

Leptoquarks and flavour anomaly searches

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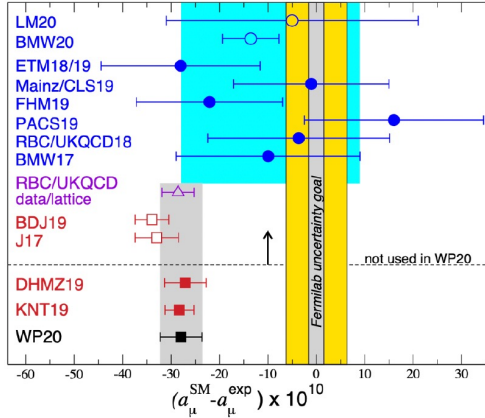
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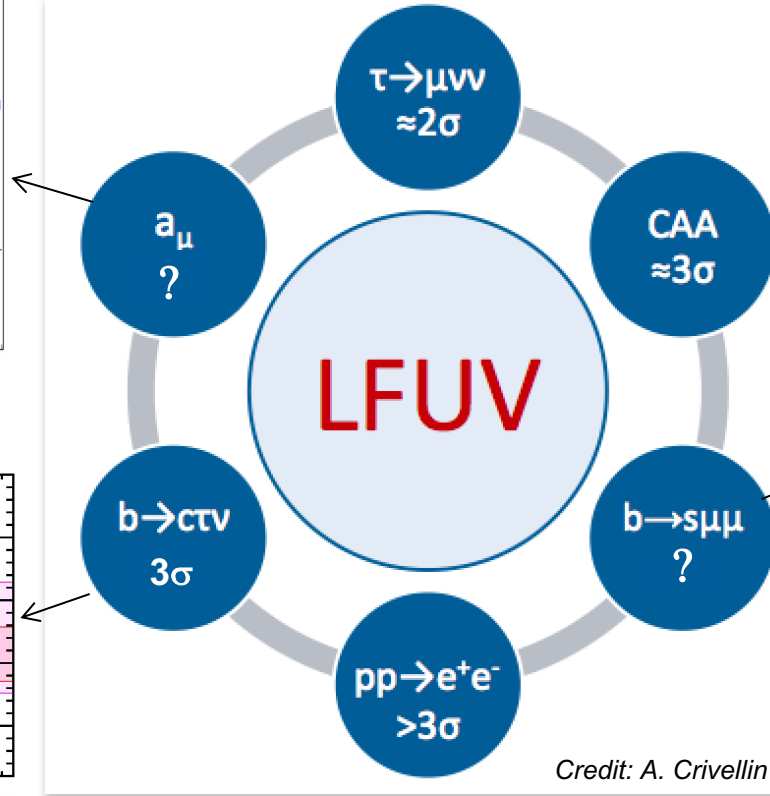
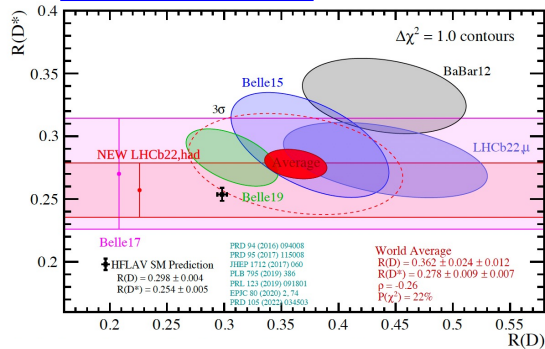


Flavour anomalies

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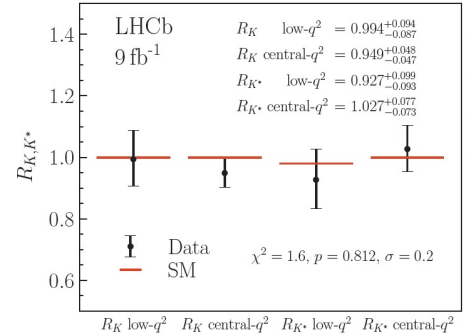


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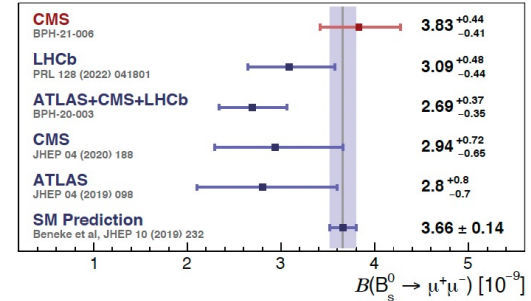
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arXiv:2212.091



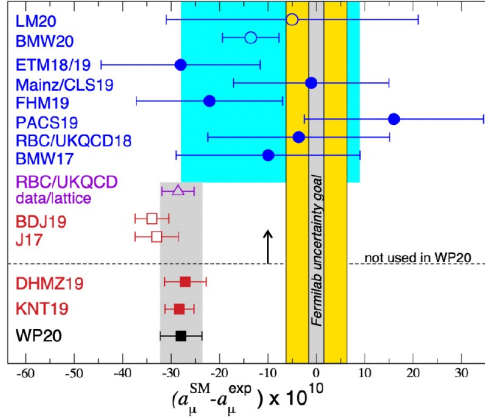
No longer evidence of μ/e universality violation

D. Kovalskiy, ICHEP 2022

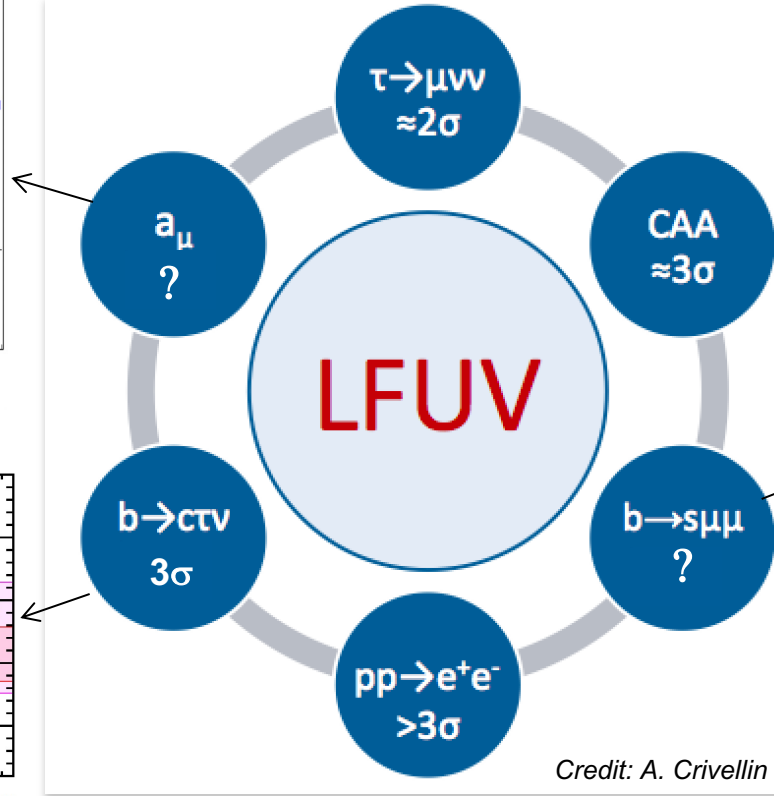
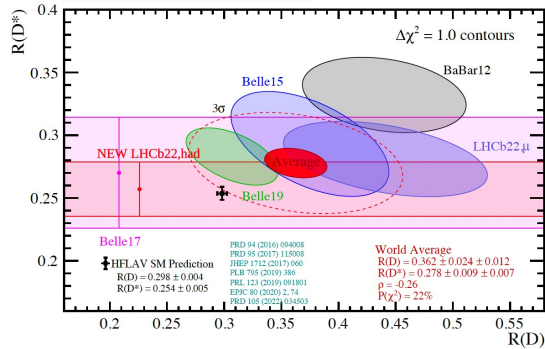


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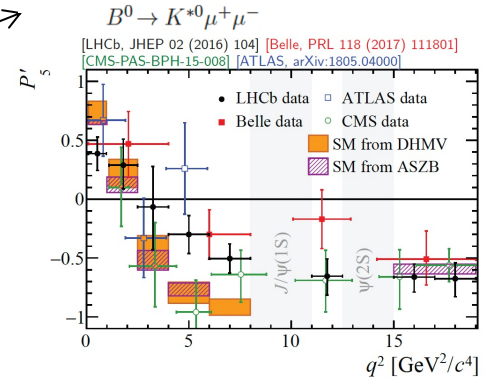
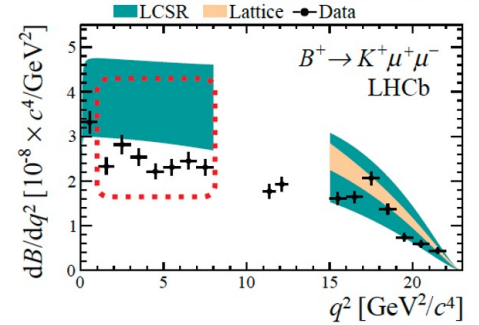
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However, the other $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ anomalies are still there!

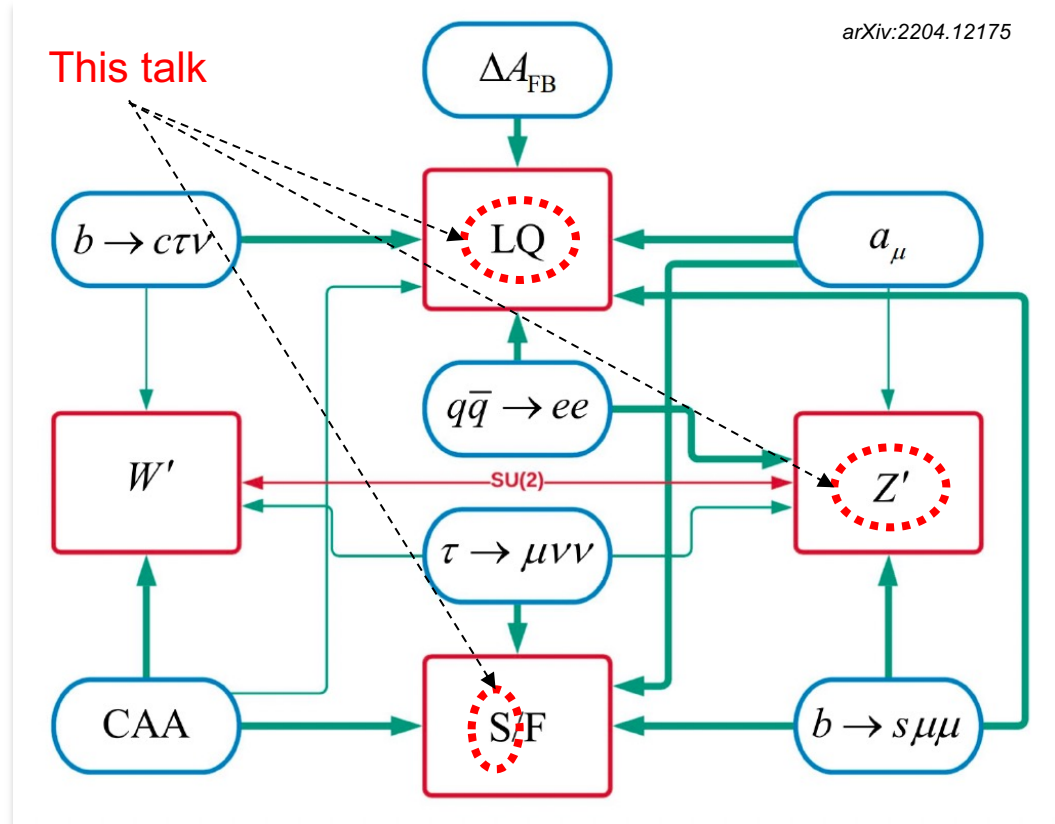
LHCb $B^+ \rightarrow K^+ \mu^+ \mu^-$ [JHEP 06 (2014) 133]



Possible new physics explanations

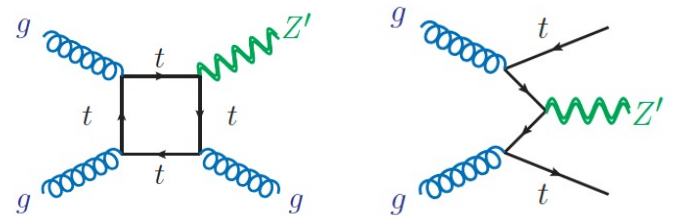
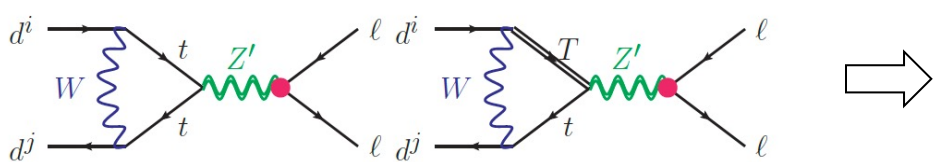
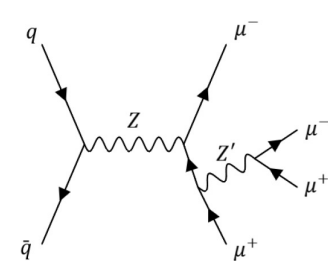
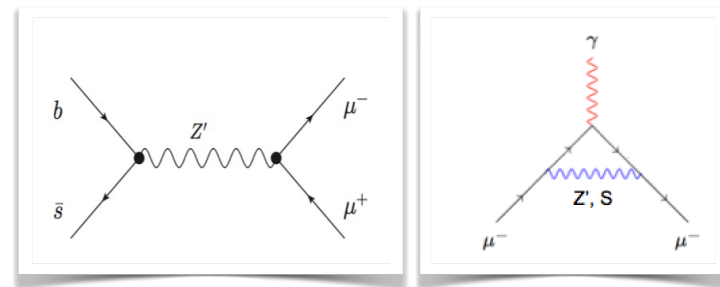
- Hundreds of phenomenological papers over the last years proposing explanations.
- Successful explanations need to satisfy many constraints.
- Today will discuss recent searches (since Moriond 2022) by ATLAS and CMS in the context of non-SUSY explanations of these anomalies.

For recent results on searches for new heavy fermions, see [Haifa Rejeb's talk today](#)



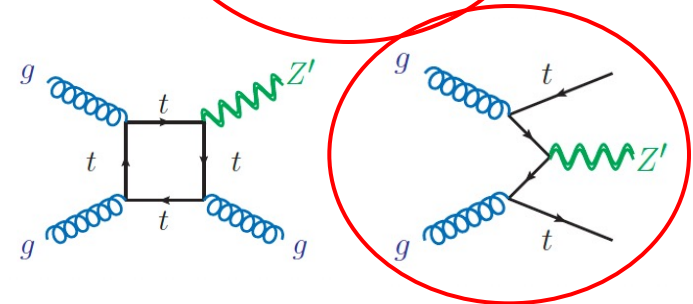
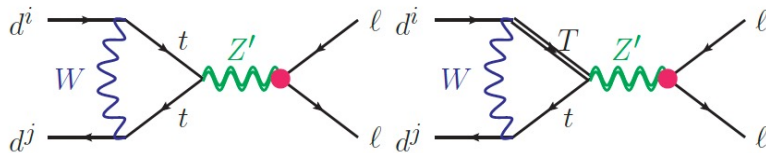
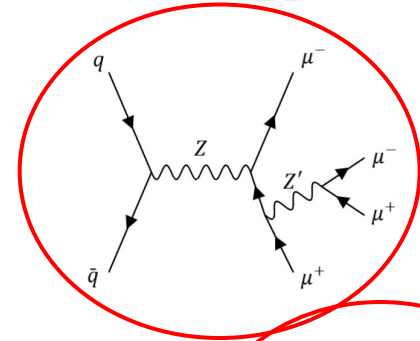
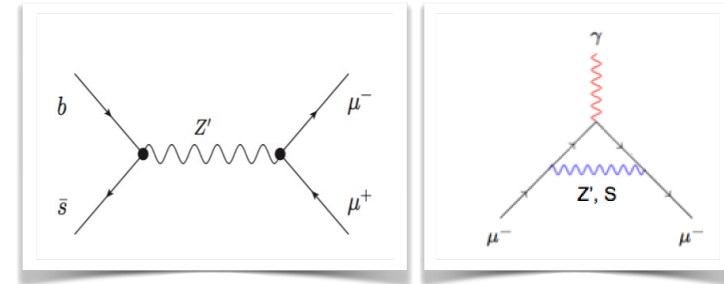
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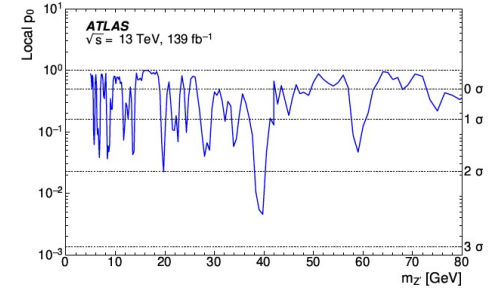
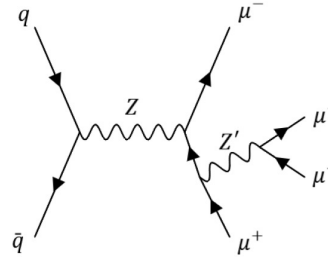
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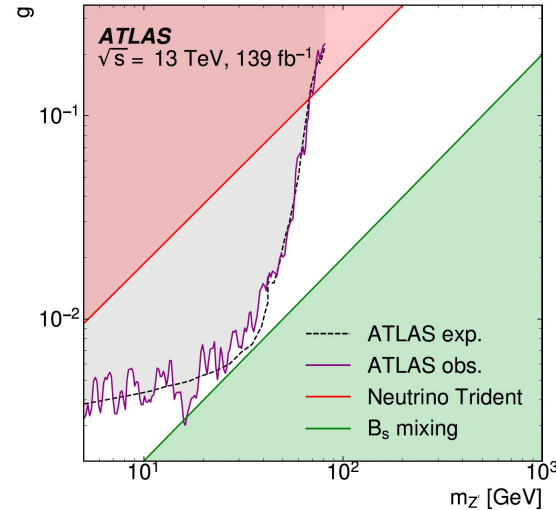
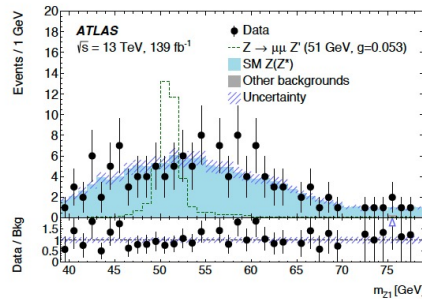
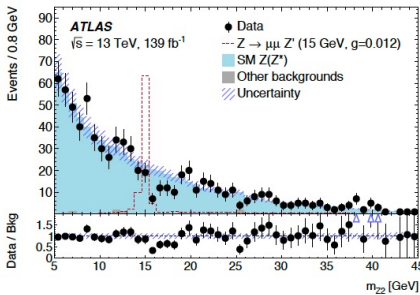
$Z'\mu\mu \rightarrow 4\mu$

- Search for Z' in $L_\mu-L_\tau$ model.
- Event preselection:
 - $\geq 4\mu$ w/ $p_T > 20/15/8/3$ GeV.
 - $\min(m_{\mu\mu}) > 4$ GeV, $\min\Delta R_{(\mu\mu)} > 0.2$
 - $80 < m_{4\mu} < 180$ GeV (excl 110-130 GeV)
- Main background: $Z(Z^*/\gamma^*) \rightarrow 4\mu$
- Dimuon mass pairing:
 - Z1: $\mu^+\mu^-$ pair with smallest $|m_{Z1}-m_Z|$
 - Z2: remaining $\mu^+\mu^-$ pair with largest m_{Z2}
- Further signal-to-background discrimination via cut on a DNN trained using muon and Z1, Z2 kinematics.
- Final discriminating variable: m_{Z1} or m_{Z2} after DNN cut.



No significant excess observed

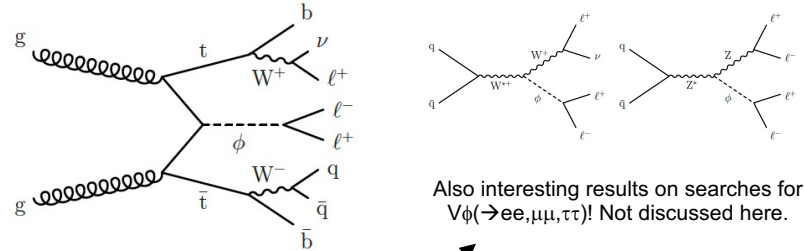
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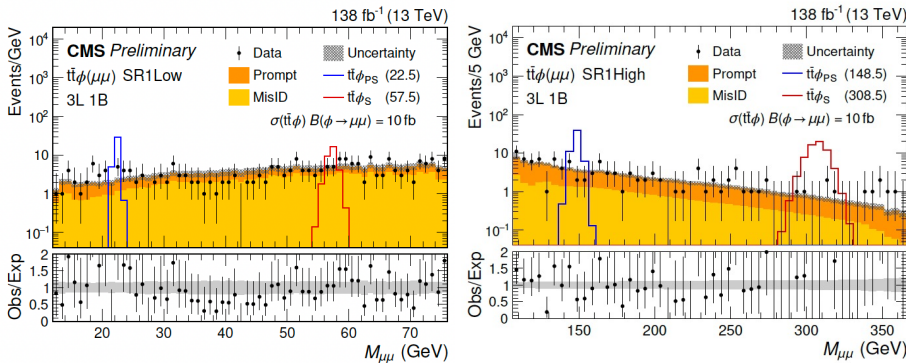
Equivalent CMS analysis:
[CMS-EXO-18-008](#)

$t\bar{t}\phi(\rightarrow ee, \mu\mu, \tau\tau)$

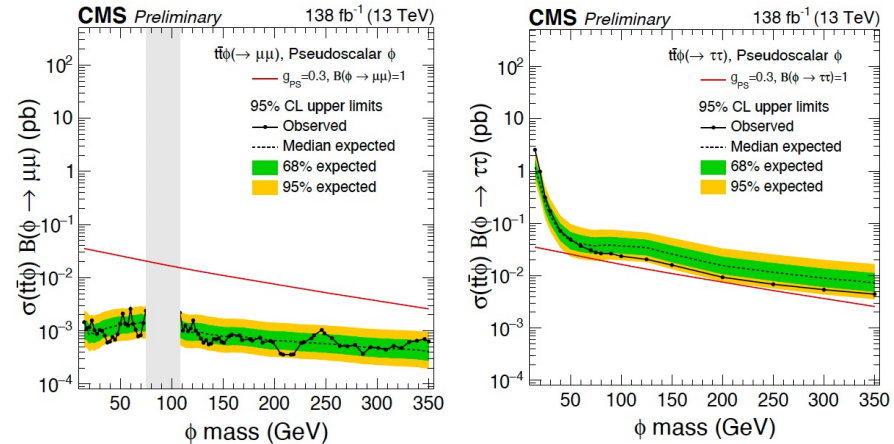
- Search for $t\bar{t}\phi(\rightarrow ee, \mu\mu, \tau\tau)$, with ϕ =scalar or pseudoscalar.
- Broad multilepton search considering 3l and 4l multiplicities (including e, μ and τ_{had}).
- Complex event selection and categorization.
- Main background: tZ^*/γ^* , non-prompt/fake leptons
- A total of 19 signal regions considering different lepton flavor combinations and targeting low/high mass hypotheses.
- Final discriminating variable: dilepton mass.



[CMS-PAS-EXO-21-018](#)



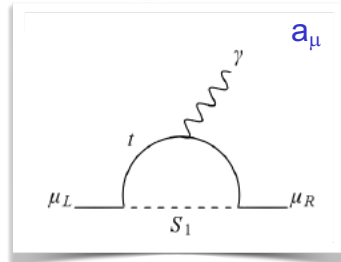
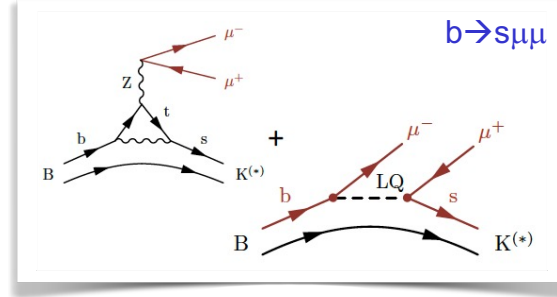
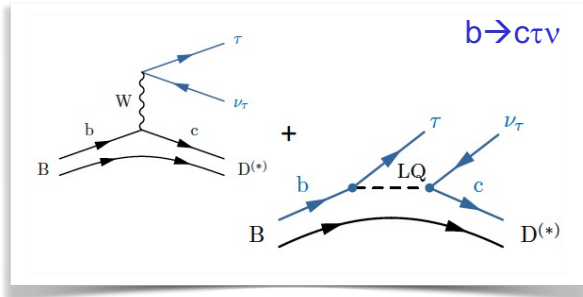
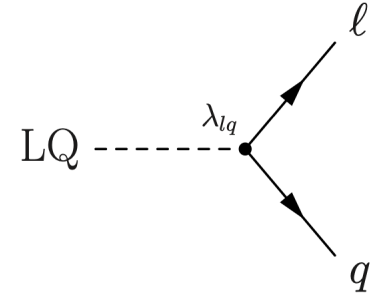
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Experimental limits should also closely apply to $t\bar{t}Z$

Leptoquarks: Overview

- Leptoquarks (LQ) appear in BSM extensions trying to address the SM flavor (and other) puzzles, e.g. GUT SU(5), Pati-Salam SU(4), RPV SUSY, composite Higgs models.
 - Scalars (S , R) or vectors (U)
 - Have fractional charge and carry color, B and L quantum numbers
 - Mediate interactions between quarks and leptons
- Can provide an explanation for different flavor anomalies:



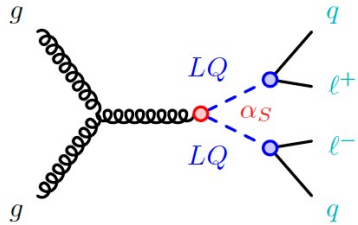
LQ type	$R_{K^{(*)}}$	$R_{D^{(*)}}$	$(g-2)_\ell$ at 1L
\tilde{S}_1	\times^*	\checkmark	\checkmark
\tilde{S}_1	(\times)	(\times)	\times
\tilde{S}_3	\checkmark	\times	\times
R_2	\times^*	\checkmark	\checkmark
\tilde{R}_2	\times	\times	\times
U_1	\checkmark	\checkmark	\times
\tilde{U}_1	\checkmark	\times	(\times)
\tilde{U}_3	\checkmark	\times	(\times)

Most favoured?

arXiv:1808.00943
arXiv:2002.12544

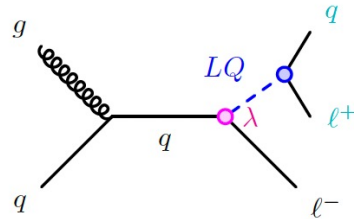
Leptoquarks: Production and decay

Pair production



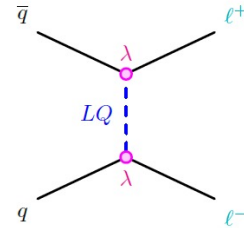
QCD production (universal mode)
 σ only depends on m_{LQ}
 Sensitivity to low m_{LQ}

Single production

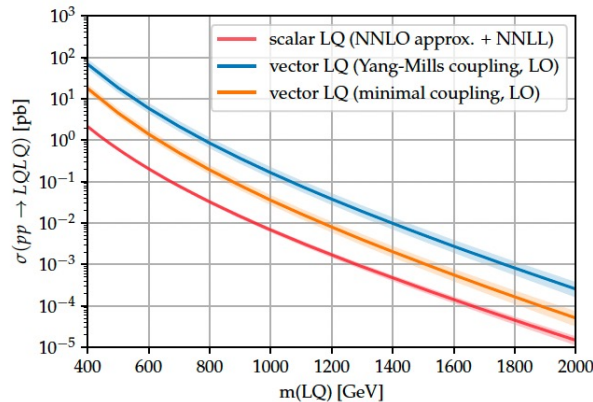
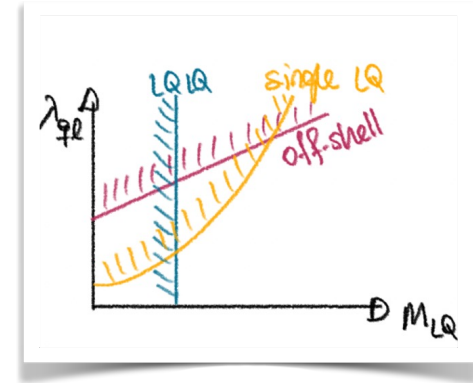


Depends on q PDF
 $\sigma \sim \lambda^2$
 Sensitivity to higher m_{LQ}
 if λ sufficiently large

Off-shell production



(Depends on q PDF)²
 $\sigma \sim \lambda^4$
 Sensitivity to very high m_{LQ}
 if λ sufficiently large



- Explanations of the flavor anomalies put the focus on particular couplings:

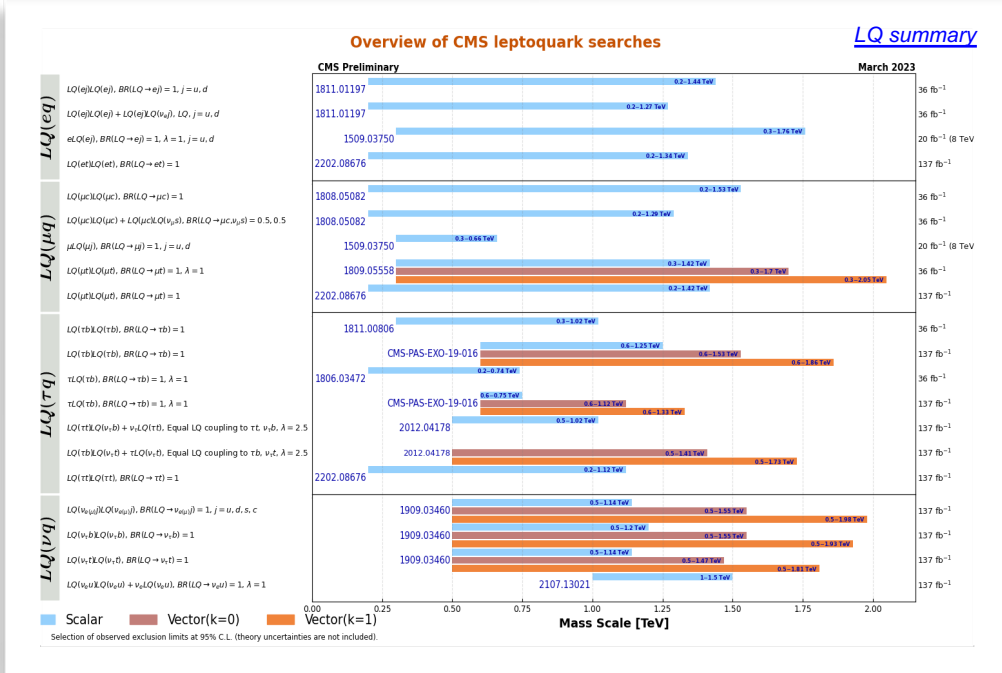
E.g. for the U_1 LQ: $\beta_L = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \beta_L^{d\tau} \\ 0 & \beta_L^{s\mu} & \beta_L^{s\tau} \\ 0 & \beta_L^{b\mu} & \beta_L^{b\tau} \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & +0.04 \\ 0 & +0.02 & +0.2 \\ 0 & -0.2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
arXiv:2103.16558

$LQ \approx LQ_3$

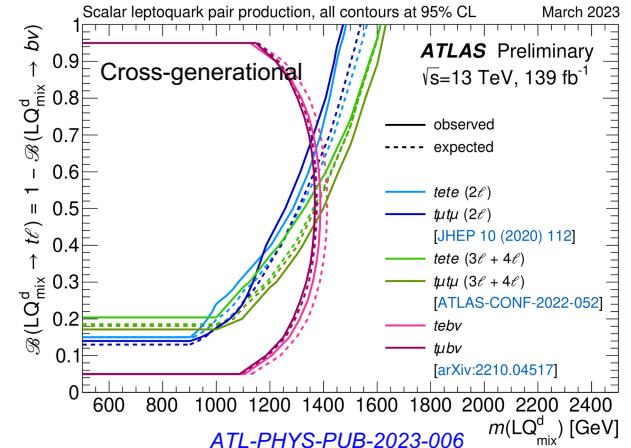
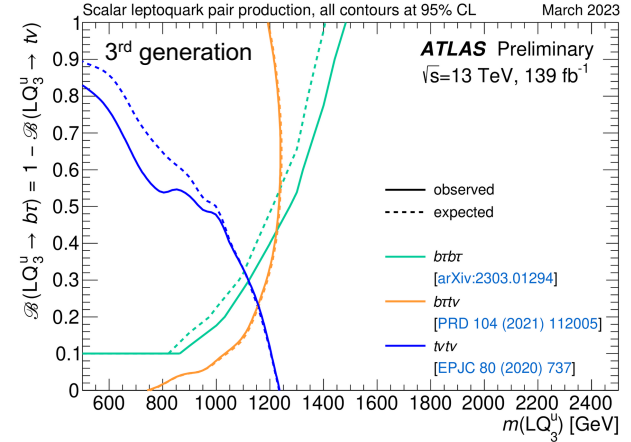
- However, other coupling textures are possible and there may be other LQs that do not affect flavor anomalies \rightarrow **Need a broad program!**



Leptoquarks: State of the art

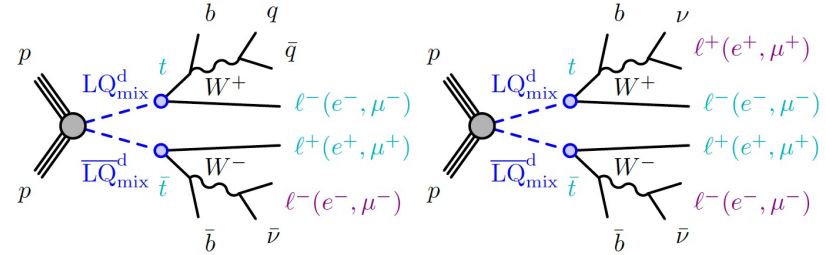


- Broad program of searches for pair-production (including combinations!).
- Growing program of single LQ searches.
- Increasing focus on non-resonant production to reach highest masses.

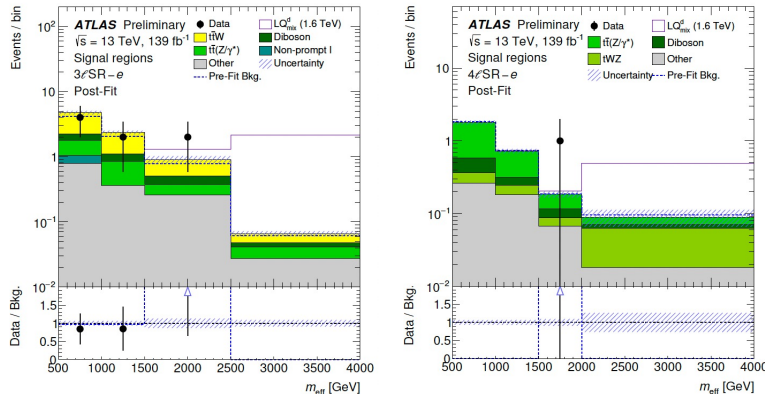


LQ-t-I (I=e,μ): Pair production

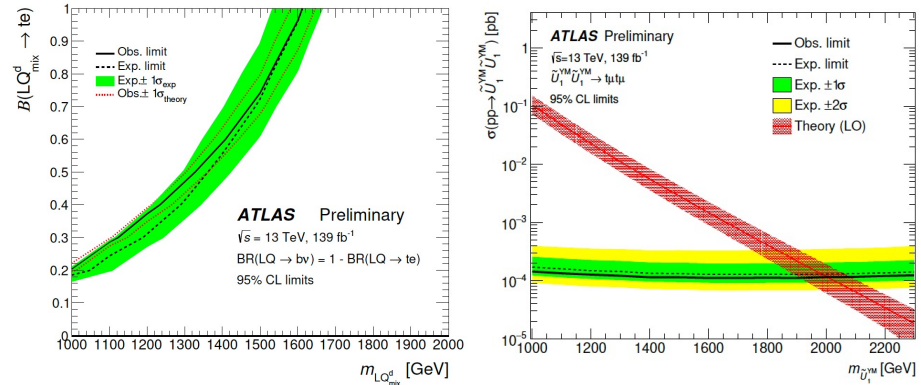
- Event preselection:
 - 3 or 4 light leptons (e or μ), ≥2 jets, ≥1 b-jets
- Main backgrounds: ttW, ttZ/γ*, diboson
- Event categorization:
 - Signal regions: (3l, 4l) separately for tete tμtμ, min(m_{ll})>100 GeV.
 - Control regions for main bkg and validation regions (min(m_{ll})<100 GeV).
- Final discriminating variable:
 - Effective mass: $m_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{l,jets} p_{Tl} + p_{T}^{\text{miss}}$



[ATLAS-CONF-2022-052](#)



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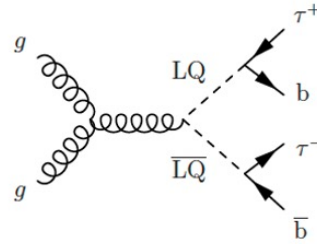
Obs. limits @95% CL (for BR=1):

- Scalar LQ: $m_{LQ} > 1.6$ TeV
- Vector LQ (min. coupl.): $m_{LQ} > 1.7$ TeV
- Vector LQ (YM coupl.): $m_{LQ} > 2.0$ TeV

Equivalent CMS analysis
(see also backup):
[CMS-EXO-21-002](#)

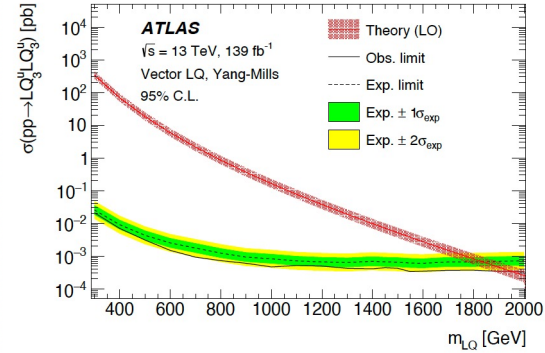
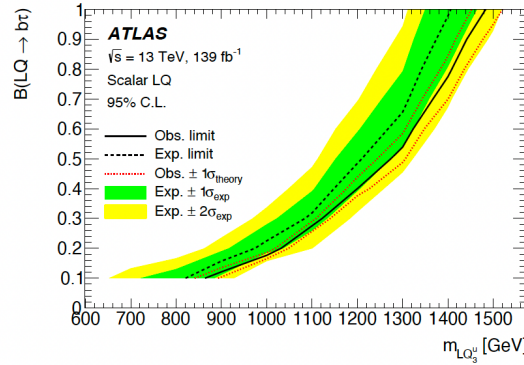
LQ-b- τ : Pair production

- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$, $\tau_l\tau_{had}$ ($l=e,\mu$) channels
 - ≥ 2 jets, ≥ 1 b-jets
 - Single τ_{had} triggers and single-lepton triggers
- Additional requirements:
 - $S_T = \sum_{\tau,j1,j2} p_T + p_T^{miss} > 600$ GeV
 - $p_T^{miss} > 100$ GeV
- Main backgrounds: Top, Z+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Final discriminating variable: Neural Network

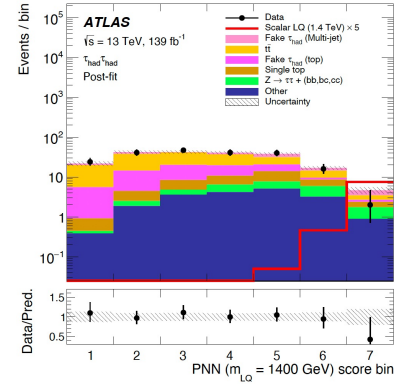
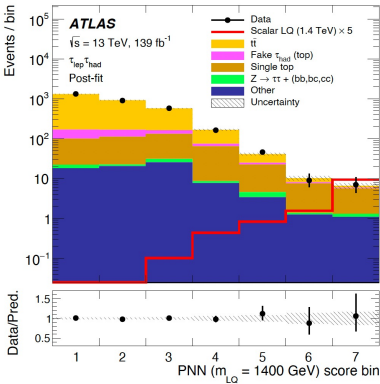


For a recent search on excited taus (and LQLQ $\rightarrow \tau q \bar{q}$ interpretation) see **Aaron Paul O'Neill's talk on Friday**

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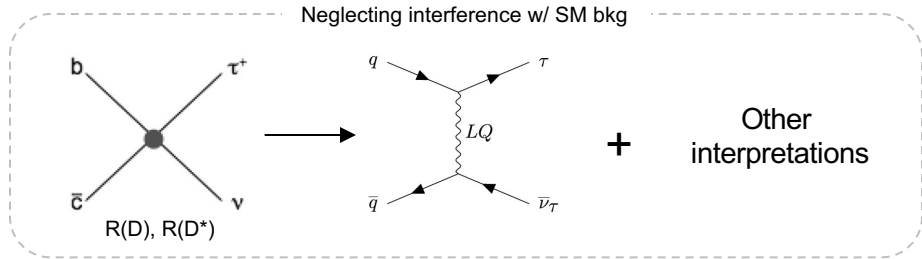
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 Vector LQ (YM coupl.): $m_{LQ} > 1.96$ TeV



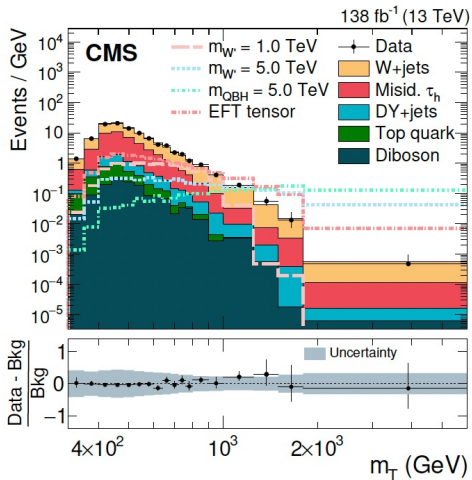
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LQ-b- τ and LQ-c- ν : Non-resonant production

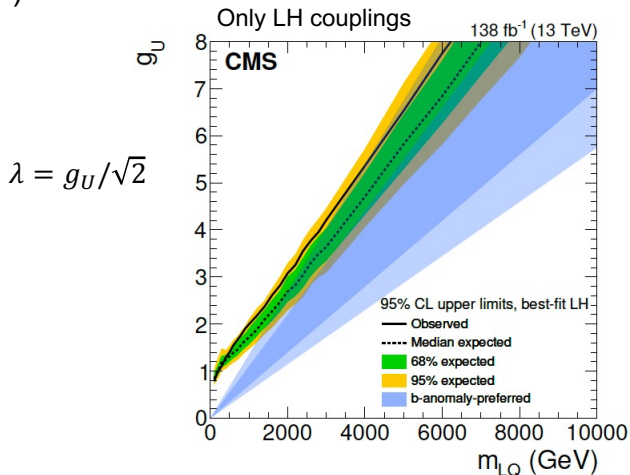
- Event preselection:
 - 1 τ_{had} candidate, $p_T > 130/190$ GeV
 - $p_T^{\text{miss}} > 200$ GeV
 - Single τ_{had} trigger and p_T^{miss} trigger
- Main backgrounds: W+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Final discriminating variable:
 - Transverse mass: $m_T(\tau_{\text{had}}, p_T^{\text{miss}})$



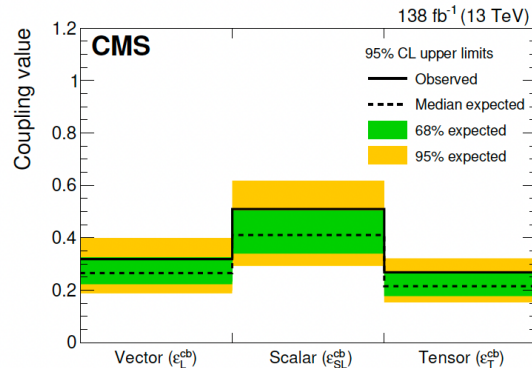
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Starting to probe B-anomaly-preferred region

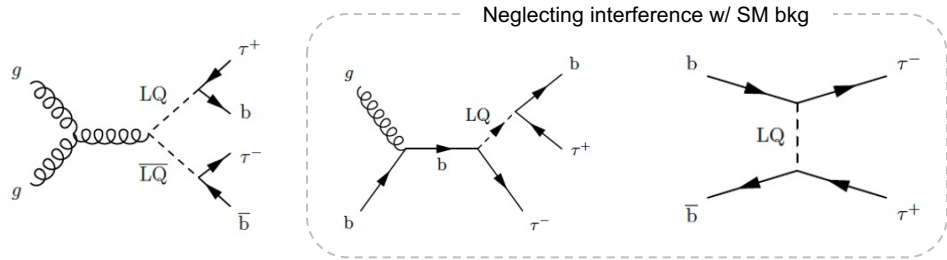


First limits on $b c \tau \nu$ CIs

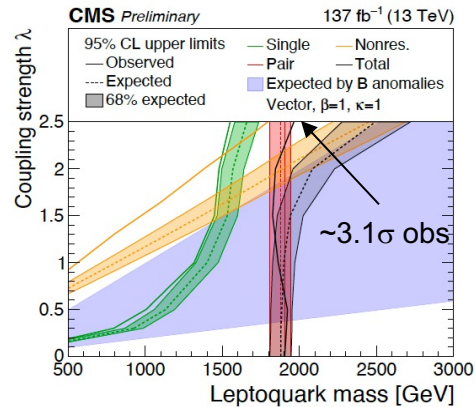
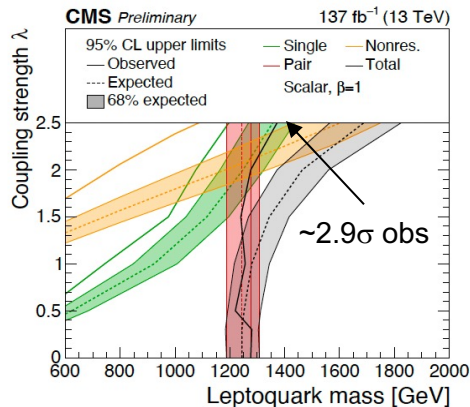
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset -\frac{2V_{ib}}{v^2} \left[\left(1 + \epsilon_L^{ib} \right) \bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu P_L b \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon_R^{ib} \bar{\tau} \gamma_\mu P_L \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu P_R b + \epsilon_P^{ib} \bar{\tau} \sigma_{\mu\nu} P_L \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} P_L b \right. \\ \left. + \epsilon_{S_L}^{ib} \bar{\tau} P_L \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u}_i P_L b + \epsilon_{S_R}^{ib} \bar{\tau} P_L \nu_\tau \cdot \bar{u}_i P_R b \right] + \text{h.c.}$$

LQ-b- τ : All production modes

- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$, $e\tau_{had}$, $\mu\tau_{had}$, $e\mu$, $\mu\mu$ channels
 - Di- τ_{had} triggers and single-lepton triggers
- Main backgrounds: Top, Z+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Event categorization:
 - Resonant: ≥ 1 jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV), split in 2 categories: 0 and ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV)
 - Non-resonant: =0 jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV), low boost & $\Delta\eta$, split in 3 m_{vis} categories
- Final discriminating variable:
 - Resonant: $S_T^{MET} = \sum_{\tau, j} p_T + p_T^{miss}$
 - Non-resonant: $\chi = \exp(|y_{\tau 1} - y_{\tau 2}|)$



[CMS-PAS-EXO-19-016](#)

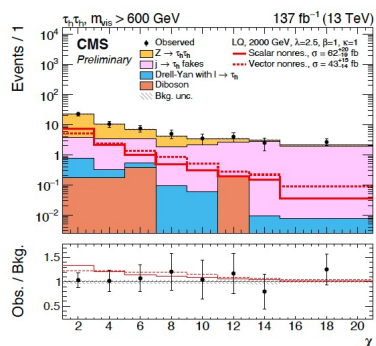
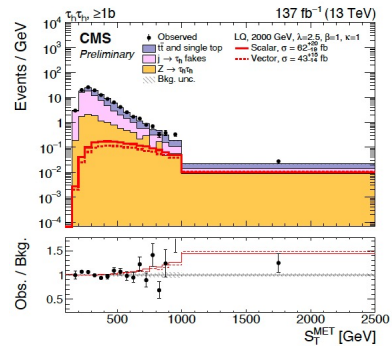


Caveat: the U_1 LQ has BR=0.5

Obs. limits @95% CL:

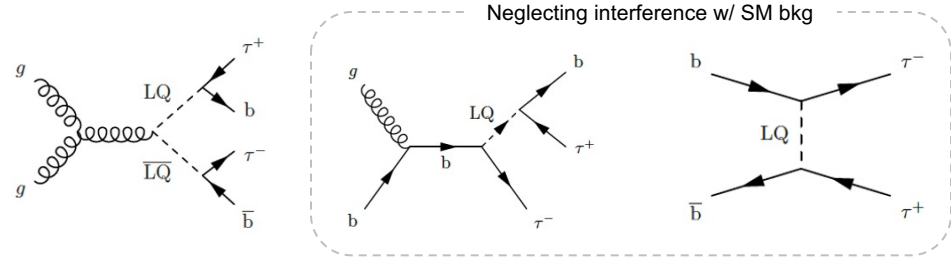
Scalar LQ (BR=1): $m_{LQ} > 1.37$ TeV for $\lambda=2.5$

Vector LQ (YM coupl., BR=1): $m_{LQ} > 1.96$ TeV for $\lambda=2.5$

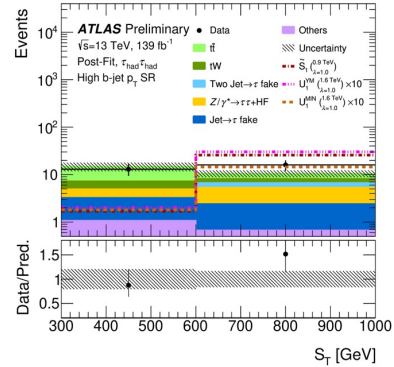
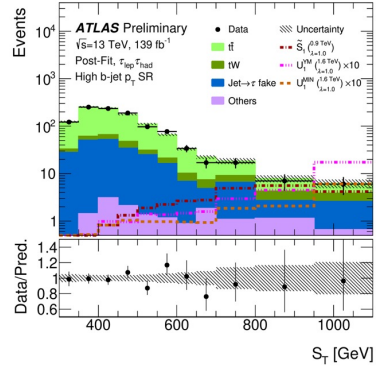


LQ-b- τ : All production modes

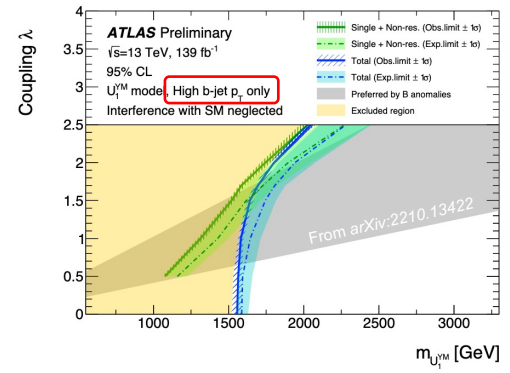
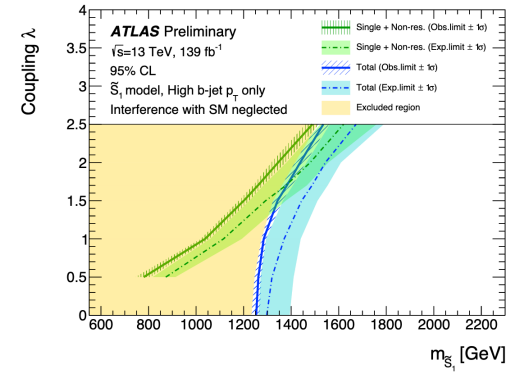
- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{had}\tau_{had}$, $\tau_l\tau_{had}$ ($l=e,\mu$) channels
 - ≥ 1 jets, ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 25$ GeV)
 - Single τ_{had} triggers and single-lepton triggers
- Main backgrounds: Top, Z+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Event categorization:
 - High b-jet p_T : ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 200$ GeV)
 - Low b-jet p_T : ≥ 1 b-jets ($25 < p_T < 200$ GeV)
- Final discriminating variable: $S_T = \sum_{\tau,b1} p_T + p_T^{miss}$



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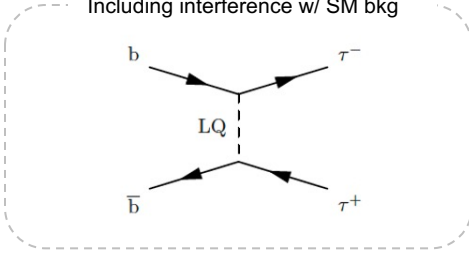
No significant excess observed



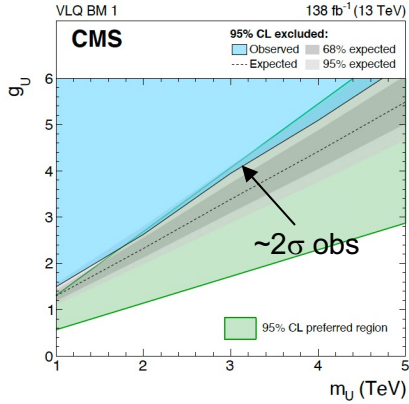
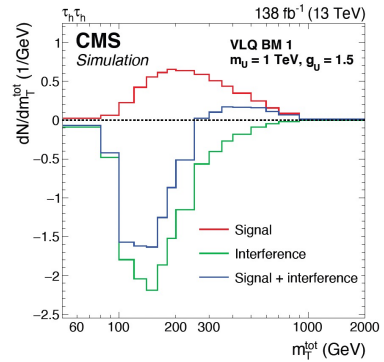
Obs. limits @95% CL:
 Scalar LQ (BR=1): $m_{LQ} > 1.53$ TeV for $\lambda=2.5$
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LQ-b- τ : Comparison of recent results

Including interference w/ SM bkg

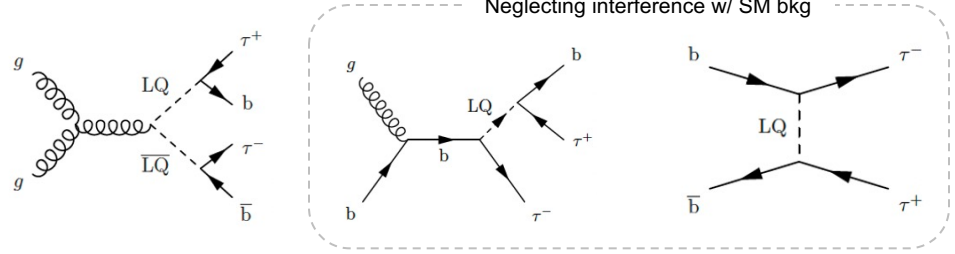


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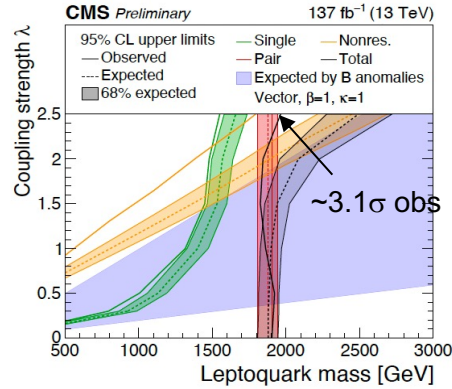


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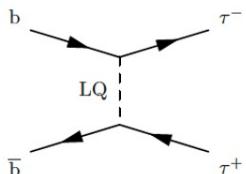


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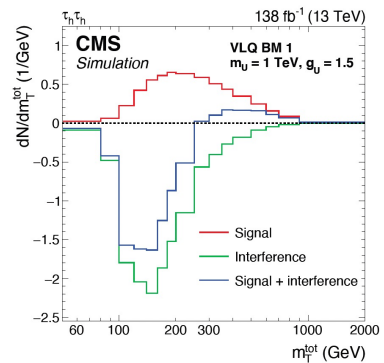


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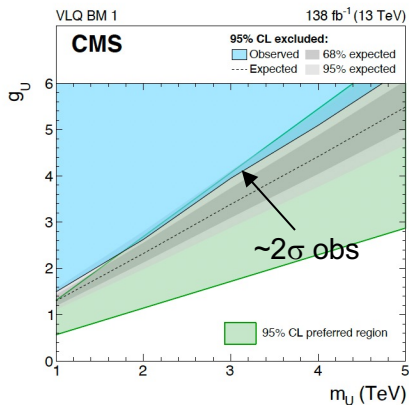
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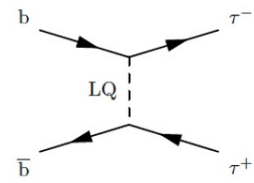
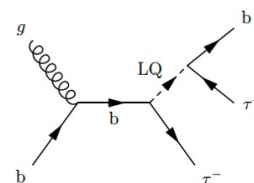
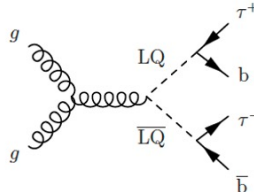
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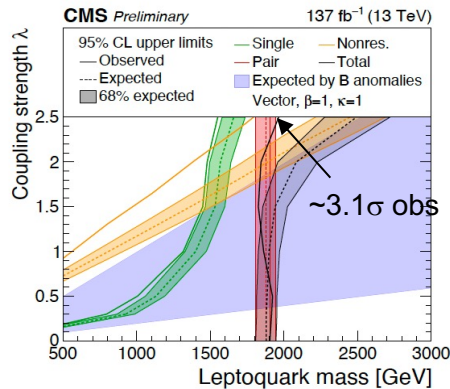


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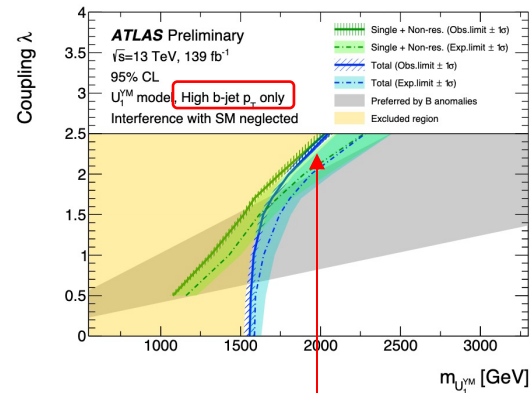


Caveat: BR=1 (CMS) vs BR=0.5 (ATLAS)

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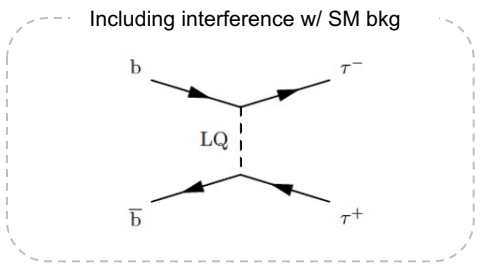


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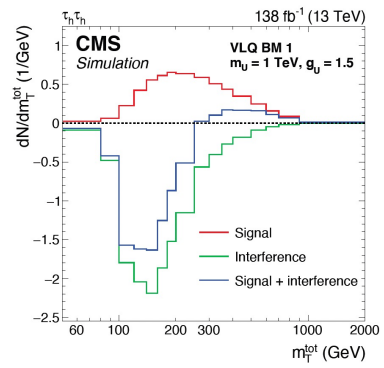


Doesn't exclude CMS' excess

LQ-b- τ : Comparison of recent results

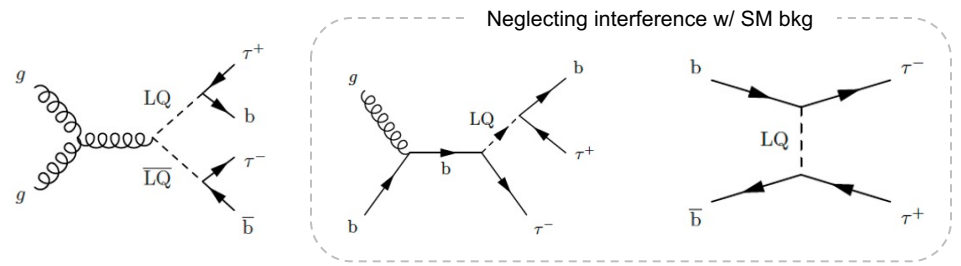
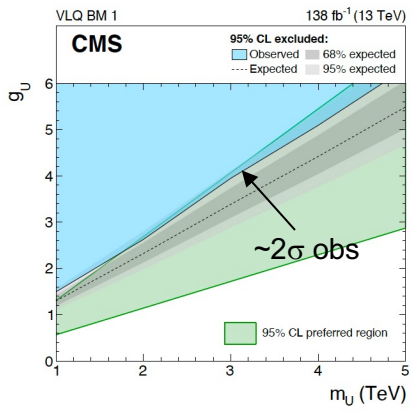


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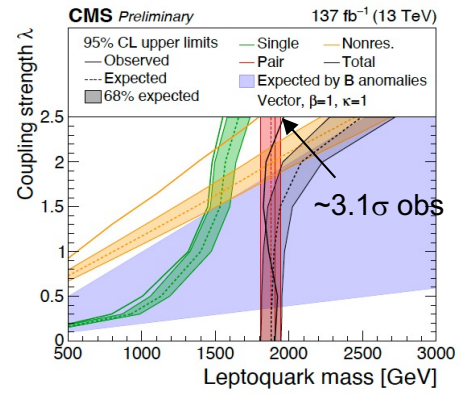
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Need to clarify interference issue for future interpretations



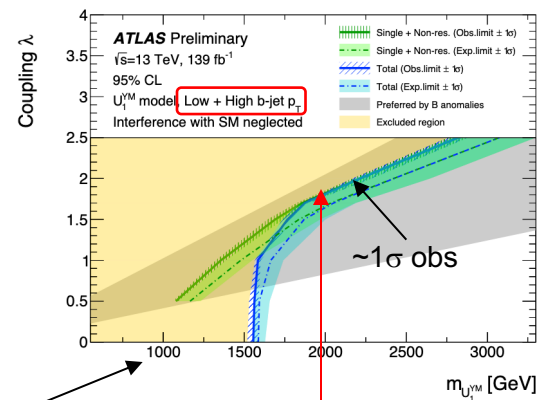
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Large improvement in sensitivity when adding low b-jet p_T category

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Excludes CMS' excess

Conclusions

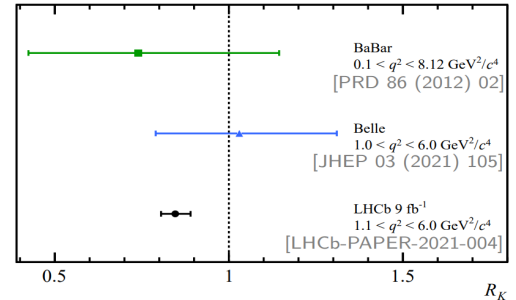
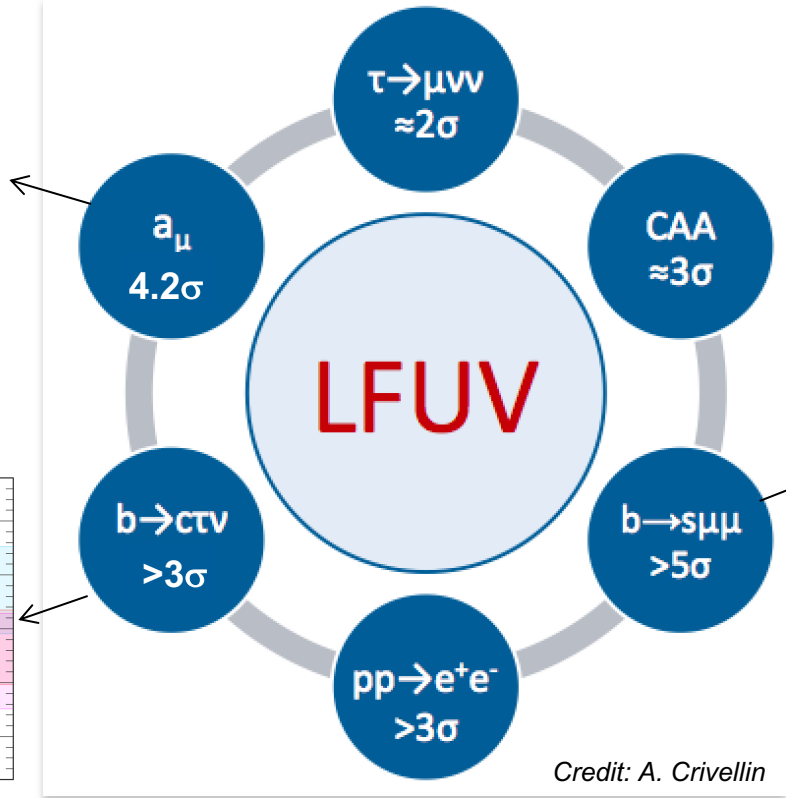
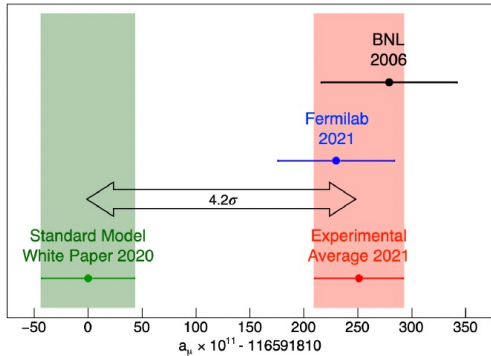
- The picture painted by flavour anomalies is exciting, but also quite confusing!
- More experimental information is needed and ATLAS and CMS have critical contributions to make.
- During Run 2 we have developed a broad search program probing relevant theory parameter space that can explain current anomalies (and beyond!).
 - Leptoquarks
 - Light and heavy vector bosons
 - High-mass Drell-Yan tails and EFT interpretations
 - Vector-like fermions, etc.
- For Run 3 we are building on the lessons learned and expect significant improvements in sensitivity.
 - ➔ Ambitious program with real discovery potential!

Stay tuned!

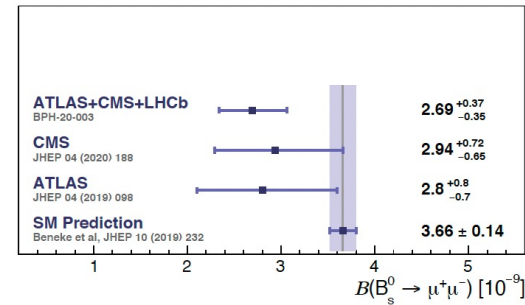
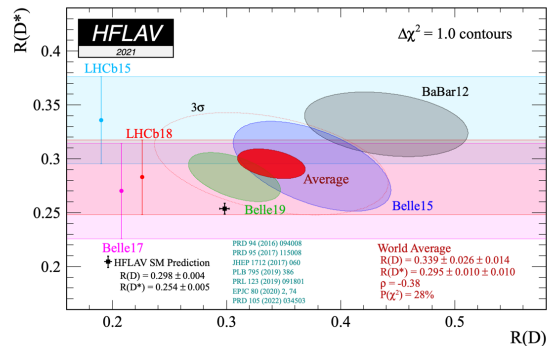


Backup

Flavour anomalies: Circa 2021



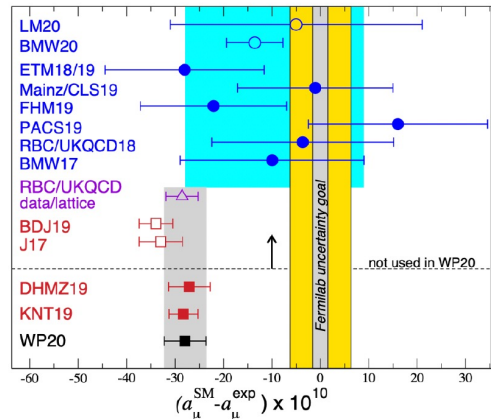
Also: $R(K^*)$, P_5' , $B_s \rightarrow \mu \mu$, $B_s \rightarrow \mu \mu \mu$



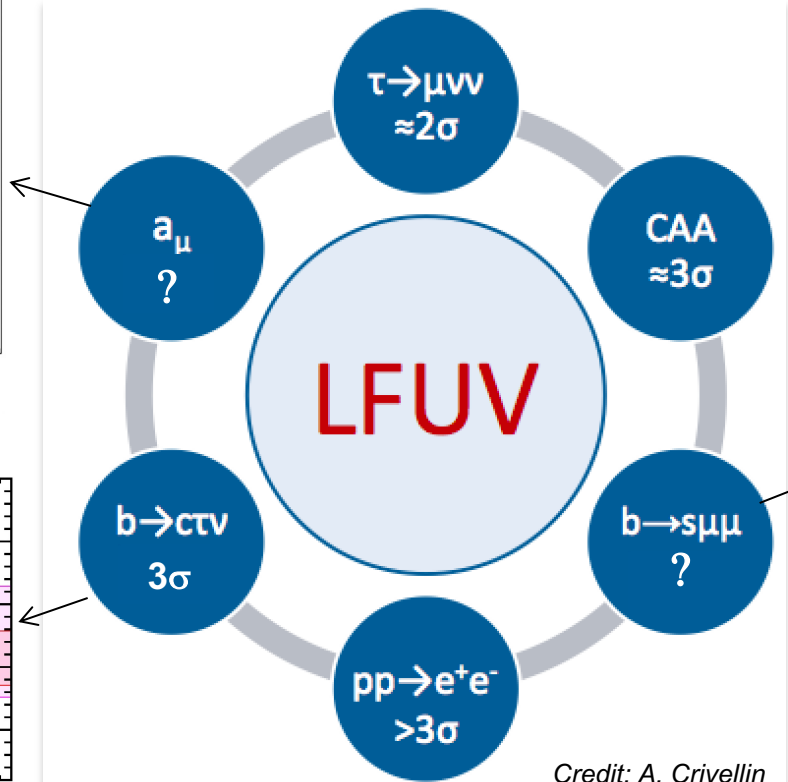
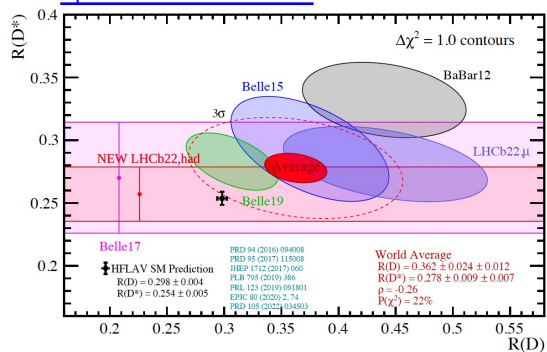
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Flavour anomalies

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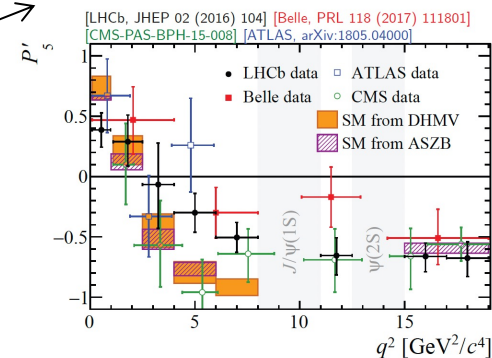
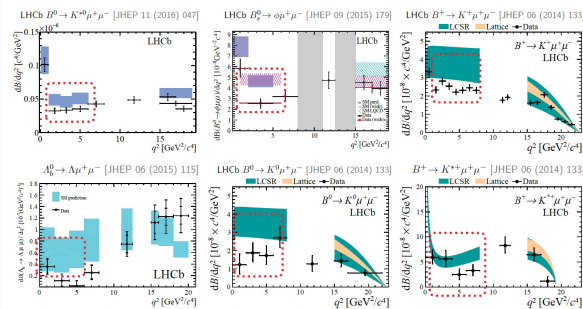


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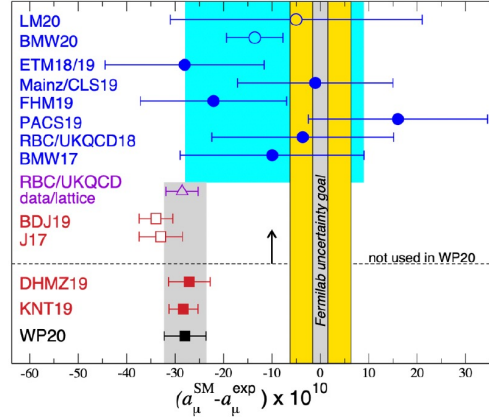
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However, the other $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ anomalies are still there!

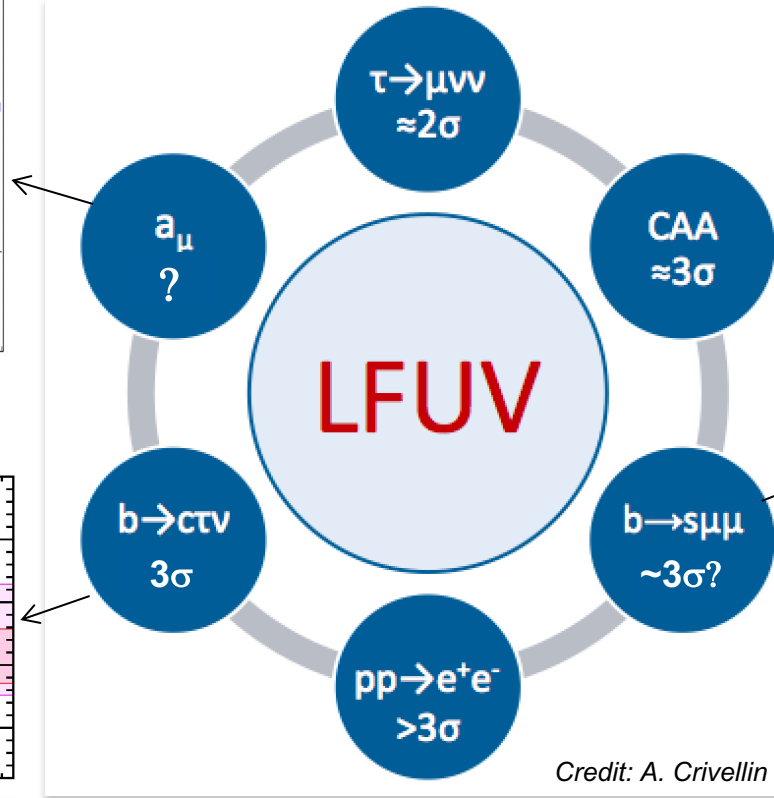
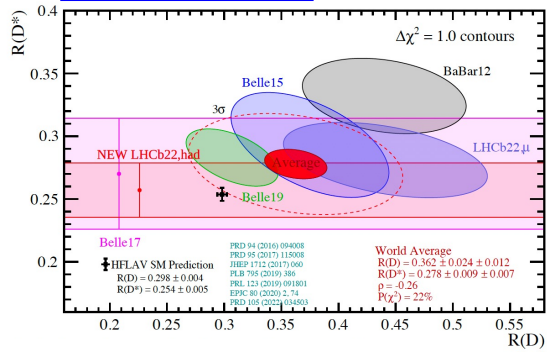


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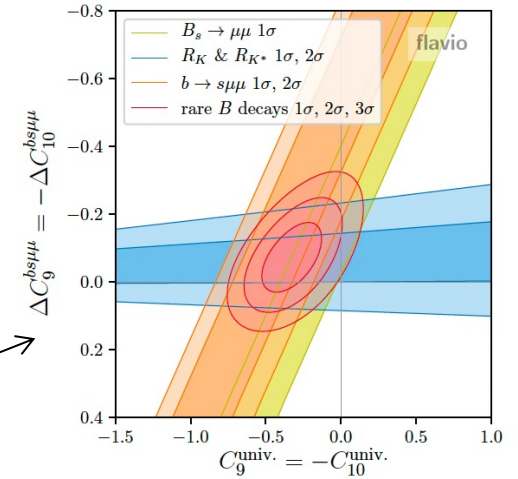
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Global fit to NP coupling purely to left-handed SM fields

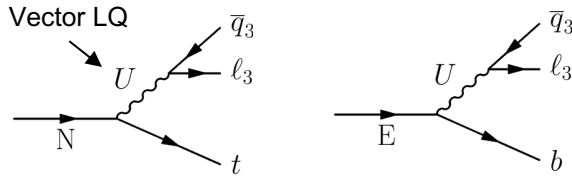
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e/μ -universal NP contribution

Vector-like leptons: Overview

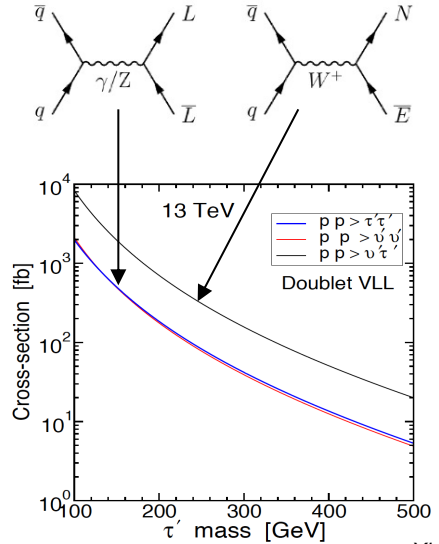
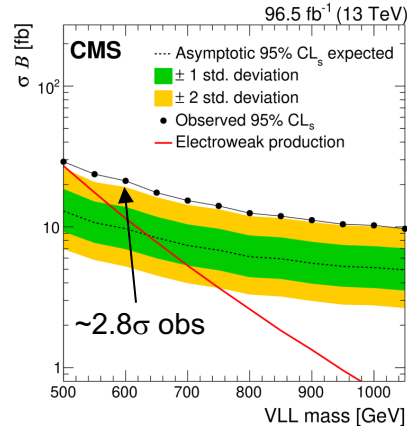
- Predicted in Composite Higgs models and other UV-complete constructions. Typical mass $O(\text{TeV})$.
- Can contribute to $b \rightarrow s \mu \mu$ (via loop effects), a_{μ} , and/or CA anomalies.
- At the LHC dominantly produced in pairs via the EW interaction.
- Typically they are assumed to decay via charge-current and/or neutral-current SM interactions, depending on the $SU(2)_L$ representation.
- However, in particular models the phenomenology can be completely different, such as in the "4321 model".



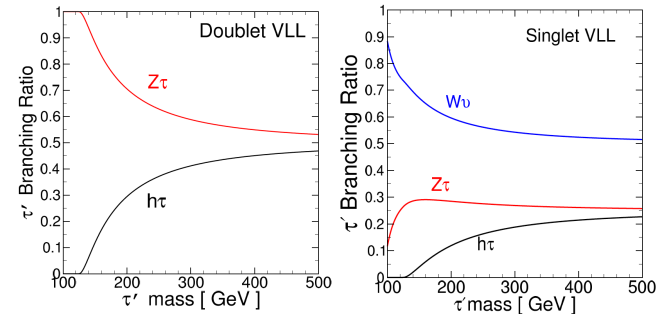
Complex cascades giving heavy-flavored multilepton+multijet final states

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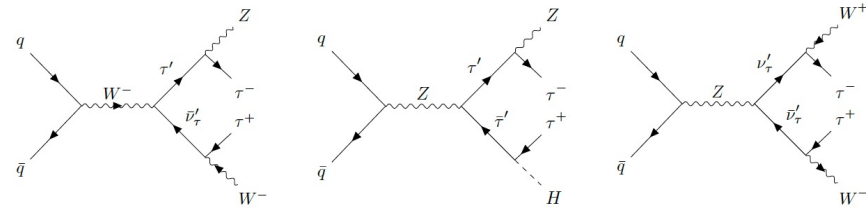


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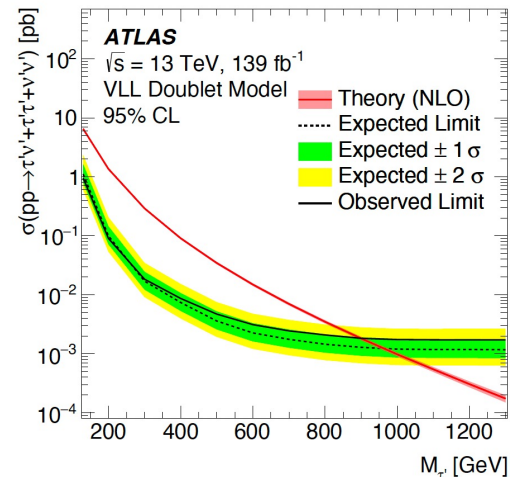
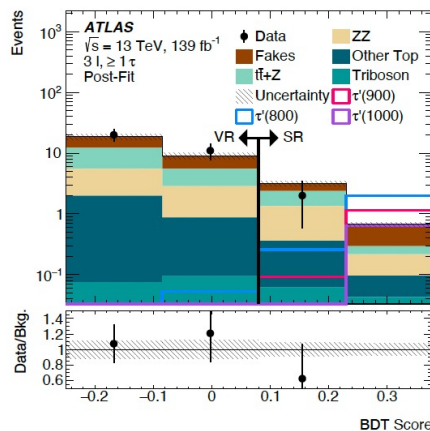
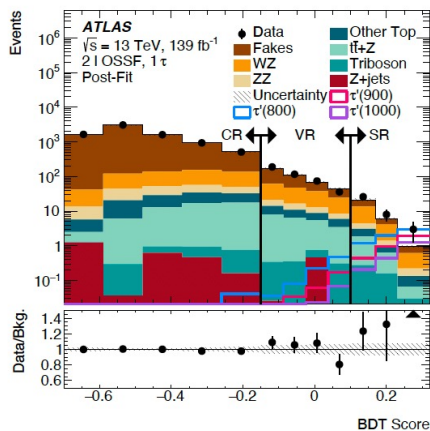


Vector-like taus

- Signature:
 - 2 or 3 light leptons (e or μ) and $\geq 1\tau_{\text{had}}$, or ≥ 4 light leptons.
 - Sizable E_T^{miss} and possibly additional jets.
- Main backgrounds: $t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*$, WZ, ZZ, fake τ_{had} .
- Event categorization:
 - 7 signal regions depending on lepton multiplicity and charge/flavour combinations (for 2l events).
 - 4 control regions and 10 validation regions.
- Final discriminating variable:
 - BDT per signal region.



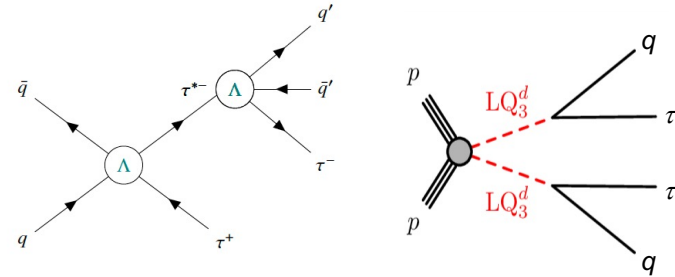
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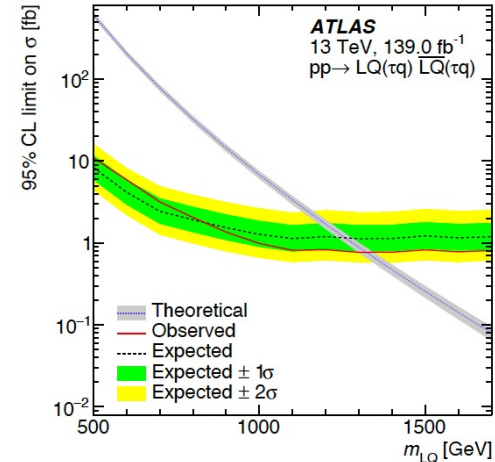
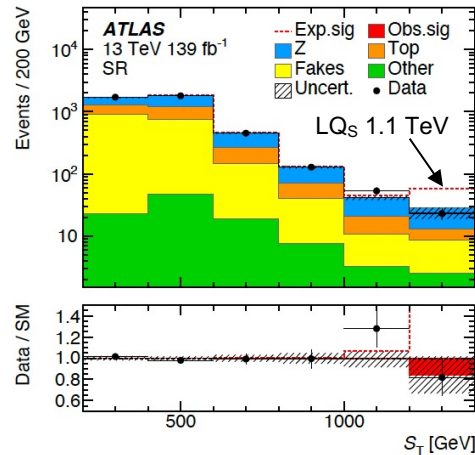
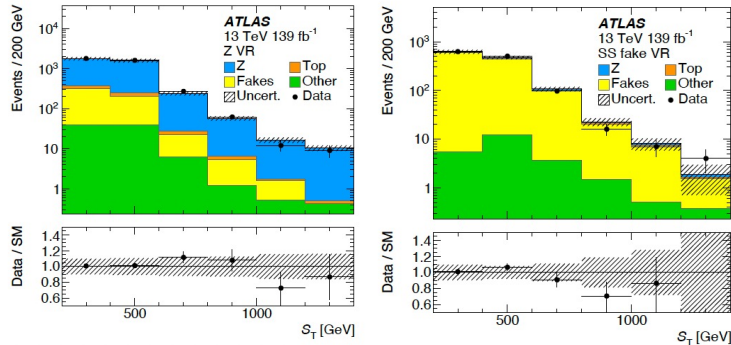
Obs. limit @95% CL:
 VLL Doublet: $m_{LQ} > 900 \text{ GeV}$

LQ-q- τ : Pair production

- Search for excited τ -leptons via a contact interaction. Also interpreted in the context of scalar LQLQ \rightarrow q τ q τ (q=u,d,s,c).
- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}, \geq 2$ jets, di- τ_{had} trigger
- Main backgrounds: Z+jets, Top (tt/tW), Fake τ_{had}
- Event categorization:
 - Signal region: $m_{\tau\tau}^{\text{coll}} > 110$ GeV, $p_{T,\tau} > 70/60$ GeV.
 - Control regions for main backgrounds, along with dedicated validation regions.
- Final discriminating variable: $S_T = \sum_{\tau, \text{jets}} p_T$



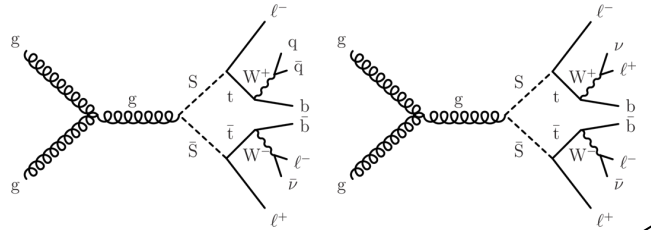
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Obs. limit @95% CL (for BR=1):
Scalar LQ: $m_{LQ} > 1.3$ TeV

LQ-t-I ($l=e,\mu,\tau$): Pair production

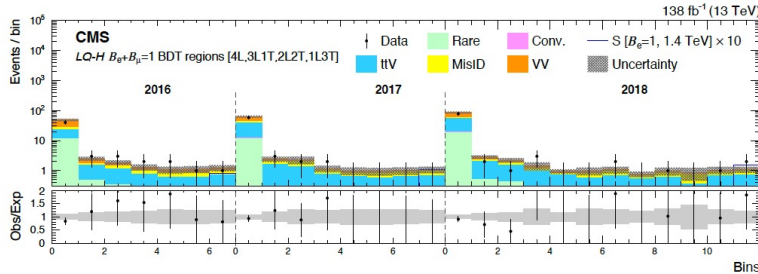
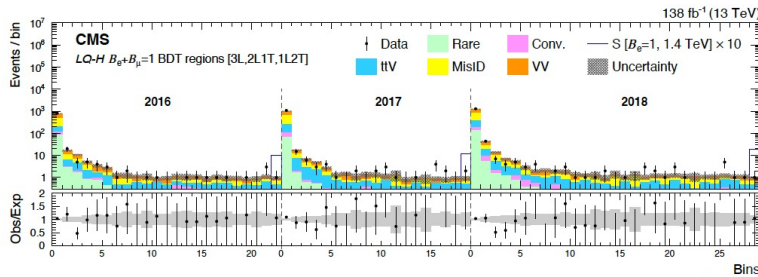
- Event preselection:
 - 3 or 4 leptons ($e, \mu, \text{or } \tau$), $\geq 1 e/\mu$
- Main backgrounds: ttW, ttZ/ γ^* , diboson, non-prompt/fake leptons
- Final discriminating variable:
 - BDT (for model-dependent interpretations)



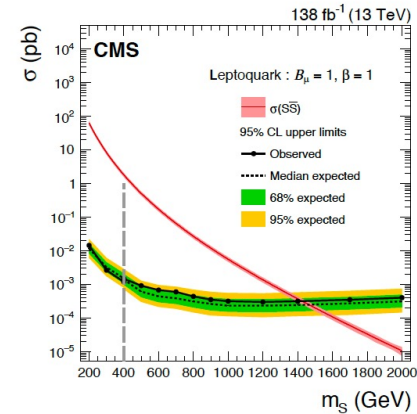
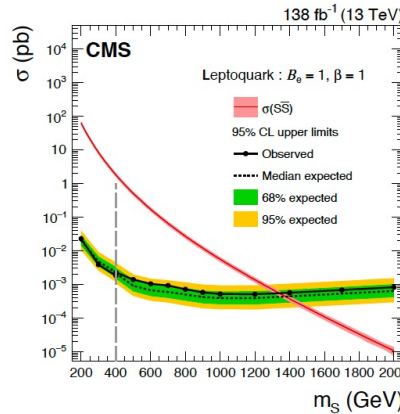
Includes broad model-indep search and additional BSM scenarios:

- Type-III seesaw heavy fermions
- Vector-like taus

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No significant excess observed



Obs. limits @95% CL (for BR=1):

Scalar LQ($\rightarrow t\tau$): $m_{LQ} > 1.34$ TeV

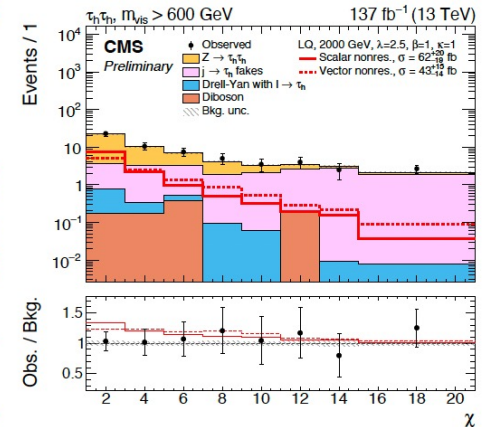
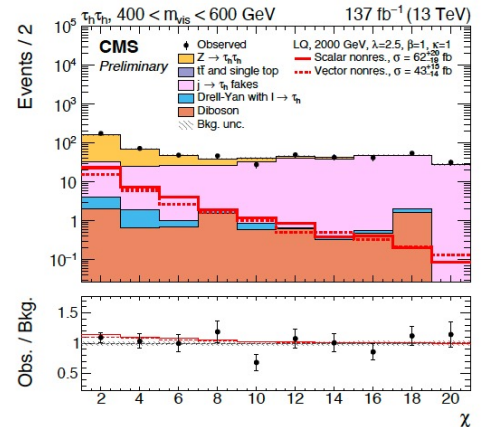
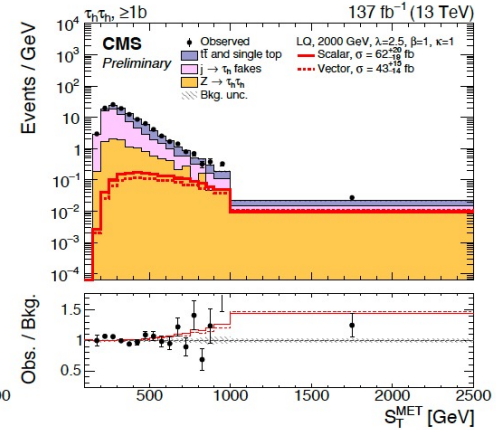
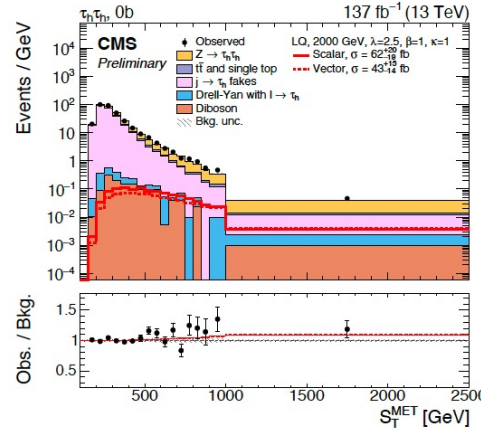
Scalar LQ($\rightarrow t\mu$): $m_{LQ} > 1.42$ TeV

Scalar LQ($\rightarrow t\tau$): $m_{LQ} > 1.12$ TeV

LQ-b- τ : All production modes

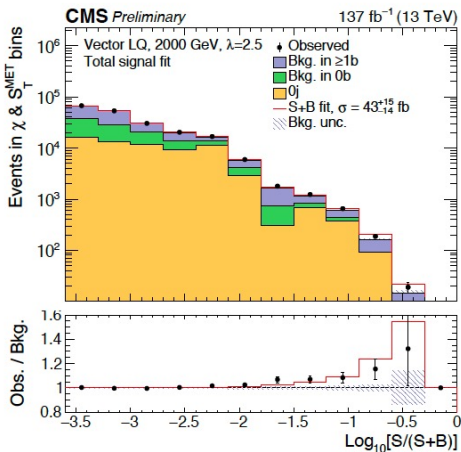
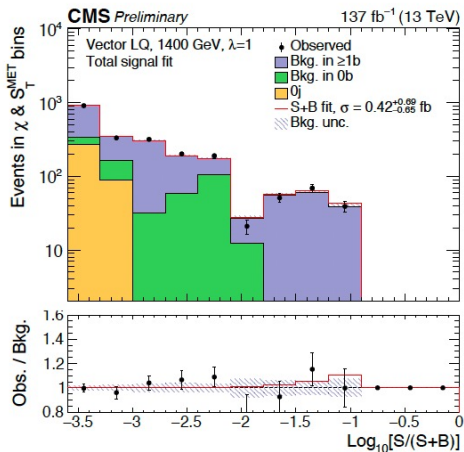
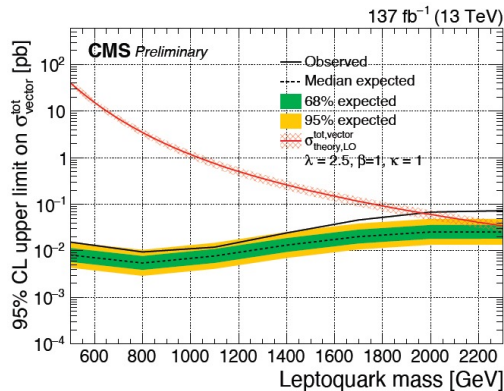
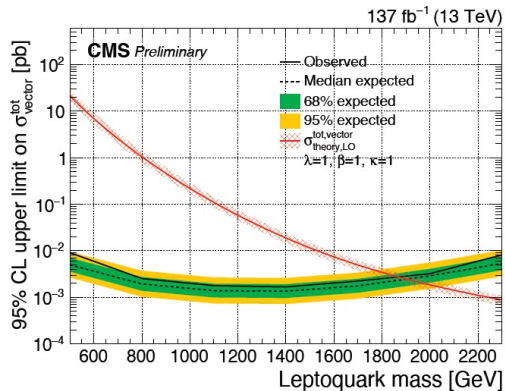
- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$, $e\tau_{\text{had}}$, $\mu\tau_{\text{had}}$, $e\mu$, $\mu\mu$ channels
 - Di- τ_{had} triggers and single-lepton triggers
- Main backgrounds: Top, Z+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Event categorization:
 - Resonant: ≥ 1 jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV), split in 2 categories: 0 and ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV)
 - Non-resonant: ≥ 0 jets ($p_T > 50$ GeV), low boost & $\Delta\eta$, split in 3 m_{vis} categories
- Final discriminating variable:
 - Resonant: $S_T^{\text{MET}} = \sum_{\tau, j} p_T + p_T^{\text{miss}}$
 - Non-resonant: $\chi = \exp(|y_{\tau_1} - y_{\tau_2}|)$

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LQ-b- τ : All production modes

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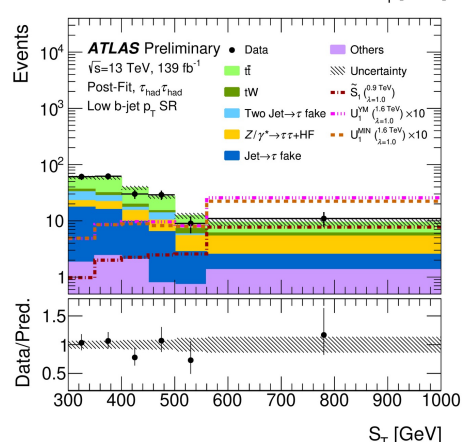
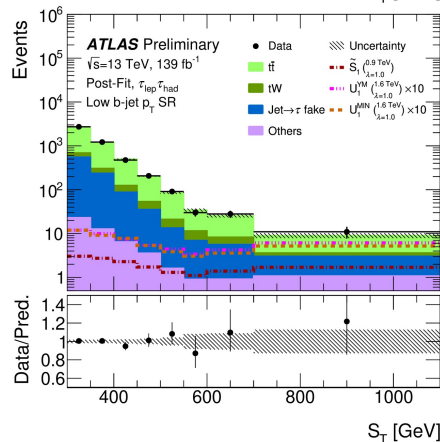
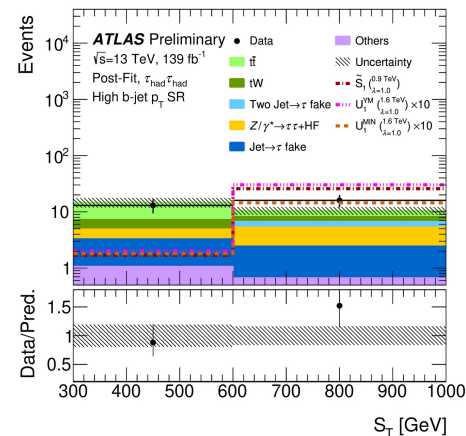
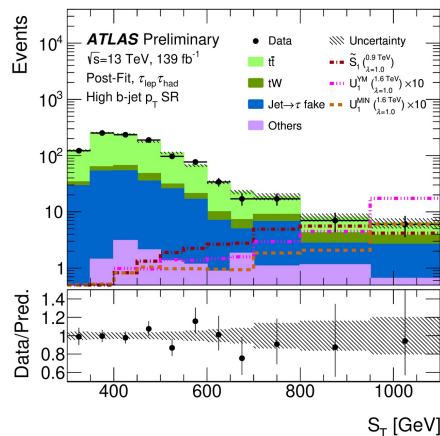
Signal	$m_{LQ} = 1400 \text{ GeV}$		$m_{LQ} = 2000 \text{ GeV}$	
	σ [pb]	z	σ [fb]	z
Scalar				
Pair	$0.24^{+0.47}_{-0.45}$	0.5	$0.22^{+0.41}_{-0.39}$	0.0
Single, $\lambda = 1$	$1.15^{+0.95}_{-0.92}$	1.3	$0.64^{+0.68}_{-0.65}$	1.0
Single, $\lambda = 2.5$	$9.1^{+5.6}_{-5.3}$	1.7	18^{+11}_{-11}	1.7
Nonres.	70^{+23}_{-22}	3.4	63^{+20}_{-19}	3.5
Total, $\lambda = 1$	$1.7^{+1.9}_{-1.8}$	0.9	$9.6^{+6.2}_{-5.9}$	1.7
Total, $\lambda = 2.5$	43^{+16}_{-15}	2.9	62^{+20}_{-19}	3.4
Vector, $\kappa = 0$				
Pair	$0.24^{+0.46}_{-0.44}$	0.0	$0.24^{+0.41}_{-0.39}$	0.0
Single, $\lambda = 1$	$1.00^{+0.89}_{-0.85}$	1.2	$0.60^{+0.66}_{-0.63}$	1.0
Single, $\lambda = 2.5$	$9.1^{+6.5}_{-6.2}$	1.5	25^{+18}_{-17}	1.4
Nonres.	58^{+18}_{-17}	3.5	51^{+16}_{-15}	3.5
Total, $\lambda = 1$	$1.2^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$	0.8	$7.7^{+5.1}_{-4.8}$	1.7
Total, $\lambda = 2.5$	$12.2^{+7.1}_{-6.8}$	1.8	43^{+15}_{-14}	3.1
Vector, $\kappa = 1$				
Pair	$0.24^{+0.46}_{-0.44}$	0.0	$0.24^{+0.41}_{-0.39}$	0.0
Single, $\lambda = 1$	$1.00^{+0.89}_{-0.85}$	1.2	$0.60^{+0.66}_{-0.63}$	1.0
Single, $\lambda = 2.5$	$9.1^{+6.5}_{-6.2}$	1.5	25^{+18}_{-17}	1.4
Nonres.	58^{+18}_{-17}	3.5	51^{+16}_{-15}	3.5
Total, $\lambda = 1$	$0.42^{+0.69}_{-0.66}$	0.0	$1.3^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$	0.5
Total, $\lambda = 2.5$	$12.2^{+7.1}_{-6.8}$	1.8	43^{+15}_{-14}	3.1

LQ-b- τ : All production modes

- Event preselection:
 - $\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}}$, $\tau_l\tau_{\text{had}}$ ($l=e,\mu$) channels
 - ≥ 1 jets, ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 25$ GeV)
 - Single τ_{had} triggers and single-lepton triggers
- Main backgrounds: Top, Z+jets, Fake τ_{had}
- Event categorization:
 - High b-jet p_T : ≥ 1 b-jets ($p_T > 200$ GeV)
 - Low b-jet p_T : ≥ 1 b-jets ($25 < p_T < 200$ GeV)
- Default interpretation considers only high b-jet p_T category to reduce impact from neglected interference w/ SM bkg.

Final discriminating variable: $S_T = \sum_{\tau,b1} p_T + p_T^{\text{miss}}$

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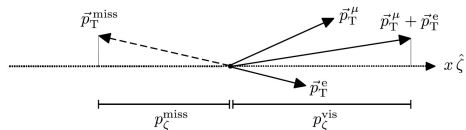
Non-resonant LQ in $bb \rightarrow \tau\tau$



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	No b tag			b tag		
$e\mu$	Low- D_ζ	Medium- D_ζ	High- D_ζ	Low- D_ζ	Medium- D_ζ	High- D_ζ
$e\tau_h$	Loose- m_T	Tight- m_T		Loose- m_T	Tight- m_T	
$\mu\tau_h$	Loose- m_T	Tight- m_T		Loose- m_T	Tight- m_T	
$\tau_h\tau_h$						
$t\bar{t}(e\mu)$						$D_\zeta < -35 \text{ GeV}$

Signal region (SR)
 Control region



$$D_\zeta = p_\zeta^{\text{miss}} + 0.85 p_\zeta^{\text{vis}}; \quad p_\zeta^{\text{miss}} = \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}} \cdot \hat{\zeta}; \quad p_\zeta^{\text{vis}} = (\vec{p}_T^e + \vec{p}_T^\mu) \cdot \hat{\zeta},$$

$$m_T^{e(\mu)} = m_T(\vec{p}_T^{e(\mu)}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}), \quad \text{with} \quad m_T(\vec{p}_T^i, \vec{p}_T^j) = \sqrt{2 p_T^i p_T^j (1 - \cos \Delta\varphi)},$$

$$m_T^{\text{tot}} = \sqrt{m_T^2(\vec{p}_T^{\tau_1}, \vec{p}_T^{\tau_2}) + m_T^2(\vec{p}_T^{\tau_1}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}) + m_T^2(\vec{p}_T^{\tau_2}, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})},$$

Shown at Moriond EW 2022

