

Physics at the energy frontier with the CMS Detector

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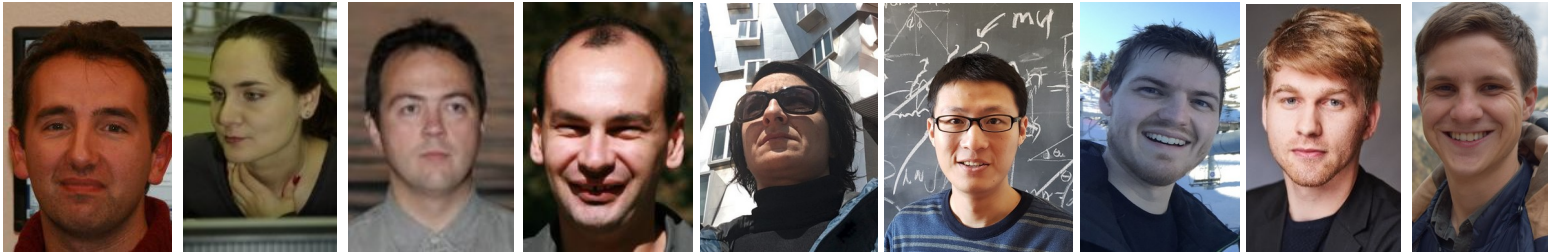
Particle Physics Collaboration (PPC)

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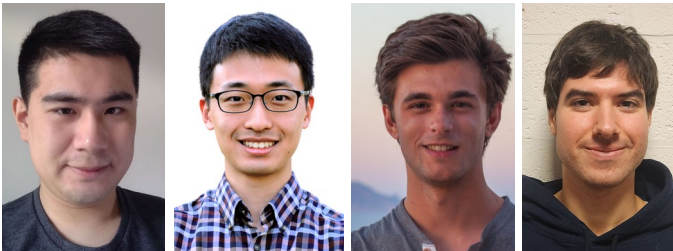


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Research Scientists, Postdocs



Graduate Students



Undergrads

many many many

*Join in 2024
Just in time
for Run 3.*



LHC Location

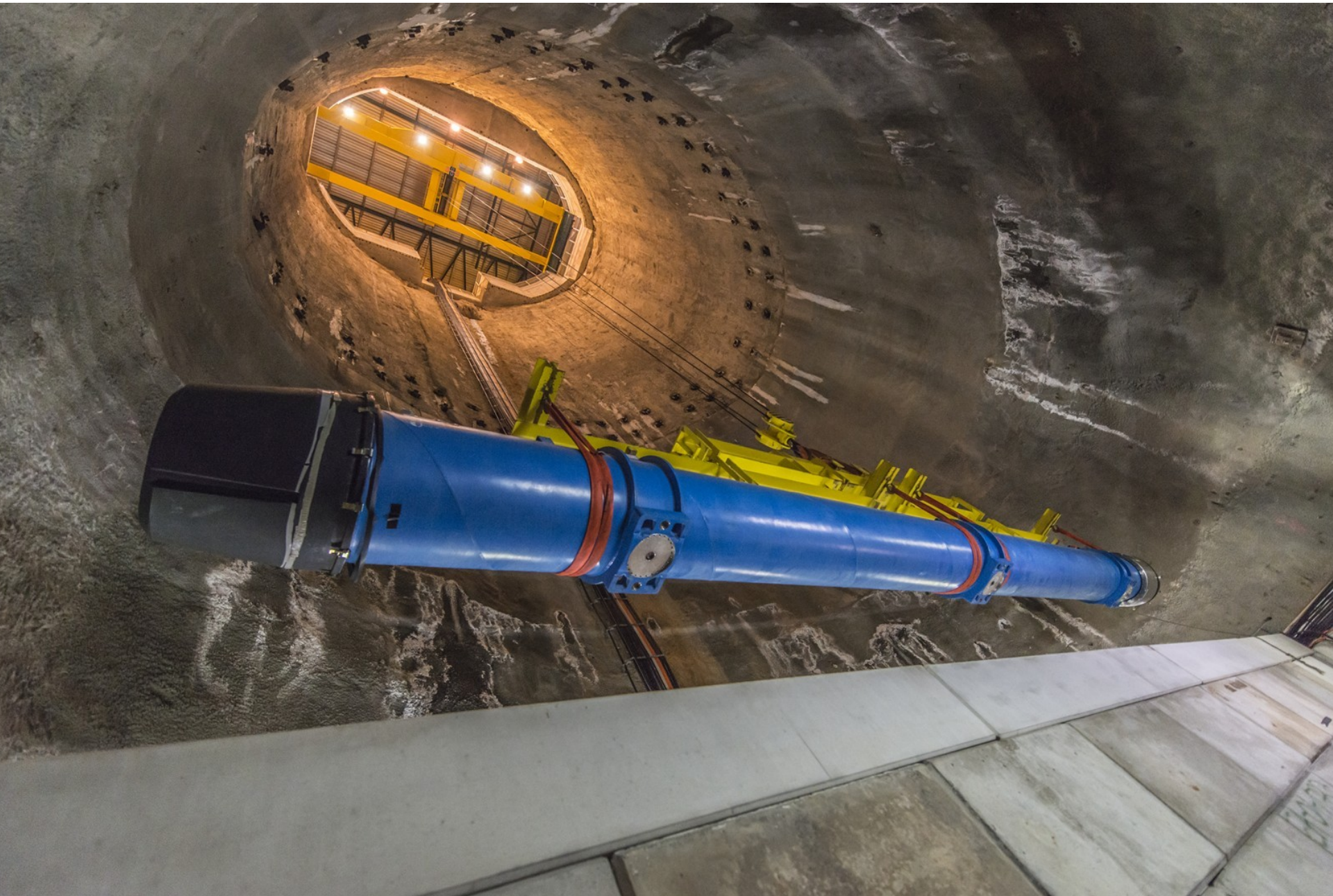
An aerial photograph of the LHC tunnel region in the Swiss-French border area. The tunnel is shown as a red oval. The ATLAS detector is marked on the right side of the oval, and the CMS detector is marked on the left side. The background shows a vast landscape with green fields, a river, and distant mountains under a blue sky.

ATLAS

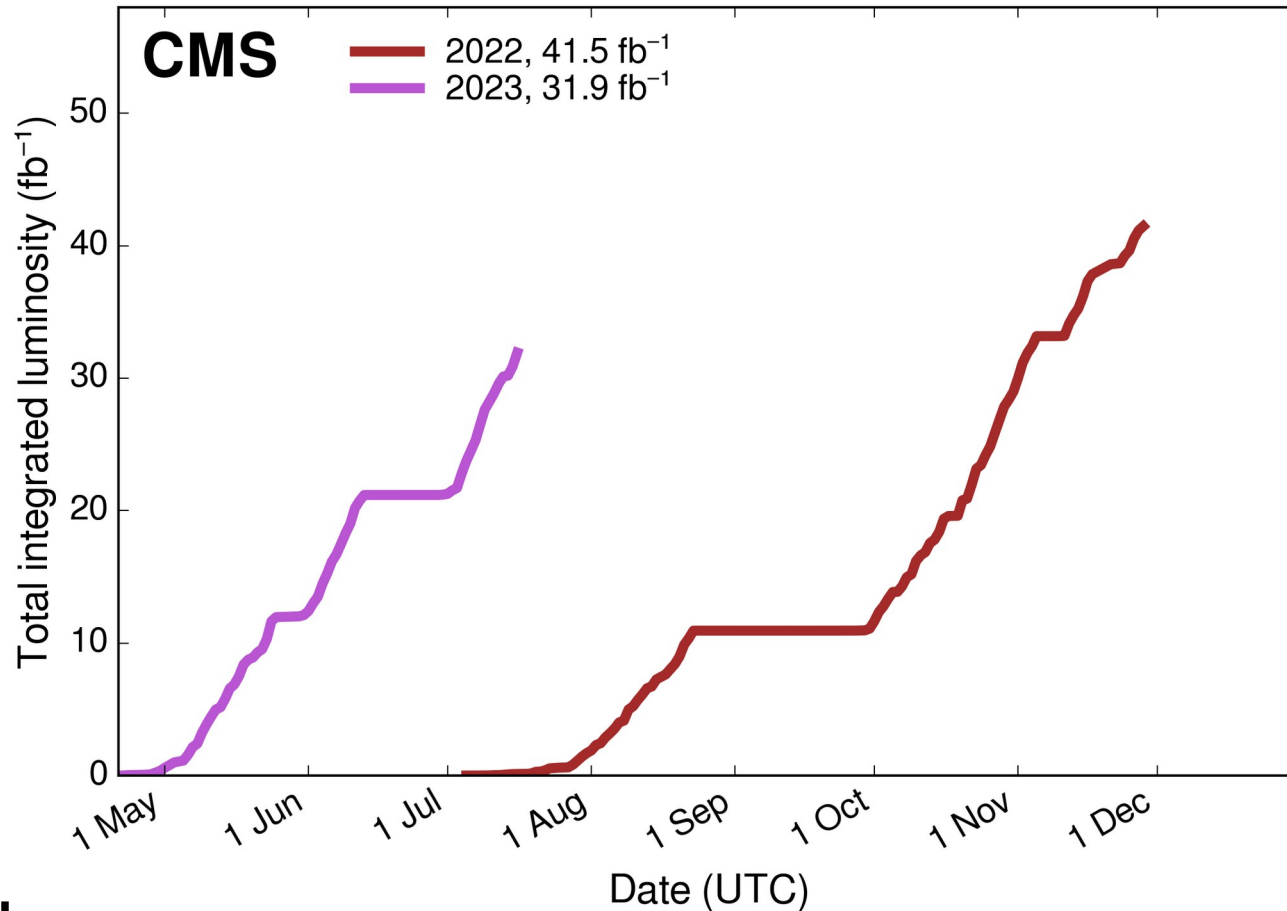
CMS

Proton-proton collisions at 13 TeV during Run 2 (Run 1 at 7/8 TeV)
→ at 13.6 TeV since June 5, 2022 (Run 3)

Long Shutdown 2 finished 2019-2022



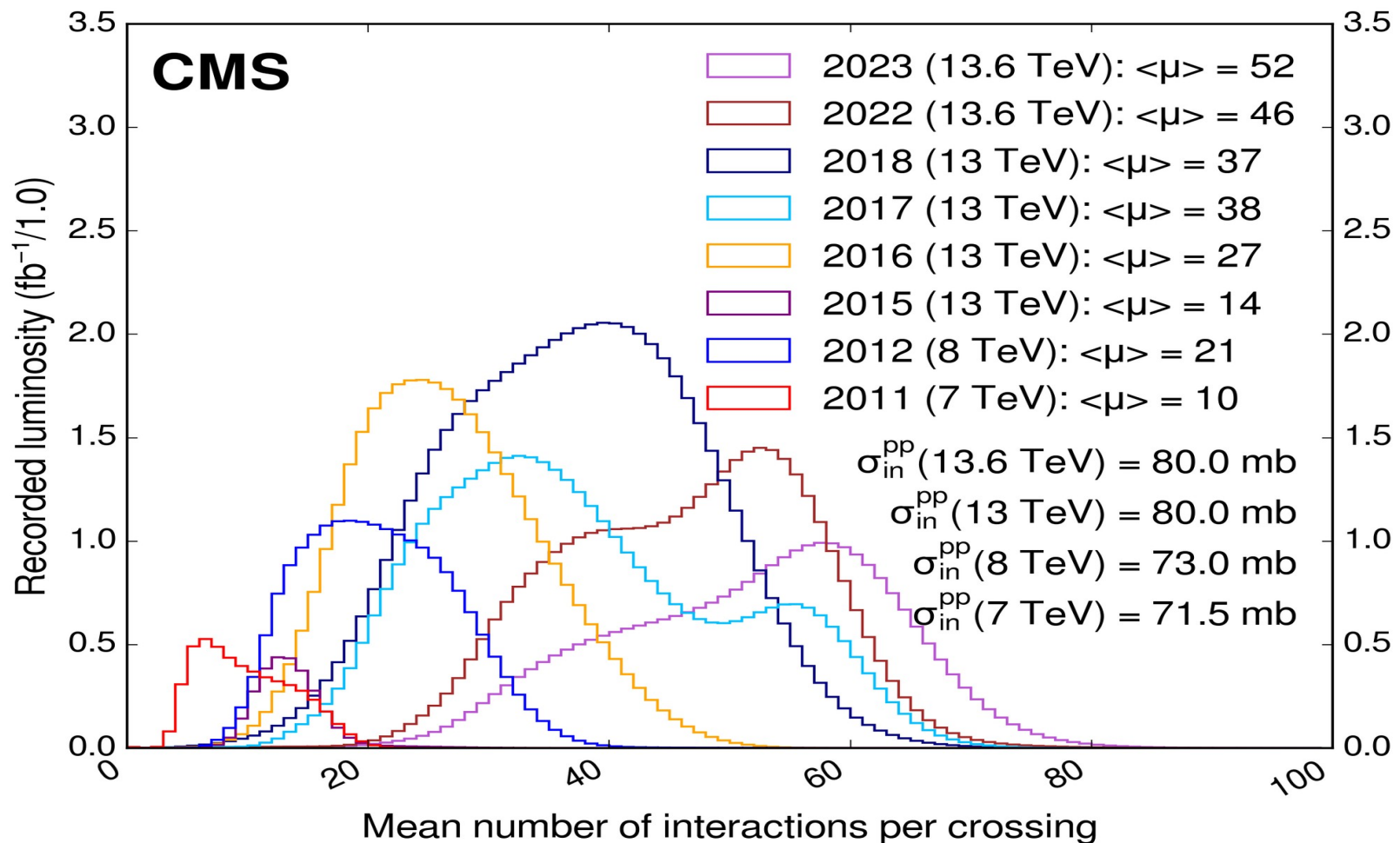
LHC Data – Newest 2022/2023



Mixed years

- Start went well, with commissioning ramp
- Big quench and other repairs
- Excellent continuation: **13.6 TeV**

LHC Steady Increase



Pileup expresses instantaneous lumi

- Event complexity also increasing: towards PU 200 at HL-LHC

Finishing Run 2 Analyses

Dark Matter searches

- Mono- X signatures (completed Mono-Jet, will come back after Run 3)
- Dark Photon searches
- Dark showers (Soft Unclustered Energy Patterns, SUEPs)

Higgs Physics

- Charged Higgs searches
- Invisible Higgs
- Higgs rare decays ($H \rightarrow M\gamma$, $M = \varphi, \rho, \omega, \dots$)
- Higgs to dimuon and bb

Analyses in blue started or planned with Run 3 data.

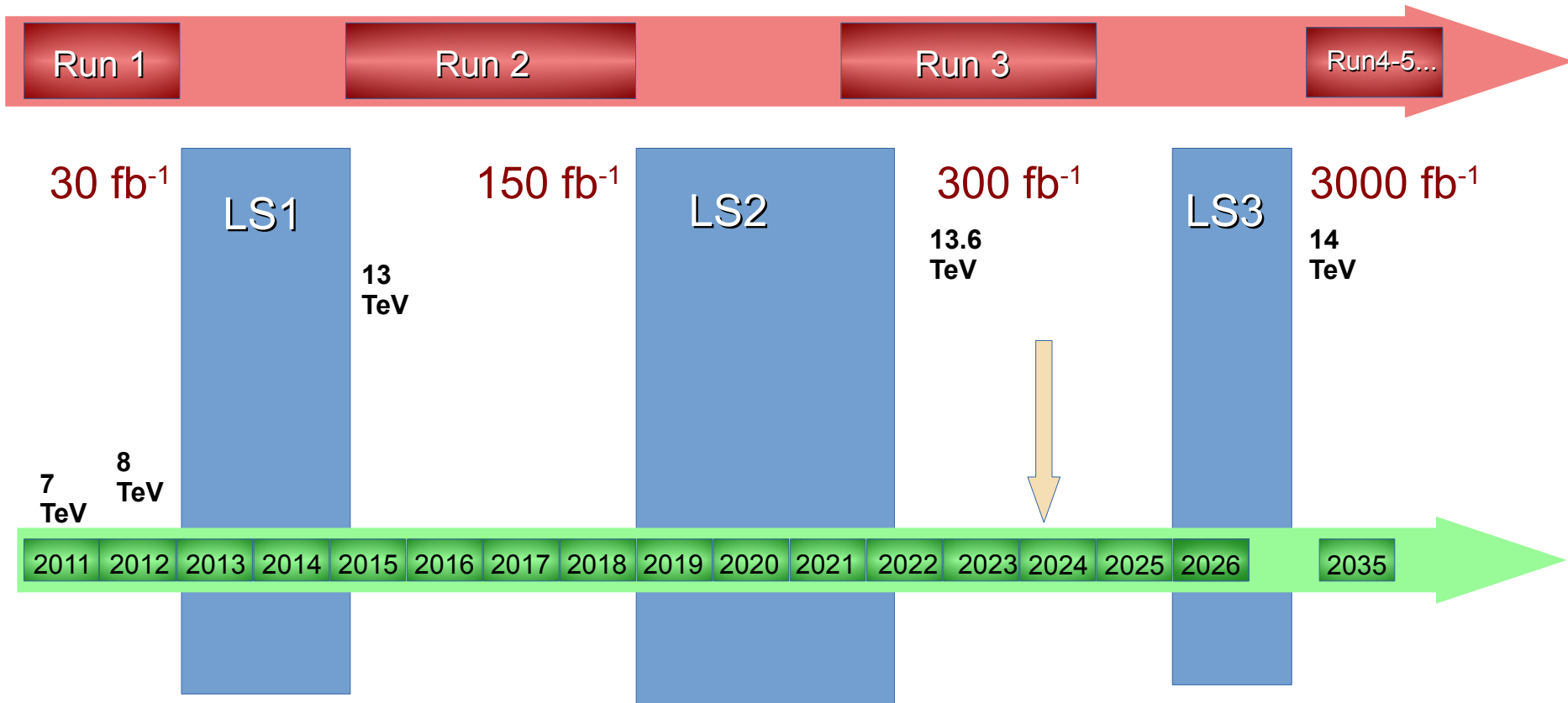
Standard Model analyses

- Precision measurement: W and Z masses and p_T spectrum, and α_s ?
- cross sections: $Z p_T$, WZ , WW , VBS cross section

B Physics

- Rare decays: $B \rightarrow \mu\mu$, $D \rightarrow \mu\mu$

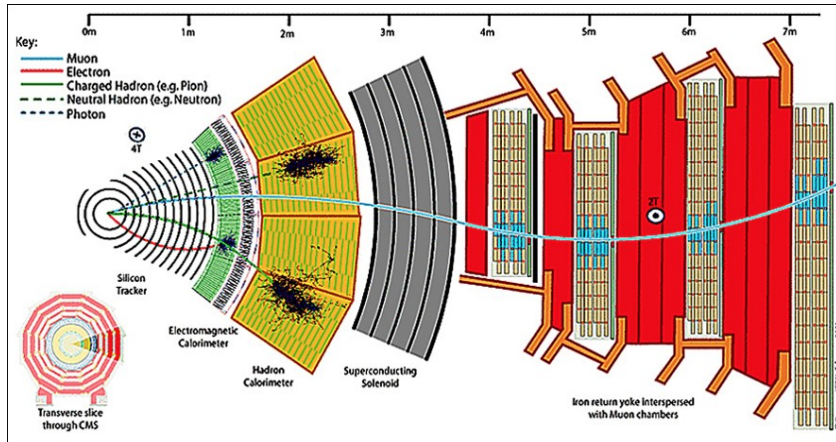
LHC Schedule – Long Term



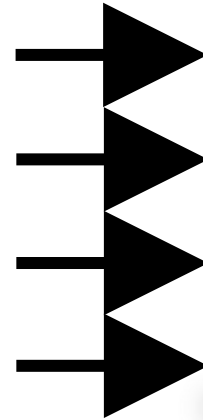
LHC Physics is highest priority for P5 HEPAP panel

- fantastic opportunities for excellent physics right now
- with existing data, Run 3 started, and beyond

Data flow in CMS

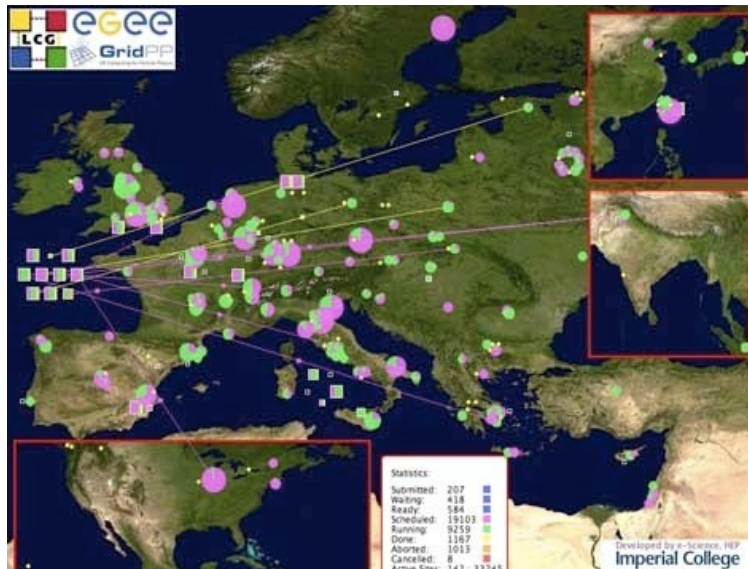


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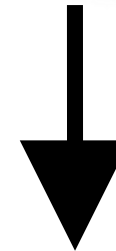


Level One Trigger system

CMS HCAL
Computing & Software



100 GB/s

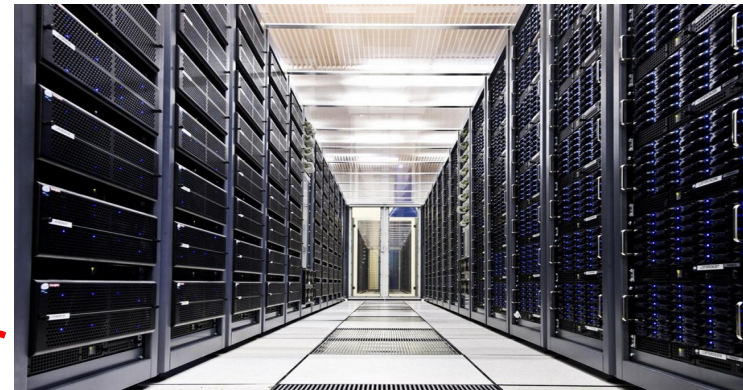


High Level Trigger

5 GB/s



Storage Manager



Work Completed for Run 3

HCAL

- Transported the MAHI hit reconstruction to GPU
- Re-tuned and commissioned it

Storage Manager and Data Transfer system

- Designed, purchased, built and commissioned new Storage Manager hardware
- Data movement software, overhauled and transitioned to python 3

Computing Operations – Tier-0 and Processing

- Tier-0 was overhauled, adjusted to Rucio and ported to python 3
- Production and re-processing transition to Rucio

Tier-2 Computing center and Analysis Facility R&D

- Major hardware upgrades for Run 3 including GPU servers
- Local tape robot, and Analysis Facility prototype

Upgrade Projects

Storage Manager and Data Transfer system

- HL-LHC will need significantly larger system: design studies in progress

Tier-2 Computing center

- Needs to transition to new storage concept
- Massive hardware expansion needed: CPU, GPU, networking

Tape Pilot project

- Started demonstration project to establish tape storage at MIT
- The NESE tape facility in Holyoke is fully integrated into the CMS storage system but not yet commissioned, tests ongoing

Future Analysis Facility concept development

- New concept to support HL-LHC-and-beyond analysis is being developed

PPC Leadership

CMS Cross Physics Object Group organization (L2)

- [Marianosaria D'Alfonso](#)

CMS Standard Model Physics convener (L2)

- [Guillermo Gomez-Ceballos](#)

CMS Computing Operations (L2)

- [Dmytro Kovalskyi](#)

CMS Particle Flow (L2)

- [Kenneth Long](#)

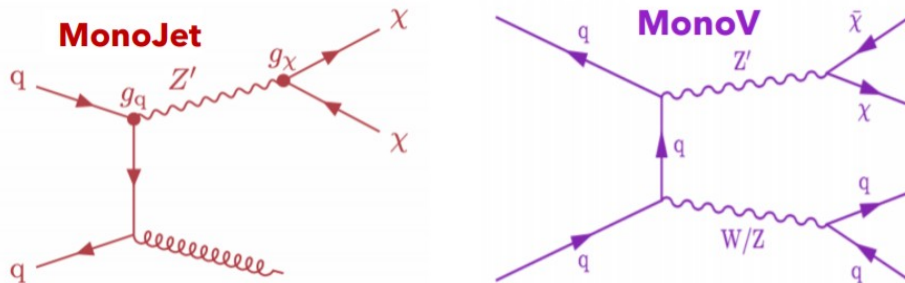
FCC project

- [FCC-ee Higgs convener: Jan Eysermans](#)
- [FCC-ee Precision Electroweak: Christoph Paus](#)

Mono-Jet and mono-V dark matter search

Search for physics with particles that decay invisibly in association with a jet

- performed in Mono-Jet and Mono-V categories and combined

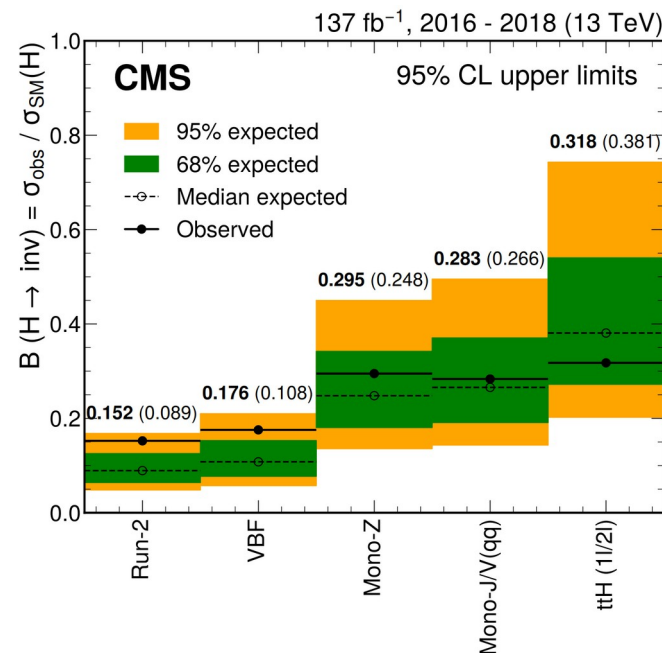
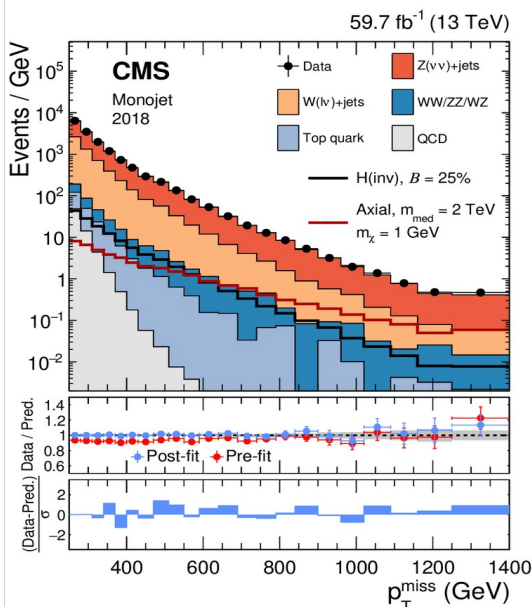
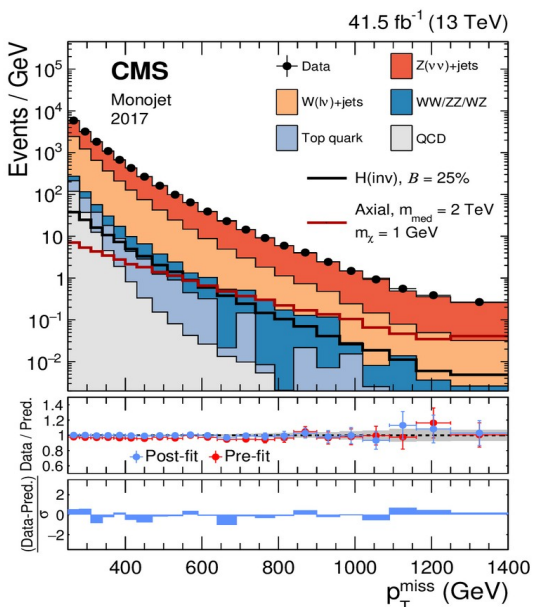


Full Run 3 data Analysis planned



No significant excess of events is observed in data.

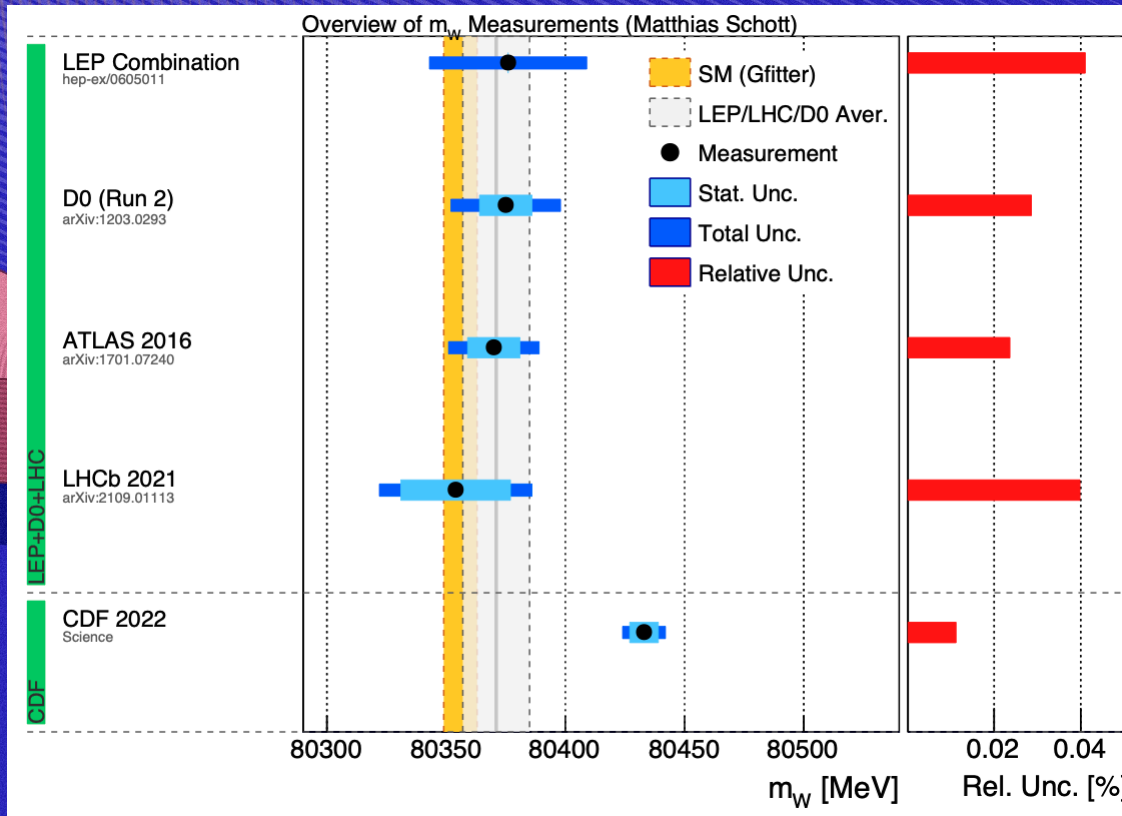
Several of the new limits, specifically for spin-1 dark matter mediators, pseudoscalar mediators, colored mediators, and leptoquarks.



Status W Mass

CDF experiments last word

- W mass too heavy by seven standard deviations !



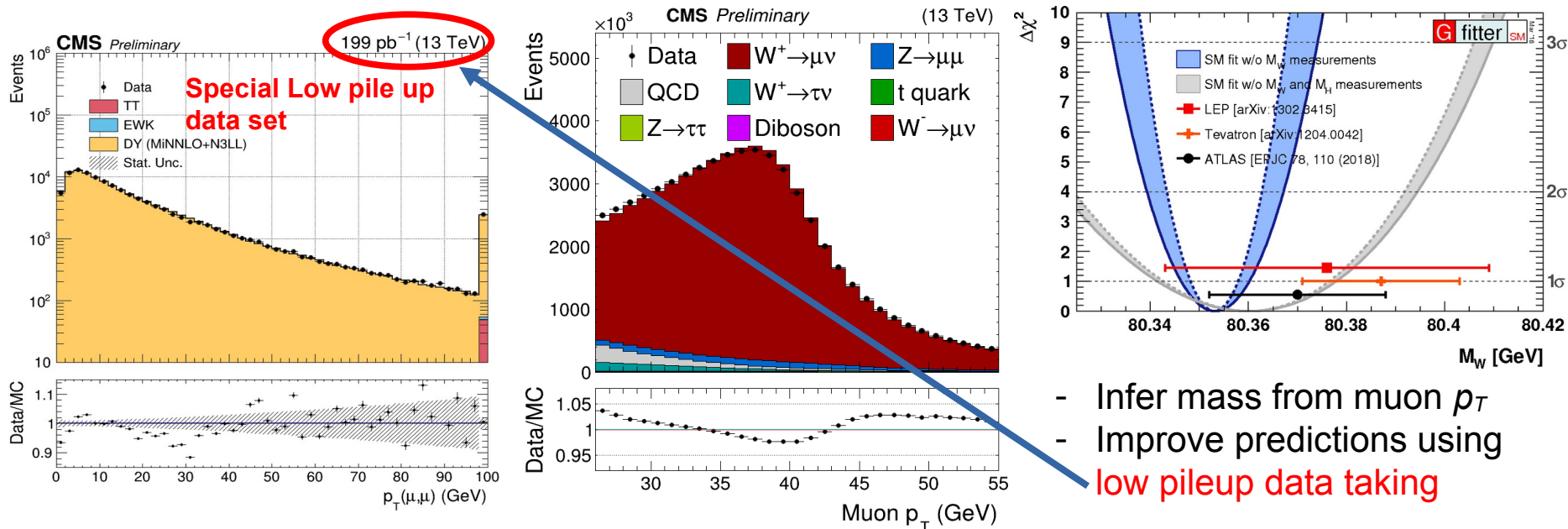
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Source: <https://www.quantamagazine.org/fermilab-says-particle-is-heavy-enough-to-break-the-standard-model-20220407/>

CMS W Mass Measurement

Precision measurement of W boson mass: $\Delta m_W < 15$ MeV

- Direct measurements of observables over-constrain the SM



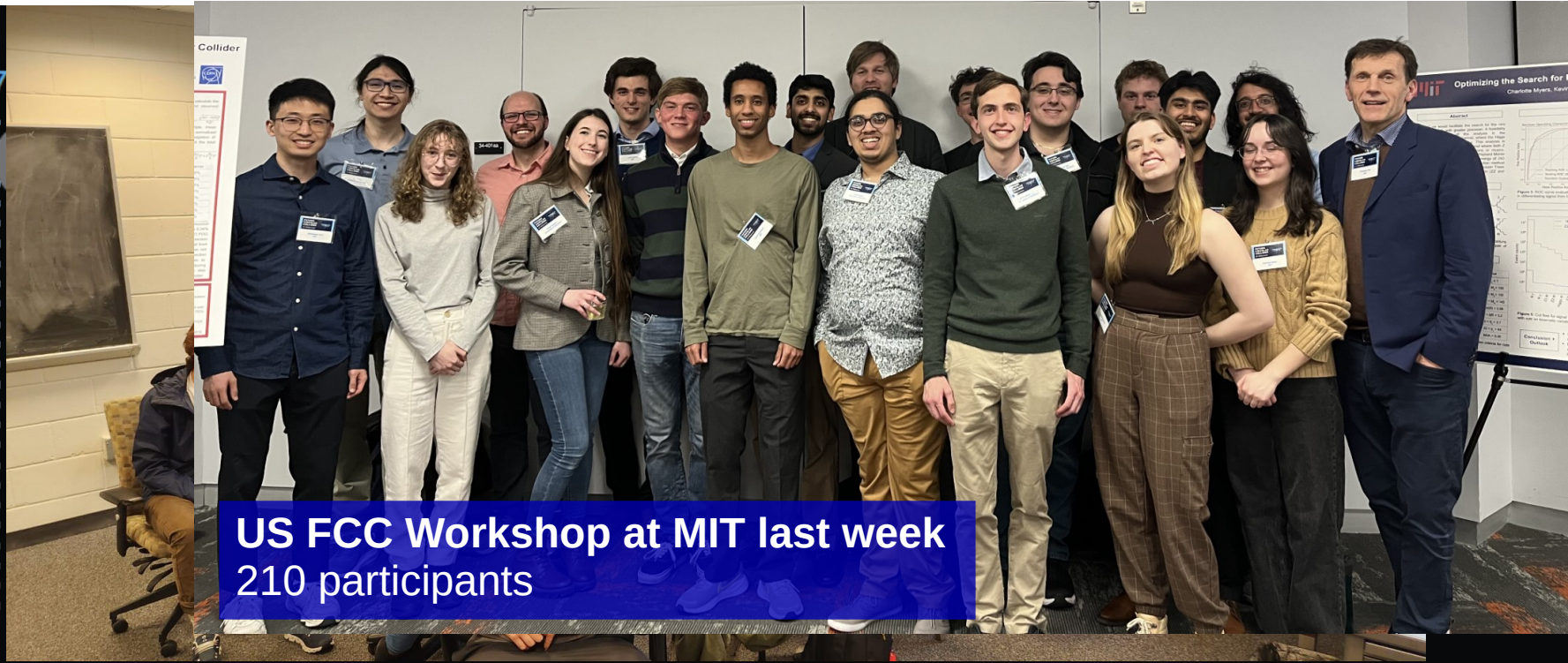
Mass measurement using muon transverse momentum (p_T)

- Requires < percent level measurement of muon reconstruction efficiency, scale, and resolution
- Accurate detector material, particle interaction models, detection, efficiency, magnetic field
- Exploit state-of-the-art predictions Monte Carlo predictions to minimize modelling uncertainties
- Improve predictions with direct measurement of W boson p_T in special LHC runs at low pile up

$\Delta m_W < 5$ MeV



Future of The Energy Frontier



Precision measurements of Z, W, Higgs boson & top quark physics

- $\Delta m_z \sim 4 \text{ keV} \Rightarrow$ improve uncertainty by factor of 500 (almost 3 order of magn.)
- $\Delta m_w \sim$ some tens of keV
- Higgs boson couplings to percent levels, independent full width measurement

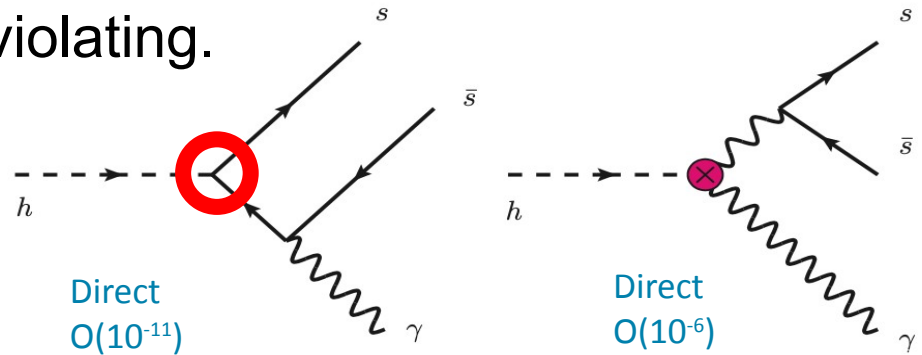
Starting to work on R&D for CMOS MAPS vertex detector

Higgs Rare Decays

The exclusive hadronic decays $H \rightarrow M\gamma$, (also $H \rightarrow MZ$ and $h \rightarrow MW$)
 M is a meson such as $\phi, \omega, \rho_{770} \dots$

Probe several different couplings of the Higgs boson to SM fermions both flavor-conserving and flavor-violating.

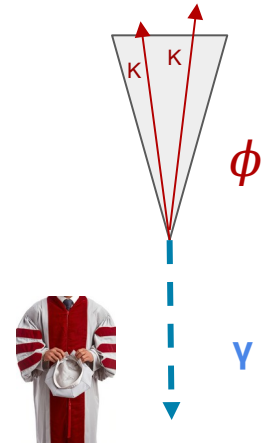
$\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow M\gamma) \sim 10^{-6} - 10^{-10}$
 in comparison $\mathcal{B}(H \rightarrow \mu\mu) \approx 2.2 \times 10^{-4}$



Increased branching ratio with respect to SM is sign of new physics.

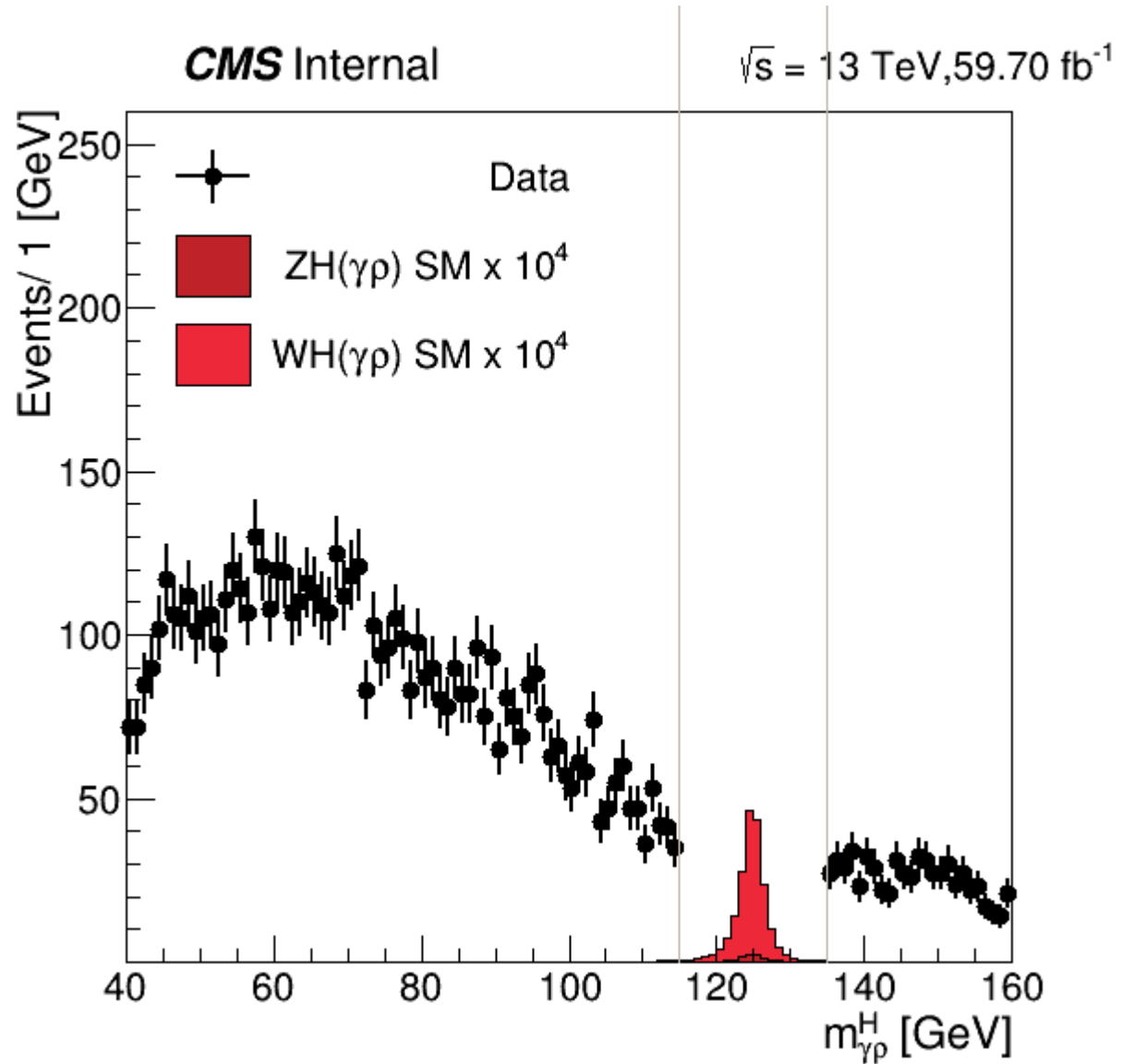
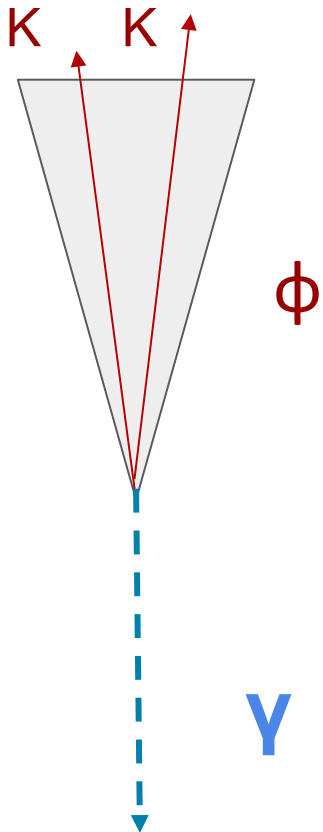
First public results expected for summer conferences

- Run 2: look for H boson production in association to Vector Bosons
- Run 3: implement quasi real time analysis with new HLT capabilities
- Meson reconstruction with new ML techniques to increase efficiency are a must



Higgs rare decays

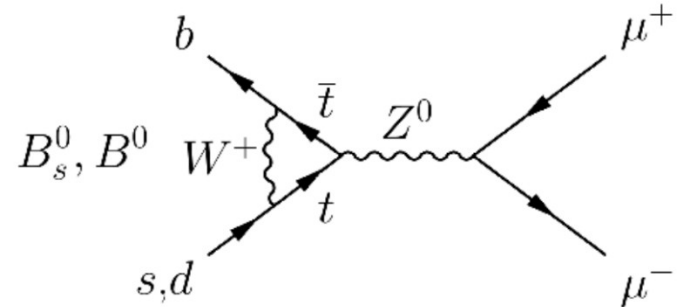
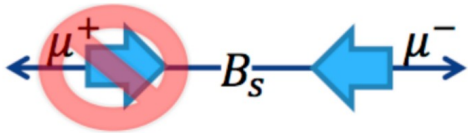
First studies show that we can understand the backgrounds well.



Search for $B_{s,d} \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$

B decay through effective FCNC in Standard Model \rightarrow rare

- Stringently helicity suppressed
- And CKM suppression from B_s to B_d



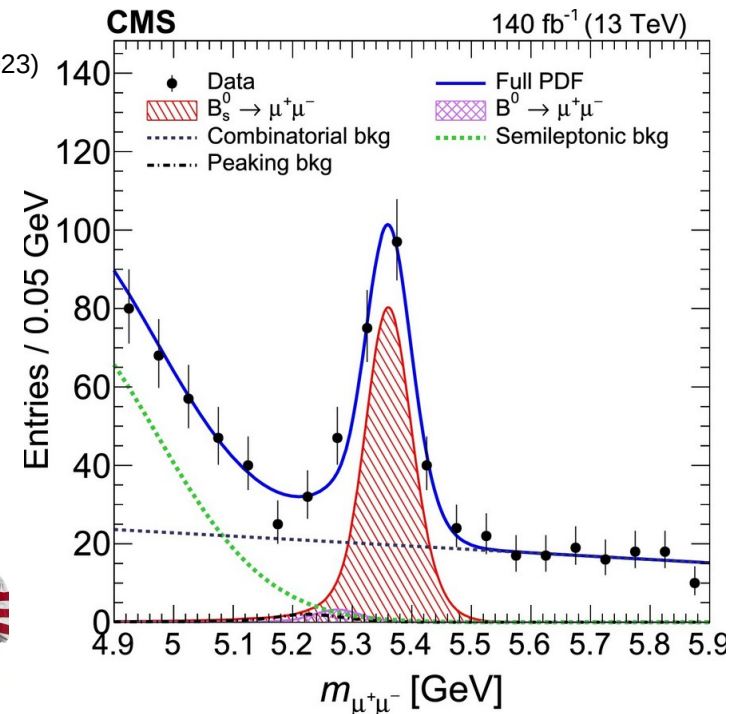
- Could cast some light on the present discrepancies in the B sector
 - 3 std LFU violation in $R(K)$ and $R(D^*)$, 2-3 std discrepancies in branching ratios

Disappeared in CERN seminar (12/20/2022)

Confirmed in CERN seminar (3/21/2023)

Powerful test of theory prediction and indirect search for new mediator

- Legacy Run 2 analysis was a highlight at ICHEP 2022 and is published
- Substantially expanded trigger for Run 3
- B_d and D^0 search are on their way, B_d might be in reach



Dark Photon $\rightarrow \mu\mu$ Search

A search for a prompt dark photon resonance in the dimuon final state

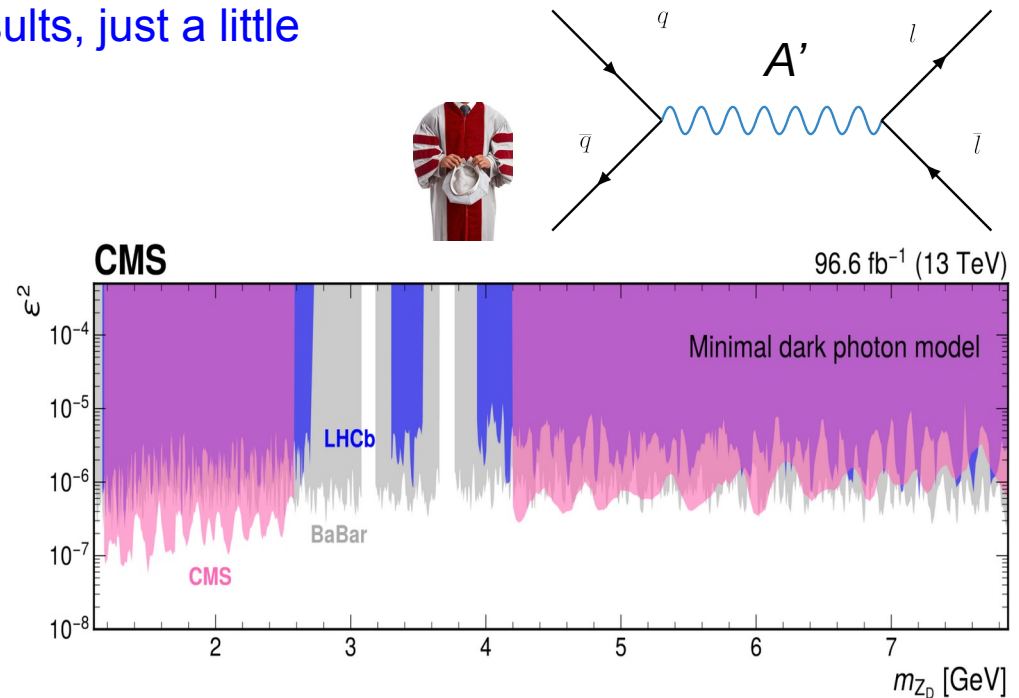
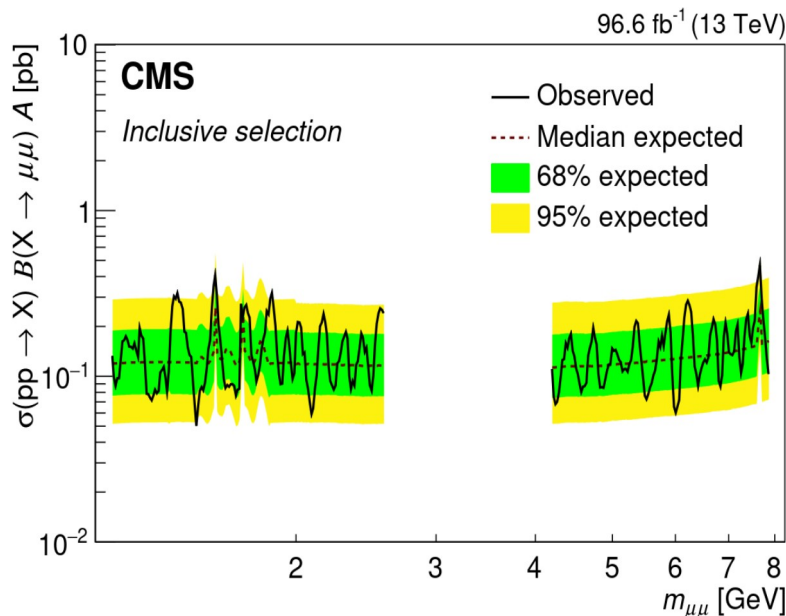
- using the scouting data collected in 2017 and 2018.
- probe dark photon masses from 1.00–2.63 GeV and 4.2–8.18 GeV

Looking for a narrow resonance peak in the dimuon mass continuum.

- New muon MVA IDs were developed to improve the sensitivity at low mass and for scouting data variables

Result interpreted in Hidden Abelian Higgs Model and 2HDM+S.

- Sensitivity exceeds Babar/LHCb results, just a little

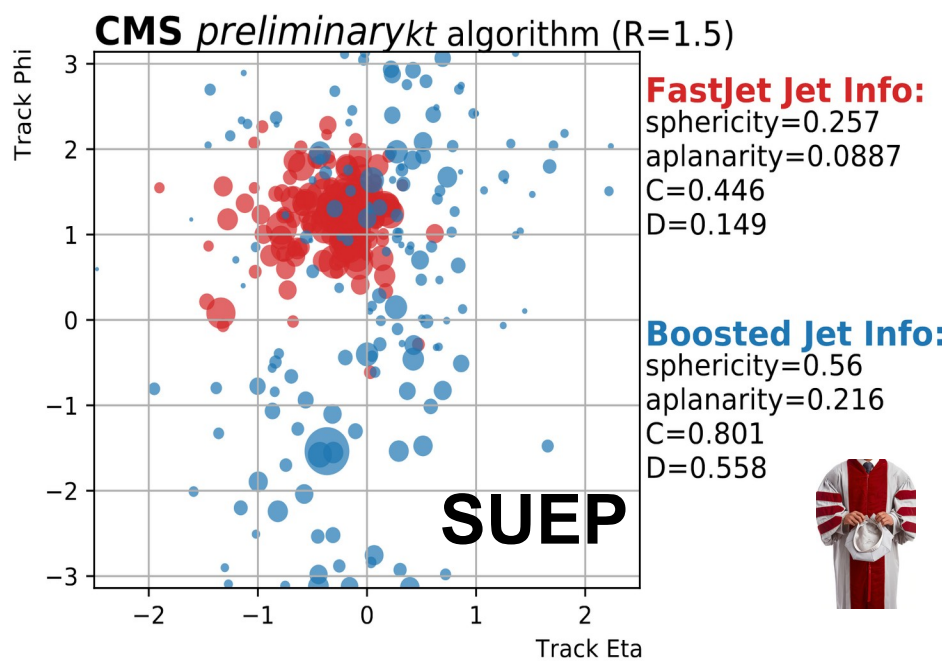
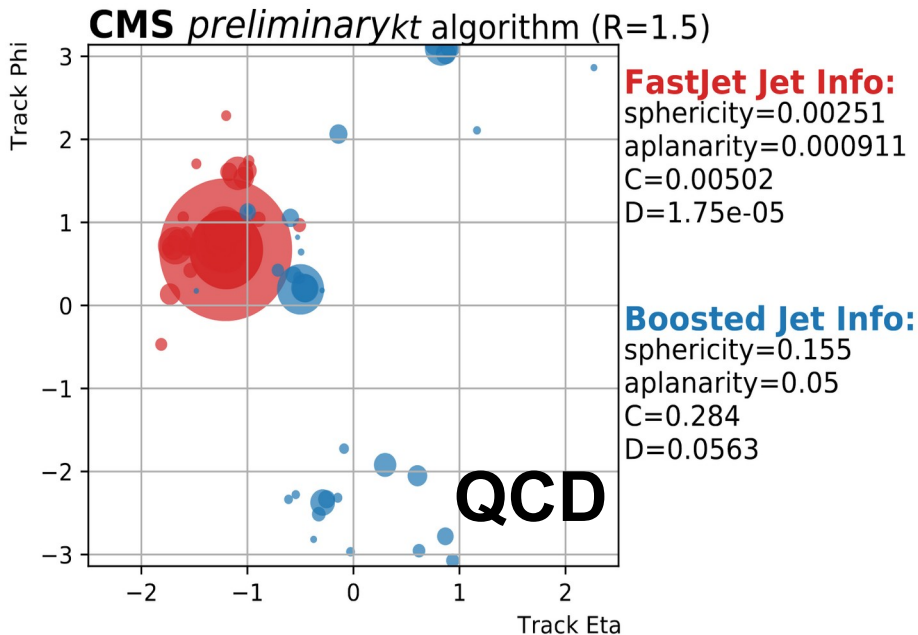
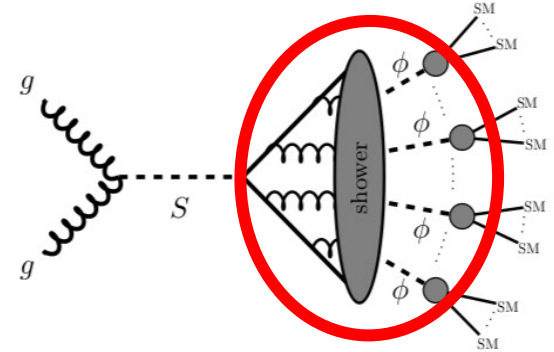


Soft Unclustered Energy Patterns (SUEPs)

No WIMP at LHC → explore more complex DM scenarios: e.g. dark strong dynamics
 Strongly coupled hidden valleys through high-multiplicity decays of new heavy scalar mediators

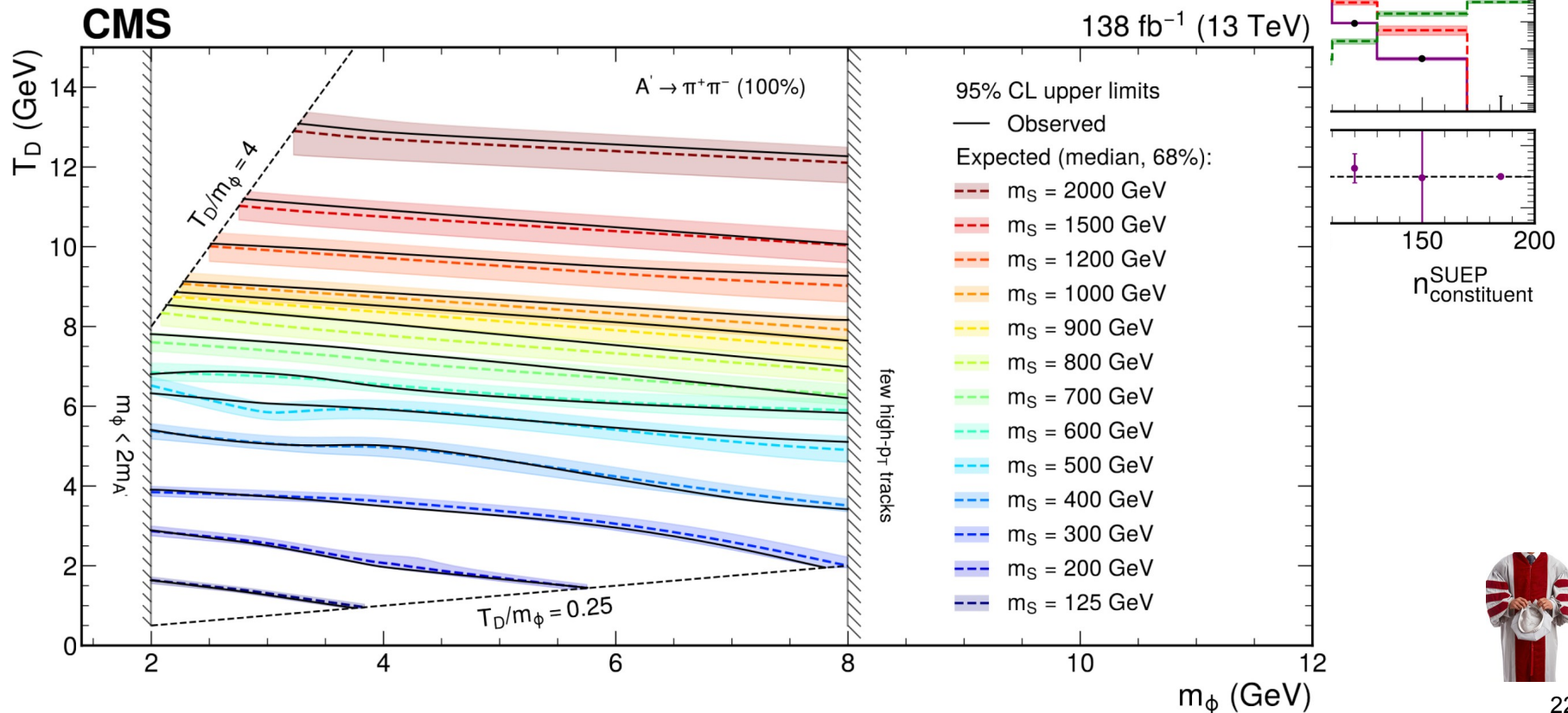
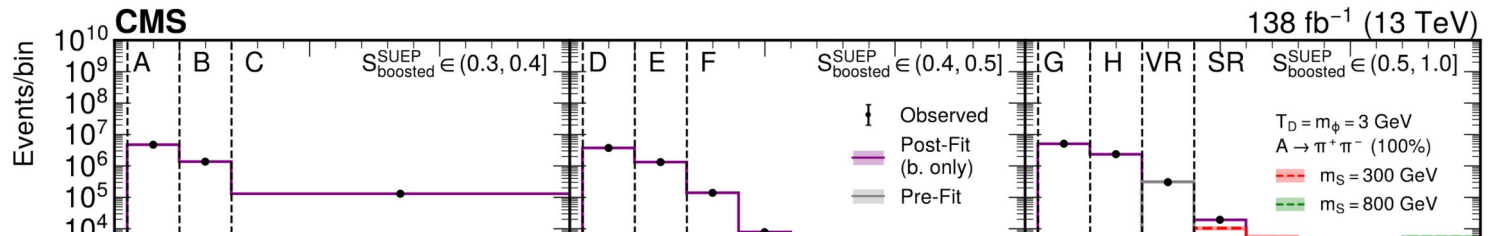
- Searching for “belt of fire”, spherically symmetric distribution of tracks → exploit event shape variables to discriminate against QCD background
- Extremely difficult to trigger on soft sprays – two ways:
 - Explore data scouting techniques or,
 - Require Initial State Radiation (ISR) and look at SUEP rest frame
- Snowmass proposal was submitted, first analysis just came out

Dark shower → hidden valley



Soft Unclustered Energy Patterns (SUEPs)

Two parameters to describe dark showers: **mass of the lowest state particle m_ϕ** and the **temperature T_D** , which describes how the energy is distributed in the shower



Conclusion

Broad physics and detector programs

- Higgs, New Physics (inc. dark matter) and sensitive precision tests
- Promising analyses for Run 3 with great team and these topics
- Software, Computing, Trigger, DAQ, and Detector projects offer a lot valuable experience

Contribution to future collider projects (FCC, C³) possible and encouraged

PPC has strong leadership in CMS detector and physics organization

It is an amazing time to join and stay in the field!



7%

LHC Status:

Restarting end of April

MIT is member of the CMS Collaboration



*~50 Countries, ~250 institutes [US makes up ~30%]
~3000 Authors including ~1800 PhD's and ~950 PhD students*

Research Computing Support

High Performance Research Computing Facility at BATES

- Build in 2009 with help from School of Science / MIT: ~ \$8M
- Largest shares at the time: CMS Tier-2, LIGO, EAPS, Chemistry
- Today: CMS Tier-2, HI Simulation center, LHCb Tier-2, CLAS12
- But also others: CTP (HPC cluster), Chemistry, EAPS ...

Major successes and plans, *examples*

- 1st CMS publication on pp-collisions was performed on HPRCF
- MIT was prominent in Higgs discovery analysis and most of the analysis was done on HPRCF
- LHCb decided to integrate its only US Tier-2 into the HPRCF
- NSF proposal for large HPC center (CTP) was granted a
- NSF proposal for large AI center also relies on this spacend is integrated in the HPRCF