

“NEUTRINOS @ THE LHC”

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NEUTRINOS @ COLLIDERS (?)

They Are All Gone!
-- as “missing energies”

Time has changed: They are “seen”!



First Physics Results from the FASER Experiment

Brian Petersen on behalf of
the FASER Collaboration

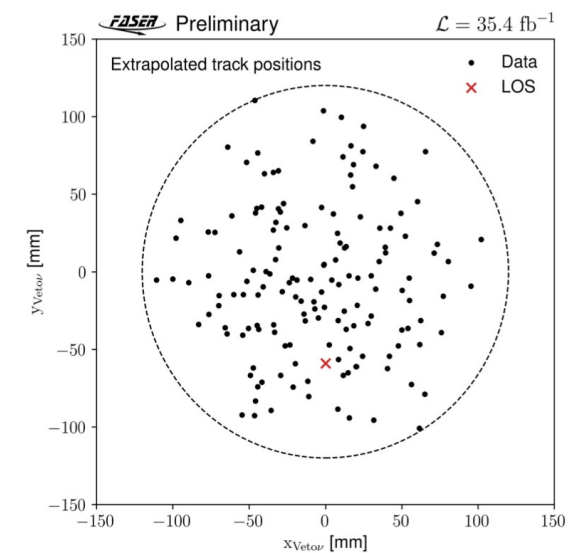
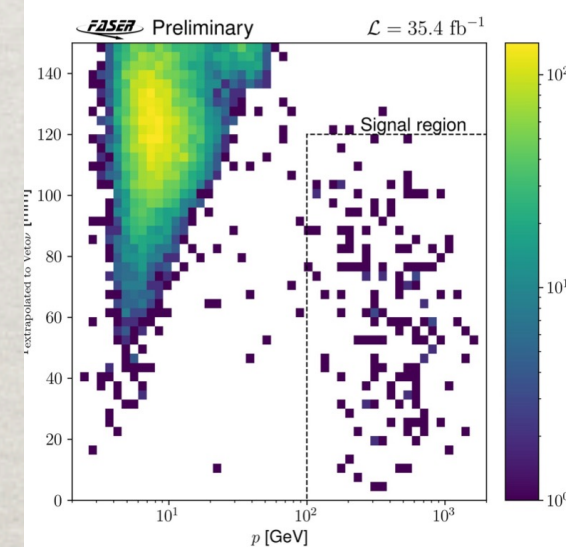
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Neutrino Observation

- Unblinded results:
 - 153 events with no veto signal
 - Just 10 events with one veto signal
- Signal significance of 16σ

Category	Events
n_0	153
n_{10}	4
n_{01}	6
n_2	64014695



First direct observation of collider neutrinos

More, see Jonathan Feng's talk this evening

TESTING NEUTRINO MASS MODELS @ COLLIDERS

Contents:

- Representative neutrino mass models & their phenomenological features
- Collider tests & complementarity

Most straightforward on \mathbf{m}_ν :
 add N_R 's – like all the other SM fermions

$$L_{aL} = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_a \\ l_a \end{pmatrix}_L, \quad a = 1, 2, 3; \quad N_{bR}, \quad b = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n \geq 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\mathcal{L}_Y &= \sum_{a=1}^3 \sum_{b=1}^n f_{ab}^\nu \overline{L_{aL}} \hat{H} N_{bR} + h.c. \\ &\Rightarrow \sum_{a=1}^3 \sum_{b=1}^n \overline{\nu_{aL}} m_{ab}^\nu N_{bR} + h.c. \end{aligned}$$

- Dirac mass terms:

Yukawa couplings arbitrary & tiny: $y_\nu < 10^{-11}$

- N_R a gauge singlet: “sterile neutrino”

Why not a Majorana mass term?

$$\sum_{b,b'=1}^{n \geq 2} \overline{N_{bL}^c} M_{bb'} N_{b'R} + h.c.$$

SM as a low-energy effective field theory:

The leading SM gauge invariant operator is at dim-5:*

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda} (y_\nu LH)(y_\nu LH) + h.c. \Rightarrow \frac{y_\nu^2 v^2}{\Lambda} \bar{\nu}_L \nu_R^c.$$

*S. Weinberg, Phys. Rev. Lett. 1566 (1979)

Implications:

- Theoretical: $\Lambda \rightarrow$ new scale / particles, implies an underlying (UV) theory!

The See-saw spirit: [†]

If $m_\nu \sim 1$ eV, then $\Lambda \sim y_\nu^2 (10^{14} \text{ GeV})$.

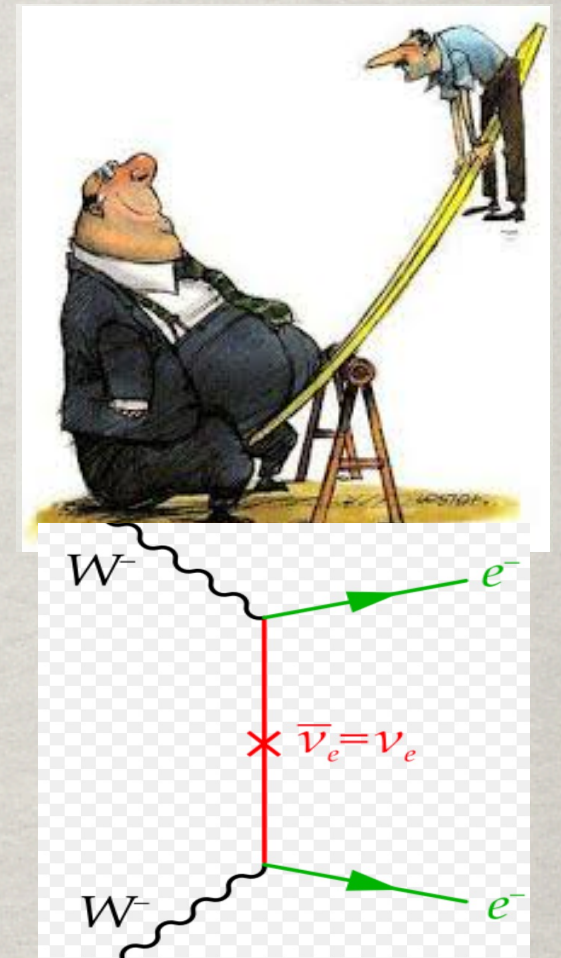
$$\Lambda \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 10^{14} \text{ GeV for } y_\nu \sim 1; \\ 100 \text{ GeV for } y_\nu \sim 10^{-6}. \end{cases}$$

- Observational:

$\Delta L=2 \rightarrow$ Majorana mass (Majorana neutrinos)

\rightarrow Opens the door to BSM ν physics at low & high energies!

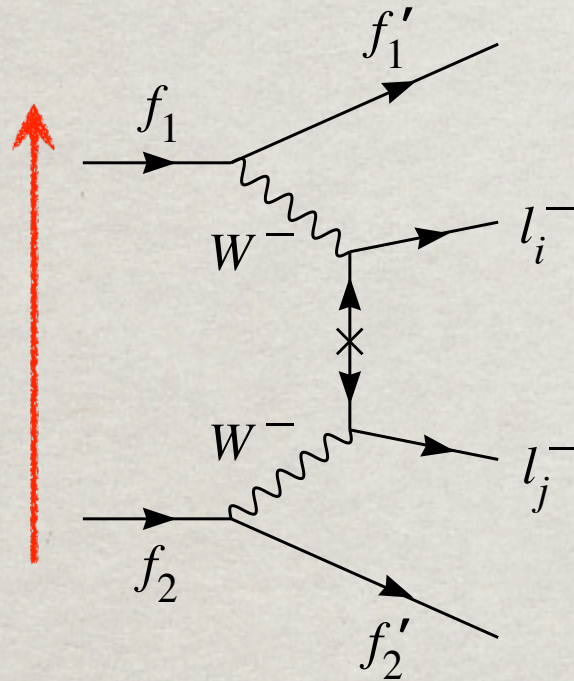
[†]Yanagita (1979); Gell-Mann, Ramond, Slansky (1979),
S.L. Glashow (1980); Mohapatra, Senjanovic (1980) ...



Observational Aspects:

the most-wanted process: $\Delta L=2$

The fundamental diagram:



$$U_{iN} \frac{\cancel{p} + m_N}{p^2 - m_N^2 + i\epsilon} U_{jN}.$$

The crossing diagrams can probe different processes and new physics of N/T^0 , W^+_R , H^{++}

The transition rates are proportional to

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto \begin{cases} \langle m \rangle_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^2 = \left| \sum_{i=1}^3 U_{\ell_1 i} U_{\ell_2 i} m_i \right|^2 & \text{for light } \nu; \\ \frac{|\sum_i^n V_{\ell_1 i} V_{\ell_2 i}|^2}{m_N^2} & \text{for heavy } N; \\ \frac{\Gamma(N \rightarrow i) \Gamma(N \rightarrow f)}{m_N \Gamma_N} & \text{for resonant } N \text{ production.} \end{cases}$$

UV-complete theoretical Models:

The Weinberg operator non-renormalizable
→ Need Ultra-Violet completion at/above Λ .

Group representations based on SM $SU_L(2)$ doublets:

$$2 \otimes 2 = 1(\text{singlet}) + 3(\text{triplet})$$

→ There are three possibilities:

- Type I: Fermion singlets $\otimes (L H)_S$
- Type II: Scalar triplet $\otimes (L L)_T$
- Type III: Fermion triplets $\otimes (L H)_T$

E. Ma: PRL 81, 1771 (1998).

For recent reviews: Z.Z. Xing: arXiv:1406.7739;
Y. Cai, TH, T. Li & R. Ruiz: arXiv:1711.02180.

Type I Seesaw: Singlet N_R 's – Sterile neutrinos

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Dirac plus Majorana mass terms: $(\overline{\nu}_L \quad \overline{N}_L^c) \begin{pmatrix} 0_{3 \times 3} & D_{3 \times n}^\nu \\ D_{n \times 3}^{\nu T} & M_{n \times n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_R^c \\ N_R \end{pmatrix}$

Majorana neutrinos:

$$\nu_{aL} = \sum_{m=1}^3 U_{am} \nu_{mL} + \sum_{m'=4}^{3+n} V_{am'} N_{m'L}^c,$$

$$N_{aL}^c = \sum_{m=1}^3 X_{am} \nu_{mL} + \sum_{m'=4}^{3+n} Y_{am'} N_{m'L}^c,$$

The charged currents:

$$-\mathcal{L}_{CC} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \sum_{\ell=e}^{\tau} \sum_{m=1}^3 U_{\ell m}^* \overline{\nu}_m \gamma^\mu P_L \ell + h.c.$$

$$+ \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} W_\mu^+ \sum_{\ell=e}^{\tau} \sum_{m'=4}^{3+n} V_{\ell m'}^* \overline{N}_{m'}^c \gamma^\mu P_L \ell + h.c.$$

Type I Seesaw features:



Existence of N_R (possibly low mass*)

$$U_{\ell m}^2 \sim V_{PMNS}^2 \approx \mathcal{O}(1); \quad V_{\ell m}^2 \approx m_\nu / m_N.$$

$U_{\ell m}$, Δm_ν are from oscillation experiments

m_N a free parameter: could be accessible!



But difficult to see N_R :

The mixing is typically small, mass wide open:

$$V_{\ell m}^2 \approx (m_\nu / \text{eV}) / (m_N / \text{GeV}) \times 10^{-9} \\ < 6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ (low energy bound)}$$

(Fine-tune or hybrid could make it sizeable.)

* Casas and Ibarra (2001);

A. Y. Smirnov and R. Zukanovich Funchal (2006);

A. de Gouvea, J. Jenkins and N. Vasudevan (2007);

W. Chao, Z. G. Si, Z. Z. Xing and S. Zhou (2008).

Type II Seesaw: No need for N_R , with Φ -triplet*

With a scalar triplet Φ ($Y = 2$): $\phi^{\pm\pm}, \phi^\pm, \phi^0$ (many representative models).

Add a gauge invariant/renormalizable term:

$$Y_{ij} L_i^T C(i\sigma_2) \Phi L_j + h.c.$$

That leads to the Majorana mass:

$$M_{ij} \nu_i^T C \nu_j + h.c.$$

where

$$M_{ij} = Y_{ij} \langle \Phi \rangle = Y_{ij} v' \lesssim 1 \text{ eV},$$

Very same gauge invariant/renormalizable term:

$$\mu H^T (i\sigma_2) \Phi^\dagger H + h.c.$$

predicts

$$v' = \mu \frac{v^2}{M_\phi^2},$$

leading to the Type II Seesaw. †

*Magg, Wetterich (1980); Lazarides, Shafi (1981); Mohapatra, Senjanovic (1981). ...

†In Little Higgs model: T.Han, H.Logan, B.Mukhopadhyaya, R.Srikanth (2005).

Type II Seesaw features*

- Triplet vev \rightarrow Majorana mass \rightarrow neutrino mixing pattern!
 $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell_i^{\pm} \ell_i^{\pm} \rightarrow$ neutrino mixing pattern!
 $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^{\pm} W^{\pm}$. Competing channel

Variations

Naturally embedded in L-R symmetric model:#

$$W_R^{\pm} \rightarrow N_R e^{\pm}$$

(* Large Type I signals via W_R - N_R)

[†]Pavel Fileviez Perez, Tao Han, Gui-Yu Huang, Tong Li, Kai Wang, arXiv:0803.3450 [hep-ph]

Mohapatra, Senjanovic (1981). ...

Type III Seesaw: with a fermionic triplet*

With a lepton triplet T ($Y = 0$) : $T^+ T^0 T^-$, add the terms:

$$-M_T(T^+T^- + T^0T^0/2) + y_T^i H^T i\sigma_2 T L_i + h.c.$$

These lead to the Majorana mass:

$$M_{ij} \approx y_i y_j \frac{v^2}{2M_T}.$$

Again, the seesaw spirit: $m_\nu \sim v^2/M_T$.

Features:

Demand that $M_T \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$, $M_{ij} \lesssim 1 \text{ eV}$,

Thus the Yukawa couplings:†

$$y_j \lesssim 10^{-6},$$

making the mixing $T^{\pm,0} - \ell^\pm$ very weak.

T^0 a Majorana neutrino;

Decay via mixing (Yukawa couplings);

$T\bar{T}$ Pair production via EW gauge interactions.

*Foot, Lew, He, Joshi (1989); G. Senjanovic et al. ...

OTHER MODELS & PHENOMENOLOGY

Thus far, we considered tree-level **Type I, II, III seesaw models**

Many models to account for the neutrino mass.*

Another class of well-motivated models:

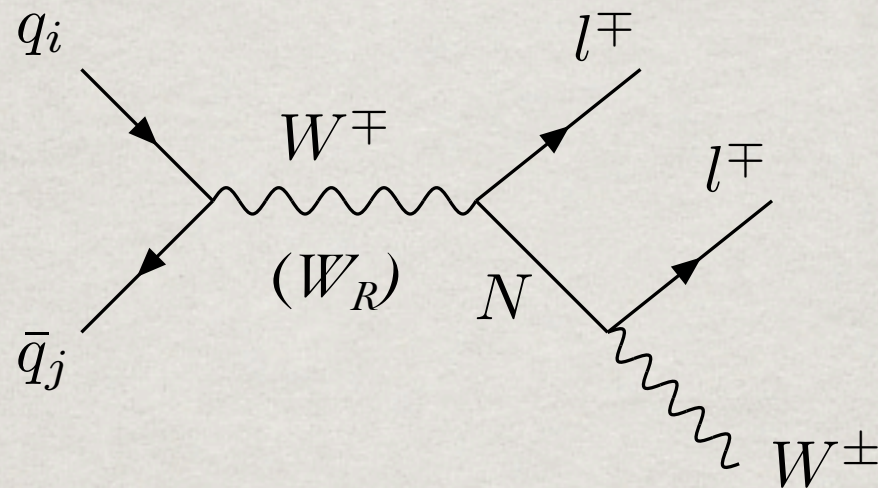
Radiative (loop) generation of neutrino masses.

- Zee (1986)-Babu (1988) Model:
add singlet scalar fields m_ν generate at 2-loop
→ change Higgs physics
- Ma Models (2006):
add singlet scalars + Z_2 symmetry
→ Dark matter
- Other rich phenomenology:
 - Neutrino portal to the dark sector (**Brian Batell**)
 - Non-Standard ν -interactions (NSIs)

* For a review, see, M.C. Chen & J.R. Huang, arXiv:1105.3188v2.

1. N_R at Colliders

At hadron colliders: \S $pp(\bar{p}) \rightarrow \ell^\pm \ell^\pm jj X$



$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm W^\mp) \approx \sigma(pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm N) Br(N \rightarrow \mu^\pm W^\mp) \equiv \frac{V_{\mu N}^2}{\sum_l |V_{\ell N}|^2} V_{\mu N}^2 \sigma_0.$$

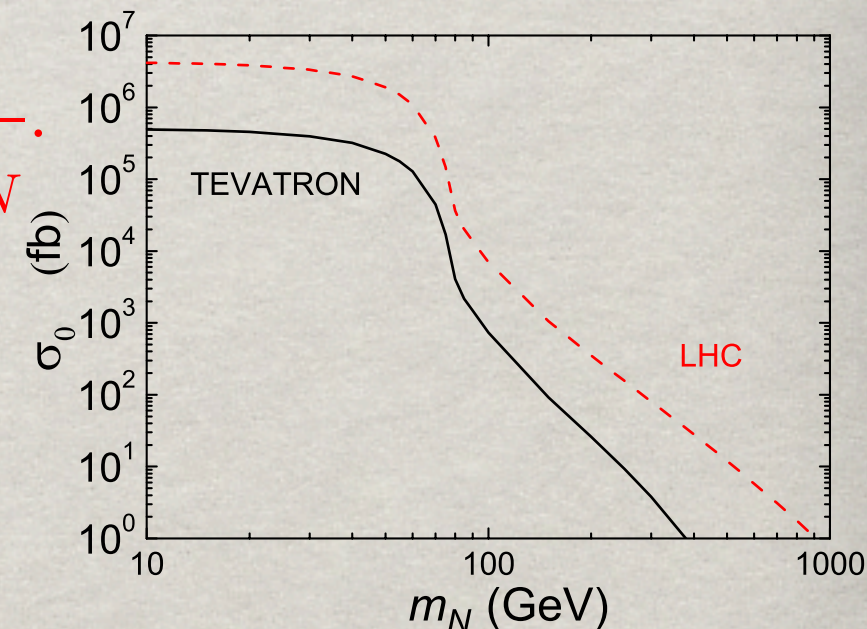
Factorize out the mixing couplings: \dagger

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm W^\mp) \equiv S_{\mu\mu} \sigma_0,$$

$$S_{\mu\mu} = \frac{V_{\mu N}^4}{\sum_l |V_{\ell N}|^2} \approx \frac{V_{\mu N}^2}{1 + V_{\tau N}^2/V_{\mu N}^2}.$$

A very clean channel:

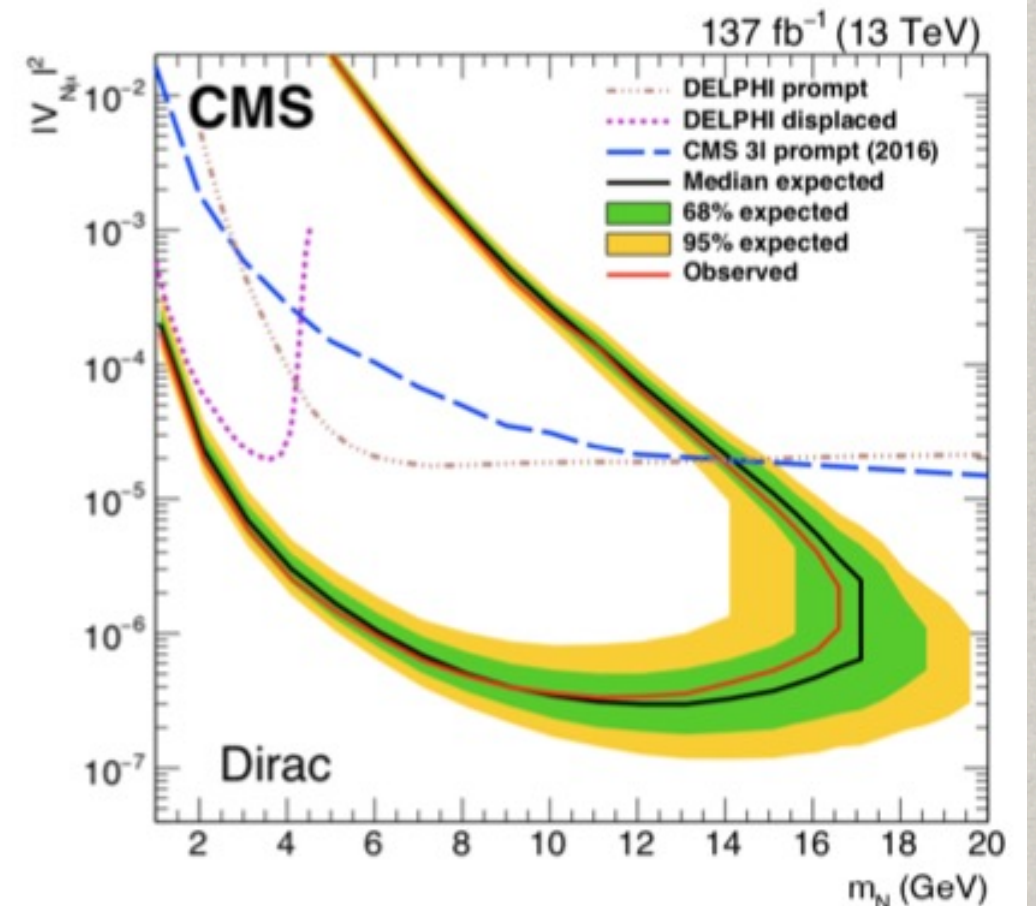
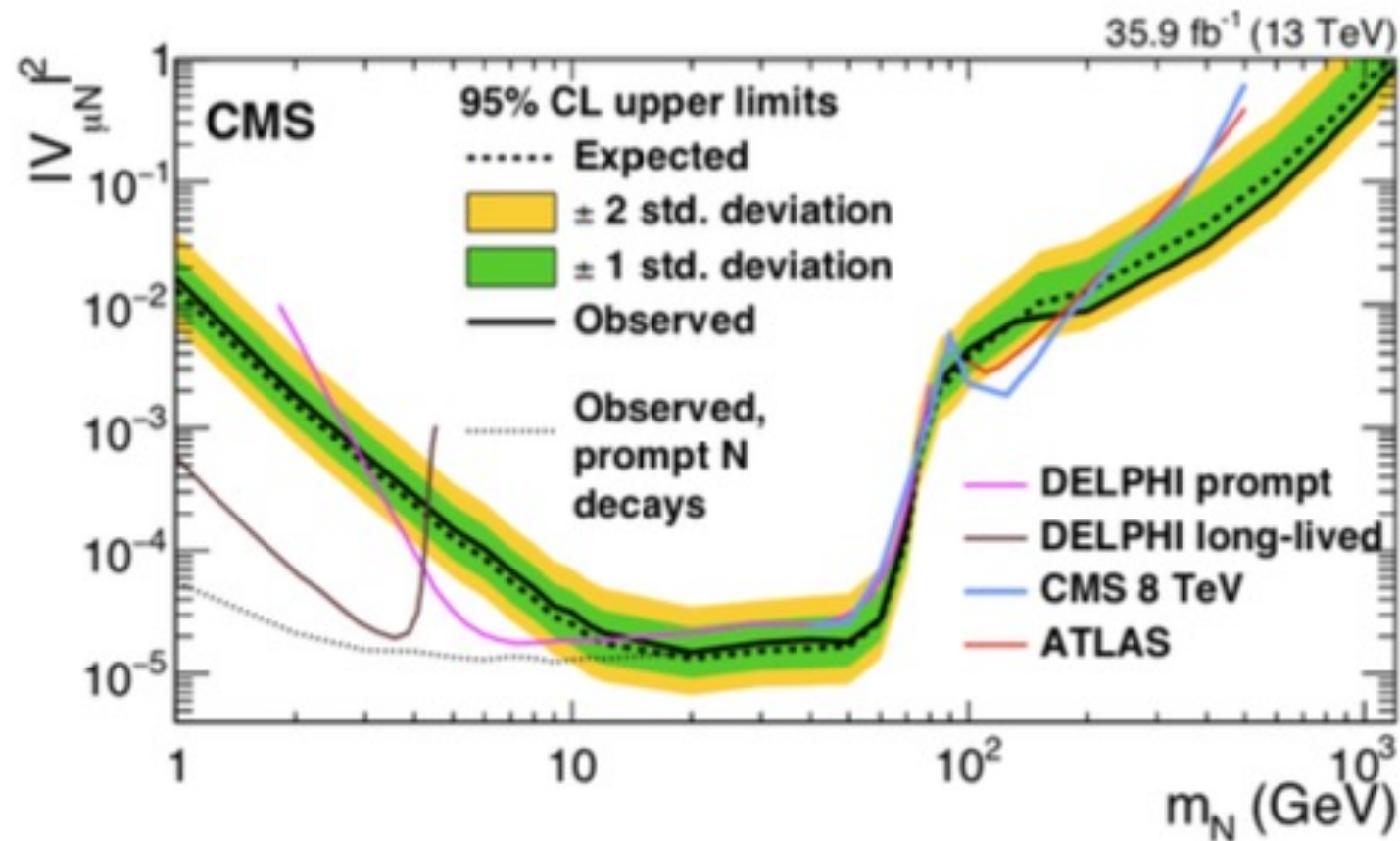
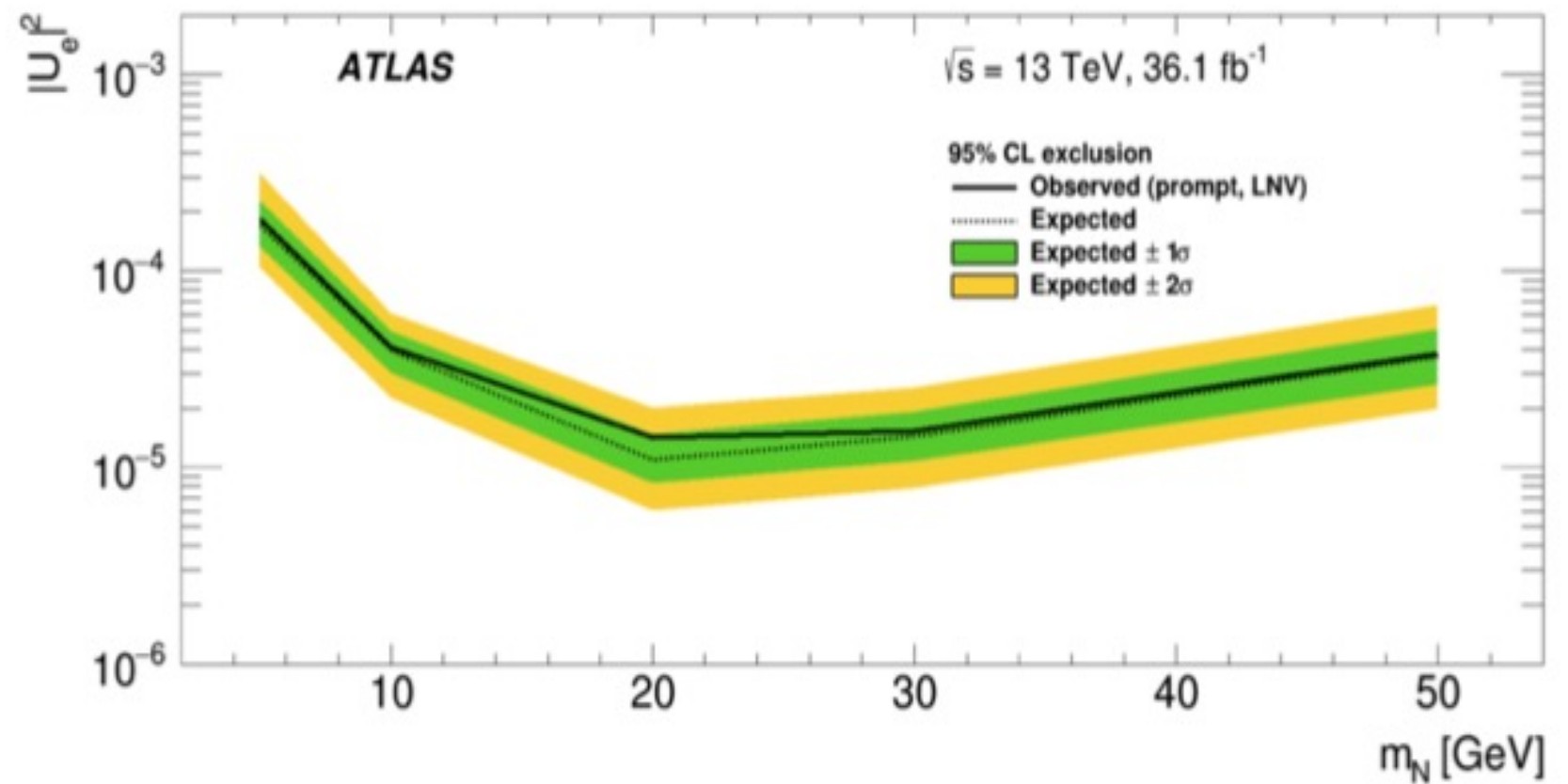
- like-sign di-muons plus two jets;
- no missing energies;
- $m(jj) = M_W$, $m(jj\mu) = m_N$.



\S Keung, Senjanovic (1983); Dicus et al. (1991); A. Datta, M. Guchait, A. Pilaftsis (1993); ATLAS TDR (1999); F. Almeida et al. (2000); F. del Aguila et al. (2007).

\dagger T. Han and B. Zhang, hep-ph/0604064, PRL (2006).

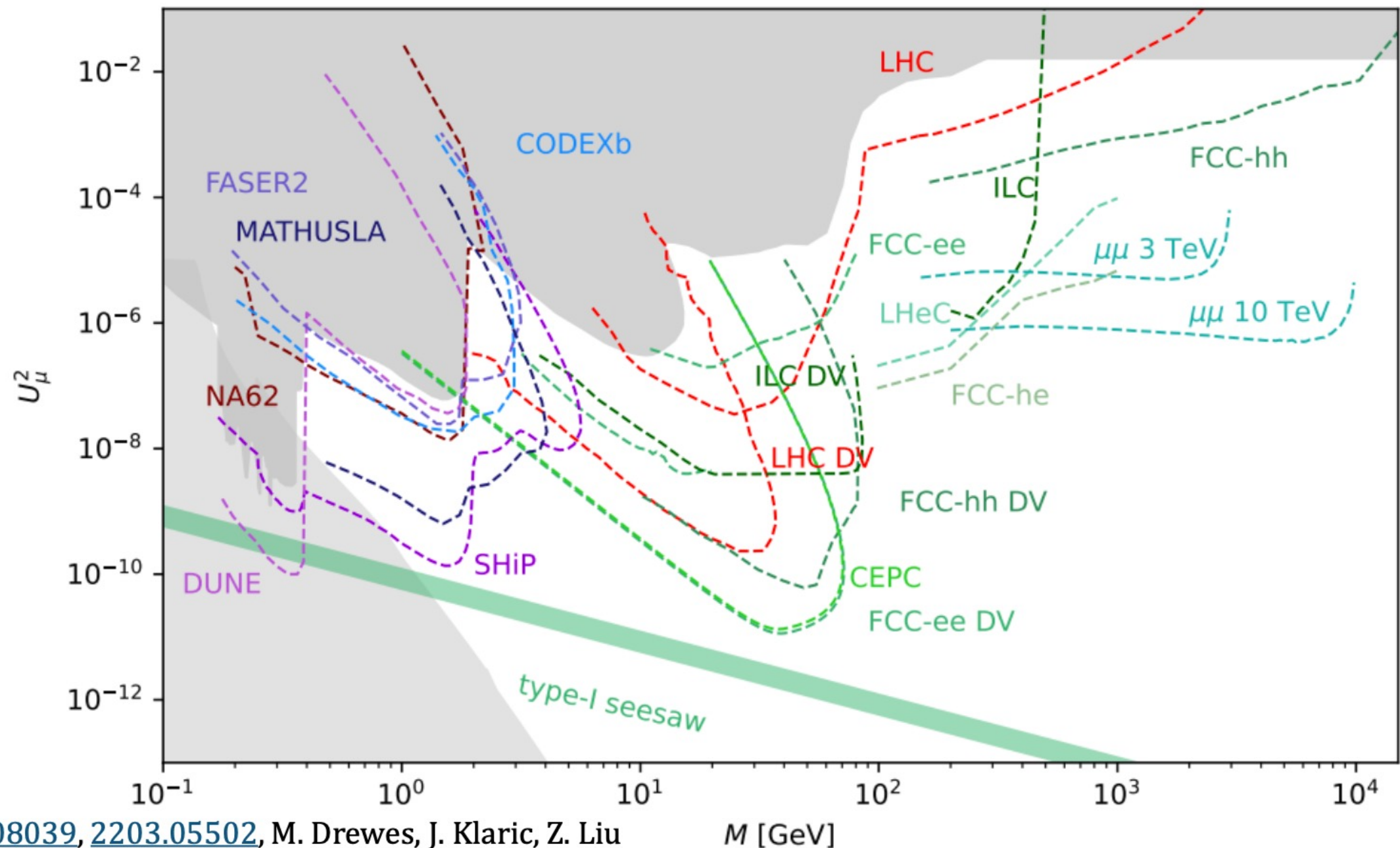
Active search @ LHC



Heavy N Whitepaper: [arXiv:2203.08039](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.08039)

Complementarity @ high & low masses

- For displaced HNL signatures, more experiments can join the search
- HL-LHC timescale: FASER2, MATHUSLA, CODEXb, DUNE can probe low masses

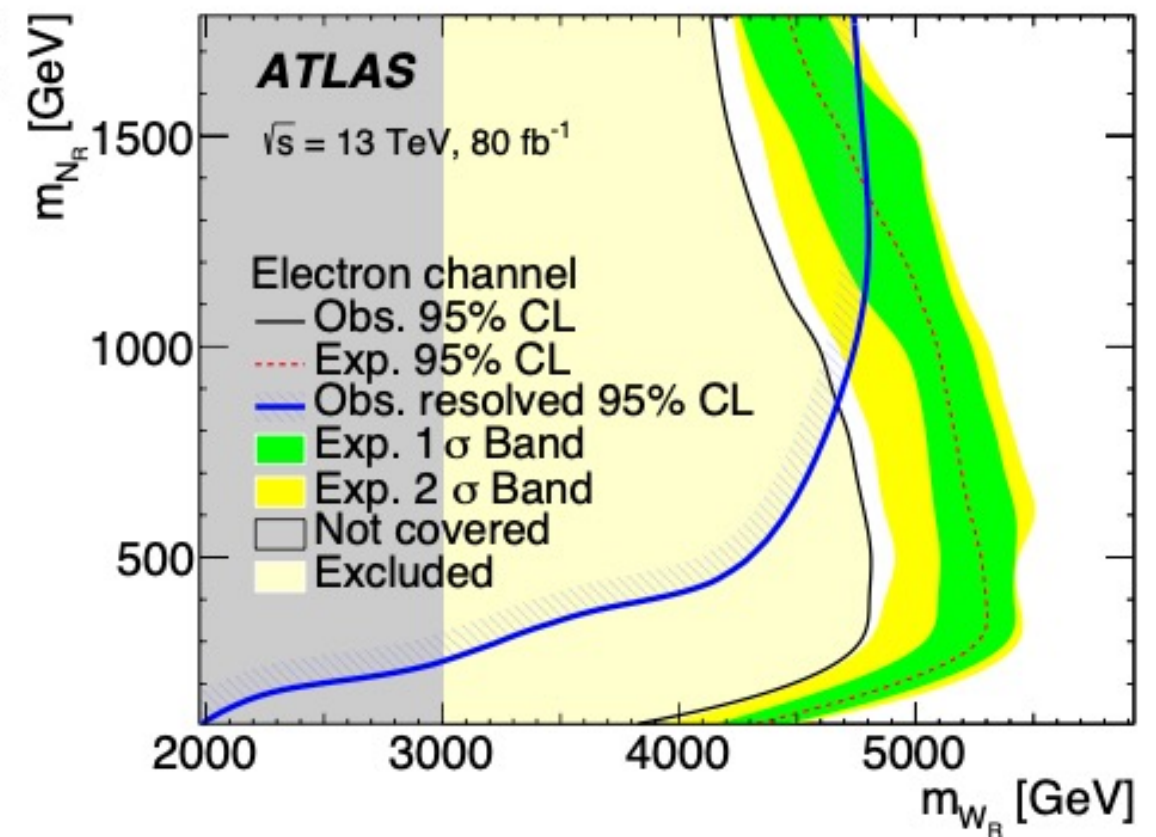
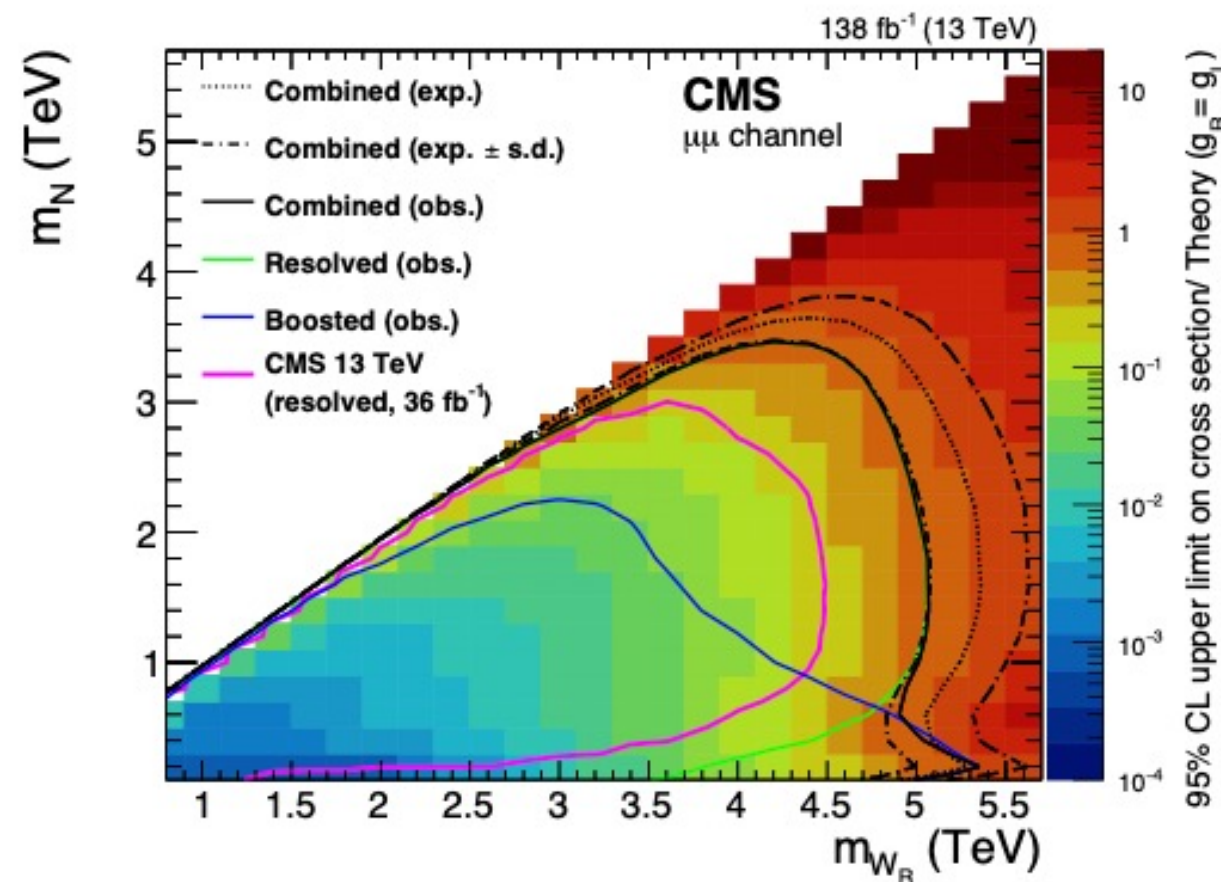
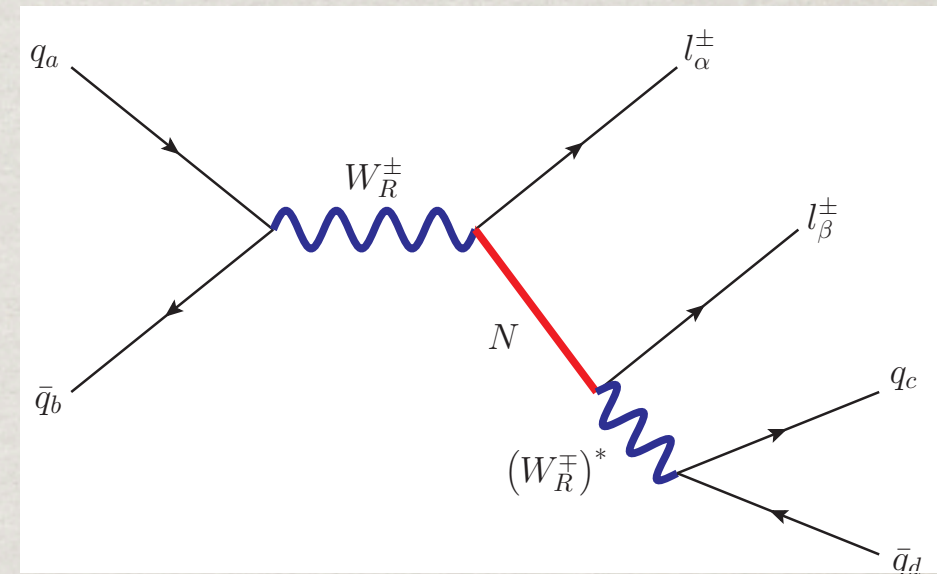


[2203.08039](#), [2203.05502](#), M. Drewes, J. Klaric, Z. Liu

2. N_R & W_R @ Hadron Colliders

In Left-Right symmetric model:

- No mixing suppression
- New unknown mass scale M_R

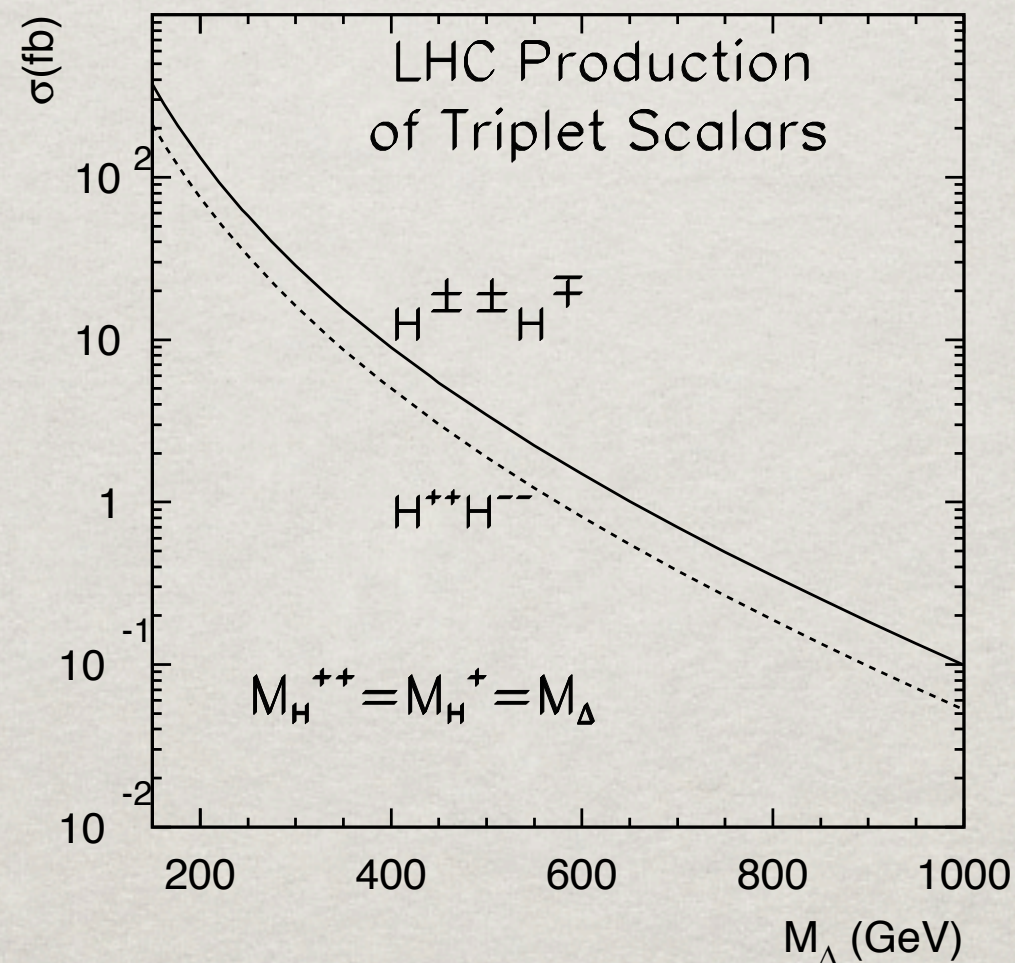


W. Keung & G. Senjanovic, PRL 50 (1983) 1427
Heavy N Whitepaper: arXiv:2203.08039

3. Type II Seesaw: $H^{\pm\pm}$ & H^\pm

$H^{++}H^{--}$ production at hadron colliders: †

Pure electroweak gauge interactions



Akeroyd, Aoki, Sugiyama, 2005, 2007.

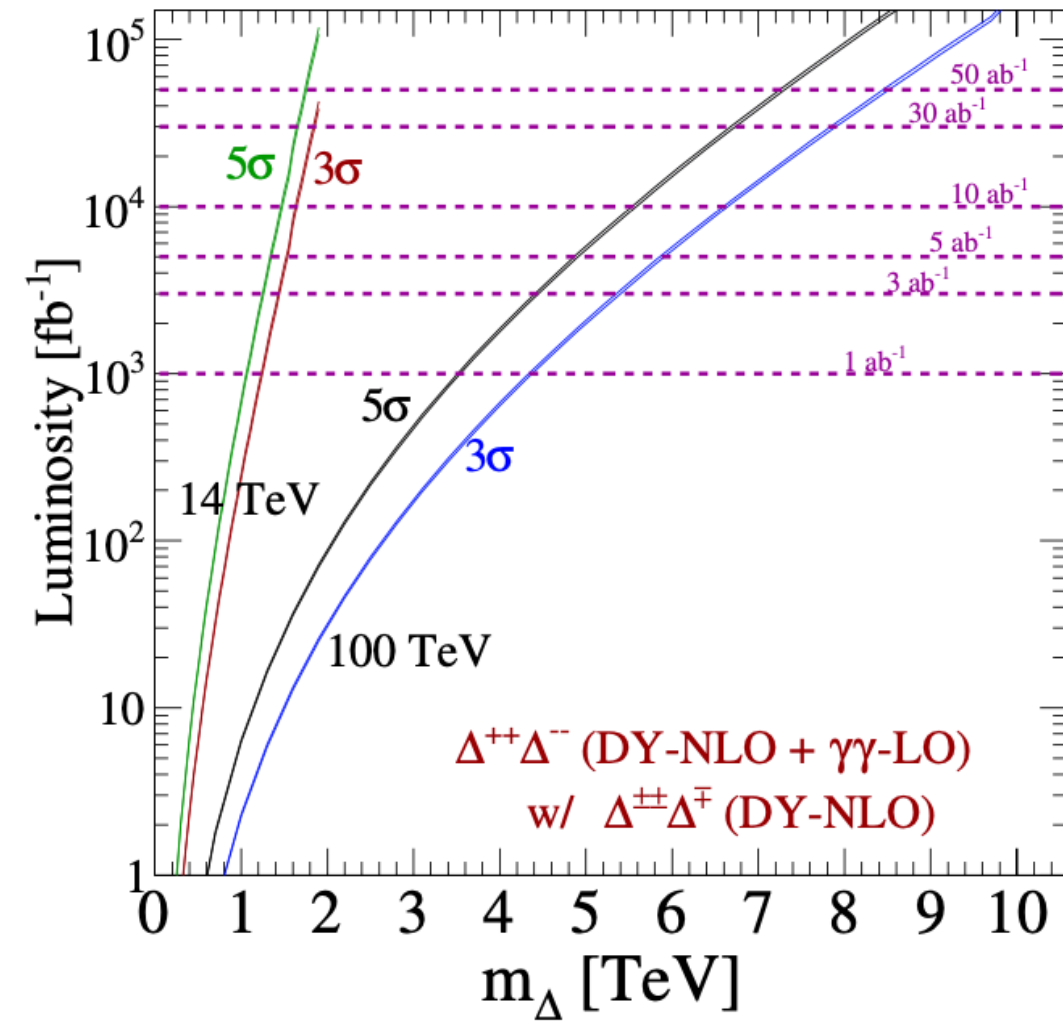
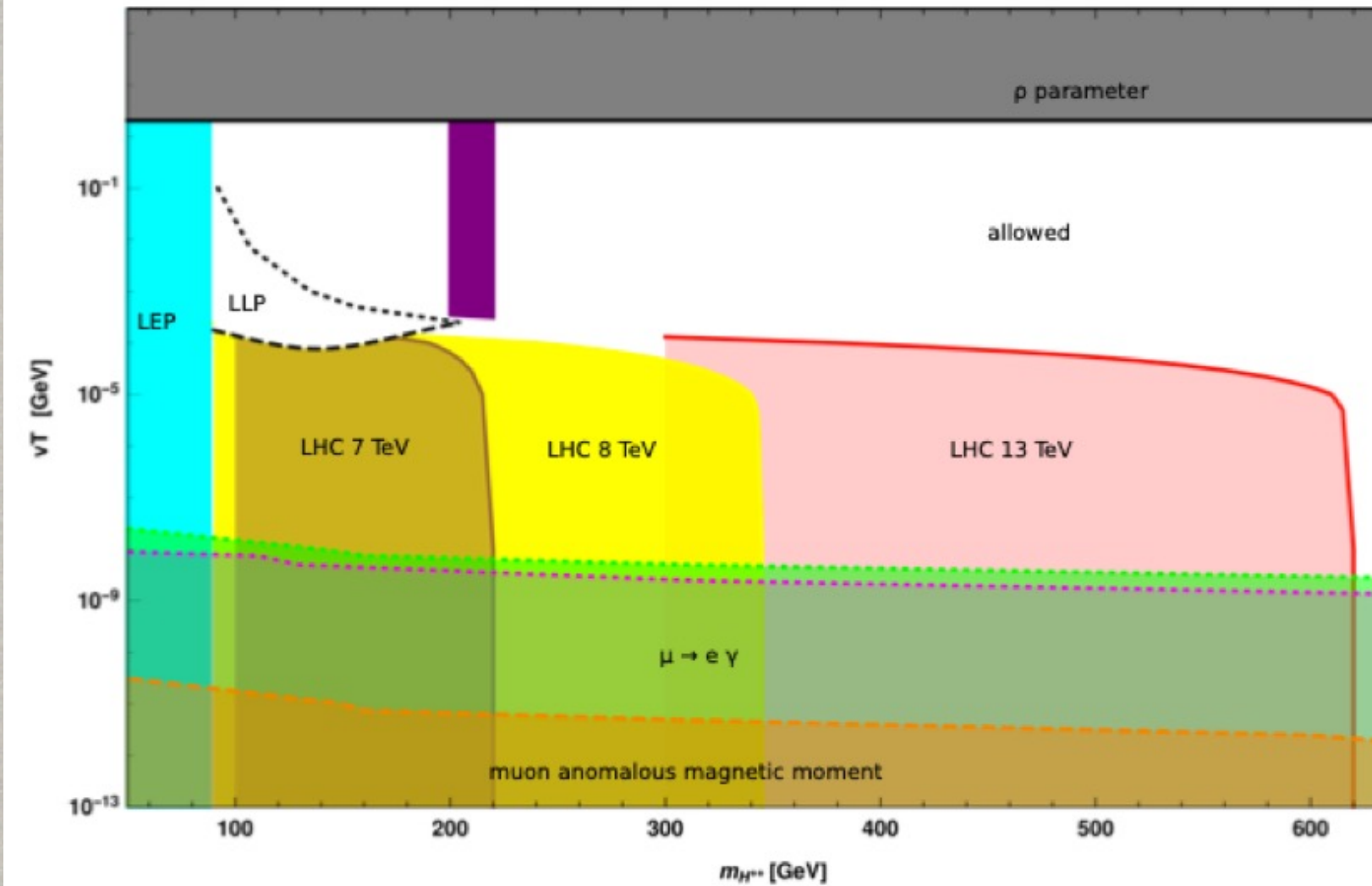
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H^{++}H^{--}$ 10% of the DY.

†Revisit, T.Han, B.Mukhopadhyaya, Z.Si, K.Wang, arXiv:0706.0441.

Z.L. Han, R. Ding, Y. Liao, arXiv:1502.05242; 1506.08996;

J. Gehrlein, D. Goncalves, P. Machado, Y. Perez-Gonzalez: arXiv:1804.09184.

Type II: $H^{\pm\pm}$ & H^\pm



BSM Whitepaper: [arXiv:2203.08039](https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.08039)

Neutrino – charged lepton correlations

Summarize the discovery modes:

Spectrum

Normal Hierarchy
($\Delta m_{31}^2 > 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Relations} \\ \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^+), \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+) \gg \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ e^+) \\ \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ \tau^+) \gg \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ \mu^+), \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ \tau^+) \\ \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \bar{\nu}), \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \bar{\nu}) \gg \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow e^+ \bar{\nu}) \end{aligned}$$

Inverted Hierarchy
($\Delta m_{31}^2 < 0$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ e^+) > \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+), \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^+) \\ \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ \tau^+) \gg \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ \tau^+), \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ \mu^+) \\ \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow e^+ \bar{\nu}) > \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \bar{\nu}), \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \bar{\nu}) \end{aligned}$$

Quasi-Degenerate
($m_1, m_2, m_3 > |\Delta m_{31}|$)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow e^+ e^+) \sim \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^+) \sim \text{BR}(H^{++} \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^+) \approx 1/3 \\ \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow e^+ \bar{\nu}) \sim \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \bar{\nu}) \sim \text{BR}(H^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \bar{\nu}) \approx 1/3 \end{aligned}$$

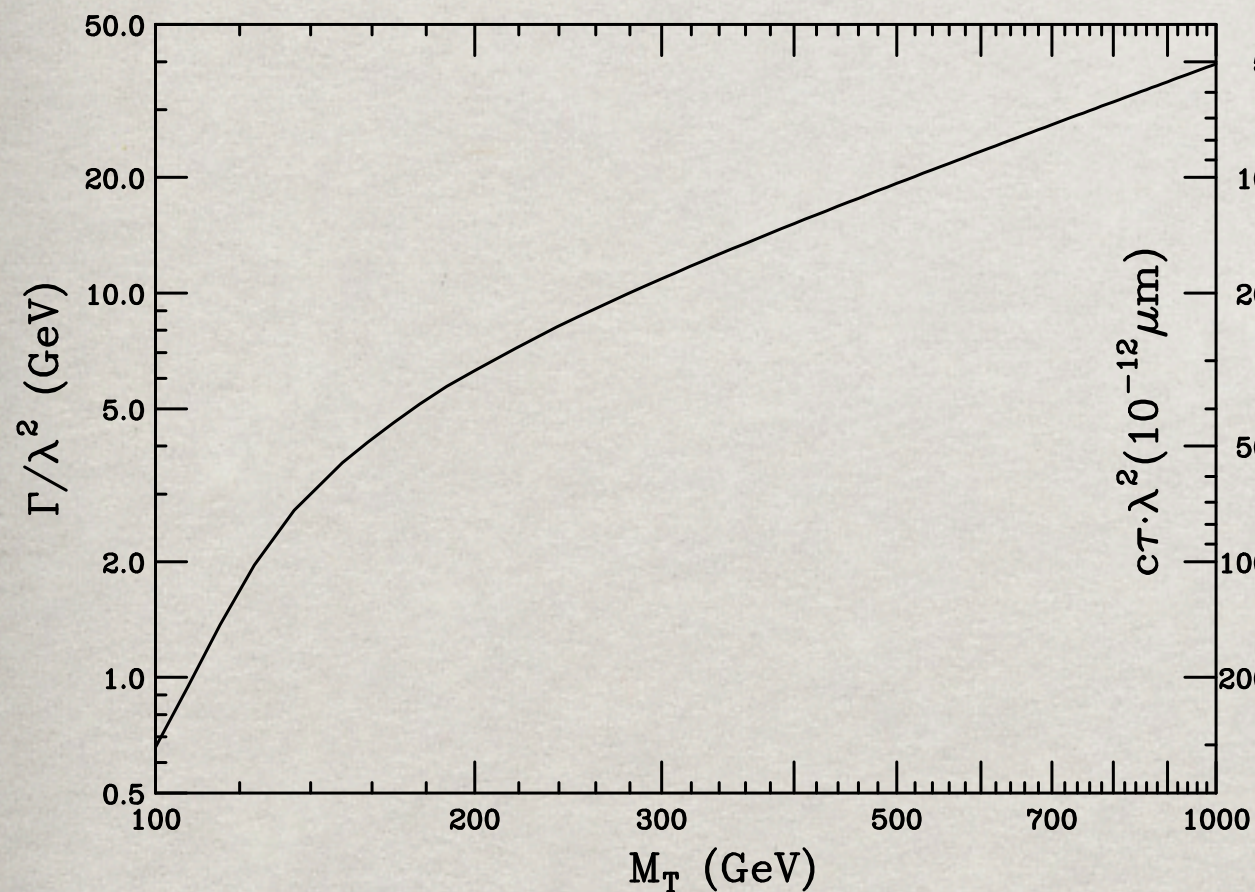
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arXiv:0803.3450 [hep-ph]

4. Type III Seesaw: T^\pm & T^0

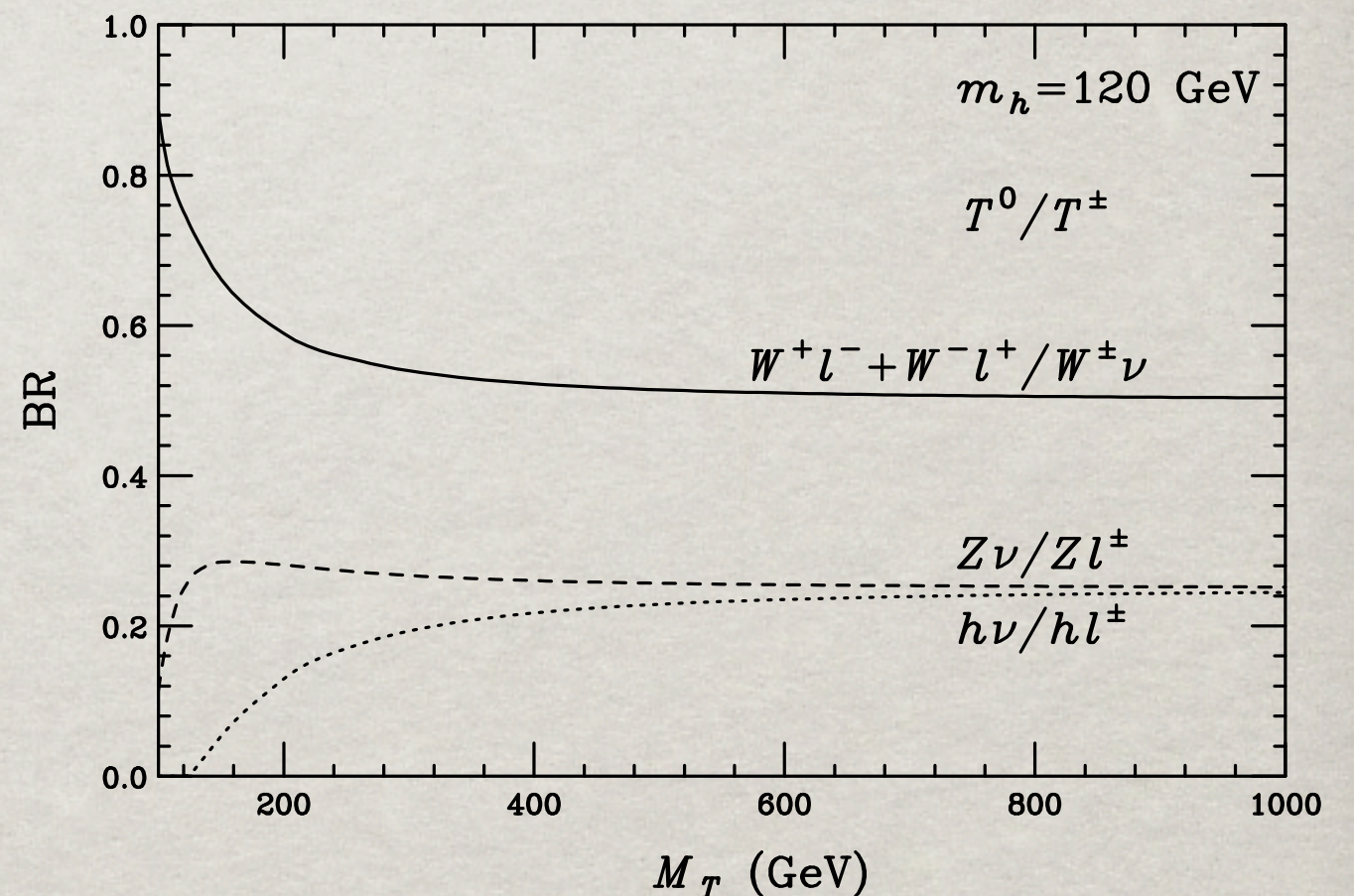
Consider their decay length:

$$\begin{aligned}\Gamma(T^+ \rightarrow W^+ \nu) &\approx 2\Gamma(T^+ \rightarrow Z\ell^+) \approx 2\Gamma(T^+ \rightarrow h\ell^+) \\ &\approx \Gamma(T^0 \rightarrow W^+ \ell^- + W^- \ell^+) \approx \frac{M_T}{16\pi} \sum_i |y_i|^2.\end{aligned}$$

Width and Decay Length



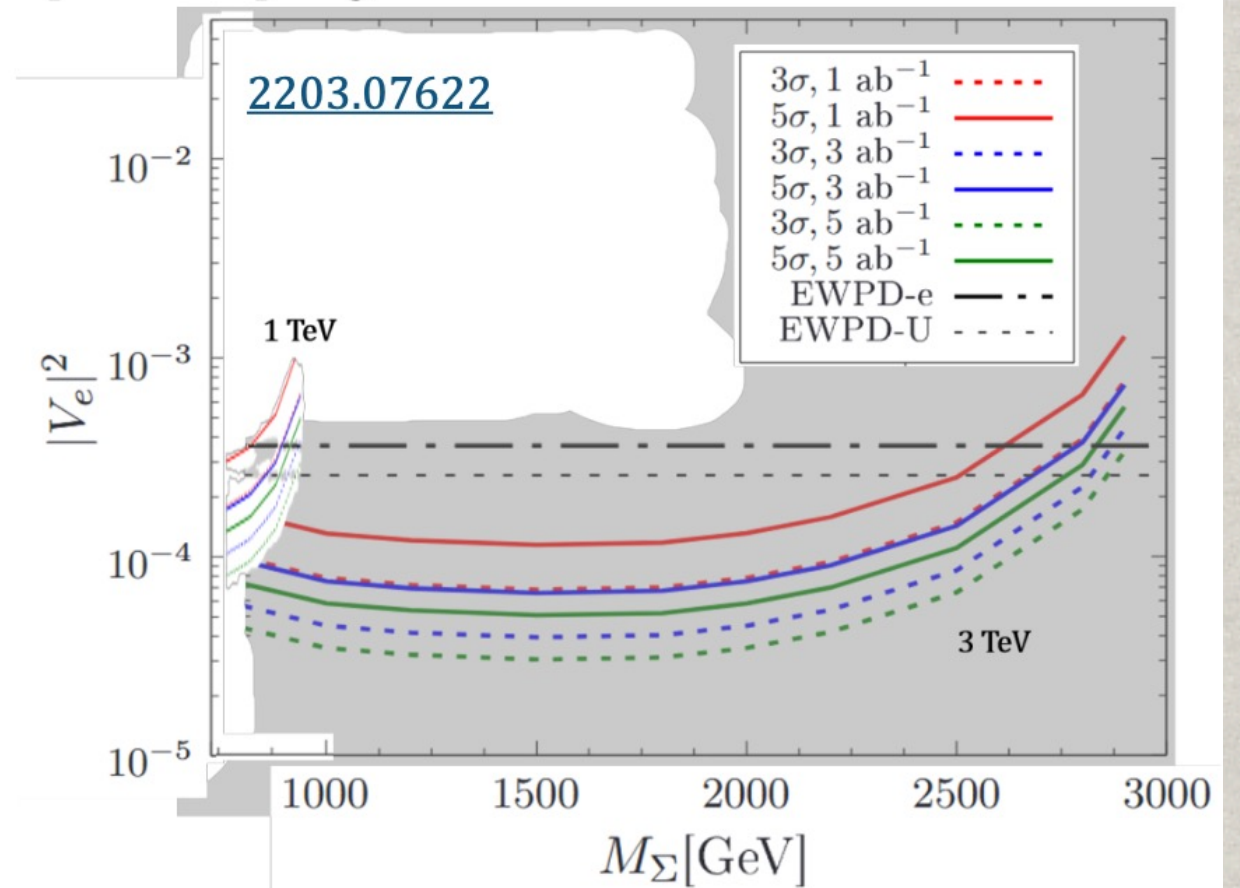
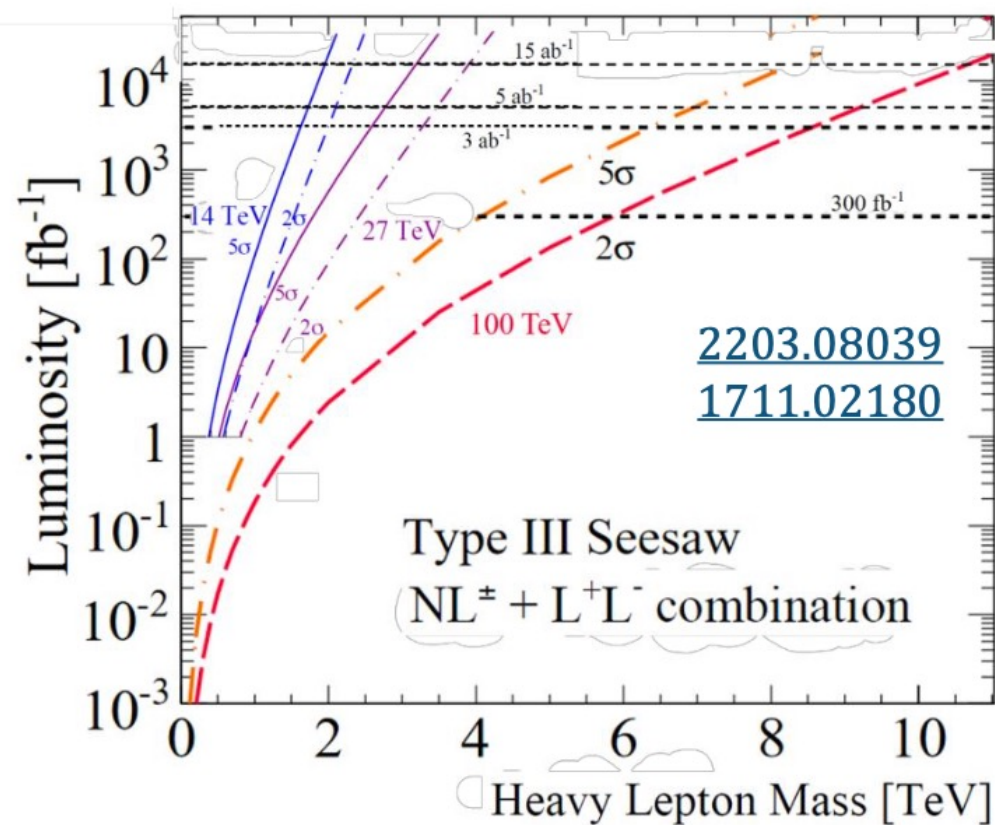
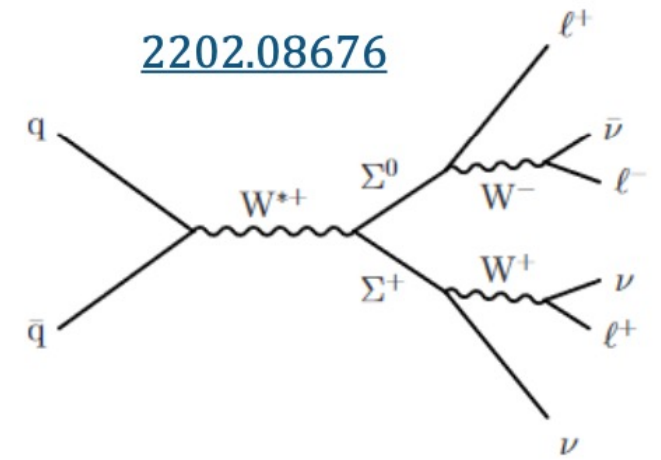
Lepton Triplet Branching Fraction



With $\lambda^2 = y_j^2 \sim 10^{-16} - 10^{-12}$, then $c\tau \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-4}$ m
Still not too long-lived, but possibly large displaced vertices.

Tong Li & X.G. He, hep-ph/0907.4193.

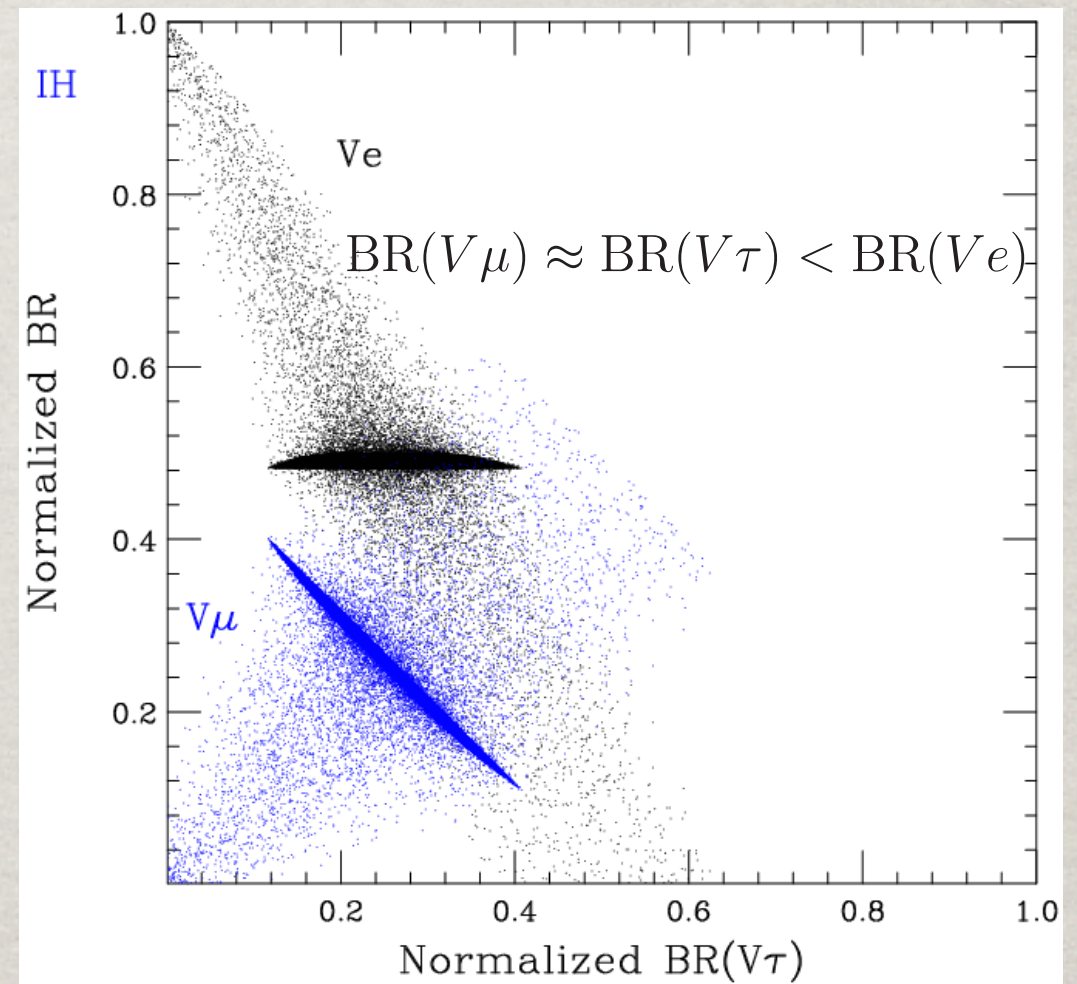
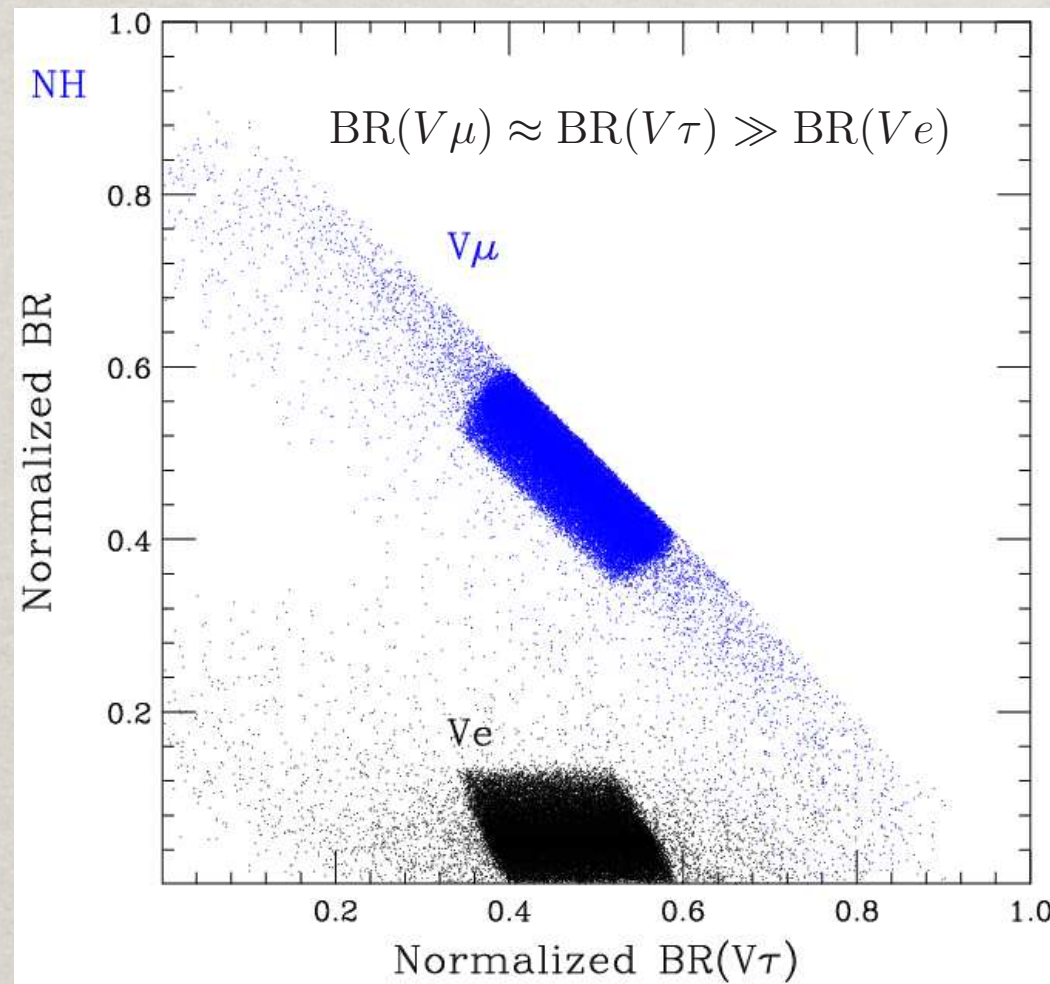
- ▶ $N \rightarrow W\ell$ gives multilepton or boosted-jet final states
- ▶ **pp**: pair production of neutral + charged heavy leptons
 - ▶ HL-LHC will not reach far beyond ~ 1 TeV Run 2 bounds
 - ▶ 100 TeV could quickly out to 6 TeV, discover past 3 TeV
- ▶ **ee**: single production of neutral lepton
 - ▶ Below their thresholds, ee colliders can push couplings below EWPD bounds.



Type III Seesaw: T^\pm & T^0

Lepton flavor combination determines the ν mass pattern: †

$$m_\nu^{ij} \sim -v^2 \frac{y_T^i y_T^j}{M_T}, \quad BR(T^{\pm,0} \rightarrow W^\pm \ell, Z\ell) \sim y_T^2 \sim V_{PMNS}^2 \frac{M_T m_\nu}{v^2}.$$



Lepton flavors correlate with the ν mass pattern.

† Abdesslam Arhrib, Borut Bajc, Dilip Kumar Ghosh, Tao Han, Gui-Yu Huang, Ivica Puljak, Goran Sejanovic, arXiv:0904.2390.

Summary

- Seesaw mechanism well motivated: $m_\nu \sim y^2 v^2/M$
- Collider experiments complement the oscillations experiments to explore ν physics.
- Collider experiments reach higher mass threshold and thus probe the dynamical origin.
 - Type I-like: $N_R \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$, $U_\nu \sim 10^{-6}$
 - Type II: $H^{++} \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$
 - Type III: $T^+, T^0 \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$
 - Radiative mass models: scalar mass a few 100 GeV.
 - Test ν -portal to DM; NSIs.

Collider experiments may discover the neutrino mass generation mechanism (with luck)!