

Model independent framework for analysis of scenarios with multiple Heavy Extra Quarks

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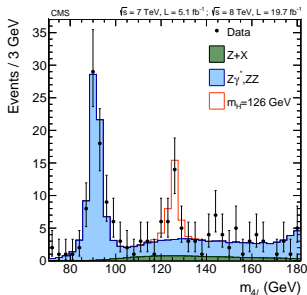
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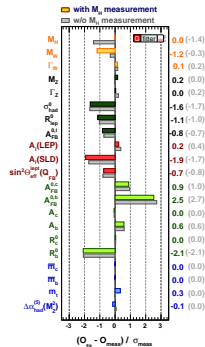
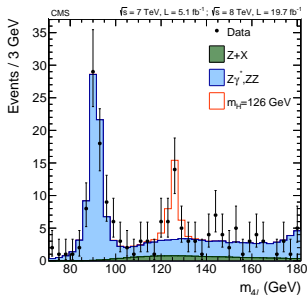
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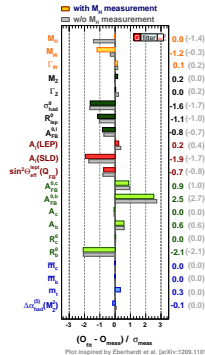


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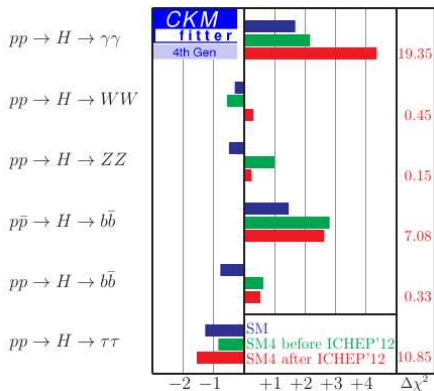
- From a theoretical point of view **fine tuning** is the main reason for physics beyond the Standard Model
- For **naturalness** reasons new physics is expected to be at the TeV scale

And with new physics, new particles appear..

A coloured new fermion is the most common new particle

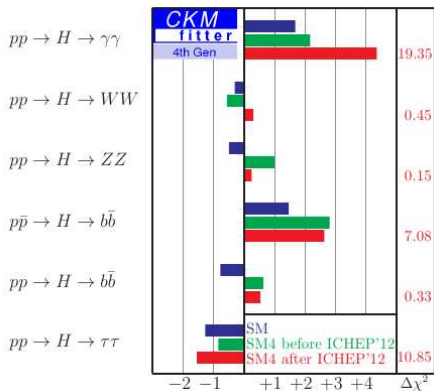
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SM chiral quarks

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They appear in many models of new physics

- Model of **Composite Higgs**
As excited resonances of bound states that form the SM particles
- Warped or Universal **Extra Dimensions**
As KK excitations of bulk fields
- **Little Higgs** models
As partners of SM in large group representations that ensure cancellations of divergent loops
- Non minimal **Supersymmetric** models
They can increase corrections to Higgs mass
- Gauged **flavour** groups
Required to cancel anomalies in the gauged flavour symmetry

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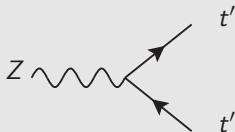
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They interact with SM gauge bosons



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	SM	Singlets	Doublets	Triplets
	$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} t' \\ b' \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ t' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b' \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ t' \\ b' \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t' \\ b' \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$
$SU(2)_L$	2 and 1	1	2	3
$U(1)_Y$	$q_L = 1/6$ $u_R = 2/3$ $d_R = -1/3$	$2/3 \quad -1/3$	$7/6 \quad 1/6 \quad -5/6$	$2/3 \quad -1/3$
\mathcal{L}_Y	$\bar{q}_L^i H^c u_R^i$ $\bar{q}_L^i V_{CKM}^{i,j} H d_R^j$	$\bar{q}_L^i H^c t_R'$ $\bar{q}_L^i H b_R'$	$\psi_L H^{(c)} u_R^i$ $\psi_L H^{(c)} d_R^i$	$\bar{q}_L^i \tau^a H^{(c)} \psi_R^a$
\mathcal{L}_m		$-M \bar{\psi} \psi$ (gauge invariant since vector-like)		

Assumption: VLQ interacts with SM through Yukawa type couplings
 Limited number of $SU(2)_L$ representations that can be used

Properties of VLQs

The mixing parameters are constrained by many observables

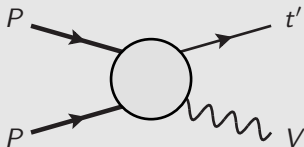
- Flavour Changing Neutral Currents
- Meson's mixing and decays
- Rare top decays
- $Zc\bar{c}$ and $Zb\bar{b}$ couplings
- EW precision tests
- Higgs physics at the LHC

All these constraints are **model dependent** and have been studied
Cacciapaglia et al., Heavy Vector-like Top Partners at the LHC and flavour
constraints, 1108.6329 [hep-ph],
Buchkremer et al., Model Independent Framework for Searches of Top Partners,
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Aguilar-Saavedra et al, A handbook of vector-like quarks: mixing and single
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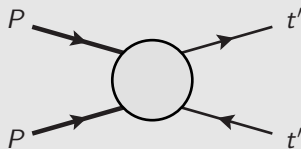
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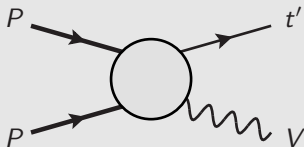


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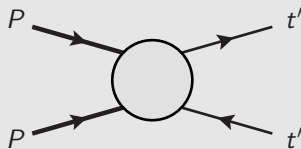
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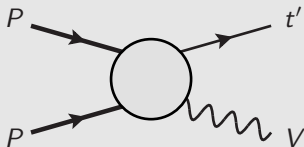
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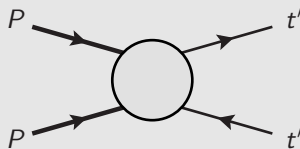
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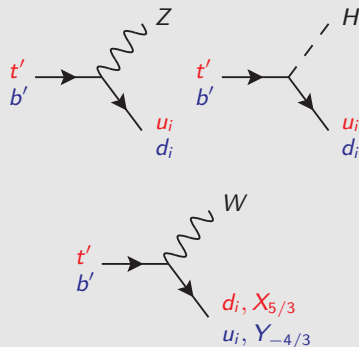
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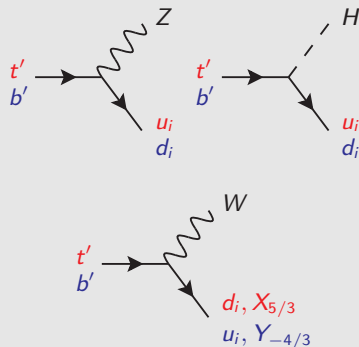
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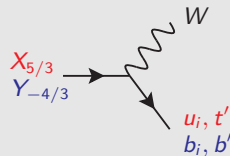
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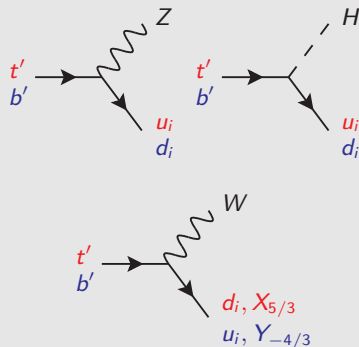
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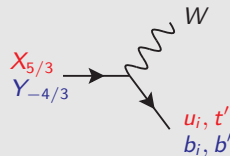
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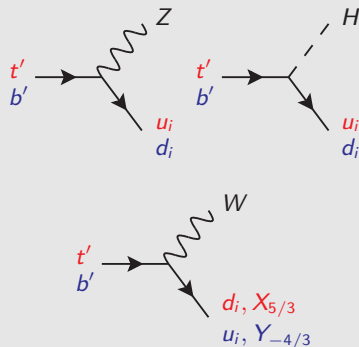


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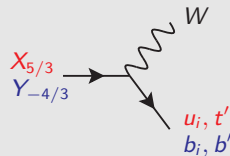
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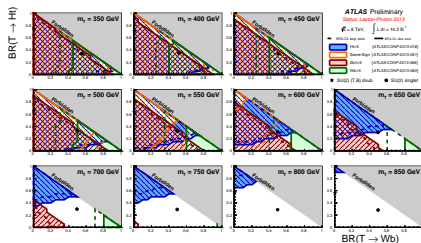
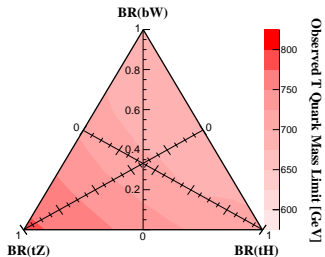
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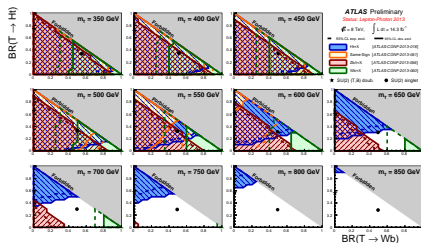
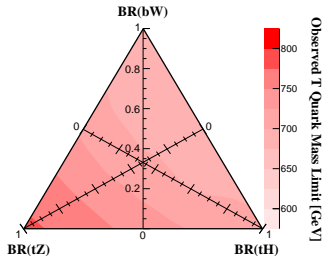


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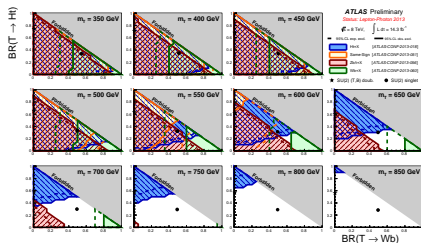
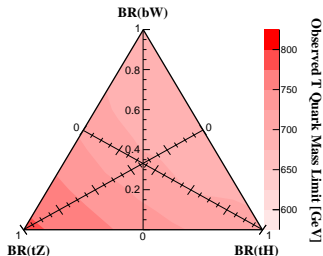
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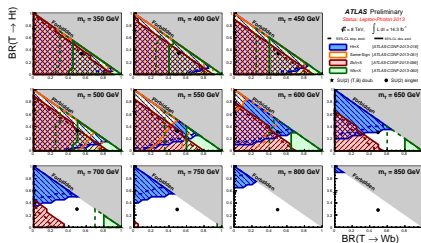
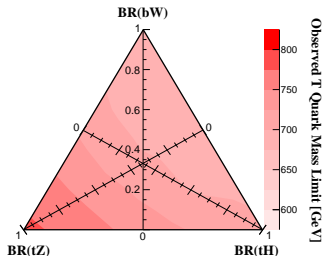
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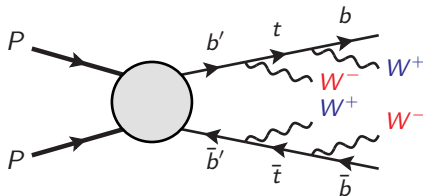
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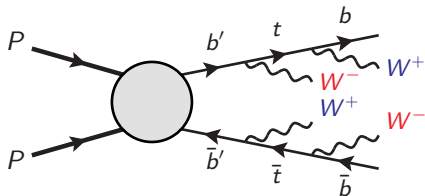


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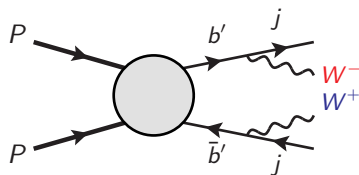
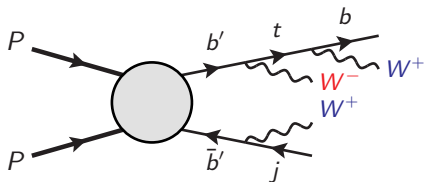
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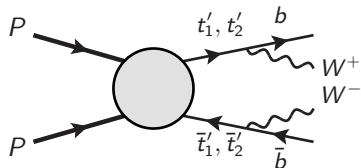
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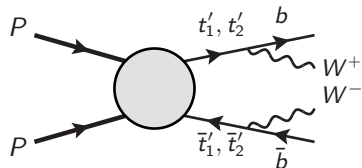
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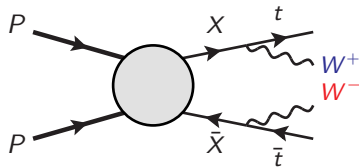
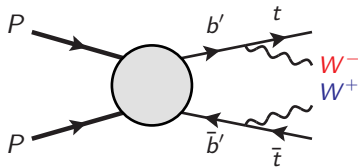


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Each channel has a different selection efficiency for a given search
However is enough to simulate the channels **just once** and calculate the total signal as a **weighted sum** of all channels with the **saved** efficiencies

Example

Just one bin and integrated luminosity of 5 fb^{-1}

- $\sigma_{QCD}(m_{t'}) = 100 \text{ fb}$
- $Br(t' \rightarrow Wb) = 10\%$
 $Br(t' \rightarrow Zt) = 90\%$
- $\epsilon(m_{t'}, WbW\bar{b}) = 1\%$
 $\epsilon(m_{t'}, WbZ\bar{t}) = 2\%$
 $\epsilon(m_{t'}, ZtW\bar{b}) = 3\%$
 $\epsilon(m_{t'}, ZtZ\bar{t}) = 4\%$
- $\sigma_{QCD}(m_X) = 200 \text{ fb}$
- $Br(X \rightarrow Wt) = 100\%$
- $\epsilon(m_X, WtW\bar{t}) = 5\%$

$$N_{ev.} = \mathcal{L} \cdot \left(\sigma_{QCD}(m_{t'}) Br(t' \rightarrow Wb)^2 \epsilon(m_{t'}, WbW\bar{b}) + \right. \\ \left. + \sigma_{QCD}(m_{t'}) Br(t' \rightarrow Wb) Br(t' \rightarrow Zt) \epsilon(m_{t'}, WbZ\bar{t}) + \dots \right) = 68.5$$

The number of signal events has been easily computed knowing the efficiencies for each subprocess with given mass

Total number of channels

t' quark decays: W^+j W^+b Zj Zt Hj Ht

$$PP \rightarrow t'\bar{t}' \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cc} W^+jW^-j & W^+jW^-b \\ W^+bW^-j & W^+bW^-b \\ ZjW^-j & ZjW^-b \\ ZtW^-j & ZtW^-b \\ HjW^-j & HjW^-b \\ HtW^-j & HtW^-b \end{array} \begin{array}{cc} W^+jZj & W^+jZ\bar{t} \\ W^+bZj & W^+bZ\bar{t} \\ ZjZj & ZjZ\bar{t} \\ ZtZj & ZtZ\bar{t} \\ HjZj & HjZ\bar{t} \\ HtZj & HtZ\bar{t} \end{array} \begin{array}{cc} W^+jHj & W^+jH\bar{t} \\ W^+bHj & W^+bH\bar{t} \\ ZjHj & ZjH\bar{t} \\ ZtHj & ZtH\bar{t} \\ HjHj & HjH\bar{t} \\ HtHj & HtH\bar{t} \end{array} \right)$$

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$PP \rightarrow b'\bar{b}':$ 36 possible final state into SM states

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In total **80 channels** for decays of pair produced VLQ into SM particles

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Numerical Simulation

$pp \rightarrow QQ \rightarrow V, H, q$
MadGraph

Hadronization
Pythia

Detector Simulation
Delphes

Signal

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80 channels · 2 chirality · 17 mass = 2720 simulations

Knowing the efficiencies for all final state it is possible to reconstruct any signal
Any scenario with any number of VLQ with general couplings can be analysed!!!

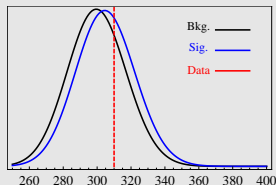
Computing the exclusion confidence level

Suppose to have just one bin

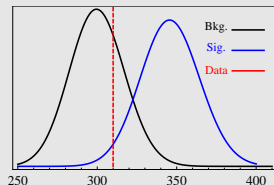
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Observation: 310 events

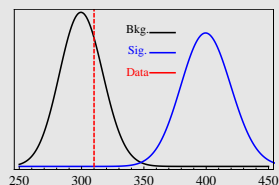
$$eCL = 1 - \frac{CL(s + b)}{CL(b)}$$



Signal: 5
eCL=14%

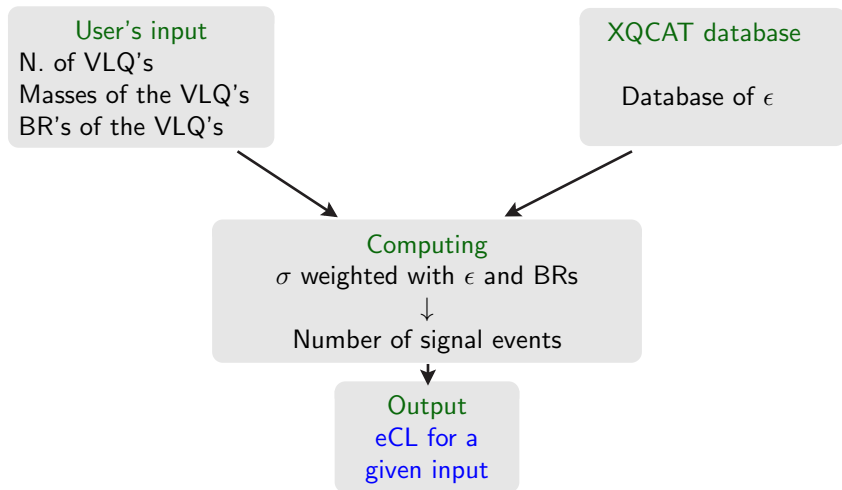


Signal: 46
eCL=96%



Signal: 100
eCL=99.9997%

Flowchart of the project



Exclusion confidence level for a give scenario **without** any simulation!!!

Search implemented in the tool

CMS searches

VLQs direct searches

- B2G-12-015:
 $t' \rightarrow Wb, Zt, Ht$ 8 TeV

SUSY searches

- α_T : 7 and 8 TeV
- L_p : 7 TeV
- SS : 7 and 8 TeV
- OS : 7 TeV

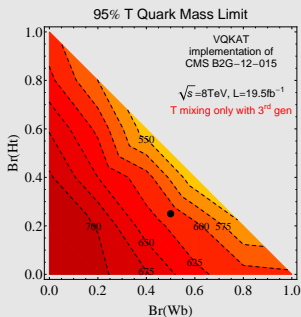
No problem in considering non VLQs searches, since we are only interested in the **final state signature!**

Validation of the code

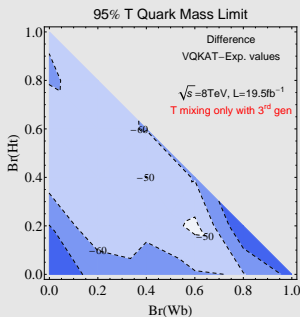
The code has been validated against the VLQ direct search B2G-12-015

A t' mixing only with W^+b , Zt and Ht decay channels

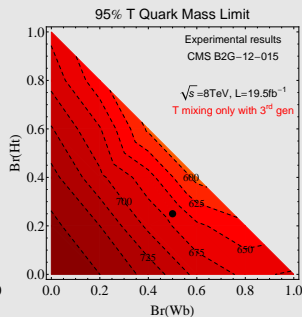
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Difference

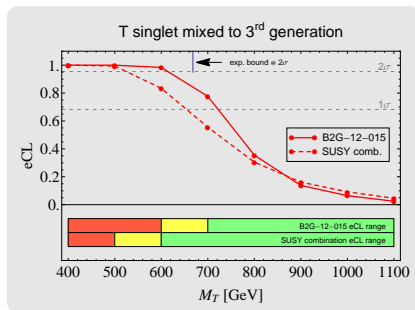


CMS



We reproduce the experimental results within 60 GeV

$$t' \text{ singlet scenario } \begin{cases} Br(Zt) = 25\% \\ Br(Ht) = 25\% \\ BR(Wb) = 50\% \end{cases} \quad \text{Eq. theorem}$$



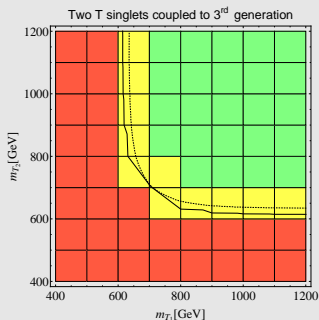
- Direct search more sensitive
- SUSY searches bound not so far from the direct one

SUSY searches may have a role in scenarios where direct searches are not sensitive!!

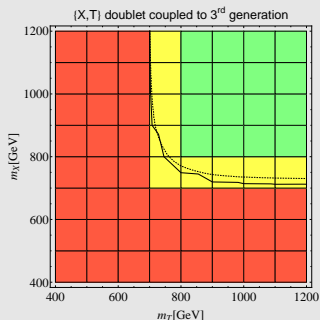
Multiple VLQ scenario

Let's have a look at two toy multiple VLQ scenarios

$(t'_1), (t'_2)$



(X, t')



- The presence of a second VLQ gives an higher mass bound
- The t' dedicate search is able to put a bound on the $X_{5/3}$ mass

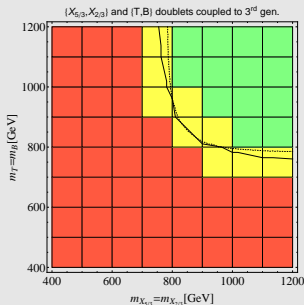
Multiple VLQ scenario

Considering physical motivated scenarios

Model with a Composite (pseudo) Goldstone boson Higgs

De Simone et al., A First top partner hunter guide, arXiv:1211:5663 [hep-ph]

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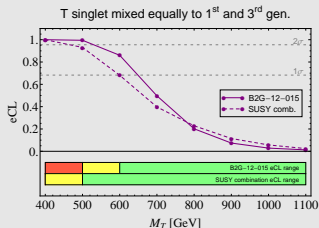


- The presence of extra quarks raises the bound on the VLQs masses to be in the 900-1000 GeV ballpark in the quasi degenerate case
- Model with extra content could be even more constrained

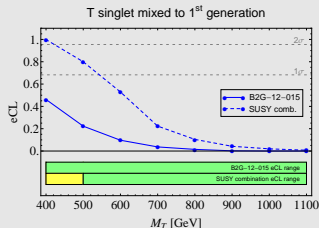
Mixing with light generations of quarks

Back to the t' singlet case, assuming general couplings

$$\begin{aligned} Br(Zj) &= Br(Zt) = 12.5\% \\ Br(Hj) &= Br(Ht) = 12.5\% \\ BR(Wj) &= BR(Wb) = 25\% \end{aligned}$$



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In case of exclusive mixing with 1st generation, SUSY searches can give a bound, while direct searches no!

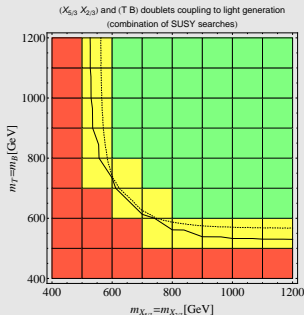
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Considering again the Composite (pseudo) Goldstone boson Higgs model

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But now coupling exclusively to the 1st generation quarks

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- These kind of models can already be constrained even if no dedicated searches are available
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The XQCAT code will be soon available for public use!

Future upgrade of the code

- Inclusion of the latest available direct searches
- Inclusion of the EW single production
Also this can be done in a model independent way
Buchkremer et al., Model Independent Framework for Searches of Top Partners,
[arXiv:1305.4172 \[hep-ph\]](#)
- Inclusion of decay into DM particles
- Inclusion of chain decays between VLQs
- (Possible) generalization to other states
Heavy vectors, heavy scalars...

Stay tuned!

Thanks for the attention

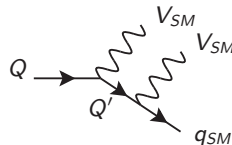
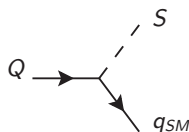
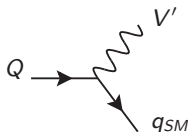
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Other decay modes

We want to a **conservative** bound

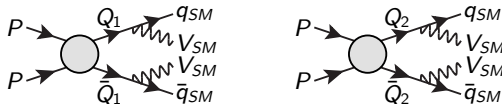
- A non exclusion doesn't mean that the scenario is allowed
- Possible other effect can increase the signal

Other decay modes



Adding new decay channels will only increase the final state signal
An exclusion is therefore **robust!**

Interference effects



$$\sigma \propto |\mathcal{A}_1|^2 + |\mathcal{A}_2|^2 + 2\text{Re}[\mathcal{A}_1\mathcal{A}_2^*]$$

Within the NWA is it possible to estimate the interference effects knowing the couplings and the widths

$$\sigma'_Q(M_i) = \sigma_Q(M_i) \left(1 + \sum_{j \neq i}^{n_Q} y_{ij}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad y_{ij} = \frac{2\text{Re} \left[g_a g_b^* g_c g_d^* (\int \mathcal{P}_i \mathcal{P}_j^*)^2 \right]}{g_a^2 g_b^2 (\int \mathcal{P}_i \mathcal{P}_i^*)^2 + g_c^2 g_d^2 (\int \mathcal{P}_j \mathcal{P}_j^*)^2}$$

DB et al., Model independent approach for the analysis of interference effects in pair production of new heavy quarks, 1311.3977 [hep-ph]

Quantum mixing between states

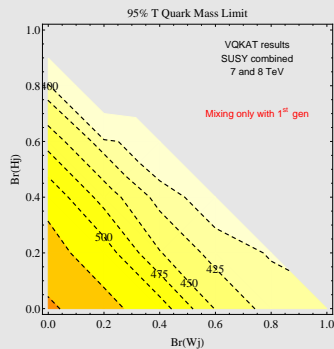
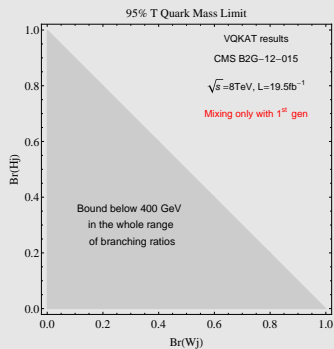
- With VLQ (quasi) degenerate in mass the off diagonal propagator effects might be relevant
- Need to diagonalize the matrix of the propagators

$$i\Delta_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} Q_1 \rightarrow \text{loop} \rightarrow Q_1 & Q_1 \rightarrow \text{loop} \rightarrow Q_2 \\ Q_2 \rightarrow \text{loop} \rightarrow Q_1 & Q_2 \rightarrow \text{loop} \rightarrow Q_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

These effects are strongly model dependent

Other results

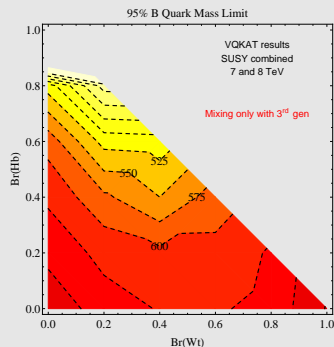
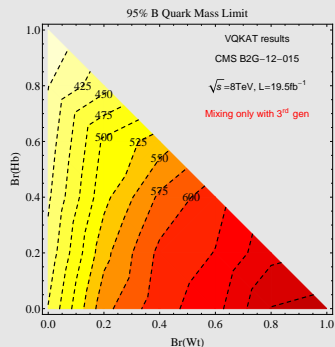
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Bounds above 400 GeV in all the range of BRs with SUSY searches

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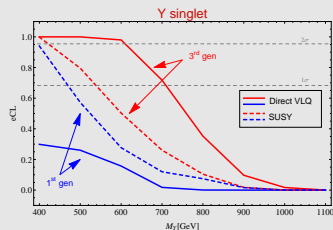
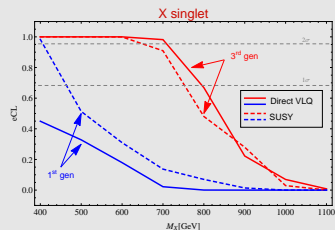
b' in 3rd generation with variable BRs



Also quarks for which the direct search are not dedicated can be bounded

Other results

X and Y quarks



Bounds also on quarks with exotic charge