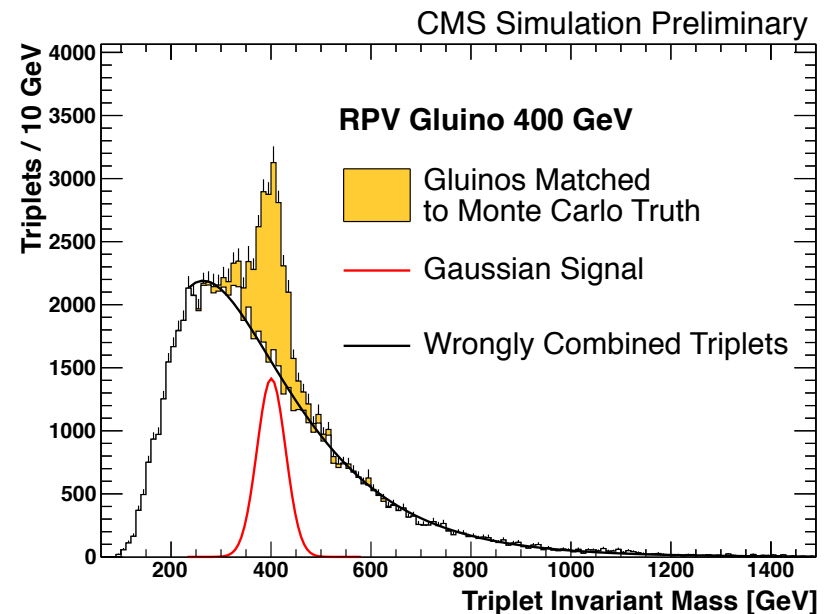
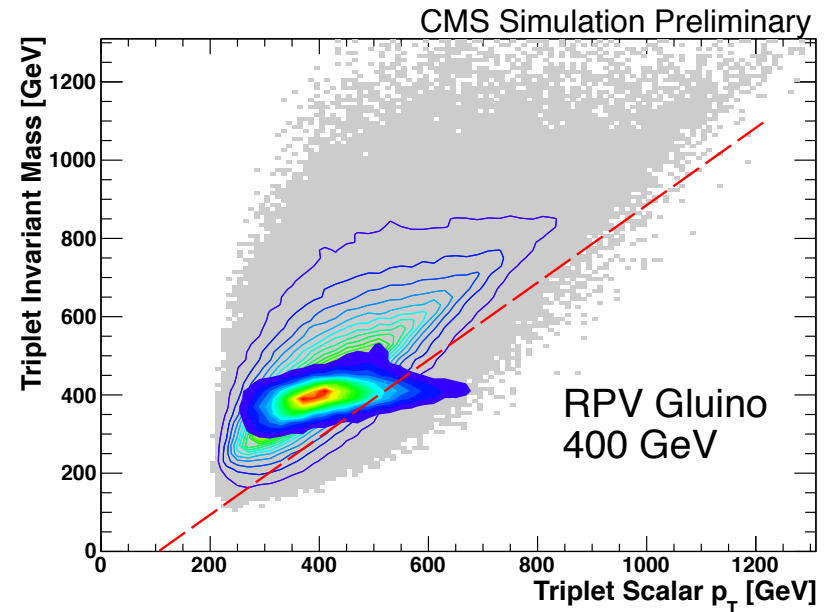


# PAIR-PRODUCED THREE JET RESONANCES

[CMS EXO-12-049]

- Search for strongly coupled resonances decaying to three jets
- Benchmark: pair produced gluinos to three jets through UDD RPV coupling
- Event Selection
  - $\geq 6$  jets  $> 60$  GeV (1<sup>st</sup>–4<sup>th</sup> jet  $> 80$  GeV)
  - Use sphericity to suppress backgrounds at high mass
  - Apply b-tagging for gluino  $\rightarrow$  udb/csb scenario
- Combine the six highest  $p_T$  jets into 20 unique triplet combinations
- To suppress wrong combinations and QCD, only accept triplets that satisfy

$$M_{jjj} < \sum_{i=1}^3 |p_{T|i} - \Delta$$

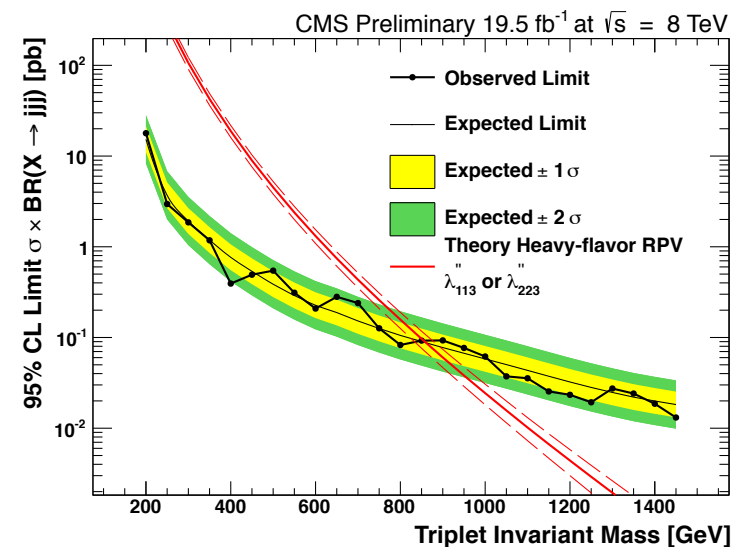
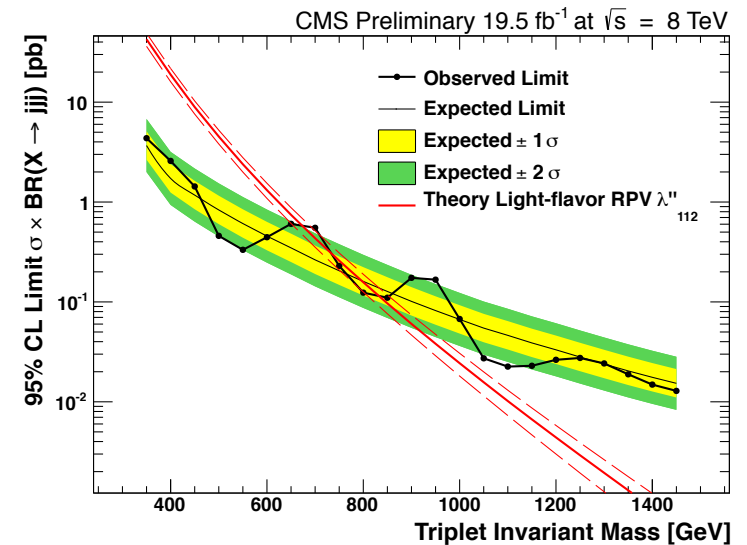
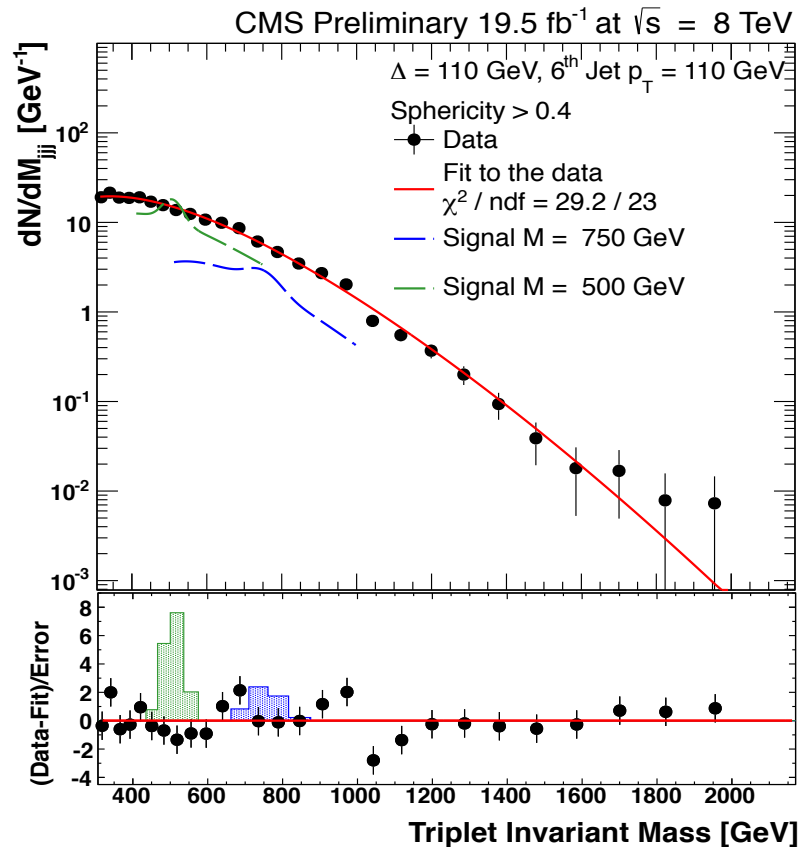


# THREE JET RESONANCES

[CMS EXO-12-049]

- Look for bump in falling spectrum
  - For b-tagged result, QCD shape from b-vetoed data
  - All-hadronic top bkgnd consistent w/ SM rate

*Limits on RPV gluinos  $< 650$  GeV (light-flavor) and between 200 and 835 GeV (heavy-flavor)*



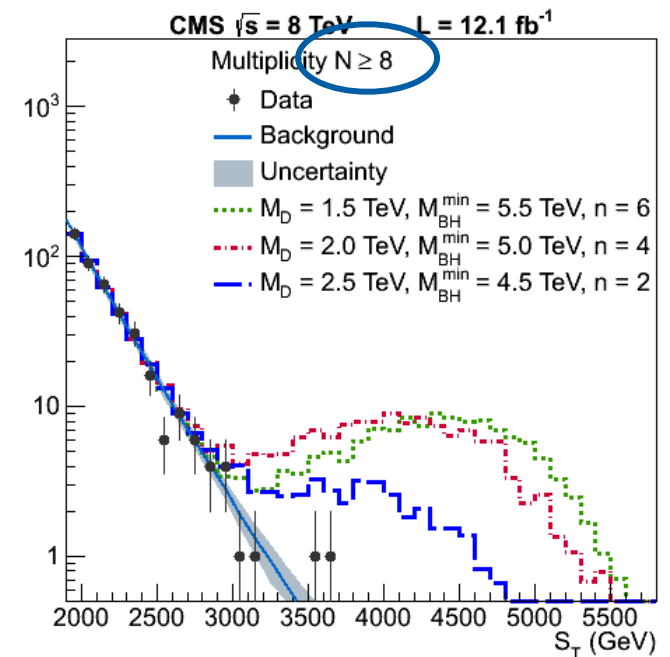
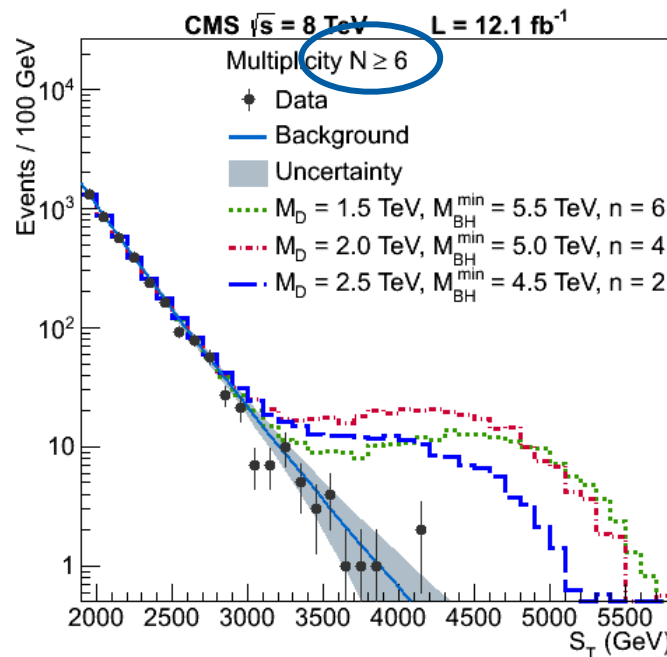
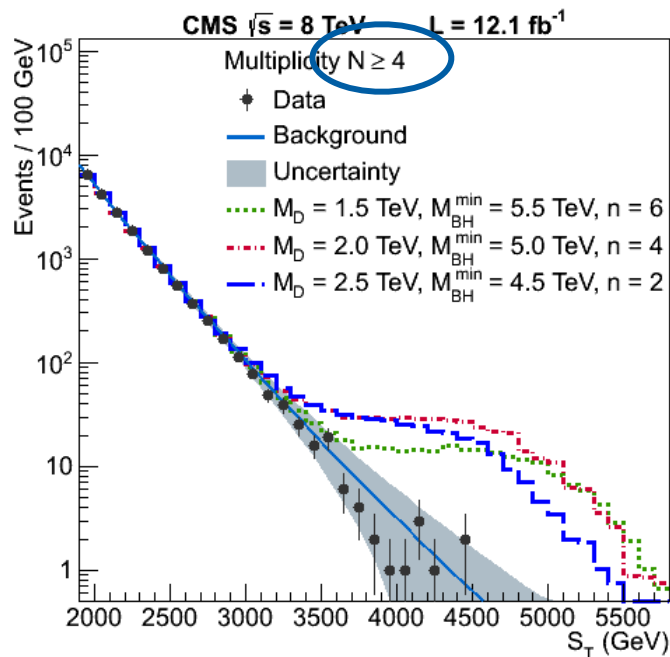
# SEARCH FOR BLACK HOLES

[arXiv:1303:5338, EXO-12-009]

- Search for microscopic Black Holes in  $12 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of 8 TeV data
  - Hypothetical BH would evaporate into many high- $p_T$  objects
  - Estimate by  $S_T$ , the  $p_T$  sum of physics objects with  $p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$
- Main background of QCD estimated by fit to  $n=2$  distribution
  - Normalised for each multiplicity bin separately at  $S_T = 1.8\text{--}2.2 \text{ TeV}$
  - Model-independent limits vs  $S_T$  and multiplicity

$$S_T = \sum_{j,e,\mu,\gamma,MET}^N p_T$$

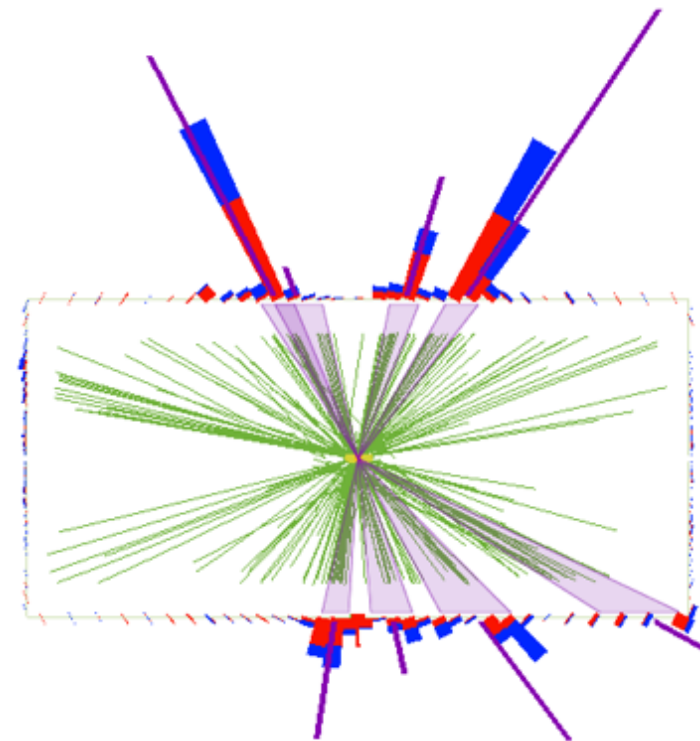
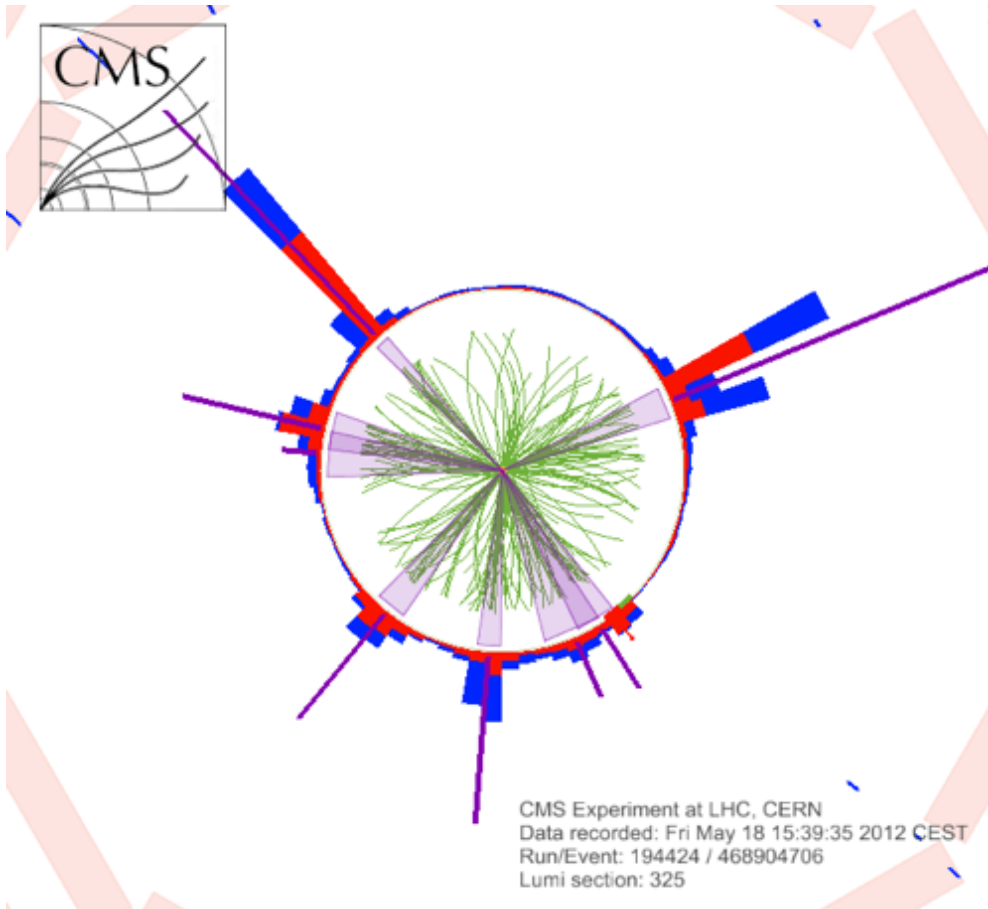
*Significant improvement in sensitivity ( $\sim 15\text{--}20\%$ ) with respect to 7 TeV data*





# 8-JET EVENT, $S_T = 3$ TEV

[arXiv:1303:5338, EXO-12-009]



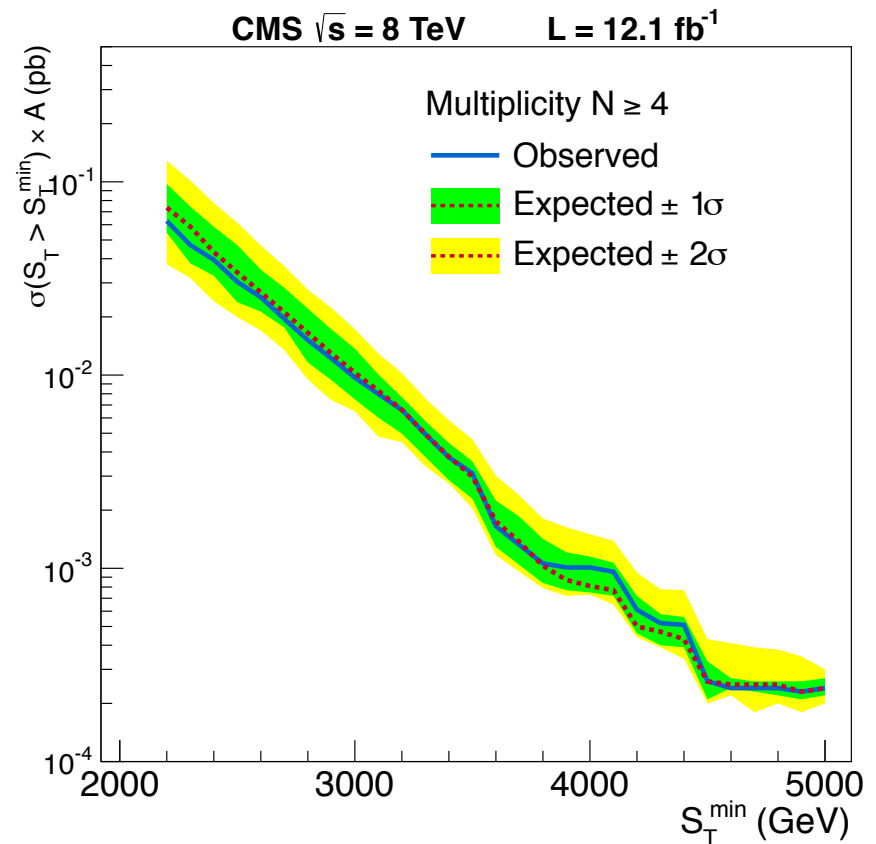
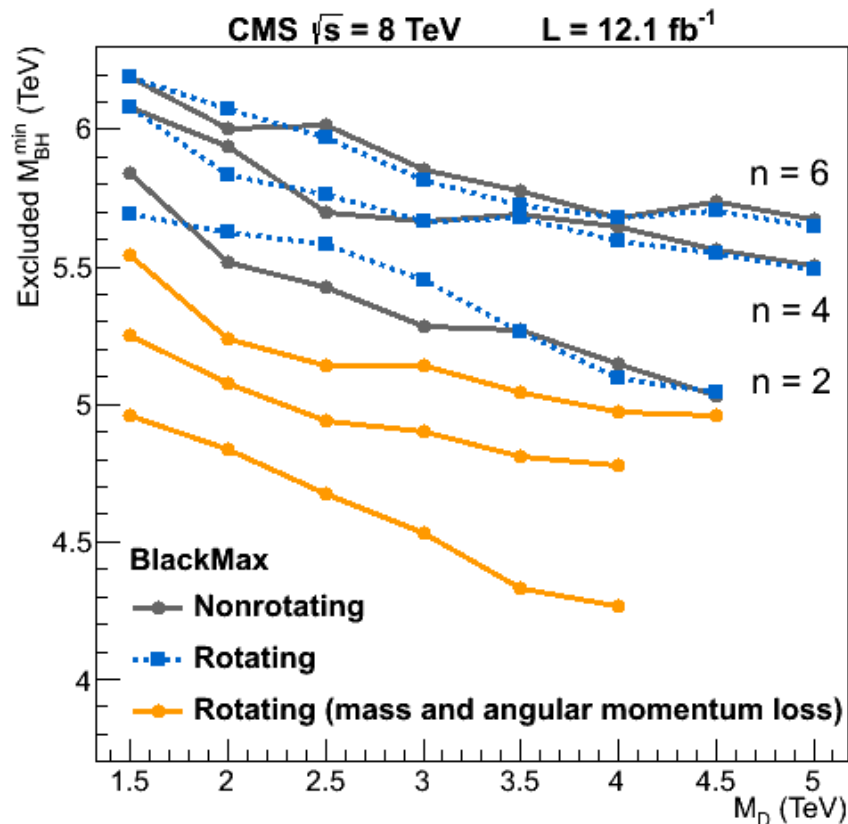
*Many interesting events found!*

# SEARCH FOR BLACK HOLES - HIGH $S_T$

[arXiv:1303:5338, EXO-12-009]

- No excess of events above expected backgrounds observed
  - Limits on ADD parameter  $M_D$  assuming specific BH models (Charybdis, BlackMax, ...)
  - Model-specific limits on semiclassical BH masses in the 4.3 – 6.2 TeV range

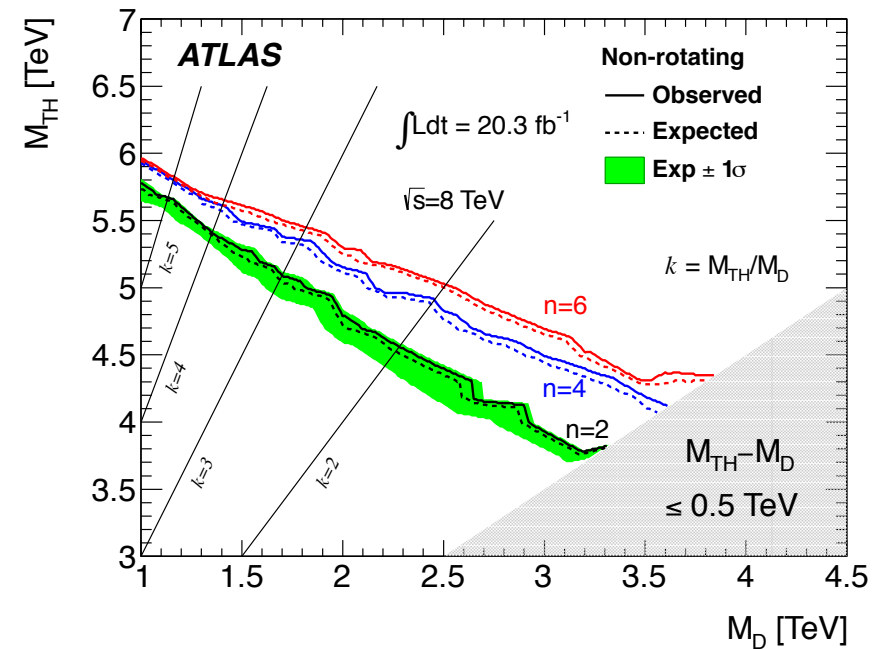
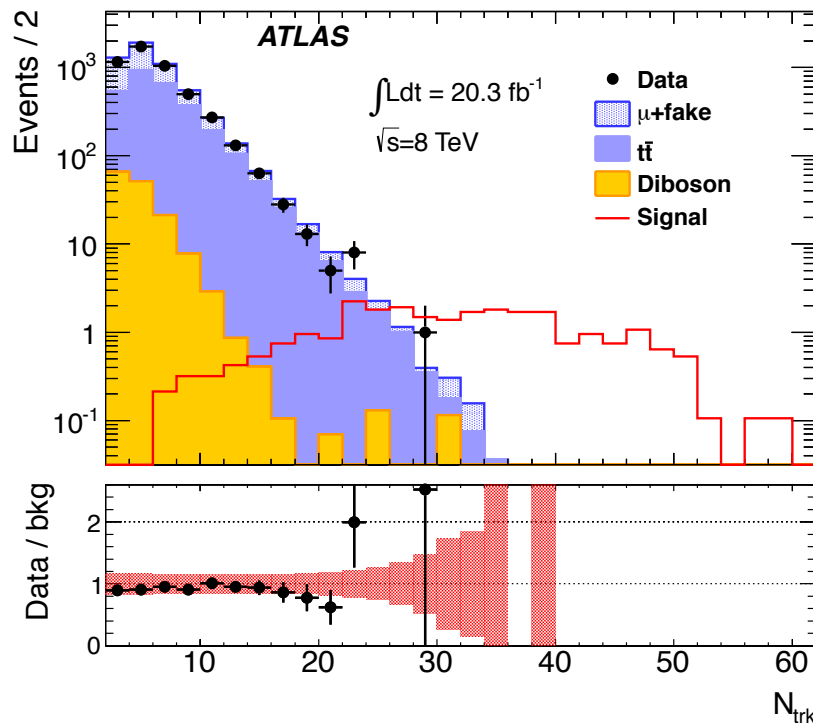
*Also interesting as a model-independent search vs  $S_T$  and multiplicity*



# SEARCH FOR BLACK HOLES - SAME-SIGN $\mu\mu$

[ATLAS arXiv:1308:4075]

- If black holes lead to high multiplicity, can just count tracks for same-sign  $\mu\mu$
- Use track multiplicity for ( $p_T\{\text{trk}\} > 10 \text{ GeV}$ ) for events with  $p_T(\mu) > 100 \text{ GeV}$
- 95% CL exclusion contours for non-rotating BH, rotating BH, and stringball models with  $n = 2, 4,$  and  $6$ : up to  $\sim 6 \text{ TeV}$  for  $M_D = \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$



# COFFEE BREAK?

**THE Sun** **STEPHEN HAWKING  
EVEREST CLIMB  
LATEST UPDATE**  
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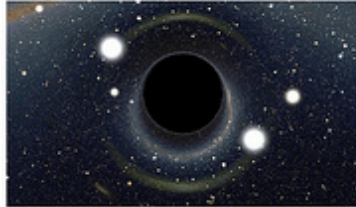
## **BLACK HOLE EATS CANADA**

### ***COSMIC GIANT PASSES EARTH AND SNACKS ON NORTH AMERICA***

Yesterday, the entire country of Canada became victim of a hungry Black Hole from outer space. The passing space muncher, who NASA scientists believe is a gravitational mass that will 'pig out' on anything - had decided to pass planet Earth because it felt a tad peckish.

Why the galactic 'lard arse' chose Canada is a mystery, but some experts believe that to a Black Hole - the shape of Canada, with all its lakes and mountains, had just simply looked - TASTY!!

*(continued on Page 2)*



**The Black Hole** - looking a bit stuffed after munching up Canada.

**SO WHAT WILL IT HAVE FOR DESSERT? - READ EXPERT OPINIONS - Pages 7 & 8**