

# Search for Long-lived Particles with Muon Detector Showers

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# Introduction

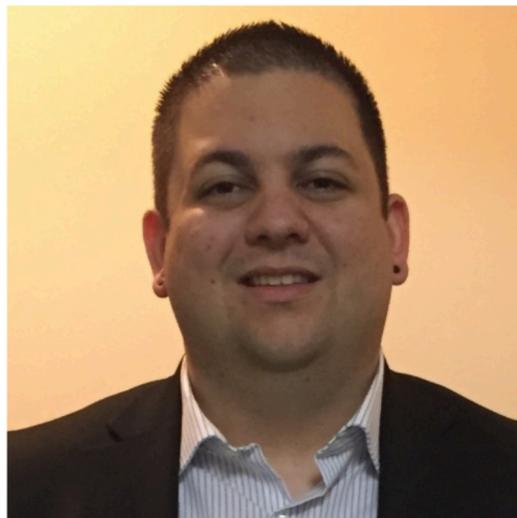
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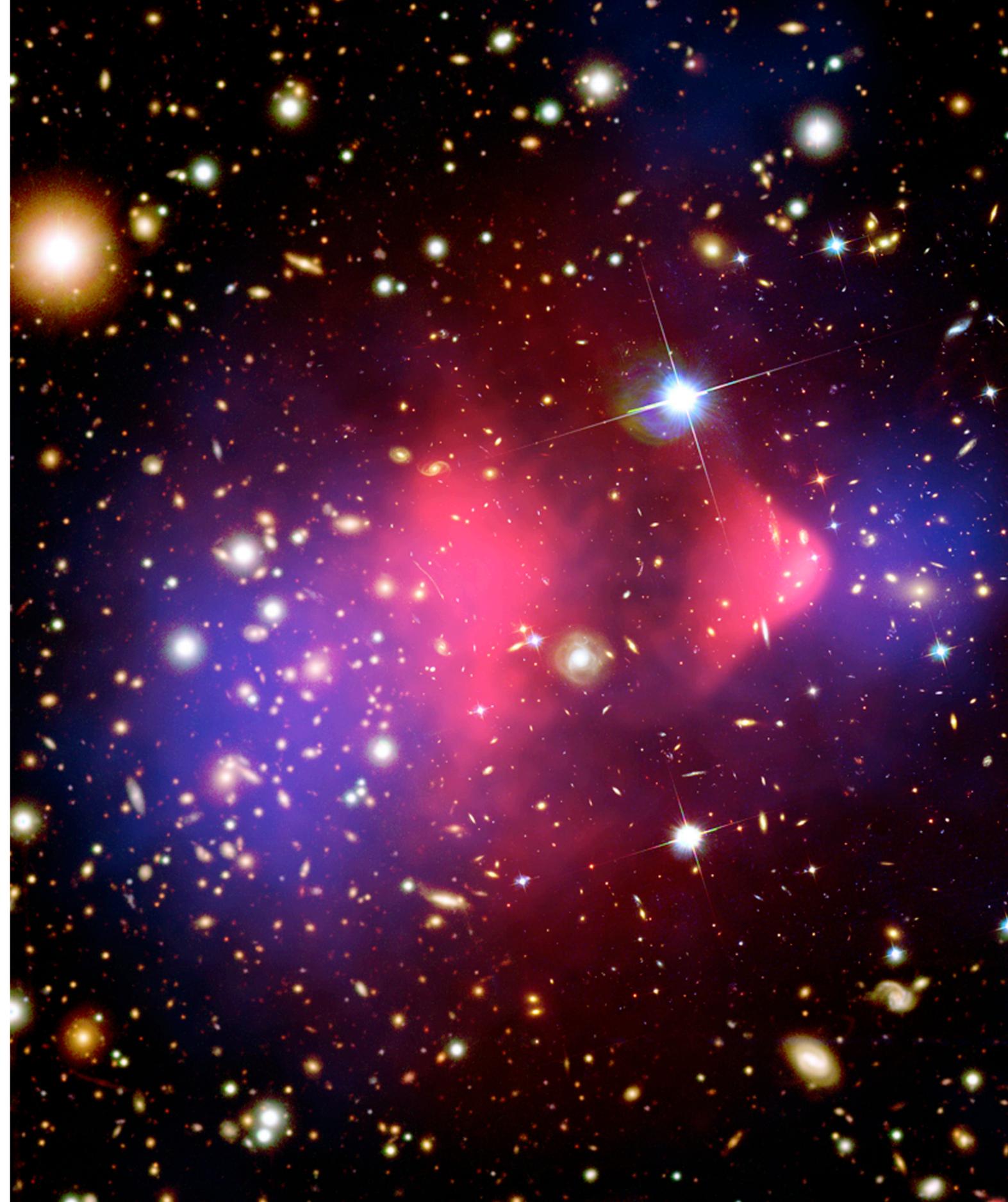
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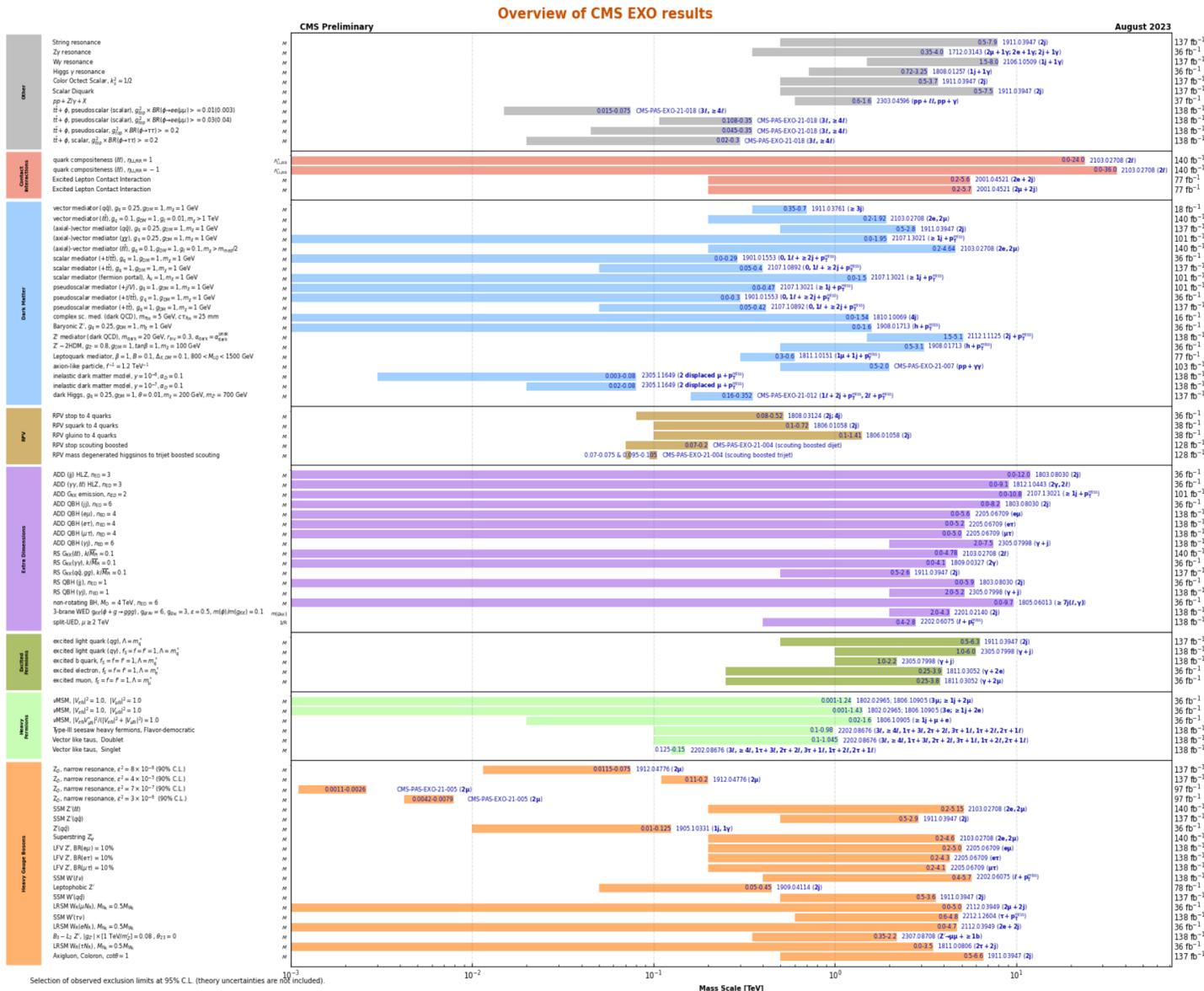
- What year are you in?
- Any experience with data analysis? What will you/are you working on?
- What do you hope to get out of CMSDAS?
- Comments/questions?

# Physics Beyond the Standard Model

- Ample evidence of phenomena that the standard model cannot fully explain:
  - Dark matter
  - Massive neutrinos
  - Light Higgs
- LHC is a unique place to directly search for new physics
  - Highest energy accelerator
  - High intensity collisions



# New Physics Searches at the LHC



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CI	SSM $W' \rightarrow \ell\nu$	$1 e, \mu$	-	Yes	139	$W'$ mass 6.0 TeV
	SSM $W' \rightarrow \tau\nu$	$1 \tau$	-	Yes	139	$W'$ mass 5.0 TeV
	SSM $W' \rightarrow t\bar{b}$	-	$\geq 1 b, \geq 1 J$	-	139	$W'$ mass 4.4 TeV
	HVT $W' \rightarrow WZ$ model B	$0-2 e, \mu$	$2 j / 1 J$	Yes	139	$W'$ mass 4.3 TeV
	HVT $W' \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow \ell\nu \ell' \ell'$ model C	$3 e, \mu$	$2 j$ (VBF)	Yes	139	$W'$ mass 340 GeV
	HVT $Z' \rightarrow WW$ model B	$1 e, \mu$	$2 j / 1 J$	Yes	139	$Z'$ mass 3.9 TeV
DM	LRSM $W_R \rightarrow \mu N_R$	$2 \mu$	$1 J$	-	80	$W_R$ mass 5.0 TeV
	Cl $qqqq$	-	$2 j$	-	37.0	$\Lambda$ 21.8 TeV $\eta_{LL}$
	Cl $\ell\ell qq$	$2 e, \mu$	-	-	139	$\Lambda$ 35.8 TeV $\eta_{LL}$
	Cl $e\bar{e} b\bar{b}$	$2 e$	$1 b$	-	139	$\Lambda$ 1.8 TeV $g_s = 1$
	Cl $\mu\mu b\bar{b}$	$2 \mu$	$1 b$	-	139	$\Lambda$ 2.0 TeV $g_s = 1$
	Cl $t\bar{t} t\bar{t}$	$\geq 1 e, \mu$	$\geq 1 b, \geq 1 j$	Yes	36.1	$\Lambda$ 2.57 TeV $ C_{4\ell}  = 4\pi$
LQ	Axial-vector med. (Dirac DM)	-	$2 j$	-	139	$m_{\text{med}}$ 376 GeV
	Pseudo-scalar med. (Dirac DM)	$0 e, \mu, \tau, \gamma$	$1 - 4 j$	Yes	139	$m_{\text{med}}$ 3.0 TeV
	Vector med. $Z'$ -2HDM (Dirac DM)	$0 e, \mu$	$2 b$	Yes	139	$m_{Z'}$ 800 GeV
	Pseudo-scalar med. 2HDM+a	multi-channel	-	-	139	$m_a$ 3.8 TeV
	Scalar LQ 1 <sup>st</sup> gen	$2 e$	$\geq 2 j$	Yes	139	LQ mass 1.8 TeV
	Scalar LQ 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen	$2 \mu$	$\geq 2 j$	Yes	139	LQ mass 1.7 TeV
Vector-like fermions	Scalar LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	$1 \tau$	$2 b$	Yes	139	$LQ_3^+$ mass 1.49 TeV
	Scalar LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	$0 e, \mu$	$\geq 2 j, \geq 2 b$	Yes	139	$LQ_3^0$ mass 1.24 TeV
	Scalar LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	$\geq 2 e, \mu, \geq 1 \tau, \geq 1 b$	-	-	139	$LQ_3^+$ mass 1.43 TeV
	Scalar LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	$0 e, \mu, \geq 1 \tau, 0 - 2 j, 2 b$	Yes	139	$LQ_3^0$ mass 1.26 TeV	
	Vector LQ mix gen	multi-channel	$\geq 1 j, \geq 1 b$	Yes	139	$LQ_3^+$ mass 2.0 TeV
	Vector LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	$2 e, \mu, \tau$	$\geq 1 b$	Yes	139	$LQ_3^0$ mass 1.96 TeV
Excited ferm.	VLQ $TT \rightarrow Zt + X$	$2e/2\mu \geq 3e, \mu$	$\geq 1 b, \geq 1 j$	-	139	T mass 1.46 TeV
	VLQ $BB \rightarrow Wt/Zb + X$	multi-channel	-	-	36.1	B mass 1.34 TeV
	VLQ $T_{5/3} T_{5/3} \rightarrow Wt + X$	$2(SS) \geq 3 e, \mu$	$\geq 1 b, \geq 1 j$	Yes	36.1	$T_{5/3}$ mass 1.64 TeV
	VLQ $T \rightarrow Ht/Zt$	$1 e, \mu$	$\geq 1 b, \geq 3 j$	Yes	139	T mass 1.8 TeV
	VLQ $Y \rightarrow Wb$	$1 e, \mu$	$\geq 1 b, \geq 1 j$	Yes	36.1	Y mass 1.85 TeV
	VLQ $B \rightarrow Hb$	$0 e, \mu$	$\geq 2b, \geq 1j, \geq 1J$	-	139	B mass 2.0 TeV
Other	VLL $t' \rightarrow Z\tau/H\tau$	multi-channel	$\geq 1 j$	Yes	139	$t'$ mass 898 GeV
	Excited quark $q^* \rightarrow qg$	-	$2 j$	-	139	$q^*$ mass 6.7 TeV
	Excited quark $q^* \rightarrow q\gamma$	$1 \gamma$	$1 j$	-	36.7	$q^*$ mass 5.3 TeV
	Excited quark $b^* \rightarrow bg$	-	$1 b, 1 j$	-	139	$b^*$ mass 3.2 TeV
	Excited lepton $\tau^*$	$2 \tau$	$\geq 2 j$	-	139	$\tau^*$ mass 4.6 TeV
	Type III Seesaw	$2, 3, 4 e, \mu$	$\geq 2 j$	Yes	139	$N^0$ mass 910 GeV
LRSM Majorana $\nu$	$2 \mu$	$2 j$	-	36.1	$N_R$ mass 3.2 TeV	
Higgs triplet $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^{\pm} W^{\pm}$	$2, 3, 4 e, \mu$ (SS)	various	Yes	139	$H^{\pm\pm}$ mass 350 GeV	
Higgs triplet $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell\ell$	$2, 3, 4 e, \mu$ (SS)	-	-	139	$H^{\pm\pm}$ mass 1.08 TeV	
Multi-charged particles	-	-	-	139	multi-charged particle mass 1.59 TeV	
Magnetic monopoles	-	-	-	34.4	monopole mass 2.37 TeV	

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ADD non-resonant $\gamma\gamma$	$2 \gamma$	-	-	-	1707.04147
ADD QBH	-	$2 j$	-	-	1910.08447
ADD BH multijet	-	$\geq 3 j$	-	-	1512.02586
RS1 $G_{KK} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	$2 \gamma$	-	-	-	2102.13405
Bulk RS $G_{KK} \rightarrow WW/ZZ$	multi-channel	-	-	-	1808.02380
Bulk RS $G_{KK} \rightarrow tt$	multi-channel	-	-	-	1804.10823
2UED / RPP	multi-channel	-	-	-	1803.09678
SSM $Z' \rightarrow \ell\ell$	-	-	-	-	1903.06248
SSM $Z' \rightarrow \tau\tau$	-	-	-	-	1709.07242
Leptophobic $Z'$	-	-	-	-	1805.09299
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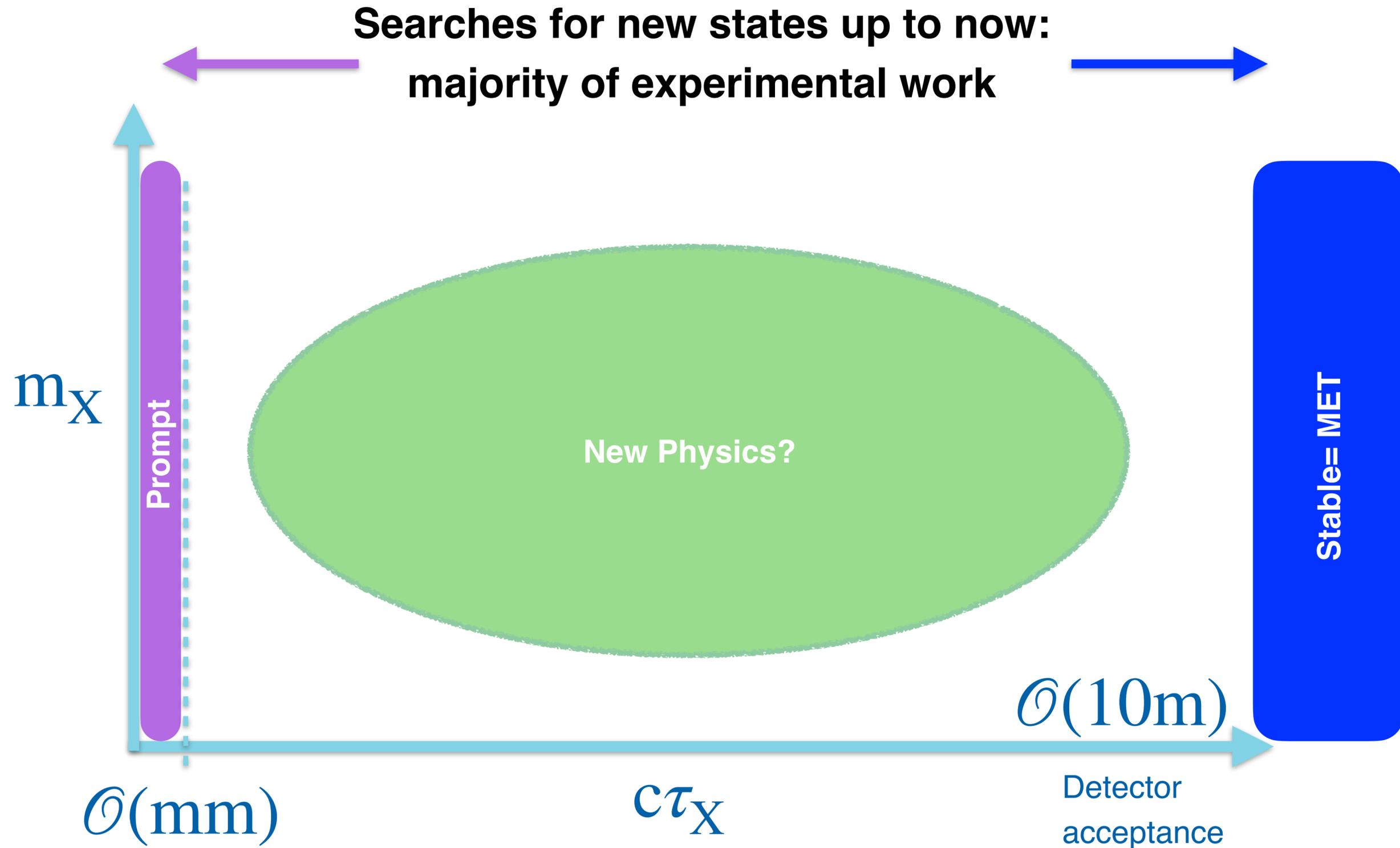
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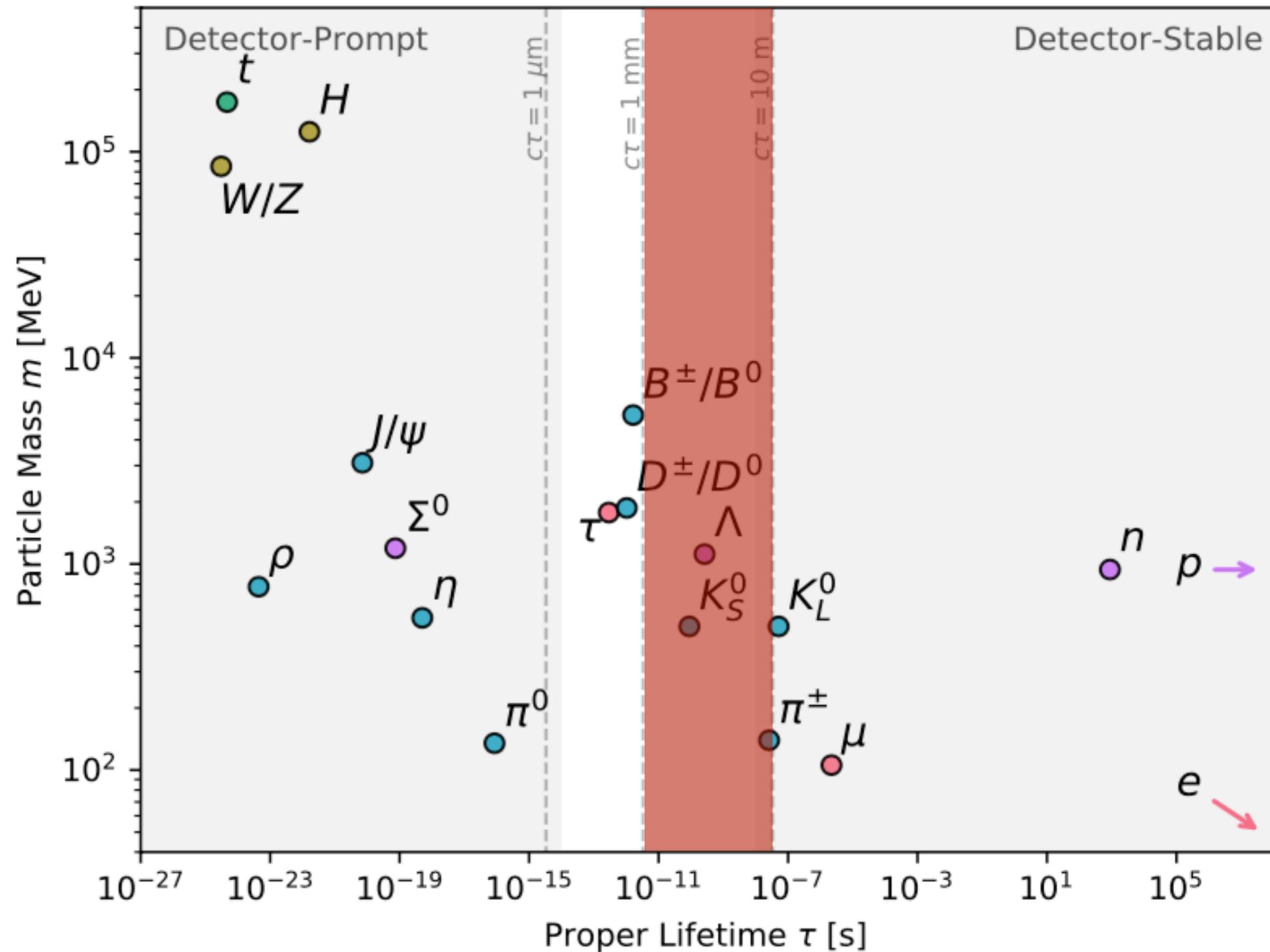
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# New Physics at LHC: Long-lived particles



# Long-Lived Particles in the SM



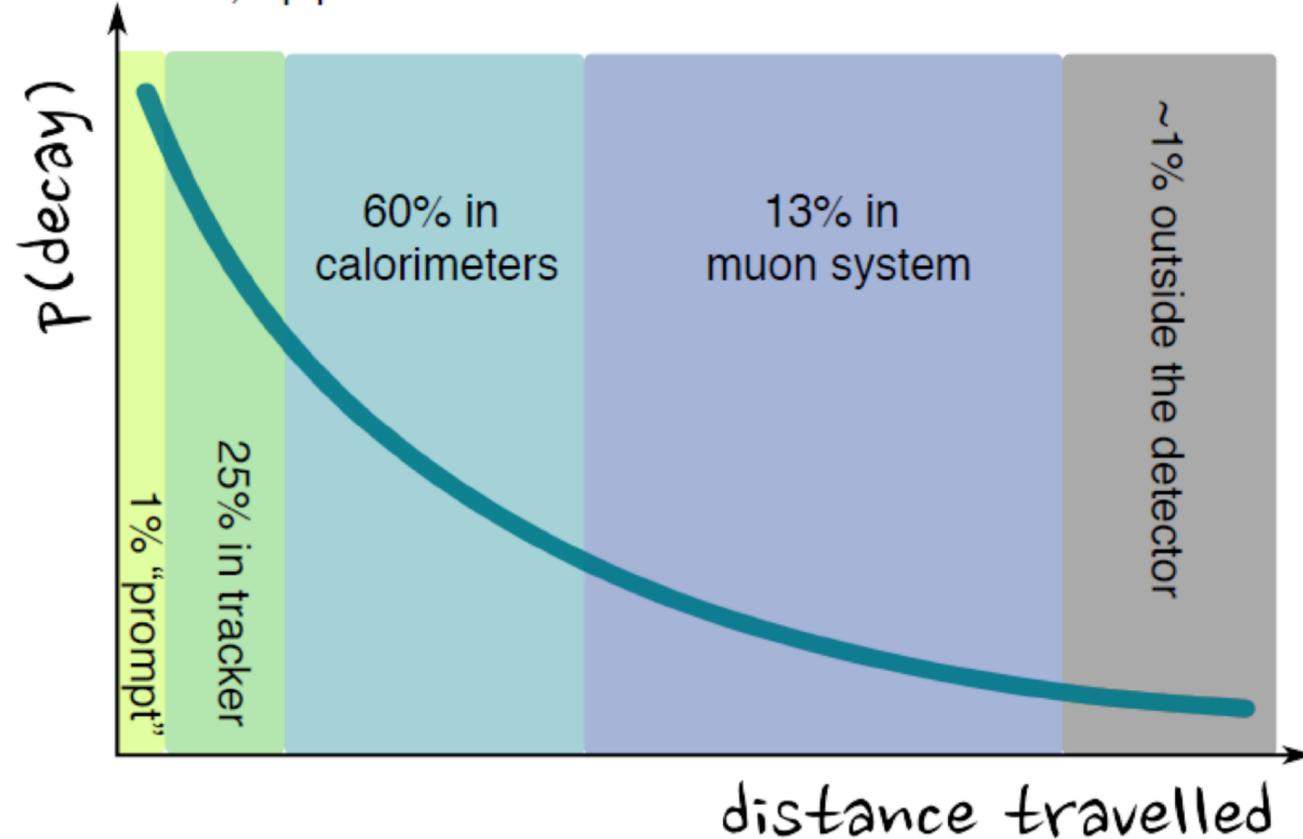
- Small coupling
- Massive mediator
- Small phase space

Same mechanisms apply to LLPs in BSM theories

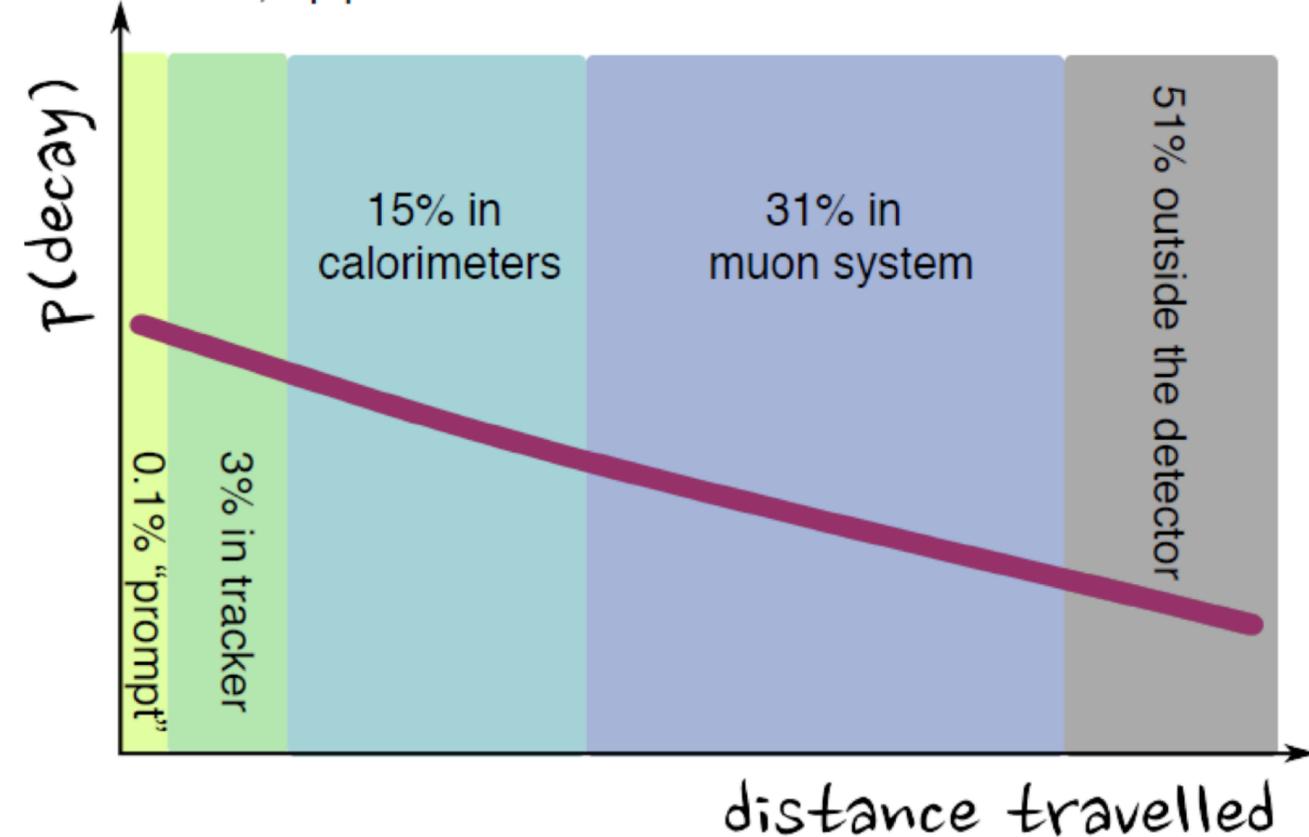
# LLP Decay Region

$$\text{distance travelled} = \beta\gamma \times c\tau$$

for  $c\tau = 5 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\langle\beta\gamma\rangle \sim 30$



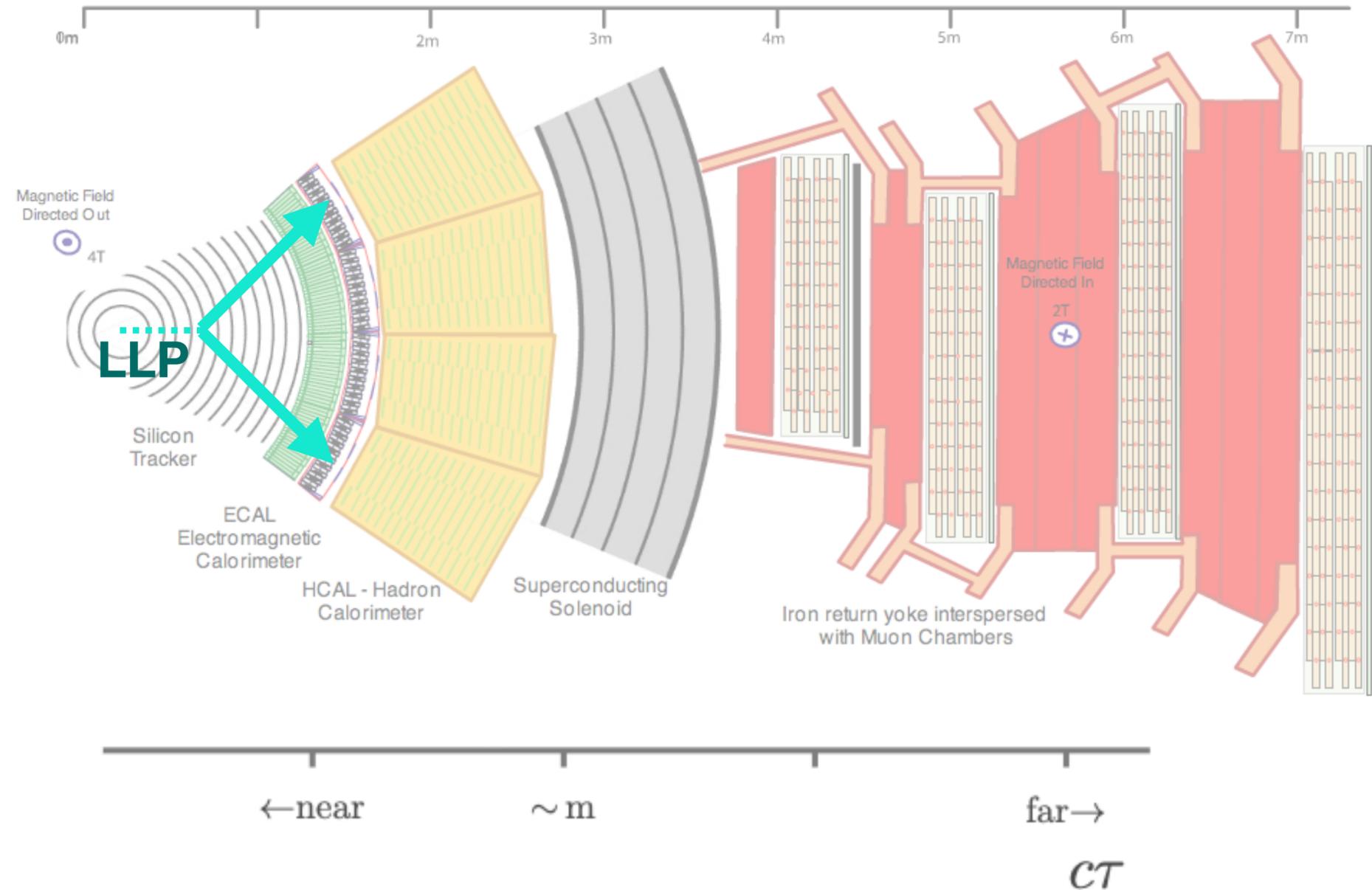
$c\tau = 50 \text{ cm}$ ,  $\langle\beta\gamma\rangle \sim 30$



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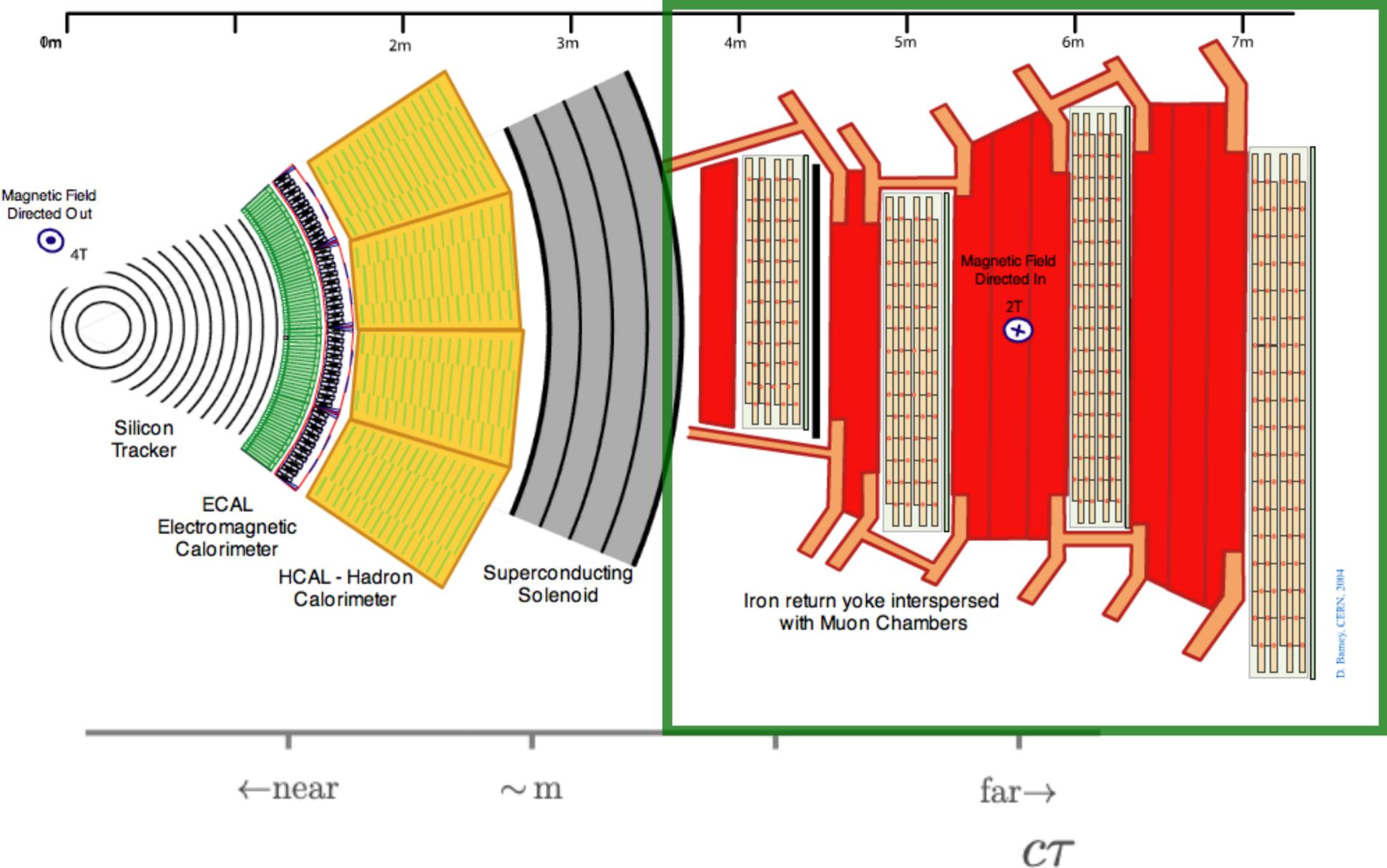
- Search strategy strongly depends on proper lifetime and boost of LLP
- Every sub-detector is important

# LLP Landscape in CMS



- CMS has excellent discovery reach for  $c\tau < 1\text{m}$  and  $M_{\text{LLP}} > 50\text{ GeV}$
- Enabled by precision tracker: displaced vertices

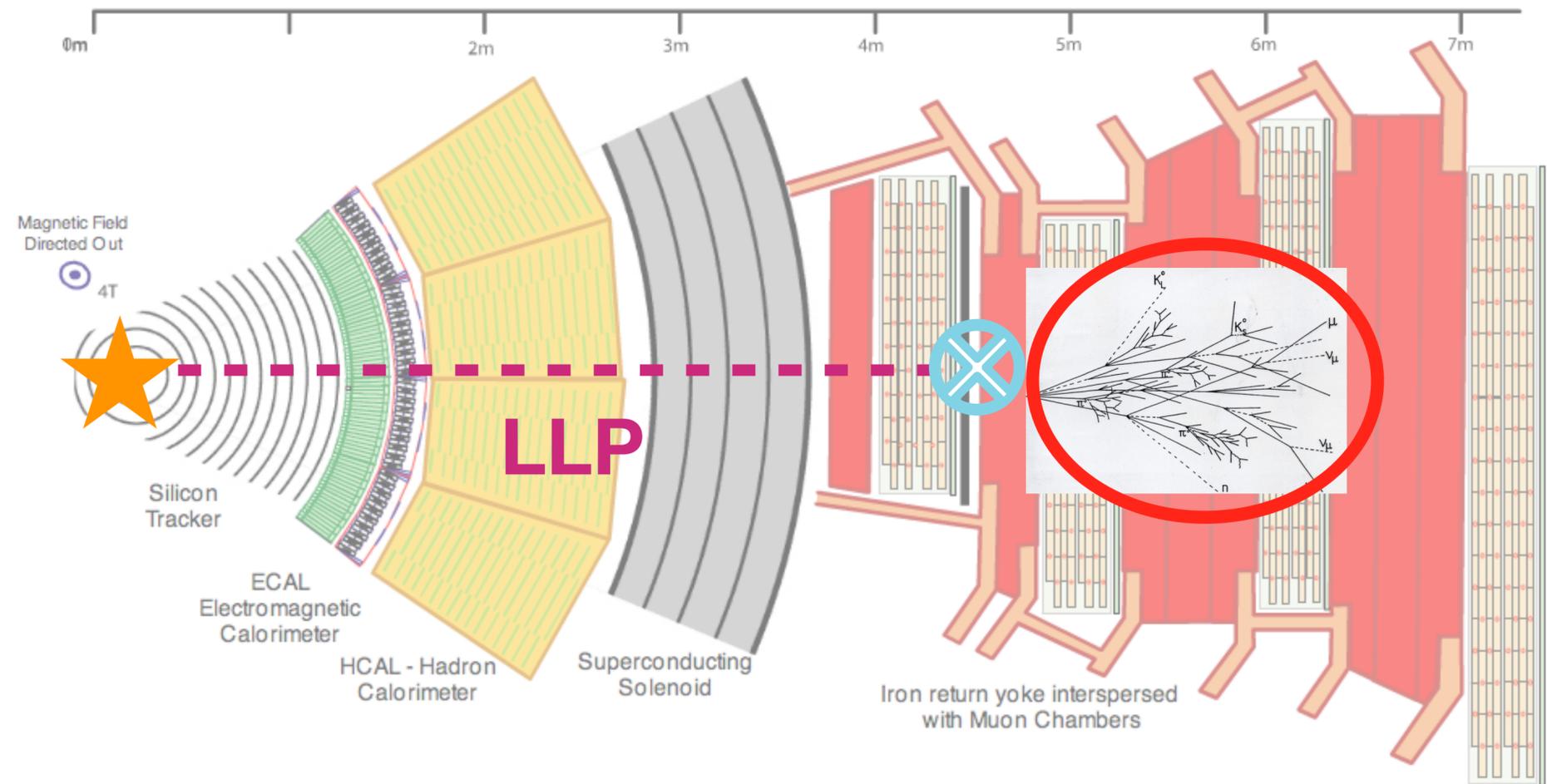
# Close gaps in search coverage



Muon detector

Searches for light LLP with large  $c\tau$  using LLP decays in the muon detector

# Search for LLPs in Decaying in CMS Muon System

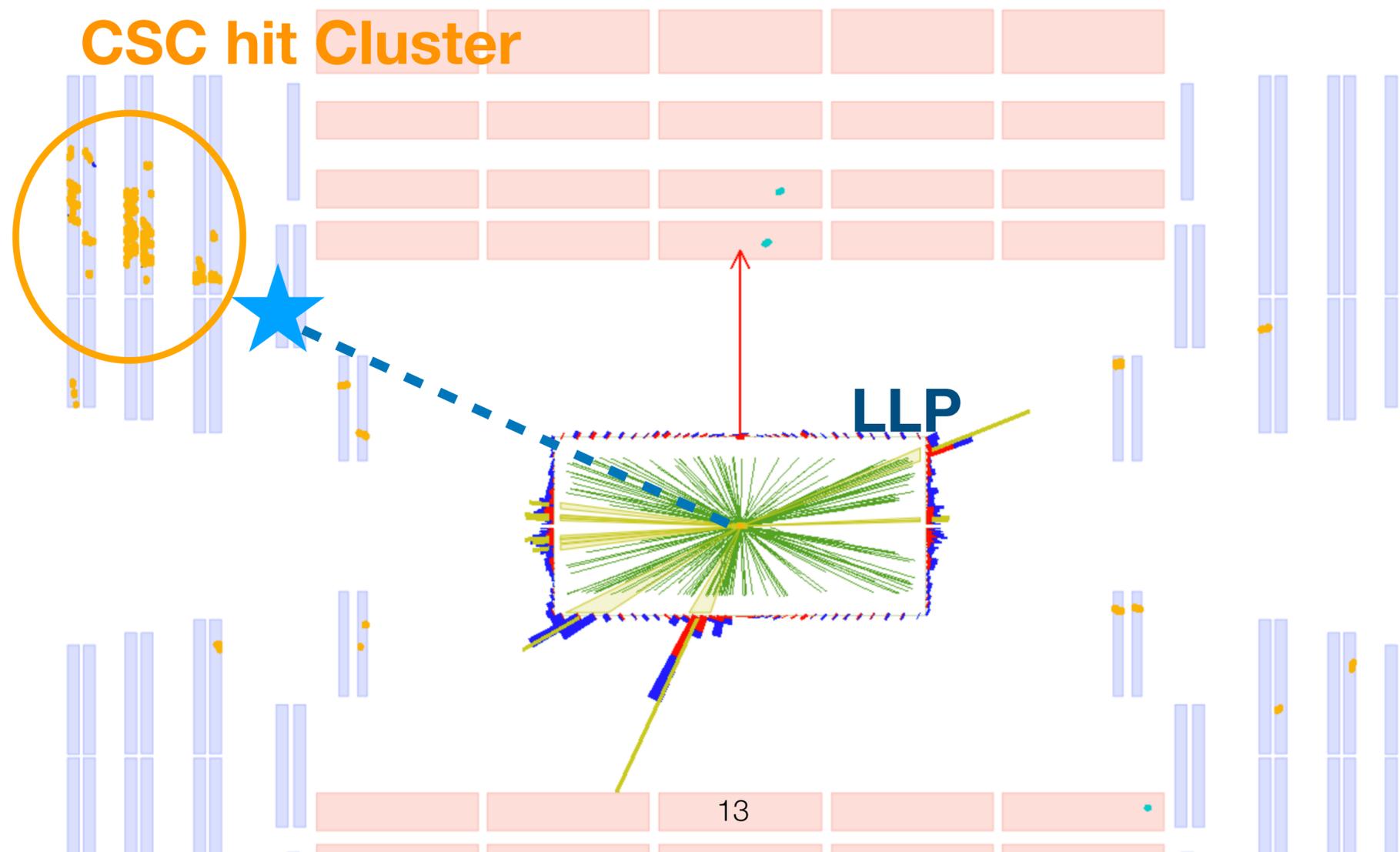


LLP decay results in particle shower with **large hit multiplicity**

- Covers decays far away from IP ( sensitive to large  $c\tau$  )
- Excellent **background suppression** from shielding material
- Steel interleaved with active chambers → **sampling calorimeter**

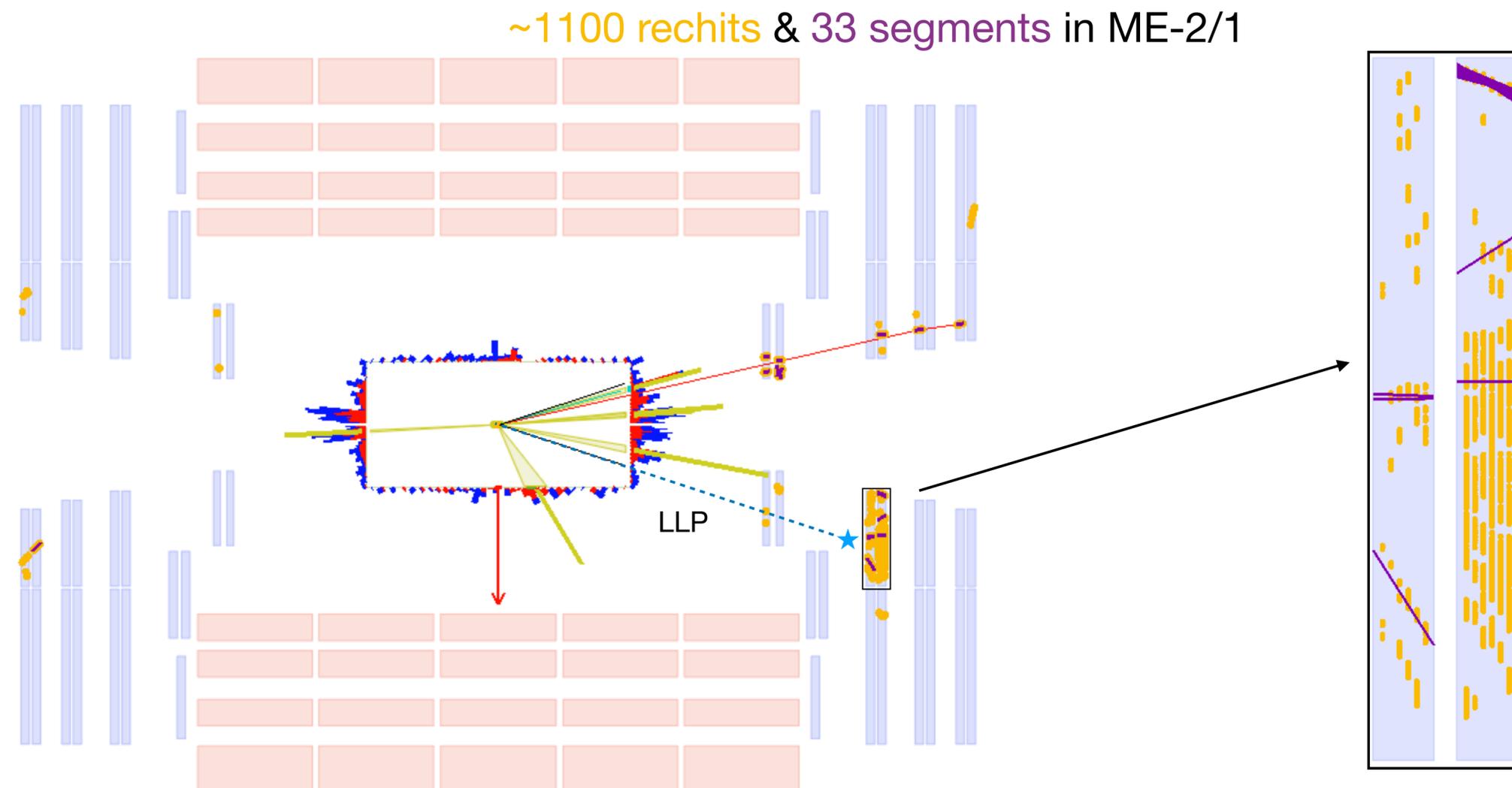
# Search for LLPs with Muon Detector Showers

- Large **cluster of hits (>100 hits)** in the muon system with no jets or tracks
- **Unique signature** due to the presence of steel in the CMS muon system
- First search in CMS that uses this novel signature: [EXO-20-015](#)



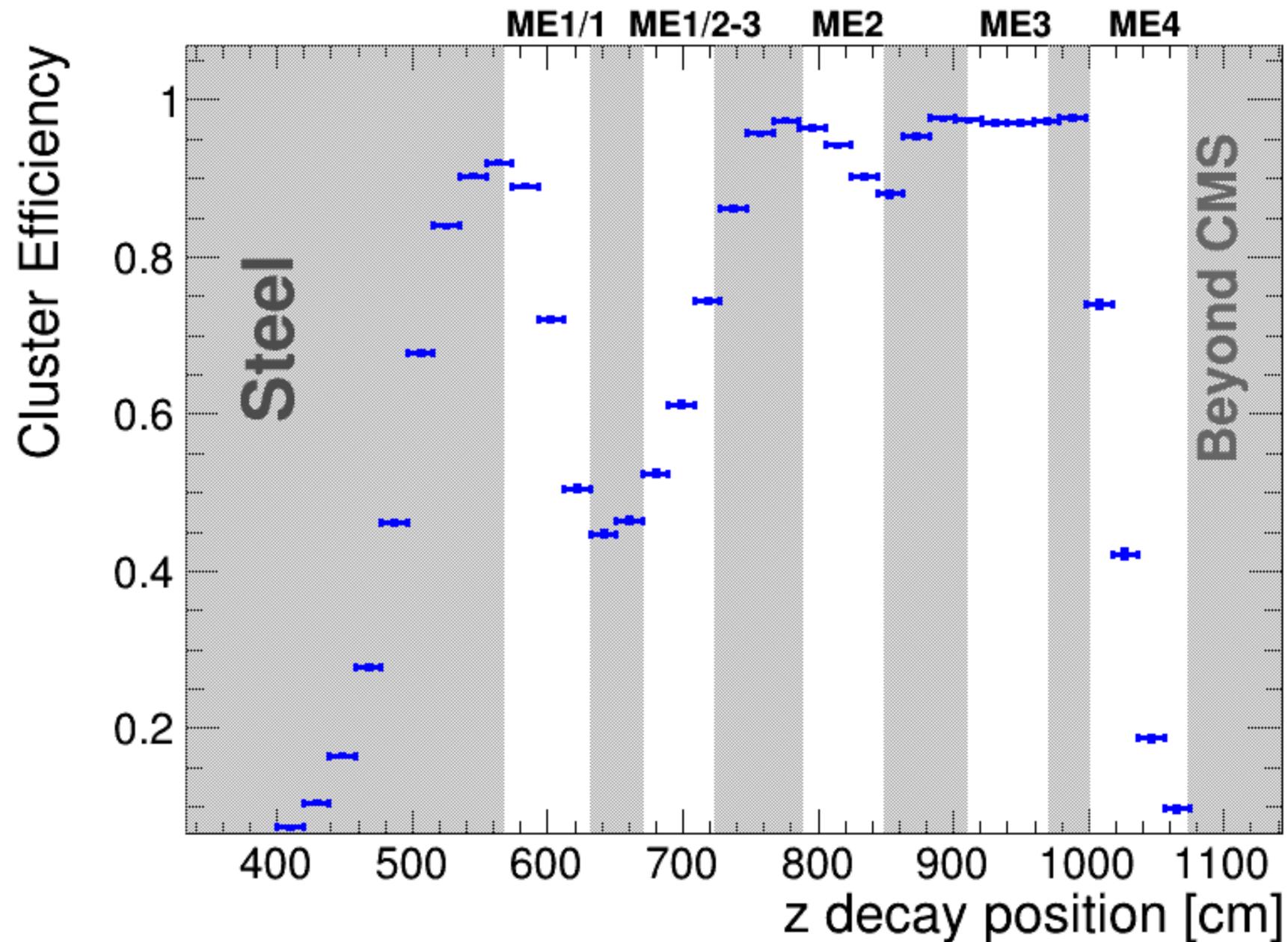
# Reconstruction for MDS

- The standard reconstruction sequence in the muon system is optimized for muons rather than high-multiplicity showers
- More optimal to use **Rechits that only exist in RAW-RECO data format**
- **Cluster rechits to efficiently reconstruct muon detector shower (MDS)**



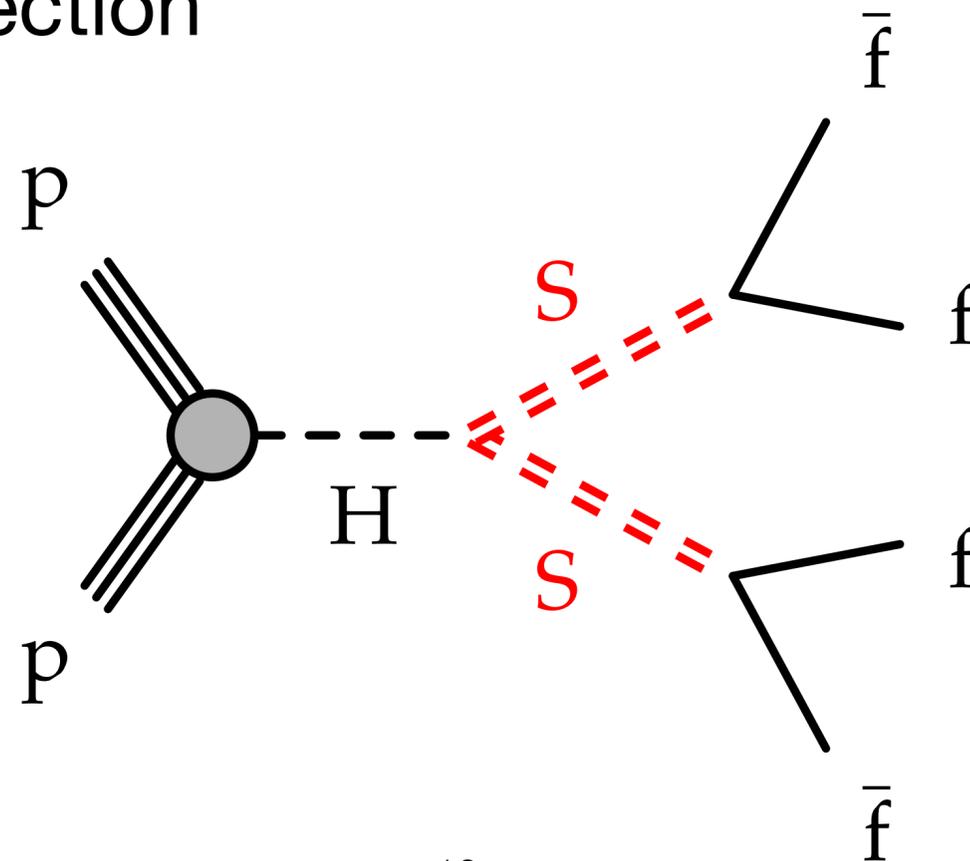
# Reconstruction for MDS in Endcap

- Reconstruction efficiency depends on the LLP decay position



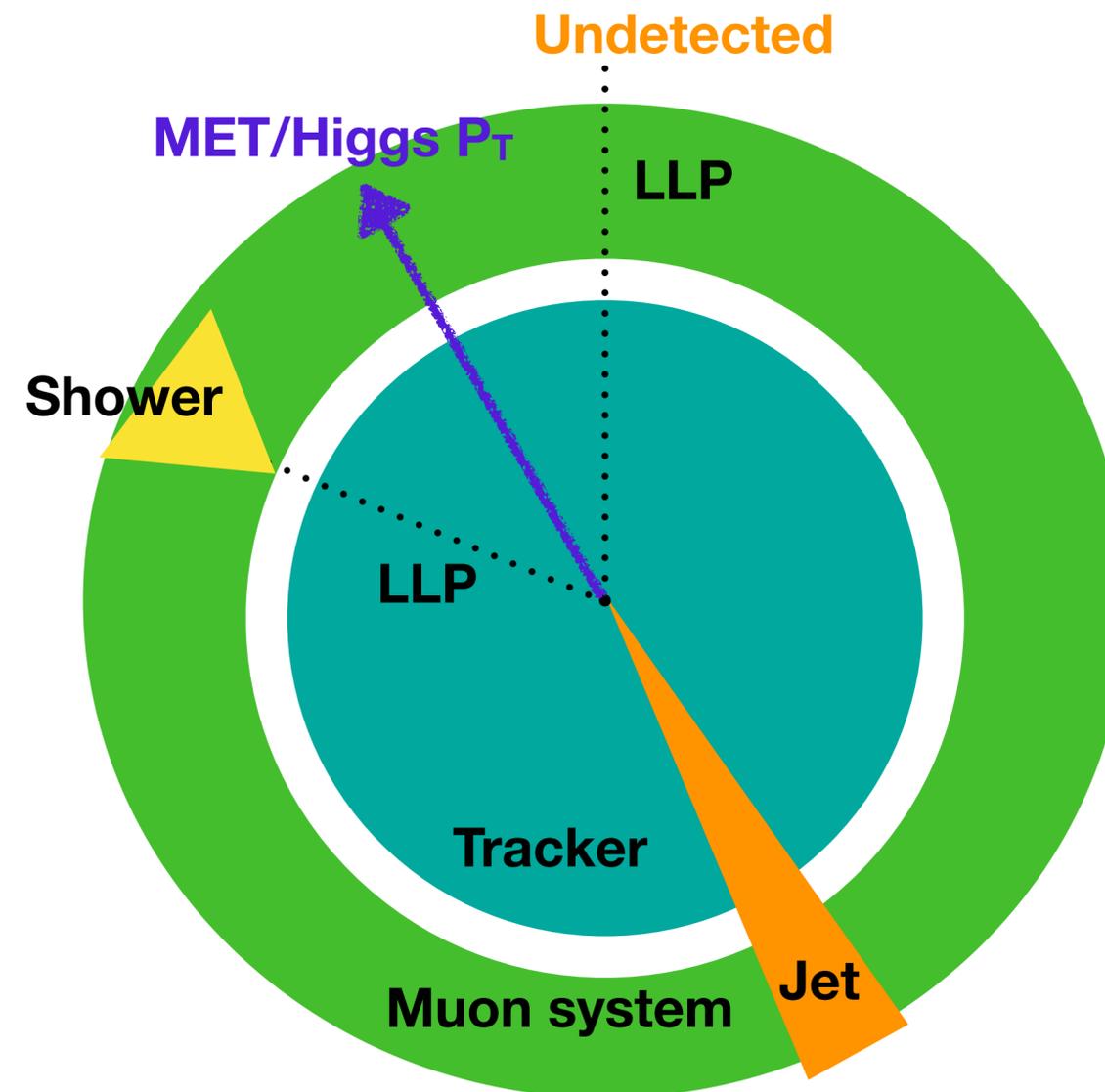
# Benchmark Signal Model

- While this signature is model-independent, to develop an analysis strategy we use Higgs-portal to scalar LLP production as the benchmark model
- This LLP benchmark is difficult to detect because:
  - No stable WIMPs to produce large MET
  - No high-mass resonances decaying to high  $p_T$  final state objects
  - Low production cross section



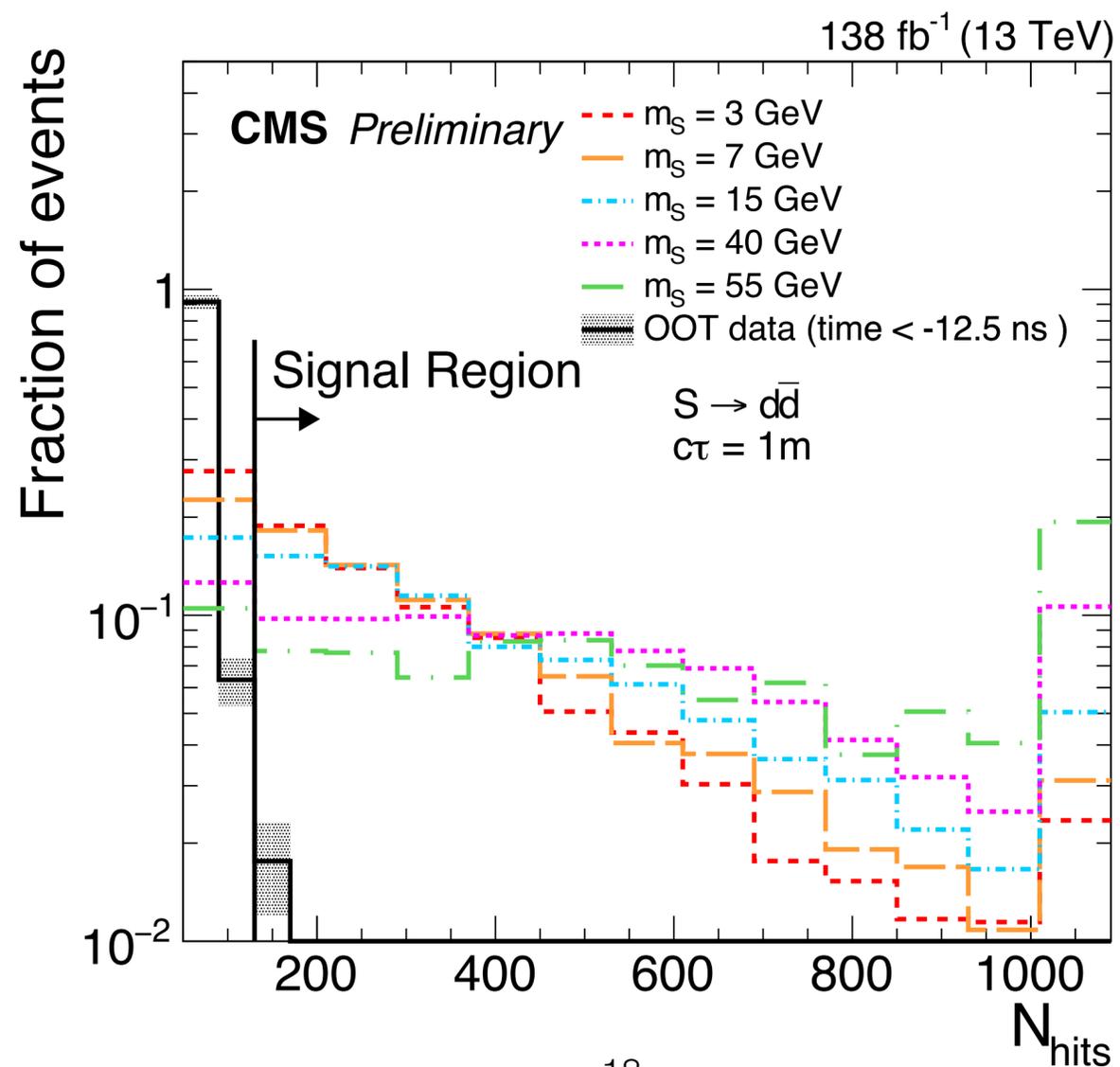
# Trigger Strategy

- Trigger on **MET** due to lack of dedicated trigger in Run2 (signal efficiency is ~1% )
- New dedicated trigger implemented for Run3



# Analysis Strategy

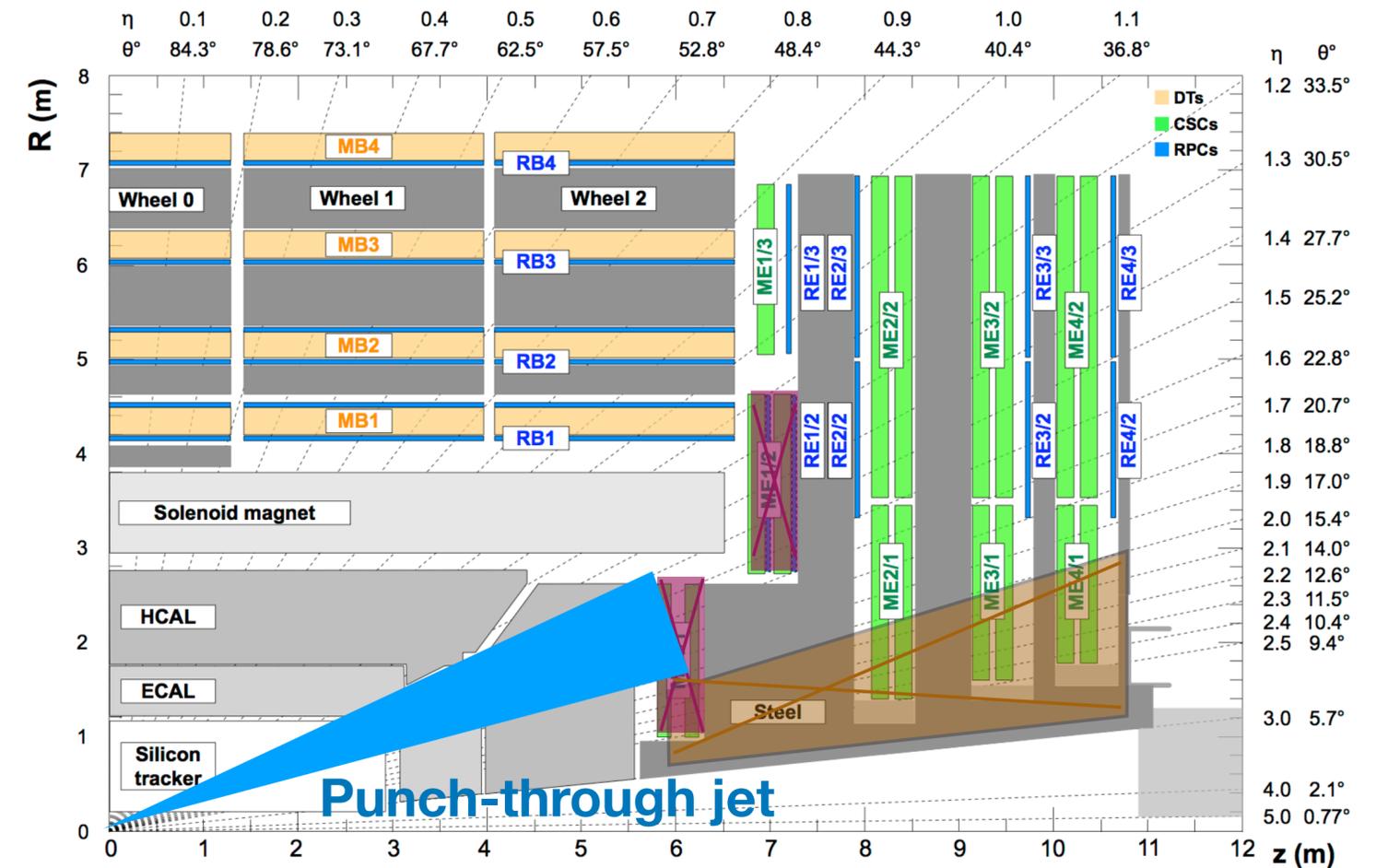
- **Event selection:** select high MET (MET > 200 GeV) and boosted Higgs phase space
- Focus on **endcap muon detector** in this exercise and apply cluster-level selections to achieve  $10^6$  background rejection
- $N_{\text{hits}}$  serves as the main discriminator



# Cluster ID

## Reject background from the main collision

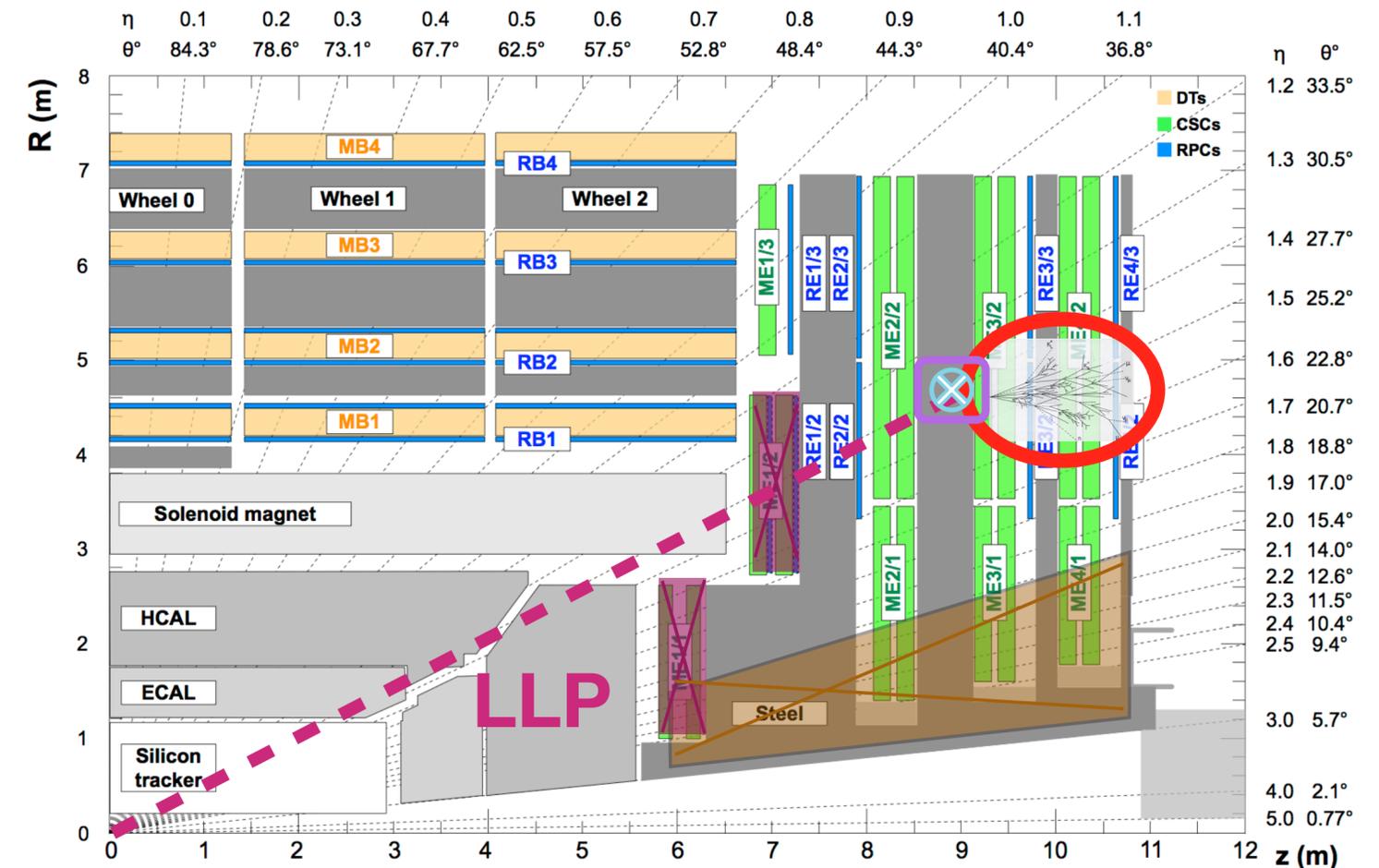
- Reject clusters from **punch-through jets** and **muon bremsstrahlung shower**:
  - Veto clusters matched to jets and muons ( $\Delta R < 0.4$ )
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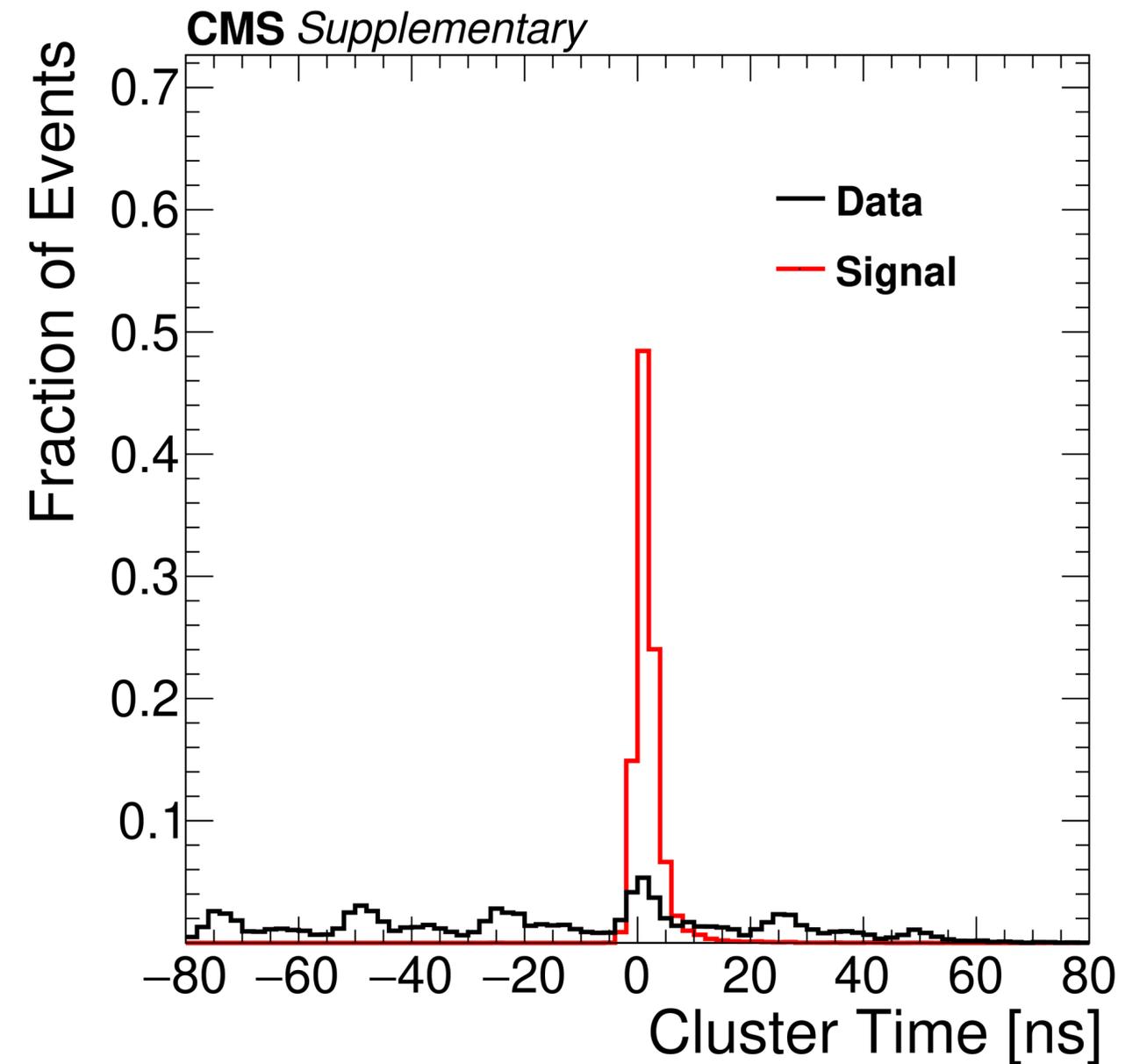
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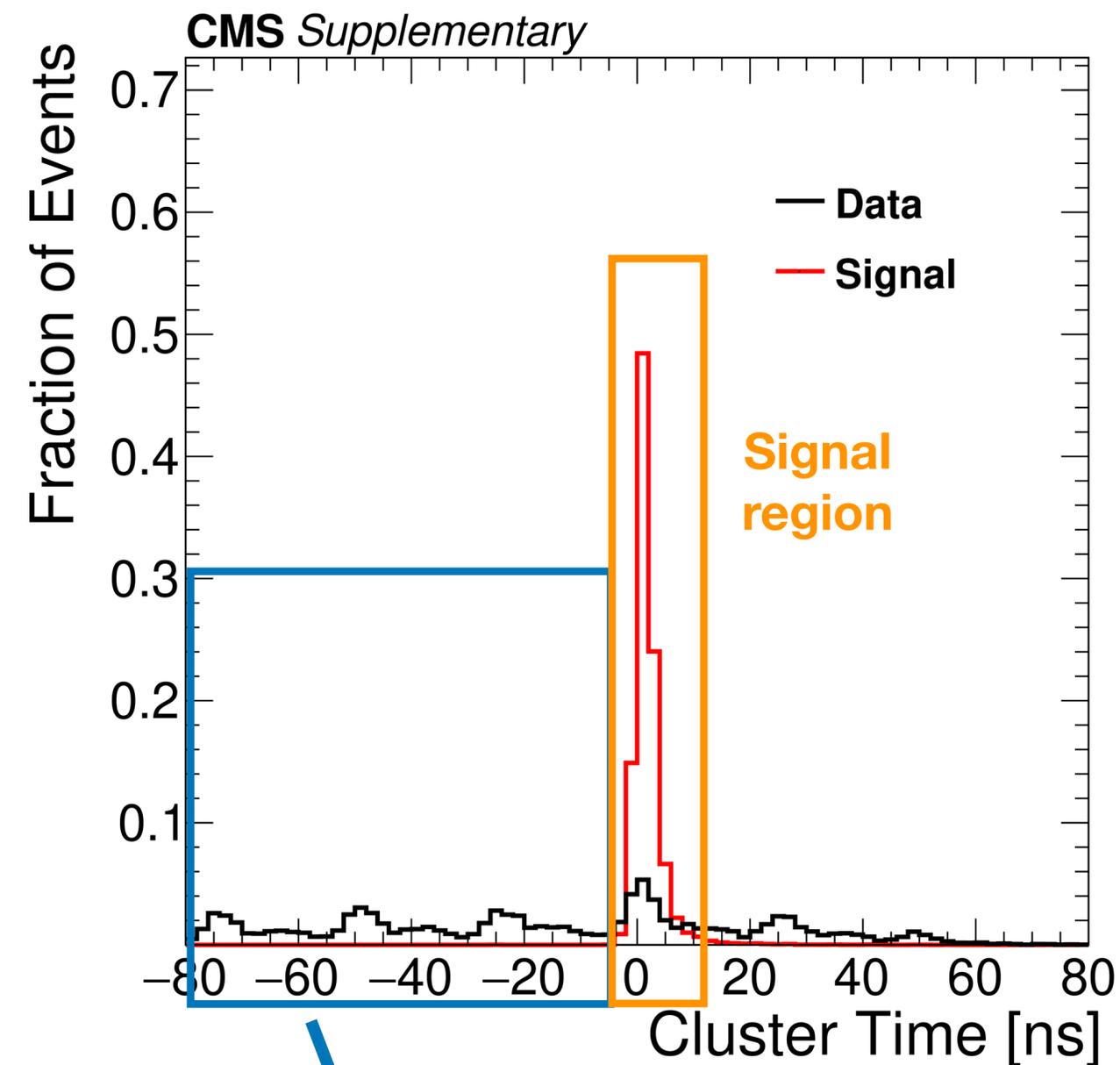
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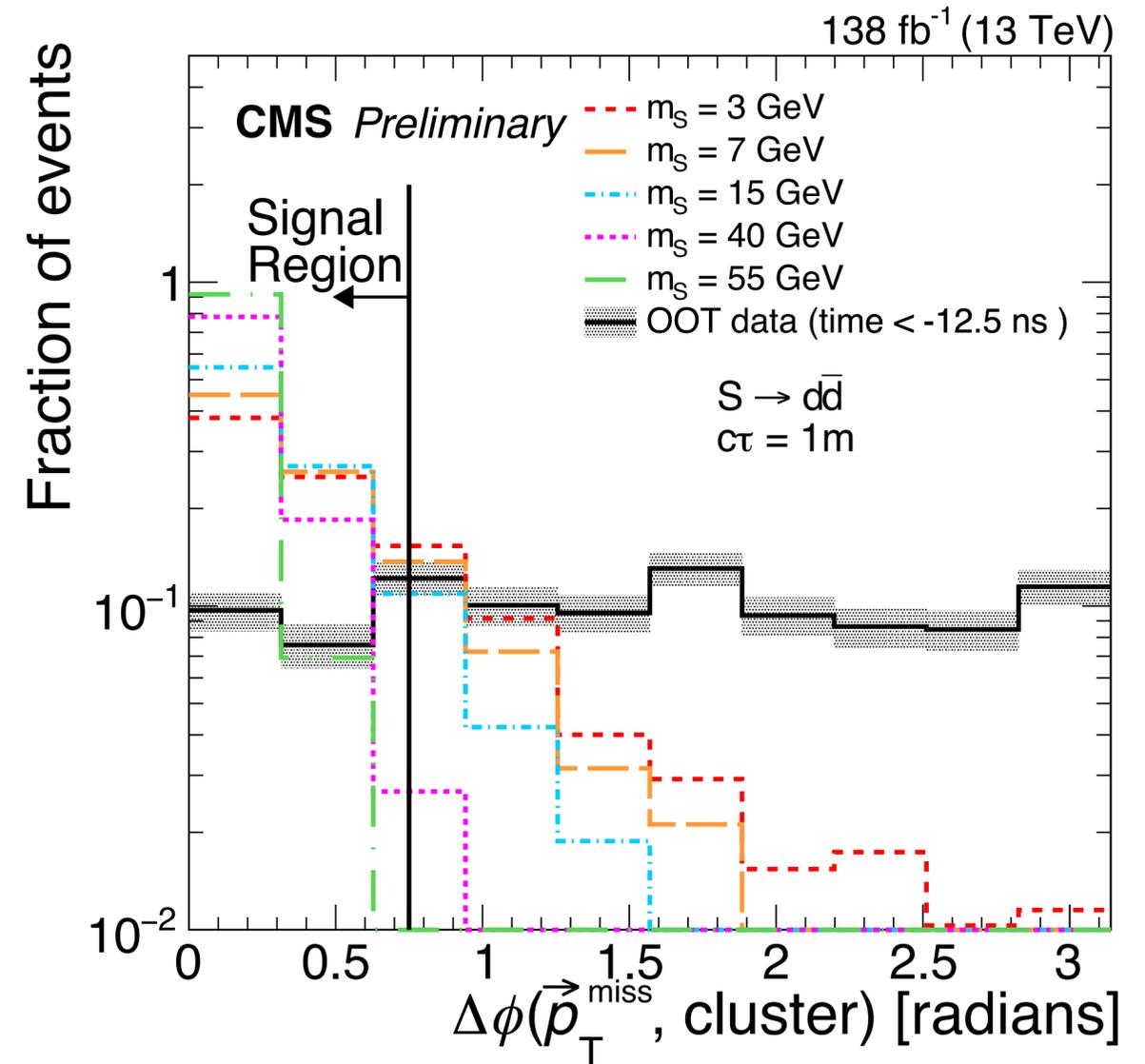
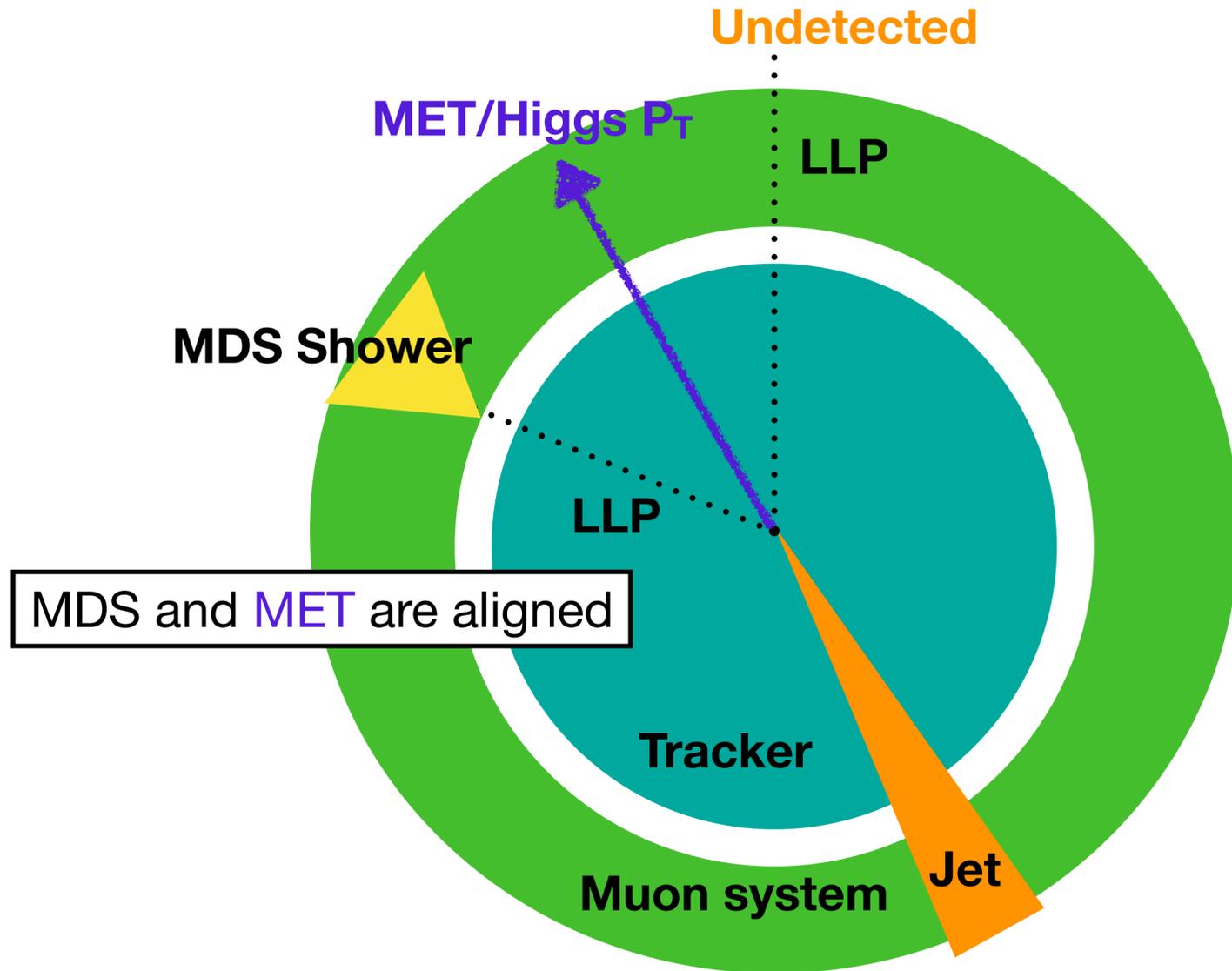
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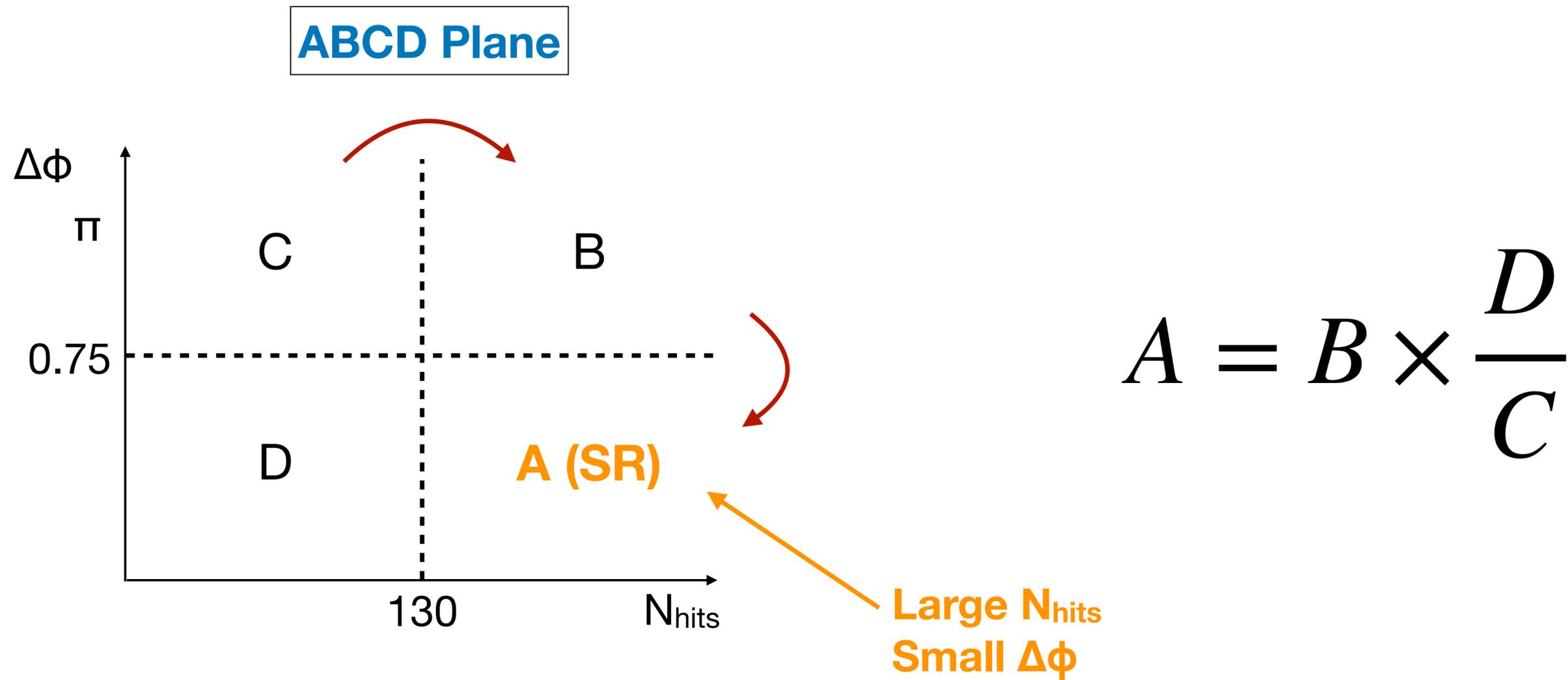
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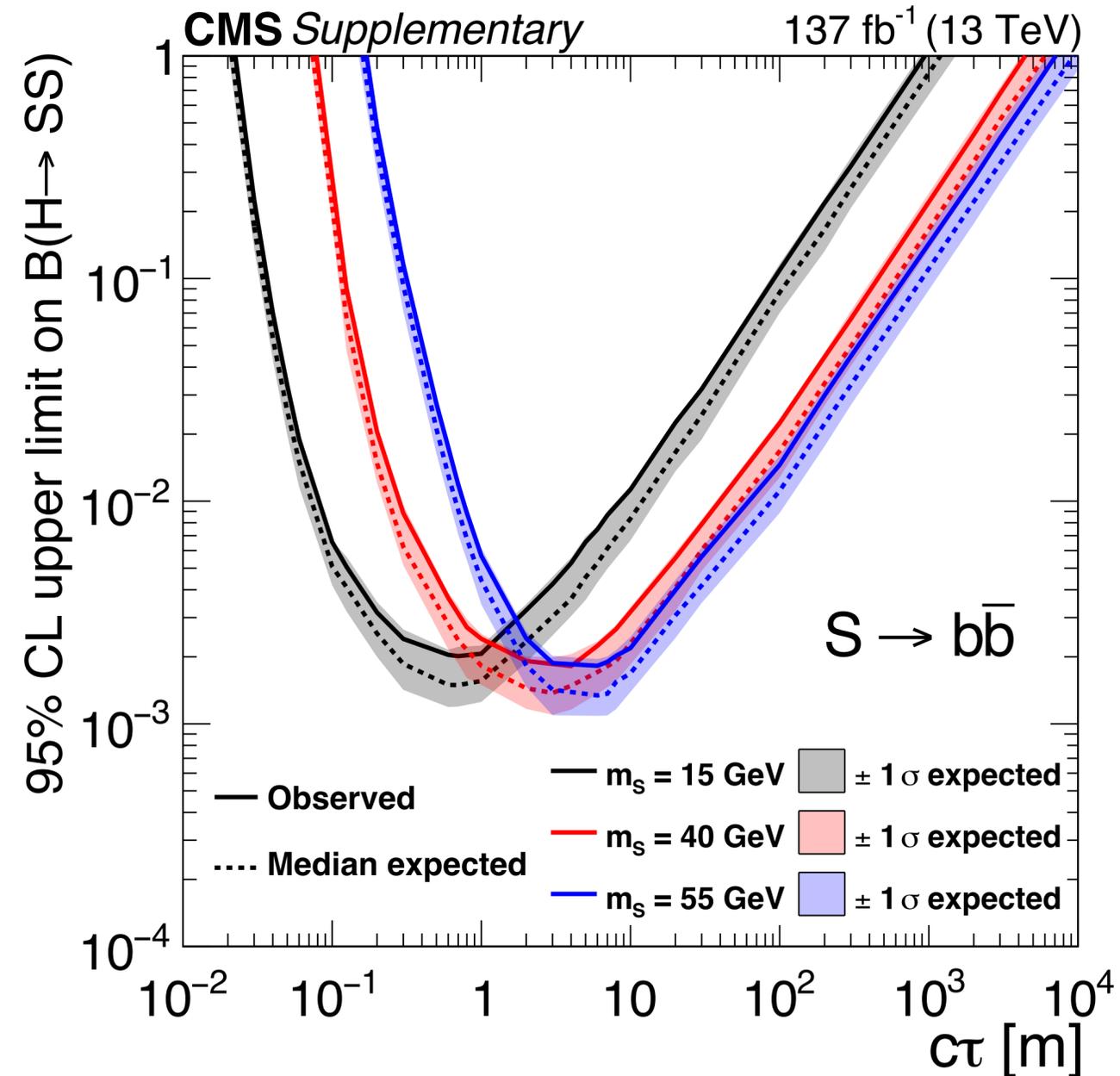
- $\Delta\phi(\text{cluster}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$  peak at 0 for signal
- Flat  $\Delta\phi(\text{cluster}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$  distributions for background:
  - Background clusters are produced from underlying events, while MET is calculated from primary event

# Fully Data-Driven Background Estimation using ABCD



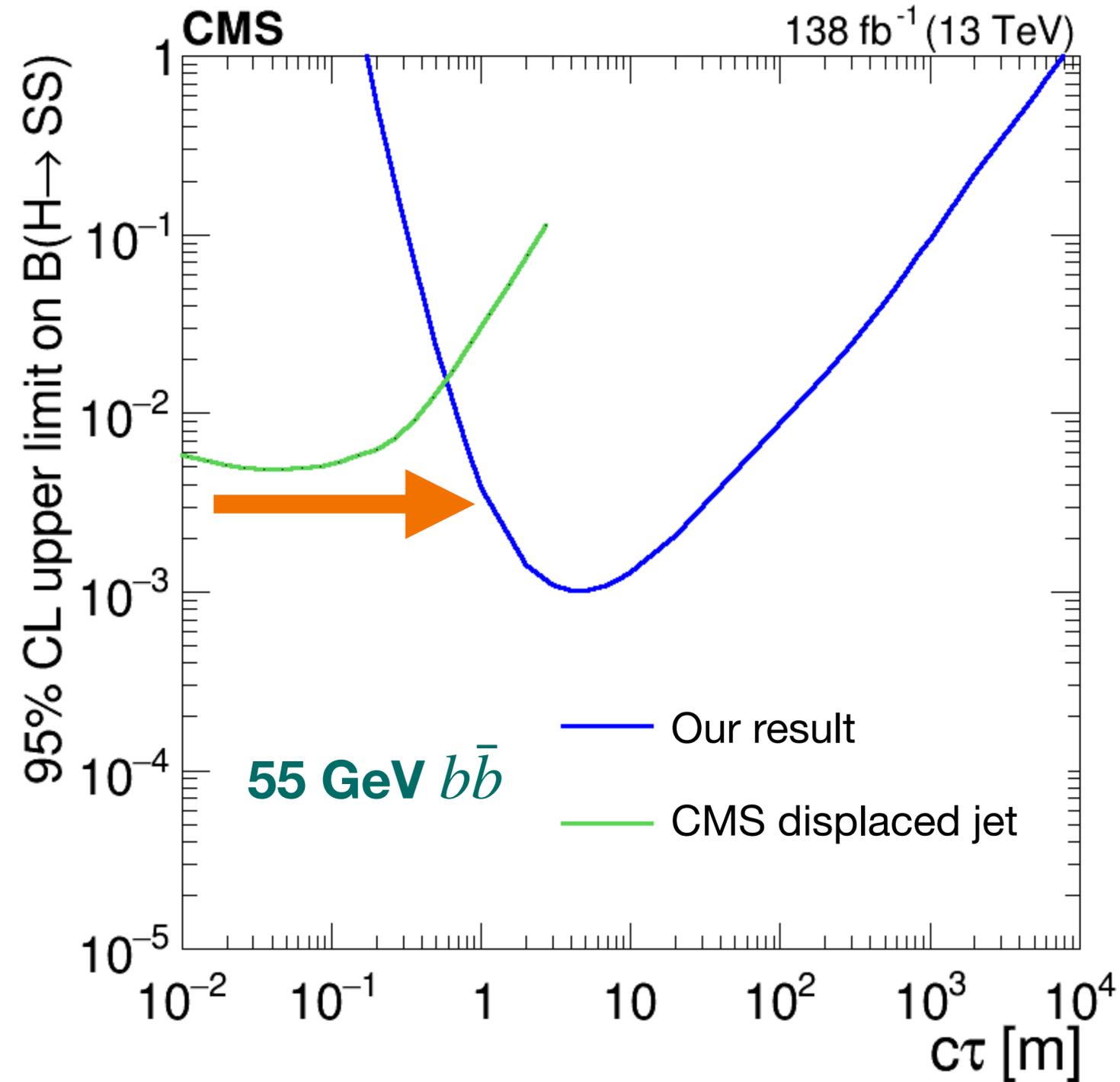
- $\Delta\phi(\text{cluster}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$  and  $N_{\text{hits}}$  are independent for background
- Background estimation method validated in validation region

# Observed and Expected Limits



- No excess above SM background observed: 3 events observed ( $2 \pm 1$  bkg predicted)
- Achieve sensitivity to  $BR(H \rightarrow ss) = 10^{-3}$  level
- Analysis sensitivity is **independent of LLP masses**

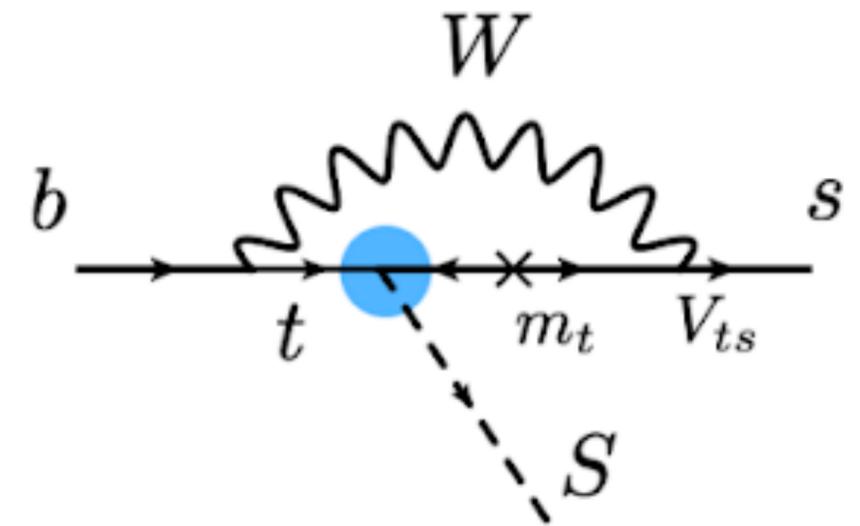
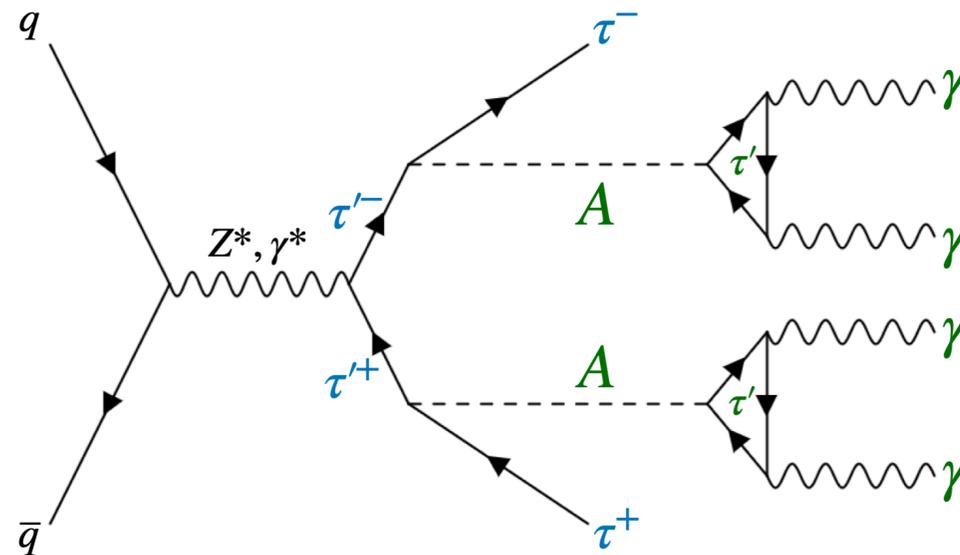
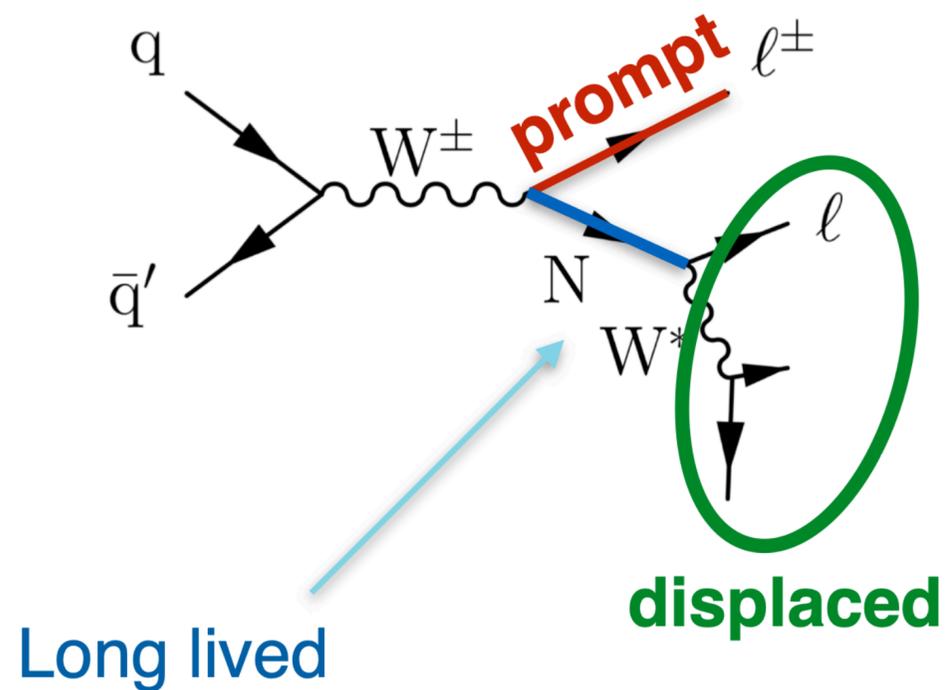
# Comparison to Other Searches



Significantly extended the reach to larger LLP lifetime compared to tracker-based searches

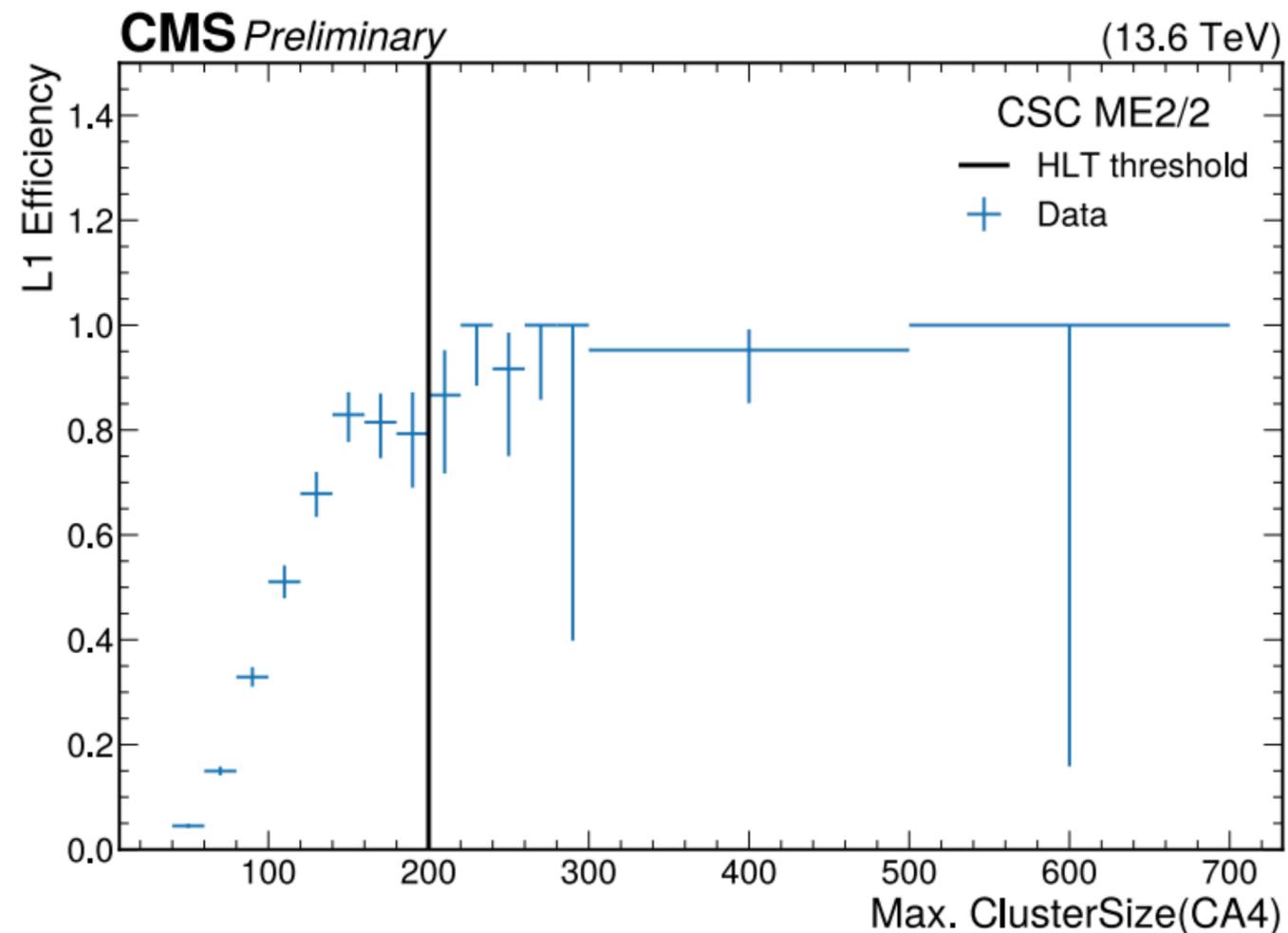
# CMS LLP Physics Program with MDS (Run 2)

- **Four Run 2 analyses covering a wide range of models:**
  - Higgs portal and dark shower with MET dataset ([EXO-21-008](#))
  - HNL with single lepton dataset ([EXO-22-017](#))
  - Vector-like lepton with tau and MET dataset ([EXO-23-015](#))
  - LLP from B decays with B-parking dataset



# CMS LLP Physics Program with MDS (Run 3)

- **However, Run 2 analyses were trigger limited → new triggers in Run 3 will open up new phase space:**
  - New dedicated L1 + HLT trigger implemented in since 2022
  - New trigger with Cosmic and Heavy Ion collisions in 2023
  - Will add more triggers in 2024 (MDS +  $e, \mu, \tau, \gamma$ )
- Ongoing efforts to analyze new data in Run 3
- **Let us know if you are interested in joining the effort!**



# Now Your Turn!

- Learn about general properties of particle lifetimes
- Reconstruct MDS from rechits
- Study and apply cluster-level selections to reject background
- Estimate background with fully data-driven ABCD method
- Statistical analysis to produce limit on  $BR(h \rightarrow SS)$  for different LLP lifetimes
  - By creating datacards, running higgs Combine and plotting the limits
- Present your result at the Mini-Symposium on Friday!

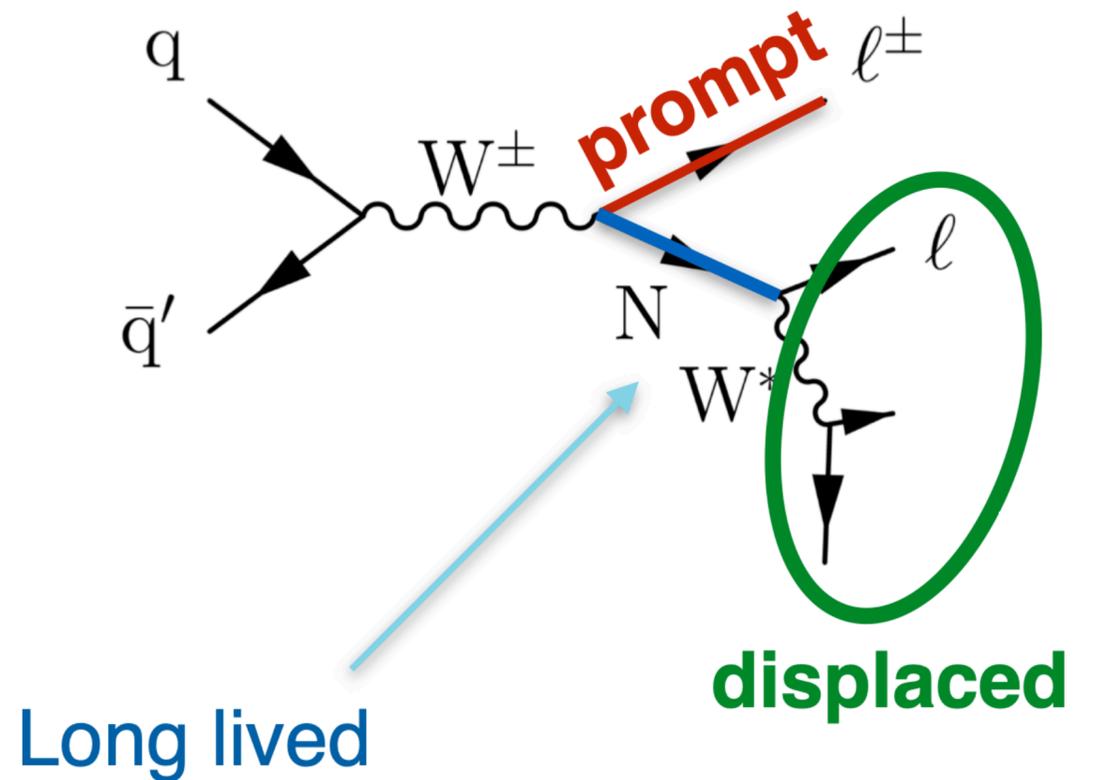
# Schedule

	<a href="#">Setup</a>	Download files required for the lesson
00:00	1. <a href="#">Introduction</a>	Why do we search for long-lived particles? Why do we use muon detectors? What signatures are we looking for?
00:30	2. <a href="#">Long-lived Particles (LLPs)</a>	What is a long-lived particle? What is a particle proper decay lengths and lab frame decay lengths? How often does an LLP decay in the muon detectors?
02:40	3. <a href="#">MDS Reconstruction</a>	What is Muon Detector Shower (MDS)? How are MDS reconstructed?
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08:25	5. <a href="#">Background Estimation</a>	What are the source of background for MDS? How do we estimate the background contribution?
09:25	6. <a href="#">Results and Statistical Analysis</a>	What is the unblinded result? How to constrain the ABCD relationship for background in datacards?
12:25	7. <a href="#">Event Display (optional)</a>	How to make event displays of interesting signal simulation?
13:25	Finish	

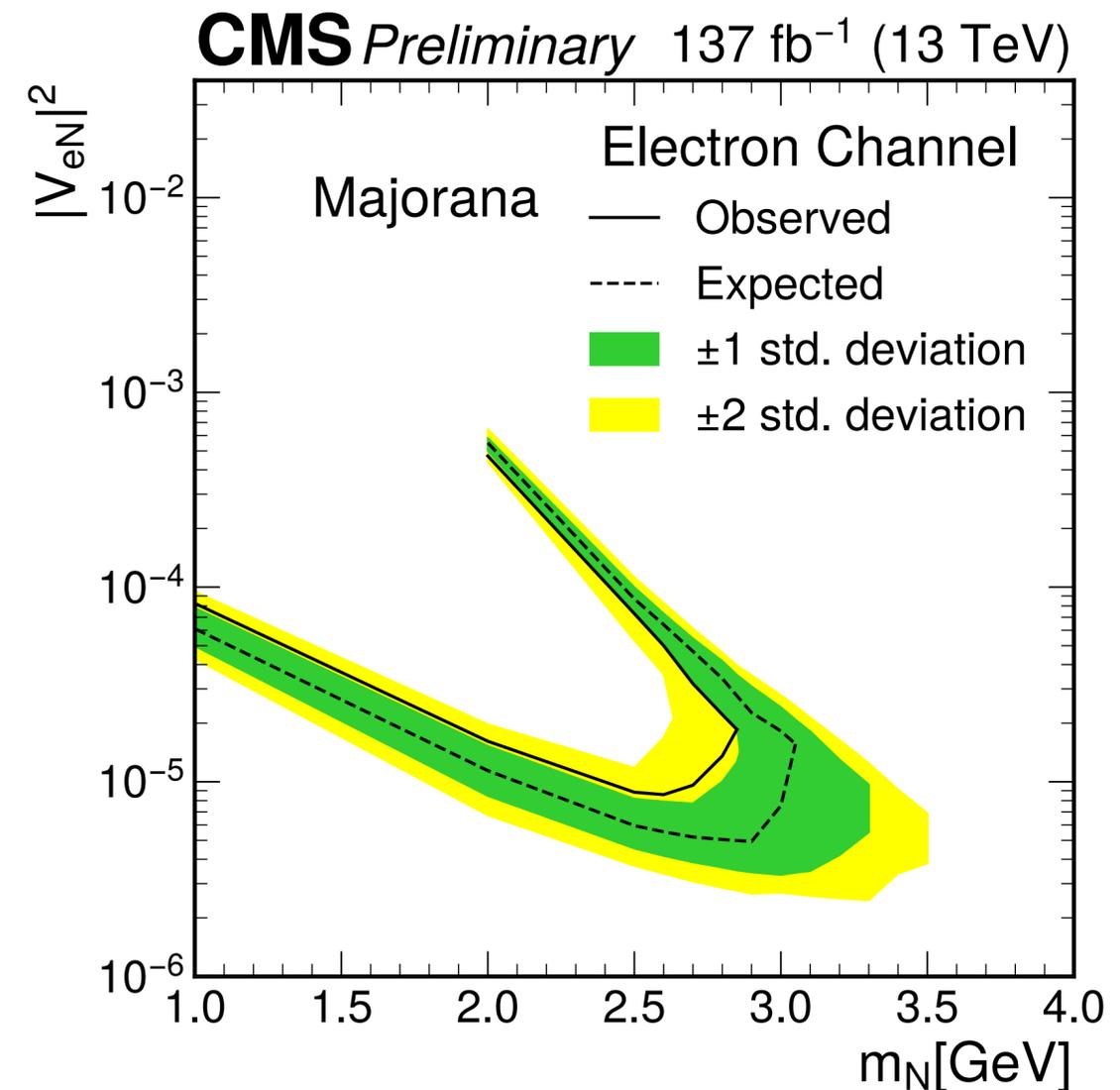
# Backup Slides

# Search for Heavy Neutral Leptons with MDS

- Search for HNL decay in muon system in association with a **prompt and triggering electron or muon**
  - Sensitive to all visible HNL energy: particle showers from the **displaced lepton and inclusive  $W^*$  decays**
  - Extend sensitivity to **smaller mass and mixing angle**
- New dedicated trigger in Run 3 would enable sensitivity for tau-type HNLs



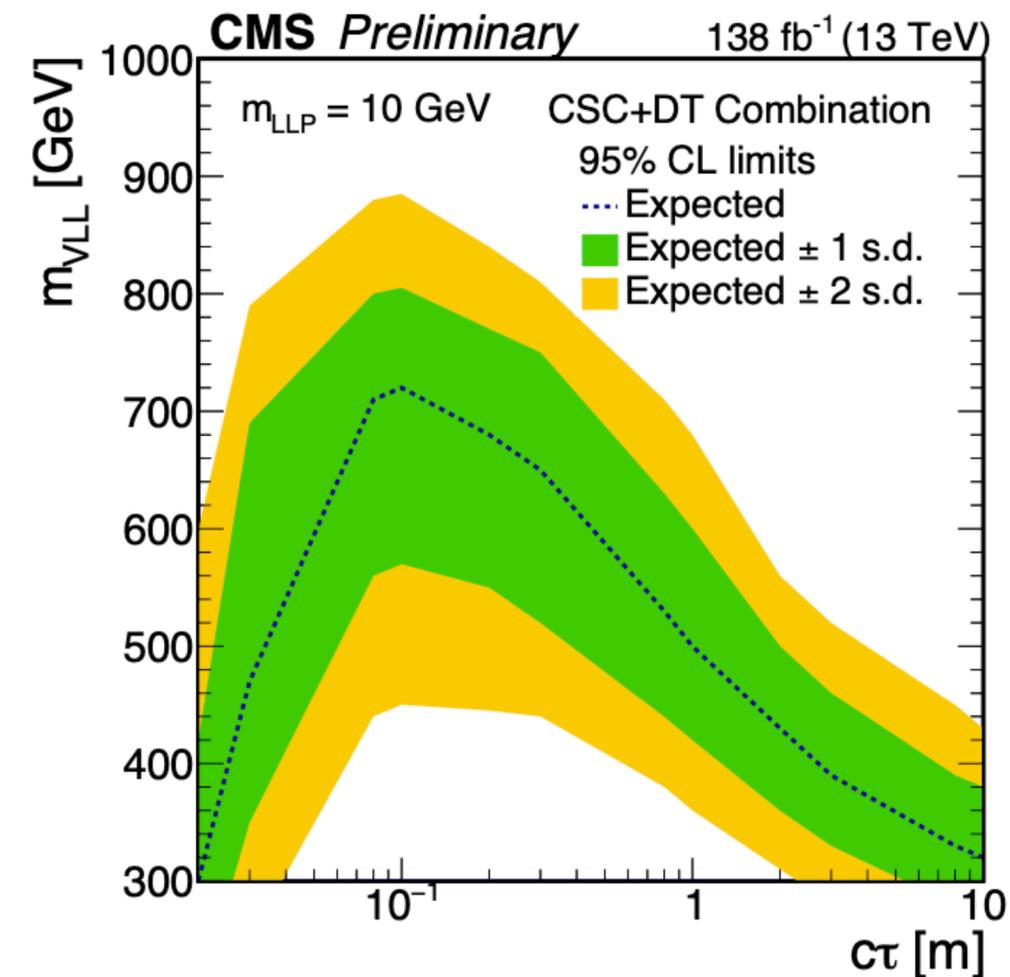
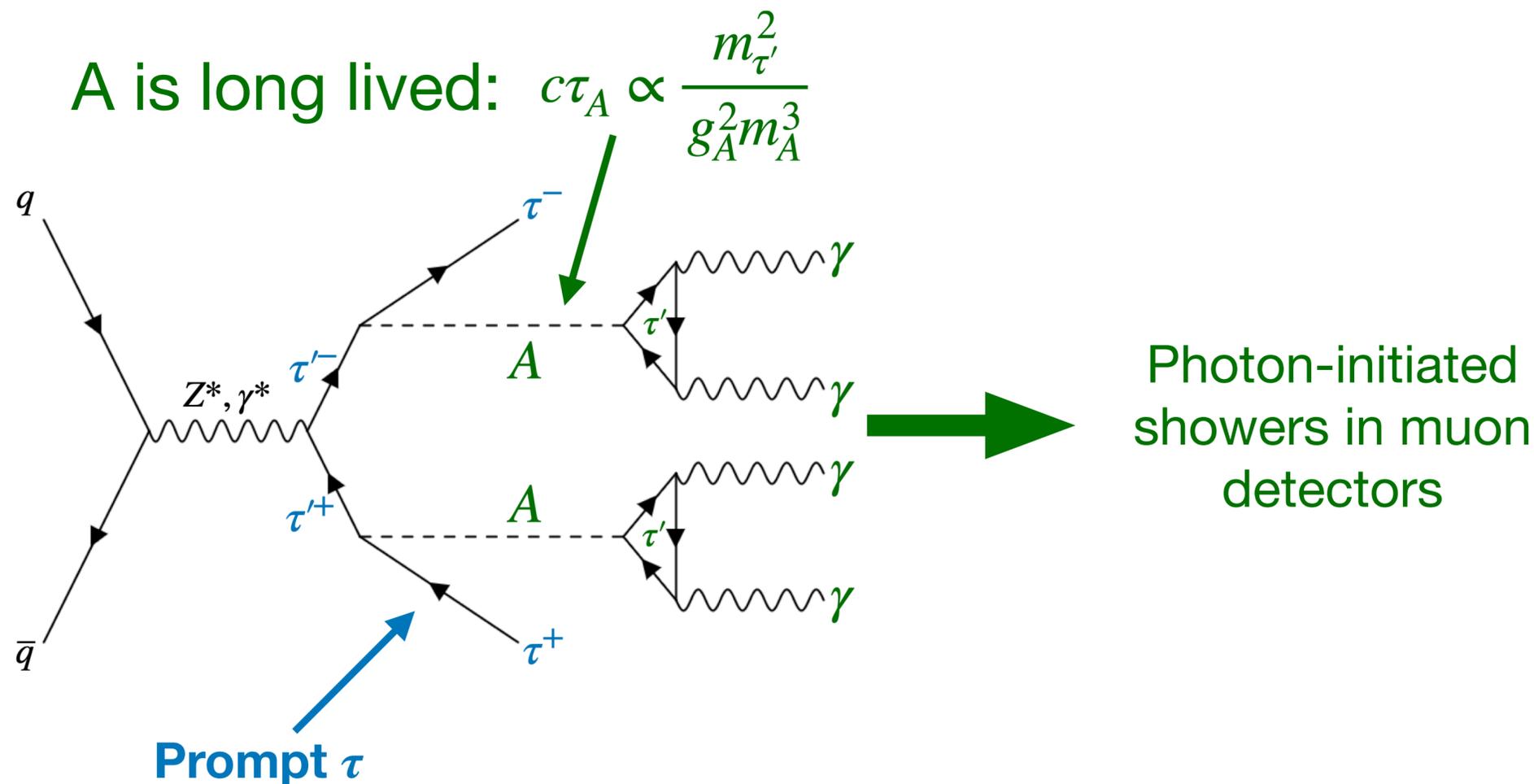
$$c\tau_N \propto \left( \frac{1\text{GeV}}{m_N} \right)^5 \left( \frac{0.1}{|V_{lN}|^2} \right) [\text{mm}]$$



[EXO-22-017](#)

# Search for Vector-like Leptons with MDS

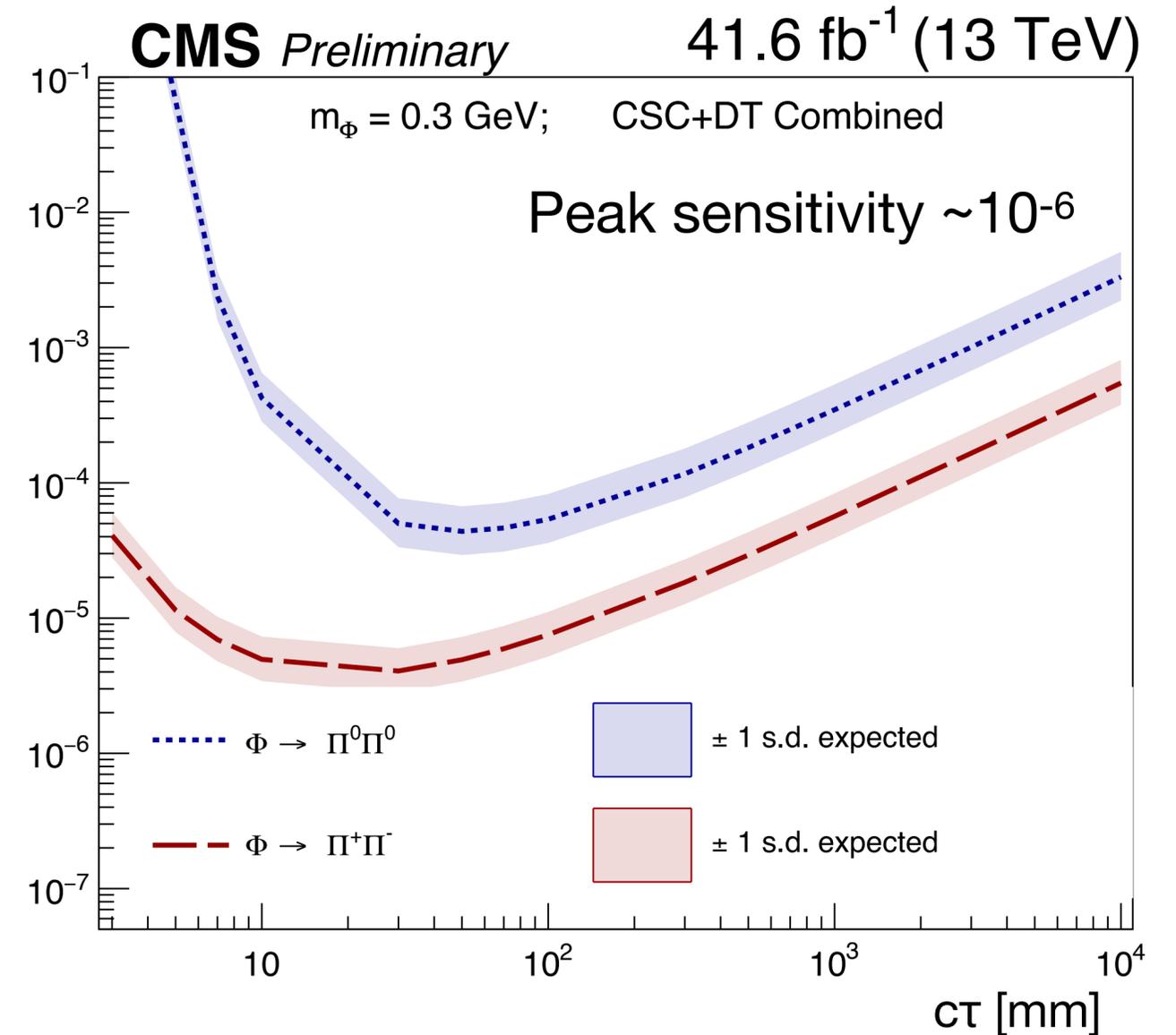
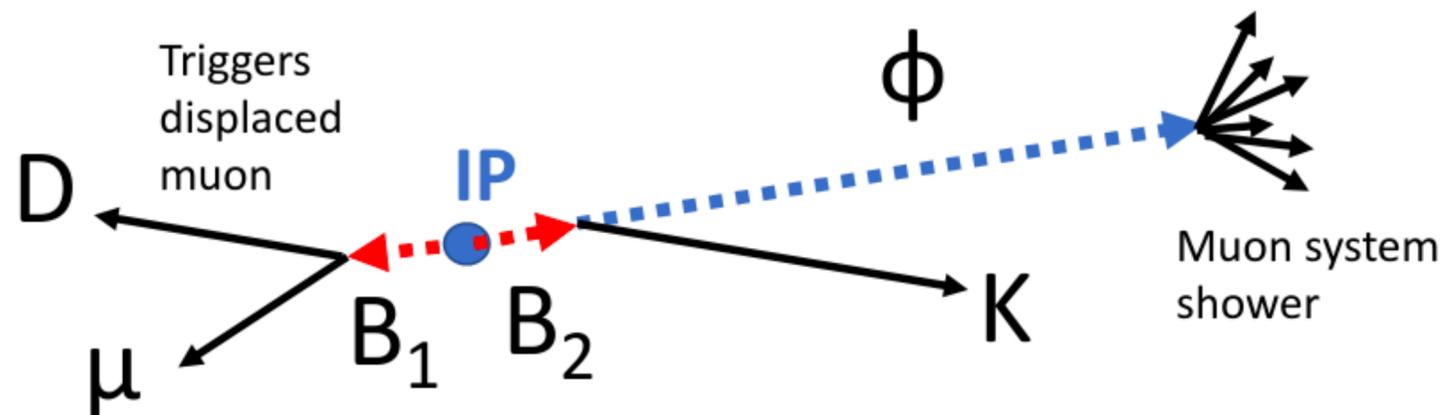
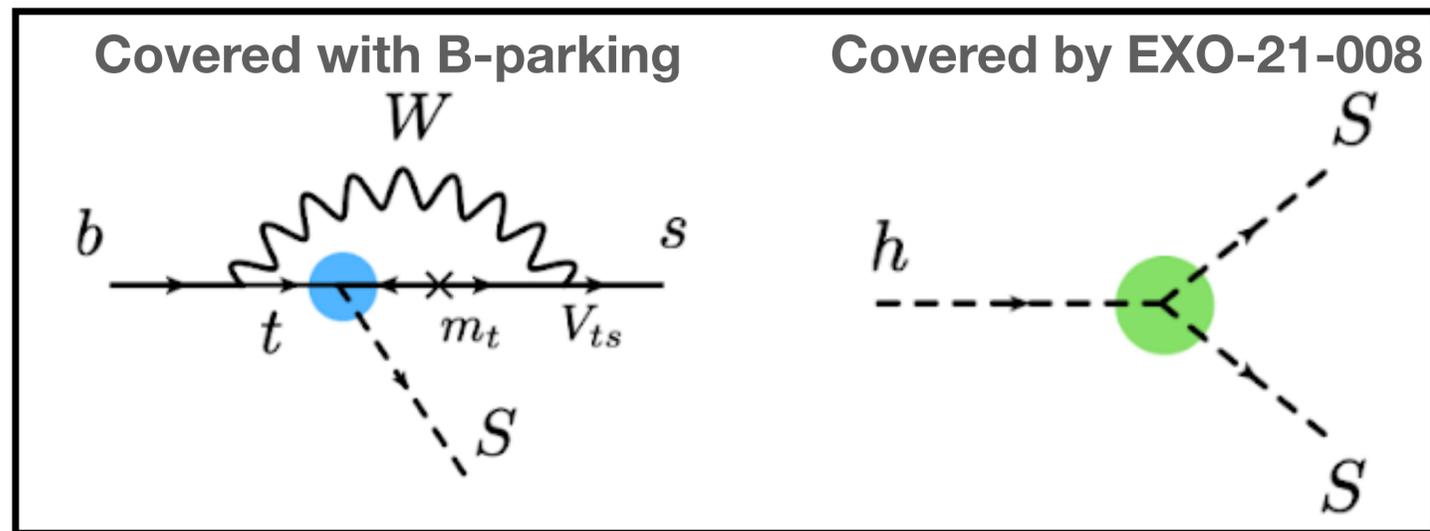
- EXO-23-015: Novel VLL signature at the LHC, targeting difficult photon decay mode:  
**Two prompt  $\tau$ 's and two electromagnetic LLP decays in muon system**
- MDS +  $\tau_h$  analysis strategy is complete and documented in AN
- Promising sensitivity to VLLs masses up to 700 GeV
- Analysis currently going through object review, targeting Moriond 2024



# Search LLPs from B Decays with MDS

- B-parking dataset:  $\sim 10$  billion  $B\bar{B}$  events recorded end of 2018 triggering on a single, displaced muon
- The triggering muon originates from the "tag-side" B that undergoes a  $b \rightarrow \mu X$  decay. **The "signal-side" B decay is inclusive  $\rightarrow$  enable searches for LLPs produced from B decays**
- Wrapping up background estimation and documentation in the AN, aim to send first draft of AN to conveners by end of the year (More details in Aram's talk)

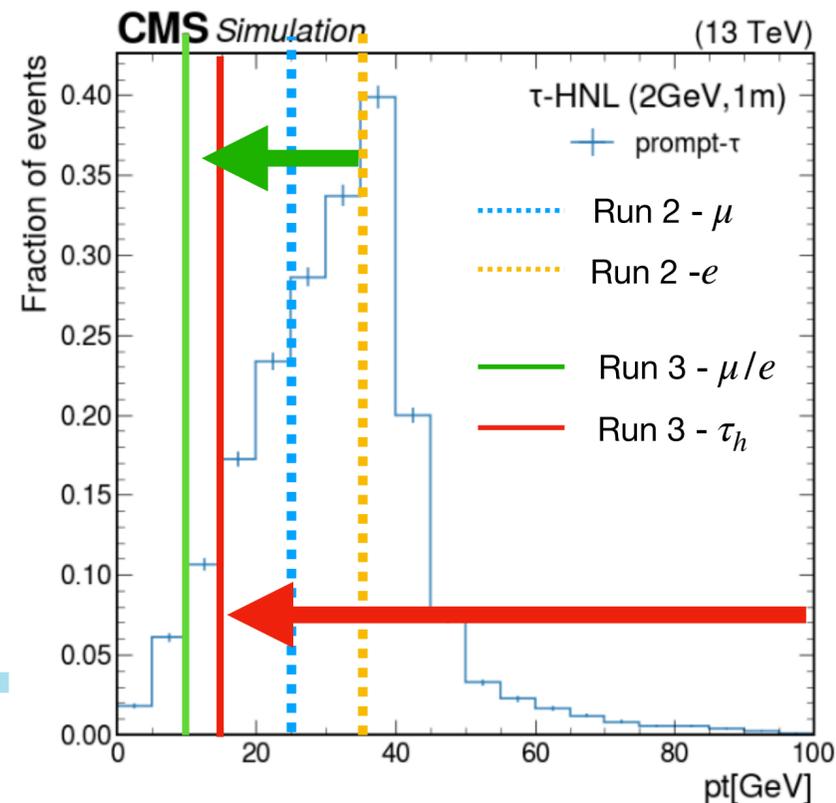
## Scalar portal production modes



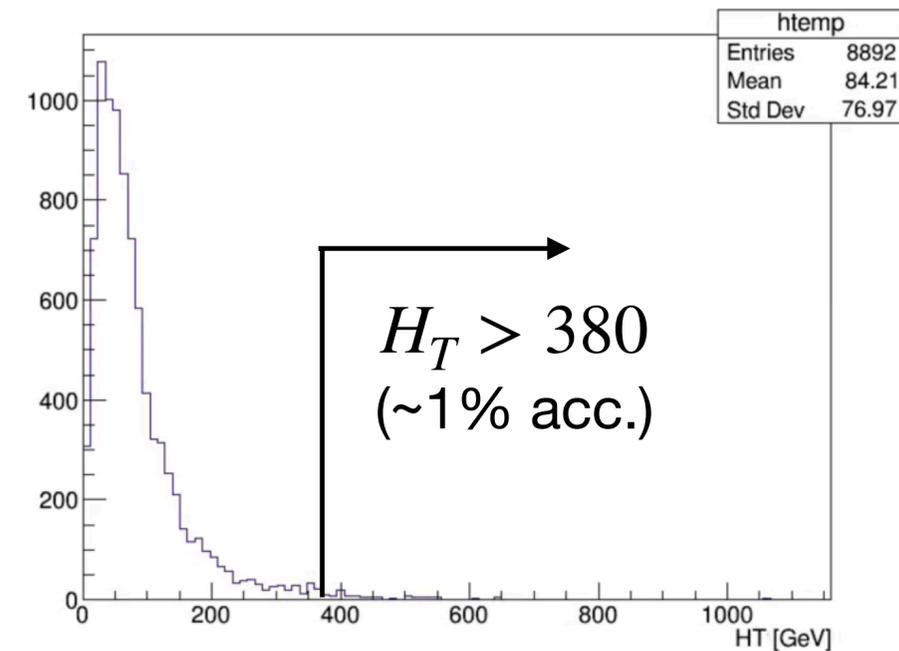
# Physics Impact

- Run 2 HNL acceptance limited by high lepton pT threshold - especially for tau-HNL
  - New triggers accepts **17%(Muon) / 114% (Electron) / ~400% (tau)** more signal events w.r.t Run 2
    - Lower lepton pT + cluster selections included in new trigger
  - **New** hadronic channel alone gives **3-4x** more signal than  $\tau \rightarrow (e/\mu)$  combined
- GMSB EWK-SUSY model gains **~3x** signal acceptance
  - Run 2 acceptance is limited by high HT threshold

HNL : MDS +  $e/\mu/\tau$



EWK-SUSY : MDS +  $\gamma$



# Cross trigger proposal summary

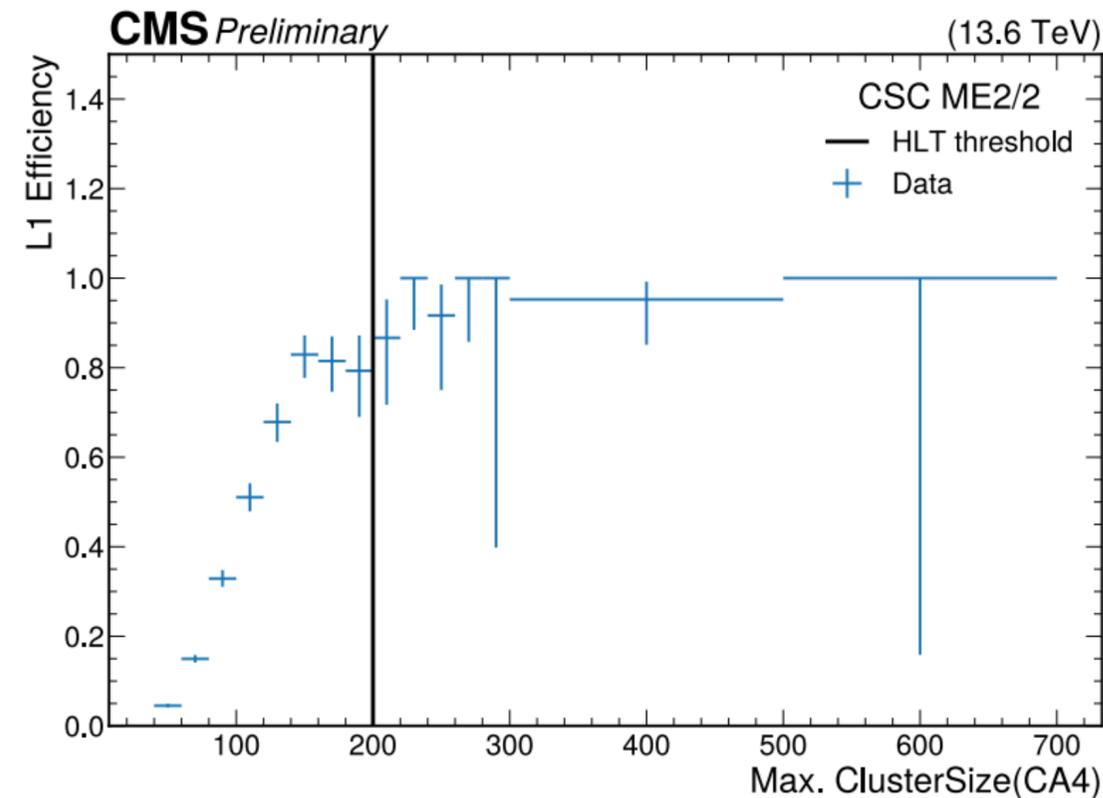
- Minimal cluster selection then varied pT threshold on X
- Common “Cluster50” selection:
  - ME11/12 veto
  - “in-time” cluster:  $-5\text{ns} < t < 12.5\text{ns}$  → Common Run 2 analysis cuts
  - $\geq 50$  hits
- Total rate of all 4 paths **~10 Hz**
- Minimal overlap with single MDS path (nHit>200+)
- Exploring further improvements:
  - Mu5/Ele5/Tau10 with tighter cluster size cut
  - Use PNet ID for tau instead of DeepTau

**Total ~10 Hz**

	L1 seed	Cluster selection	Additional	Rate @PU70
<b>MDS + e</b>	L1_SingleMuShower_nominal	Cluster50	pT >10 GeV, Loose Calold	2.4 Hz
<b>MDS + mu</b>	L1_SingleMuShower_nominal	Cluster50	pT >10 GeV	6.1 Hz
<b>MDS + tau</b>	L1_SingleMuShower_nominal	Cluster50	pT >15 GeV, Medium DeepTauID	2.9 Hz
<b>MDS + gamma</b>	L1_SingleMuShower_nominal	Cluster50	pT >30 GeV, Loose Calold	0.03 Hz

# New L1 Seed for MDS in CSC

- For Run 2, triggering on prompt associated objects or MET (only 1% efficiency for higgs portal)
- New L1 CSC shower seed (L1 rate  $\sim$  2 kHz) commissioned as of 2022E
  - Select for a large number of cathode and anode-wire hits in CSC chambers
- **High L1 efficiency measured w.r.t. offline object**
- New HLT paths targeting single + pair-produced LLPs

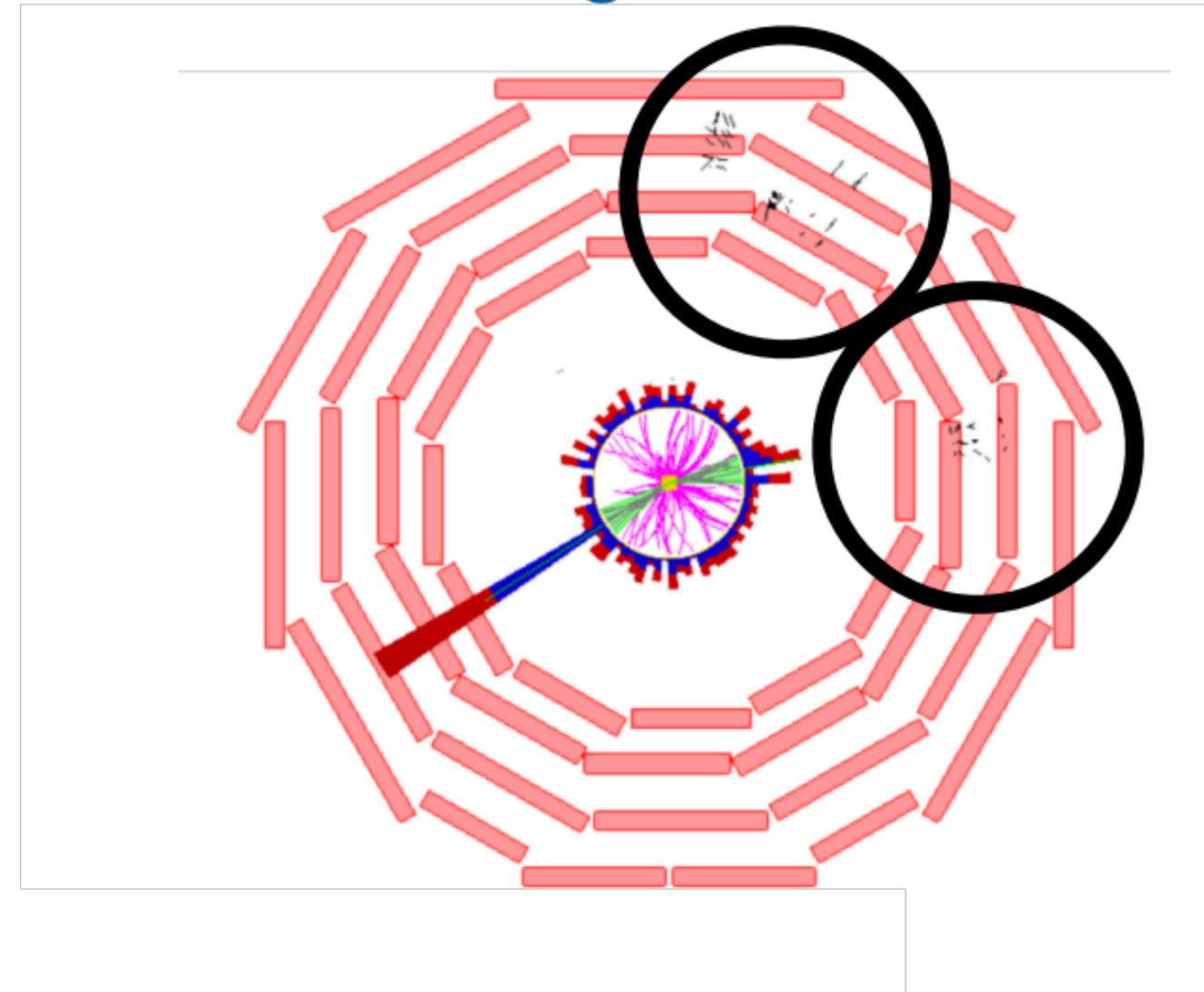


# Muon Shower Triggers in 2023

- New double shower L1 trigger in 2023
  - L1 seed + HLT path with lower thresholds (L1\_TwoMuShower\_Loose)
- Targets models with pair-produced LLPs and enable searches with very low background
- Expect adding **10-25%** extra signal efficiency on top of single MDS trigger
- Active for  $\sim 1/3$  of 2023 pp-data

	<i>ME13</i>	<i>ME21</i>	<i>ME22</i>	<i>ME31</i>	<i>ME32</i>	<i>ME41</i>	<i>ME42</i>
<i>Anode Loose</i>	<b>14-&gt;7</b>	<b>56-&gt;23</b>	<b>28-&gt;12</b>	<b>55-&gt;21</b>	<b>26-&gt;12</b>	<b>62-&gt;25</b>	<b>27-&gt;12</b>
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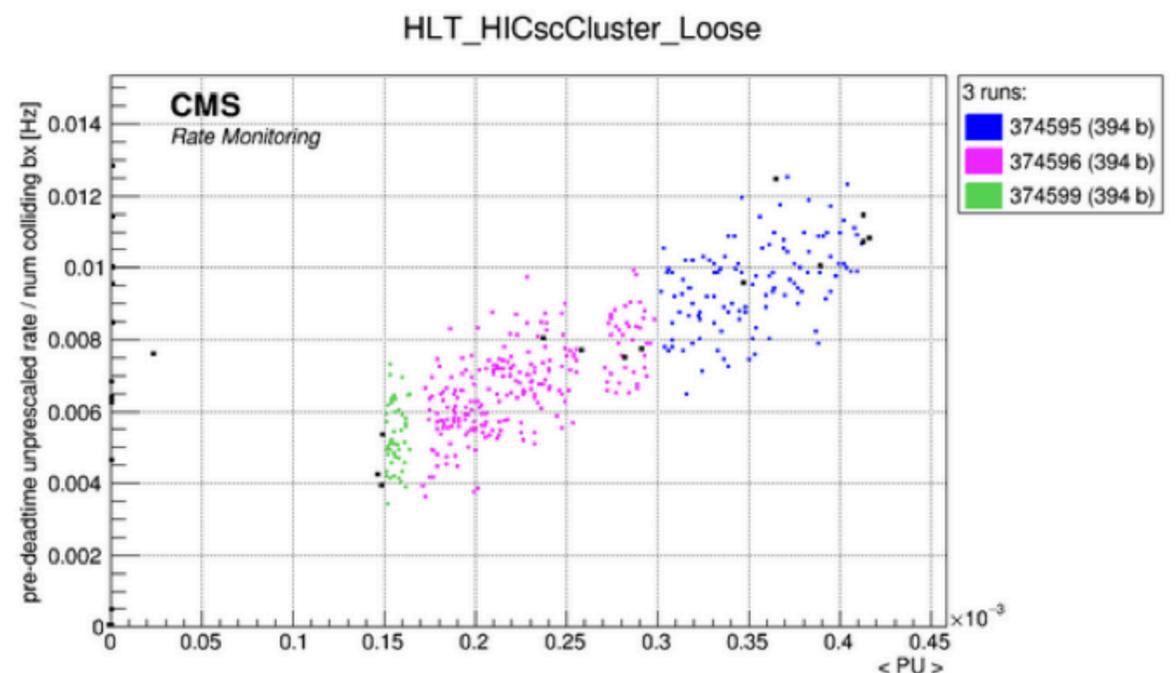
## Double shower events from signal MC



# Exploring new dataset with MDS

- HMT in Heavy-Ion collision:
  - Extremely low background (L1 thres. set to very close to muon hits)
  - Active for full Pb-Pb run (1.8/nb ~same as 2018 Pb-Pb run)
  - Exploring HNL decays from b-meson in HI-dataset
- HMT in cosmic:  
stopped/trapped LLP searches / background studies / better IceCube?

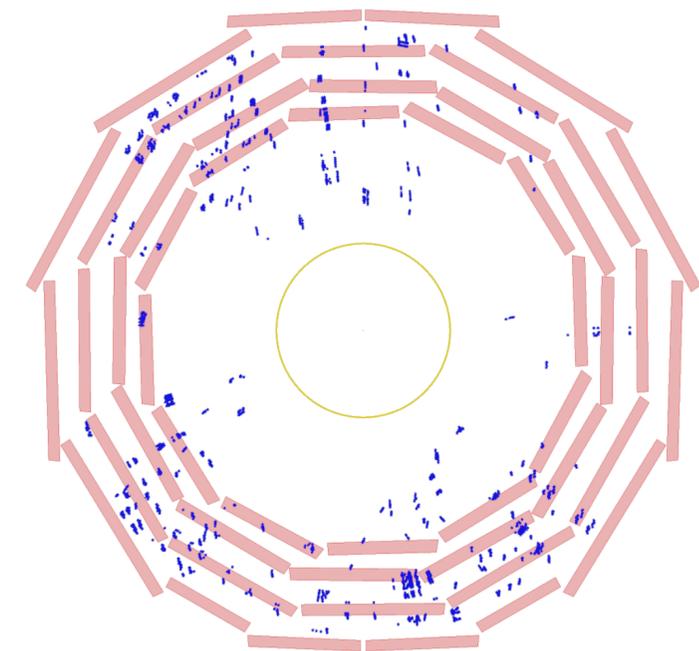
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Run: 371290 Lumi Section : 382. Event 6001408

An event with  
13 Clusters!

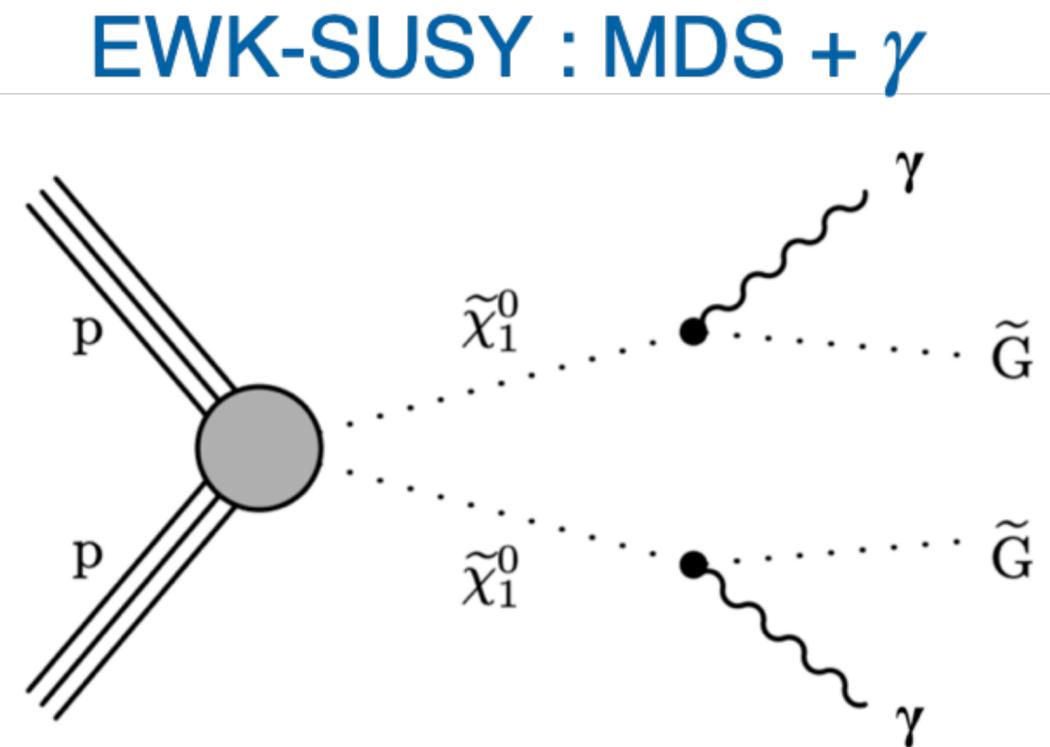
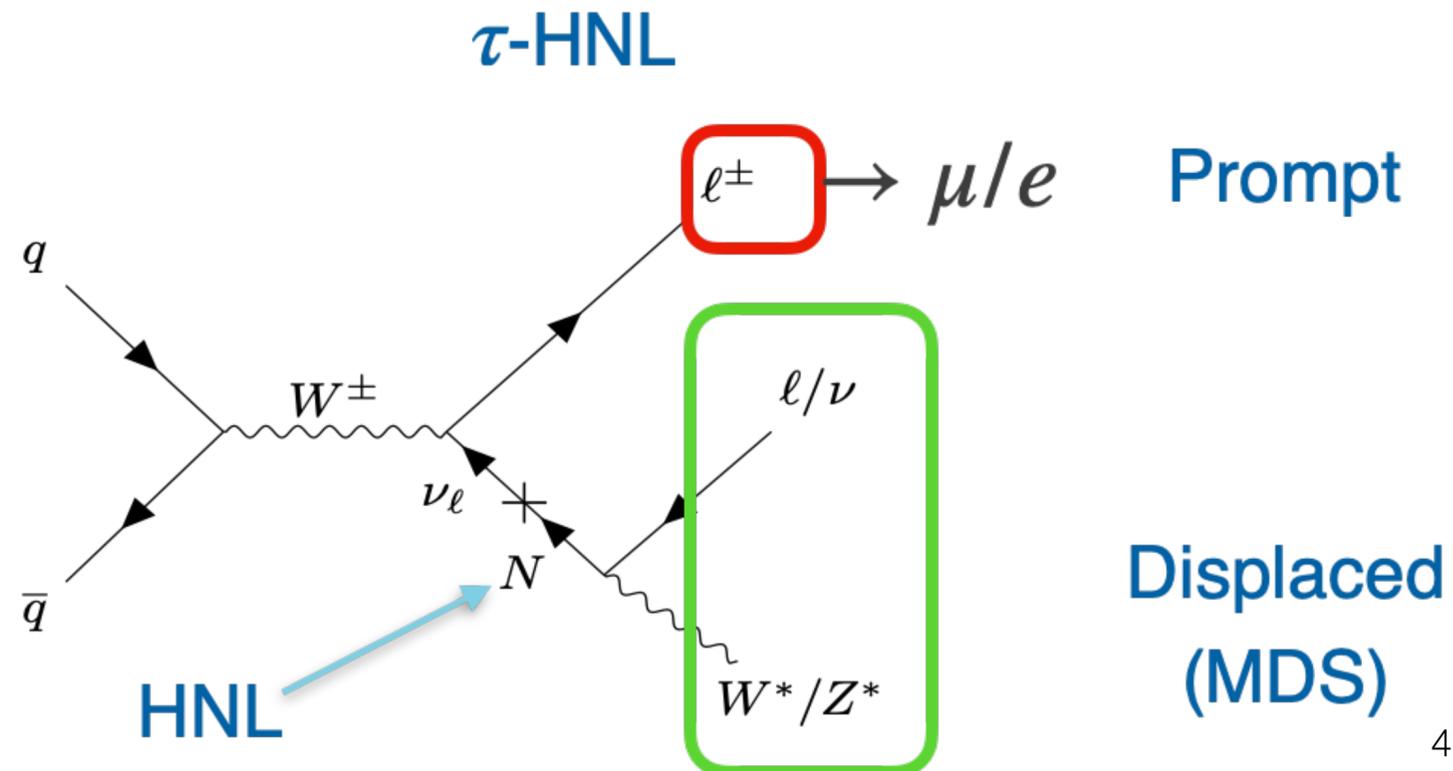


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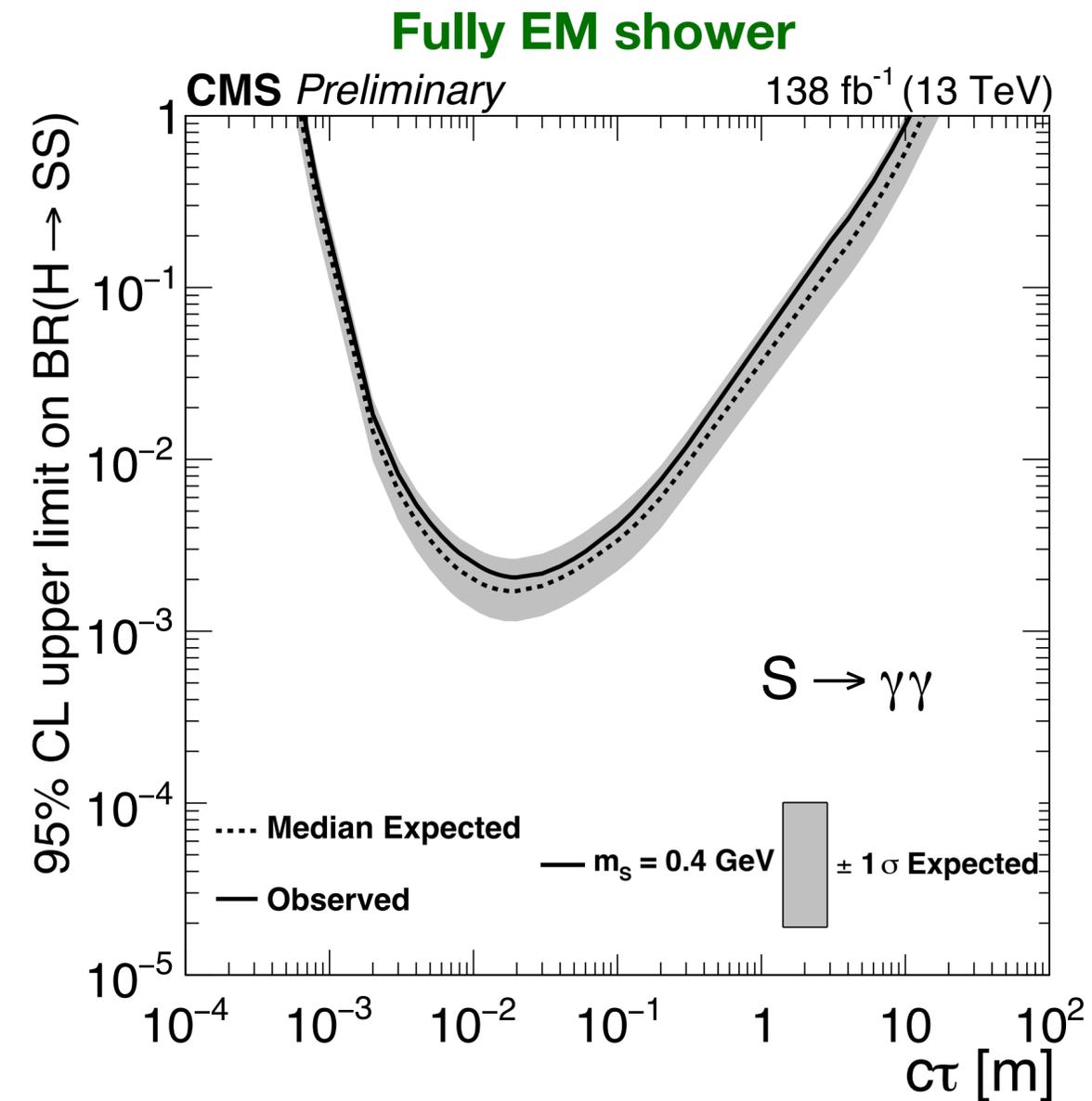
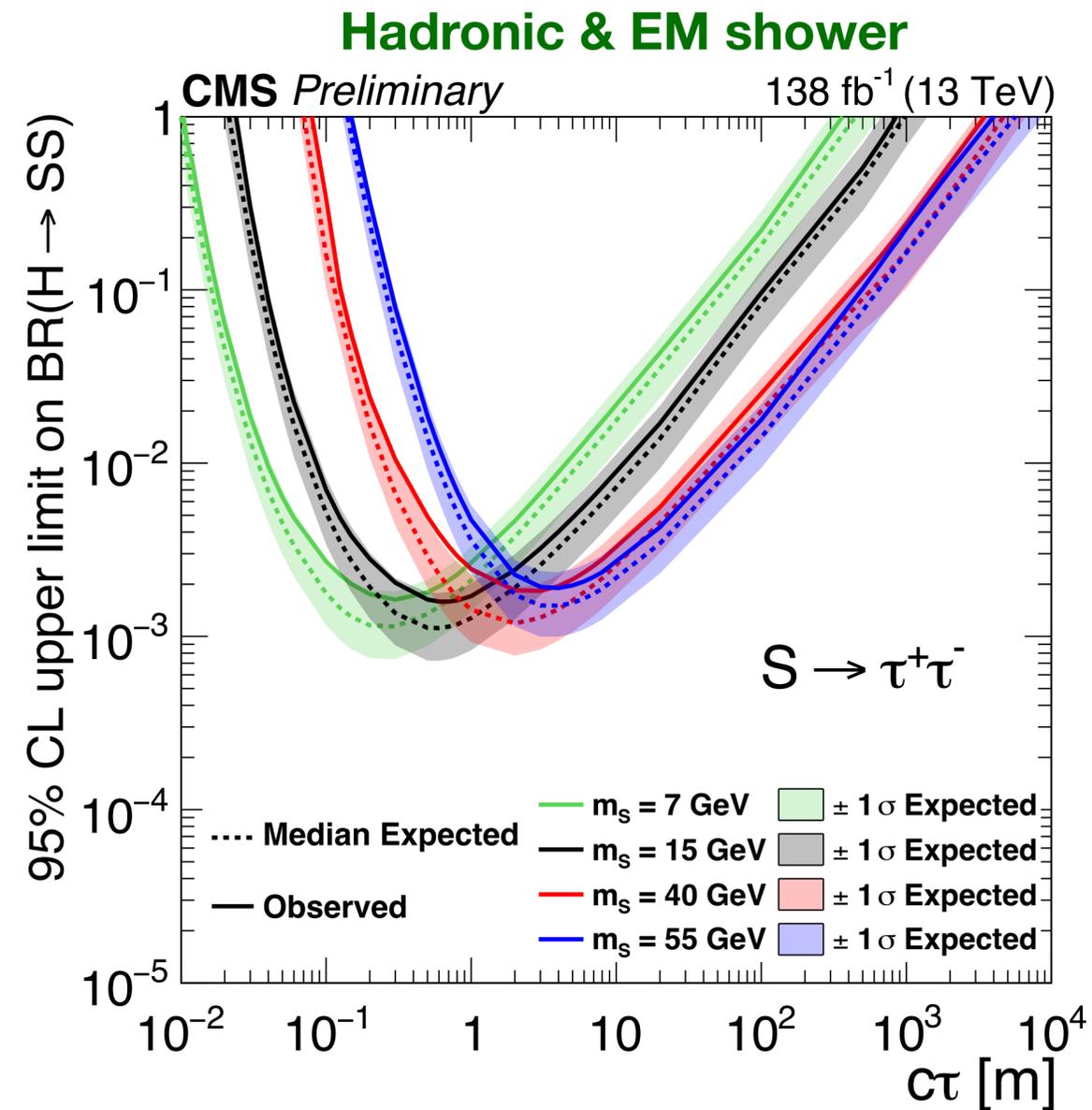
# MDS + X (X = e, μ, τ, γ) HLT Paths for 2024

- MDS L1 seed is very effective in background suppression
- Exploit MDS with cross-triggers
  - Sensitive to LLP produced with associated objects
    - Long-lived HNL: e/mu/tau + LLP (Lower prompt lep pT)
  - EWK-SUSY: photon + LLP (No large HT requirement)
- Signal gain of 17% to ~400% w.r.t Run 2 analysis

More details at [Trigger deep dive](#)



# Observed and Expected Limits



- First LHC sensitivity to  $\tau^+\tau^-$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  decay modes at BR( $H \rightarrow ss$ ) = 10<sup>-3</sup> level
- First LHC sensitivity to **sub-GeV mass LLPs** at BR( $H \rightarrow ss$ ) = 10<sup>-3</sup> level

# Looking Forward: New Trigger in Run 3

- For Run 2, triggering on MET (only 1% efficiency for higgs portal)
- New L1 seed and HLT paths successfully commissioned in 2022
  - Simple logic at L1 due to limited information and bandwidth
- **Improve LLP efficiency by 10x with respect to Run 2 → potential to reach BR ~ 1e-4 !**

