

Searches in CMS for new physics in the final states with leptons

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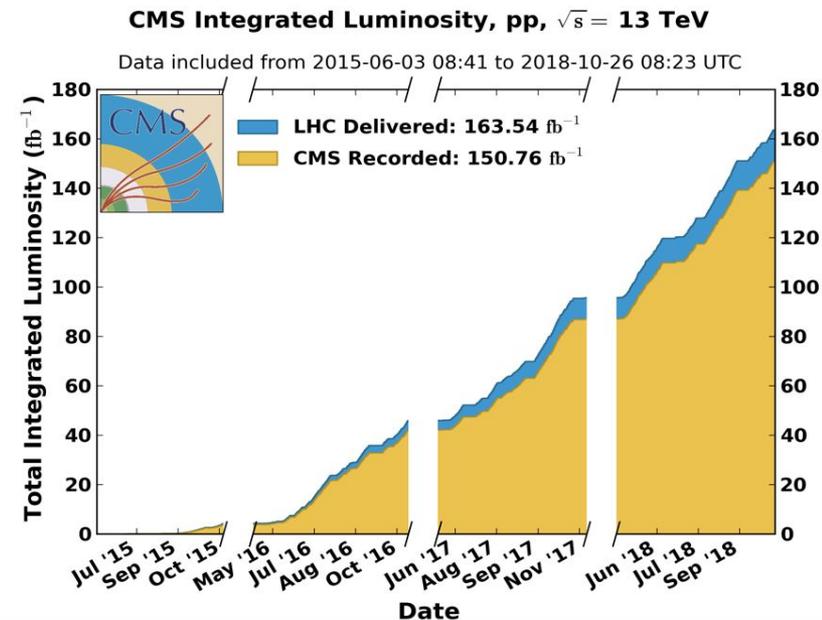


Introduction

- Standard Model is elegant theory and so far it withstands many tests carried out at collider experiments
- However SM can not explain
 - Asymmetry of the matter in the universe
 - Neutrino mass
 - Mass hierarchy between SM particles generations ...

- **Wide range of models probing Beyond the Standard Model physics:**
 - Heavy gauge bosons and neutrino
 - Extended Higgs sector
 - Dark Matter
 - Unification theories
 - Extra Dimensions ...

- **Full Run 2 data set is available to examine these theories**
- **Leptons are very clean probes to explore the phasespace for new physics**



Several latest EXO searches with leptons in the final states

Search for new physics in τ plus missing transverse momentum final state (EXO-21-009)

Key points:

- Hadronic tau + MET
- Multiple interpretations, including LQ, quantum black holes and nonuniversal gauge interaction model and more

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The search for a third-generation leptokuark coupling to a τ lepton and a b quark (EXO-19-016)

Key points:

- Final state with τ leptons
- Single, pair and LQ₃ nonresonant production

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Search for dilepton resonances from decays of (pseudo)scalar light bosons (EXO-21-018)

Key points:

- Three or four leptons in the final state
- Different coupling scenarios and variety of signatures
- Associated production with W/Z bosons or t \bar{t} pair

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Inclusive nonresonant multilepton search (EXO-21-002)

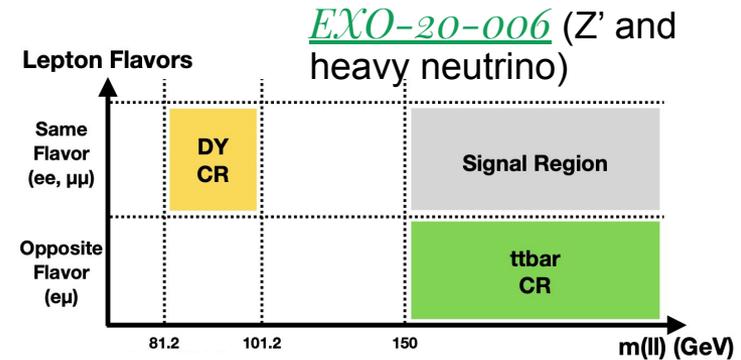
Key points:

- Three or four leptons in the final state
- Model independent tables
- Model specific MVA
- Seesaw type III, third-generation LQ and VLL models

Common terms and similarities for lepton analysis

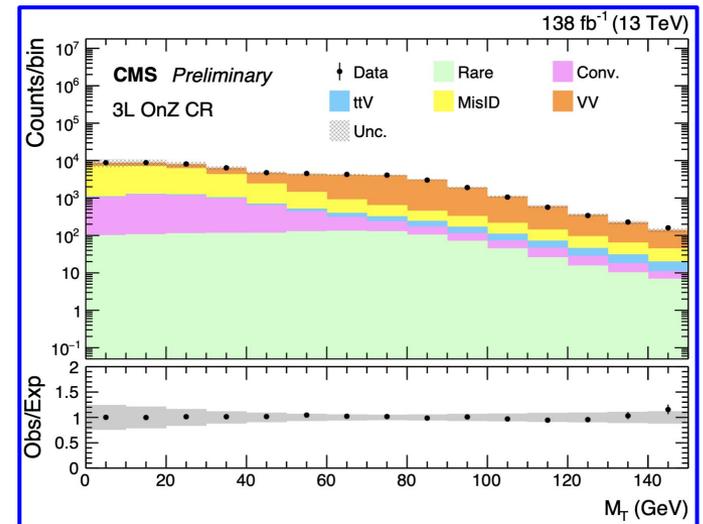
- Based on Run 2 LHC data (full Run 2) collected with CMS detector.
- Triggers: include single / double electron or muon, single / double photon.
- Main **prompt backgrounds** are normally normalized in the dedicated control regions orthogonal to signal region.

Example of signal and control regions separation:



- **Fake (misidentification) backgrounds** are measured from data in bins of p_T and η , when possible in several control regions:
 - Drell-Yan+Jets and $t\bar{t}$ +Jets rates are parameterized using sideband events with loose isolation.
 - τ fake backgrounds have different nature and are measured separately from light leptons.

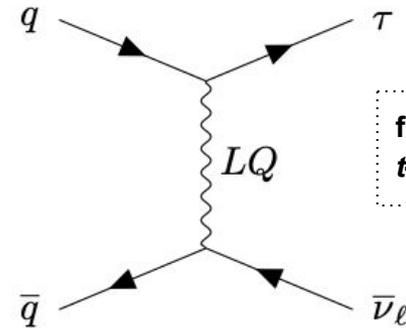
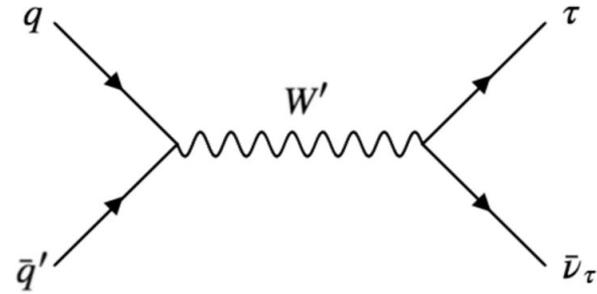
EXO-21-002 (nonresonant multilepton)



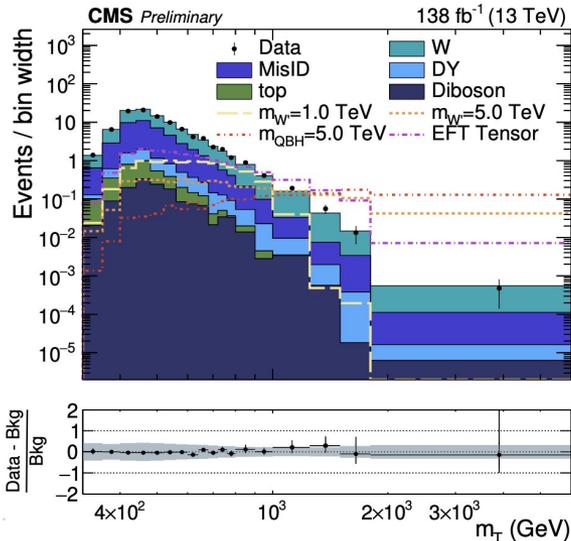
Search for new physics in τ plus MET final state (EXO-21-009)

- A new charged gauge boson (W') is one possible signature of the **sequential SM (SSM)**.
- W' fermion couplings are similar to those of the SM W with **additional decay $W' \Rightarrow t\bar{b}$, if mass $W' > 180$ GeV**.
- The **W' coupling strengths** may differ from that of the SM W or the SSM W' bosons.
 - $g_{W'}/g_W$ - impacts width and cross section
 - For $g_{W'}/g_W = 1$, this corresponds to Sequential Standard Model (benchmark)

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first search for LQ t -channel exchange

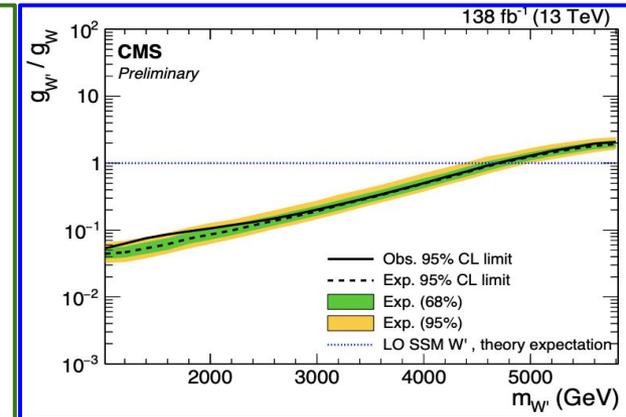
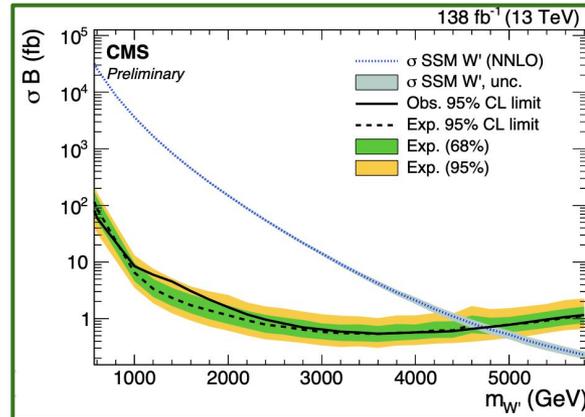


- **Final state:** one (hadronic) tau and missing transverse momentum
- p_T of tau and MET is balanced: expect back-to-back in azimuthal angle ϕ
- **Discriminant variable:** transverse mass m_T

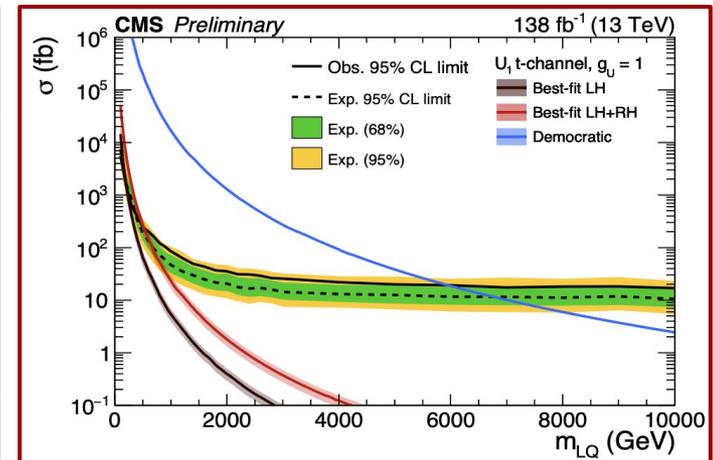
$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^{\tau_h} p_T^{\text{miss}} (1 - \cos \Delta\phi(\tau_h, \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}))}$$

Results: Search for new physics in τ plus MET (EXO-21-009)

- Results are also interpreted for
 - Nonuniversal gauge interaction model (NUGIM)
 - Quantum black holes (QBH)
 - Effective field theory (EFT)
 - Vector leptoquark model: t-channel production
 - less dependence on mass of the LQ
 - First limit set on vector LQ model in this t-channel at the LHC.
- Taking background as a single bin ranging from min M_T to infinity also model independent limit is derived.

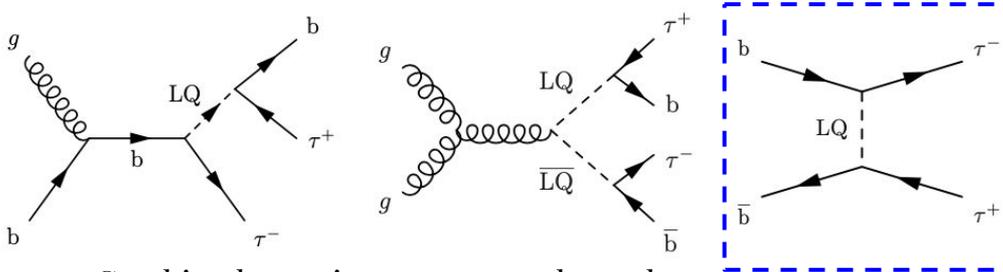


Model	Parameter	Expected Limit	Observed Run-2 Limit
SSM $W' \rightarrow \tau\nu$	$m_{W'}$	4.8 TeV	4.8 TeV
NUGIM $\cot(\theta_E)=1$	$m_{W'}$	4.8 TeV	4.8 TeV
NUGIM $\cot(\theta_E)=5.5$	$m_{W'}$	2.3 TeV	2.1 TeV
EFT $\epsilon_L=0.3$	Signal strength	0.8	1.2
EFT $\epsilon_{SL}=1.0$	Signal strength	0.1	0.2
EFT $\epsilon_T=0.3$	Signal strength	0.5	1.0
LQ democratic, $g_U=1.0$	m_{LQ}	6.7 TeV	5.9 TeV
LQ Best-fit LH, $g_U=1.0$	m_{LQ}	145 GeV	205 GeV
LQ Best-fit LH, $g_U=2.5$	m_{LQ}	1.8 TeV	1.5 TeV
LQ Best-fit LH+RH, $g_U=1.0$	m_{LQ}	645 GeV	515 TeV
LQ Best-fit LH+RH, $g_U=2.5$	m_{LQ}	3.0 TeV	2.5 TeV
QBH	m_{QBH}	6.3 TeV	6.3 TeV



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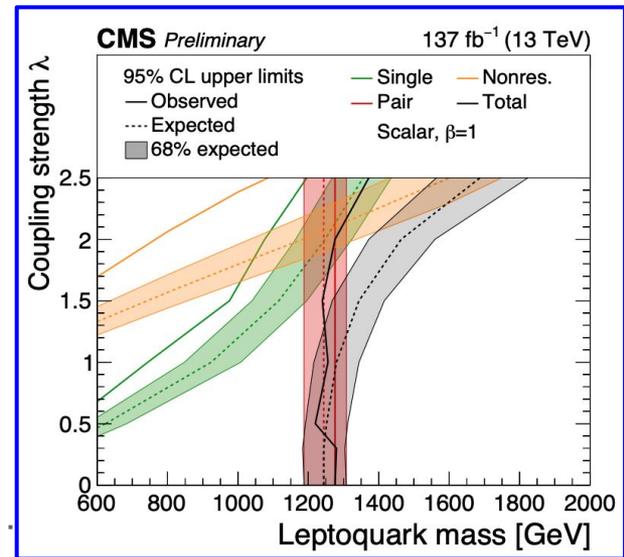
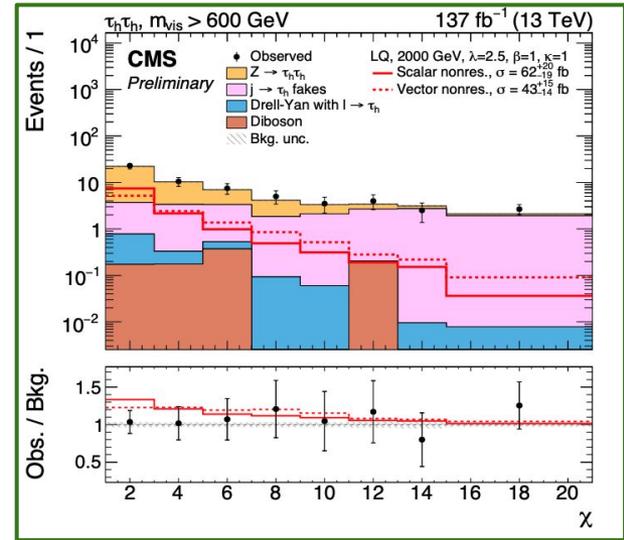
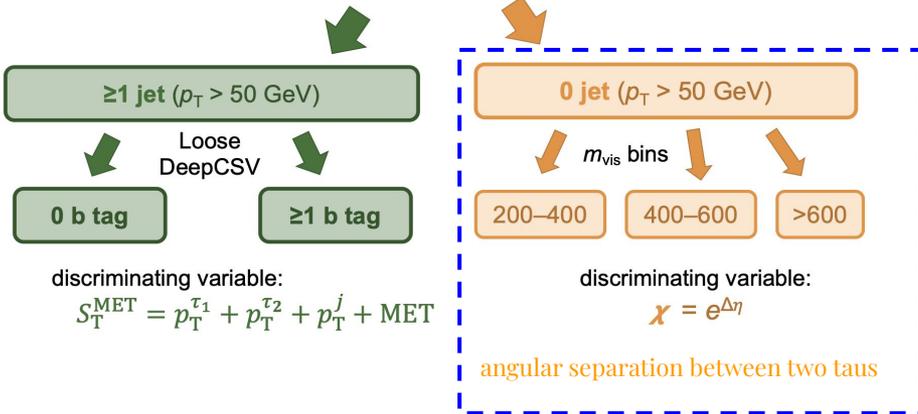
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- Combined most important tau channels: $\tau\tau$, $e\tau$, $\mu\tau$, $e\mu$, $\mu\mu$
- Single, pair production and nonresonant production in t-channel
- 3σ excess is observed arising from nonresonant channel

Summary of signal selections

$e\tau_h$, $\mu\tau_h$, $\tau_h\tau_h$ and $e\mu$ pre-selections ($e/\mu/\tau_h$ $p_T > 50$ GeV)



See this EXO-19-016 analysis in detail in Erini's [talk](#):

Inclusive nonresonant multilepton probes of new phenomena ([EXO-21-002](#))

- A **multi-bin, inclusive, model-independent** multilepton analysis with full Run2 data
- Covering light leptons, hadronic taus, and b-tags
- Categories by number of leptons:
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- Several signal models exploring high energy signatures (ST range up to 2 TeV)

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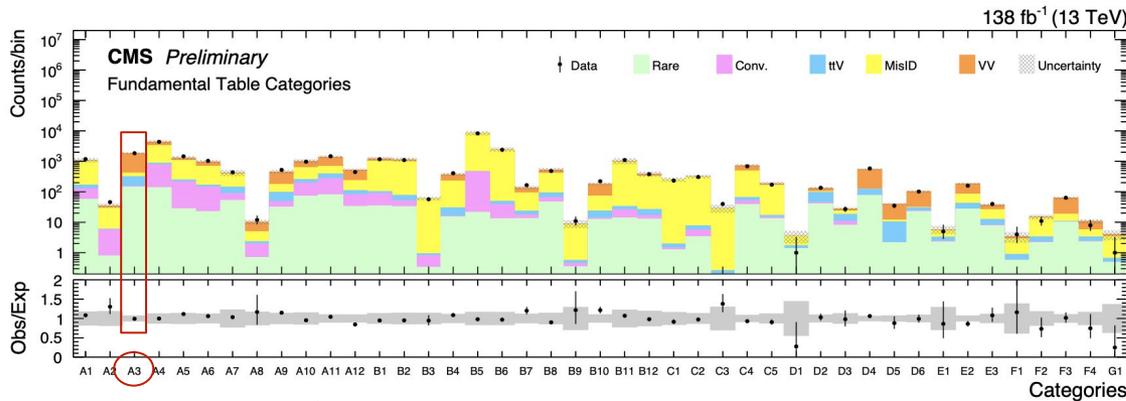
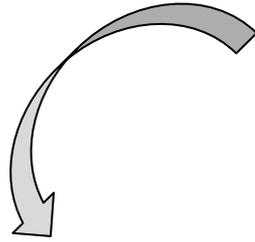
Search for dilepton resonances from decays of (pseudo)scalar light bosons (EXO-21-018)

- **Resonant part** of the analysis, **not inclusive**
 - natural extension of the multilepton analysis to the low energy
- Backgrounds are shared between nonresonant and resonant analyses
- Event selection has been reoptimized for light bosons search

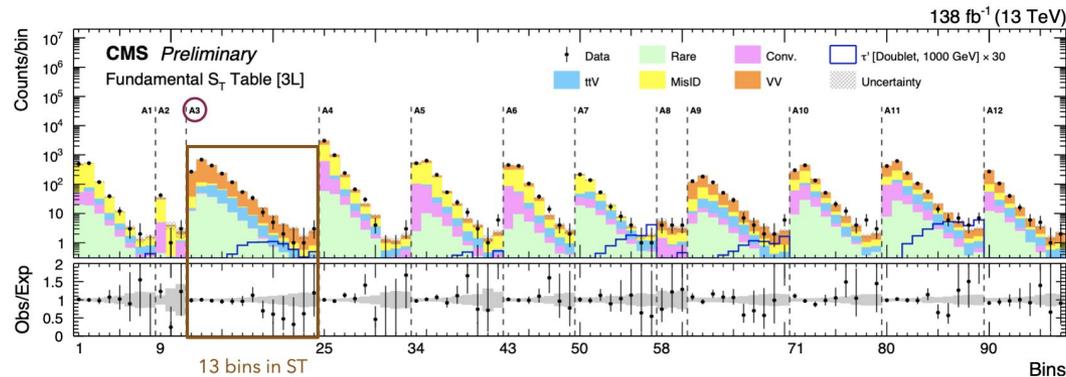
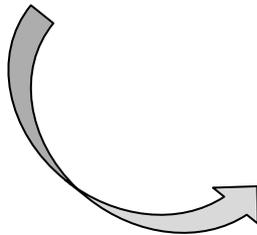
Inclusive cut based tables (EXO-21-002)

- Very detailed, SM-centric binning scheme to probe dataset in many dimensions
- Bins in ST and LT+MET

		OSSF0			OSSF1				OSSF2		
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	High p_T/M_T	A7*		A8	A9	A10	A11	A12	—	—	—
2L1T	Low p_T	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	—	—	—	—
	High p_T	B7	B8	B9	B10	B11	B12	—	—	—	—
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2L2T		F1*			F2*			—	F3	—	F4
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- On top of this infrastructure several theory models are tested that provide complementary coverage of signature space
- New physics could manifest itself as an excess in the tails of p_T distributions



Fundamental ST table in 3L

EXO-21-002

Complementary nonresonant signal models (EXO-21-002)

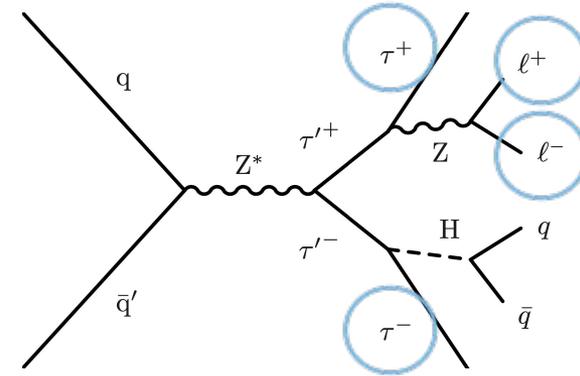
Tables in LT+MET and ST bins in this analysis create **regions of sensitivity for wide range of signatures.**

Results will be interpreted in the context of three signal models:

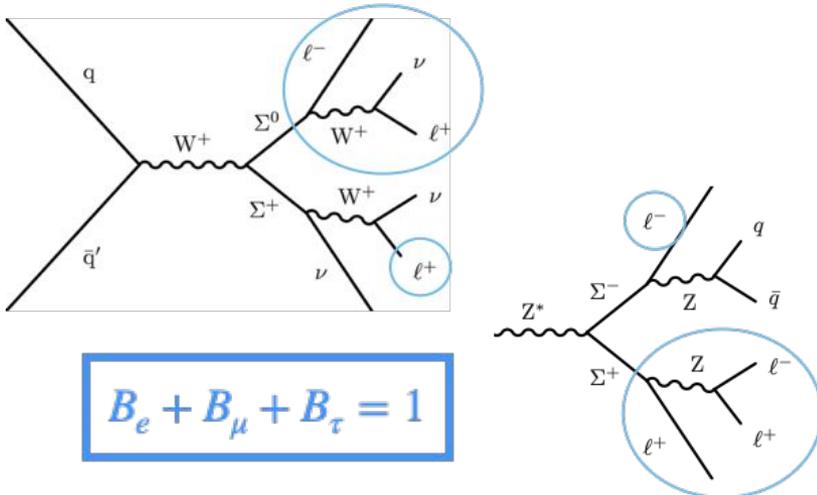
- Type-III Seesaw
- Vector-like leptons (singlet and doublet)
- Scalar leptoquarks (coupling to top quark and a charged lepton)

These models provide complementary signatures and cover different corners of the phase space of multilepton landscape: with high/low hadronic activity and transverse momentum, with and without b-jets.

Vector-like leptons: (τ'), or (τ' , ν')



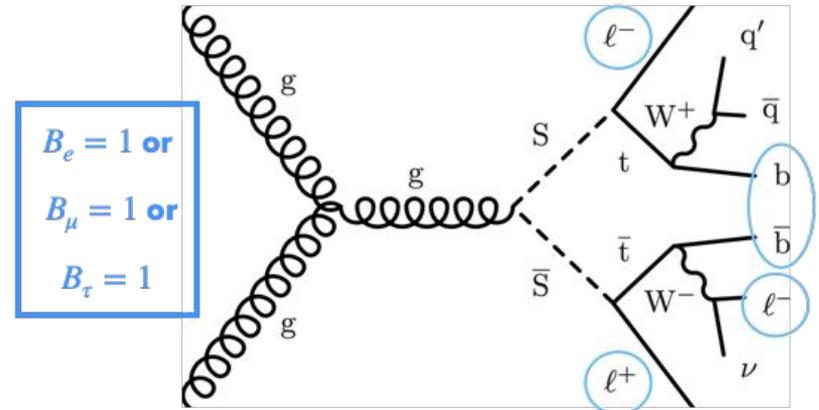
Type-III Seesaw: Σ^\pm, Σ^0



$B_e = \text{BR}(\Sigma \rightarrow e/\nu_e + V)$, $B_\mu = \text{BR}(\Sigma \rightarrow \mu/\nu_\mu + V)$ or $B_\tau = \text{BR}(\Sigma \rightarrow \tau/\nu_\tau + V)$,

where V is W, Z or Higgs

Leptoquarks: S

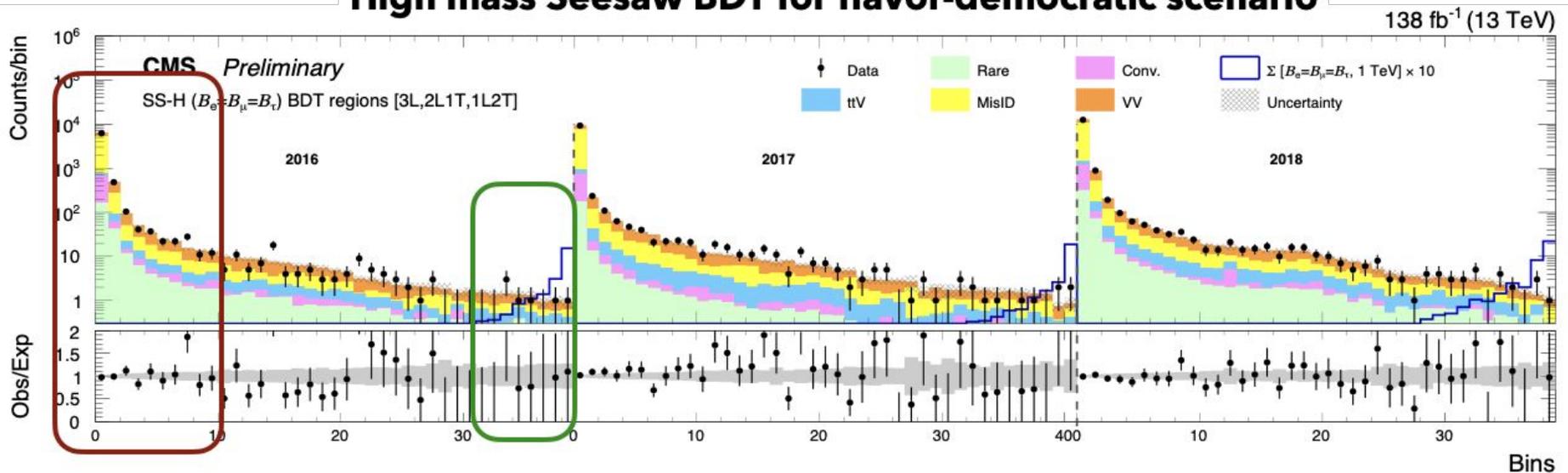


$B_e = \text{BR}(S \rightarrow te)$, $B_\mu = \text{BR}(S \rightarrow t\mu)$ or $B_\tau = \text{BR}(S \rightarrow t\tau)$

Model specific MVA (EXO-21-002)

- **Signal specific BDT training** for range of masses.
- Increase signal sensitivity by creating a variable bin width for the BDT score (stretch high BDT score, compress low BDT score).
- **Complementary to table results.** Tables and MVAs acting as performance reference points for each other.

High mass Seesaw BDT for flavor-democratic scenario



BDT score transformation:

- Bin 1: [-1, -0.9115]
- Bin 2: [-0.9115, -0.8115]
- Bin 19: [0.9755, 0.9925]
- Bin 20: [0.9925, 1]

Resonant $X\phi$ family (EXO-21-018)

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- Search for resonant signature of ϕ boson in multilepton events.
- ϕ is produced in association with $t\bar{t}$ pair or W/Z bosons. Scalar, pseudoscalar and Higgs-like coupling scenarios are probed.
 - $t\bar{t}\phi$ (S/PS)
 - $Z\phi$ (S/PS/H)
 - $W\phi$ (S/PS/H)
- Complementary signatures:
 - 0 / 1+ b-jets,
 - low/high ST,
 - 3 or 4 leptons,
 - with/without MET

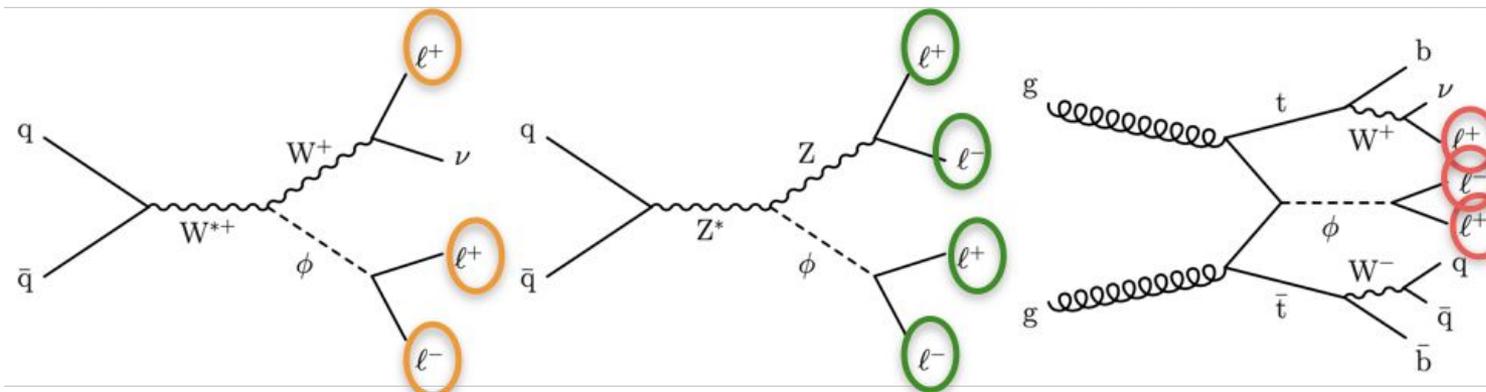
Cross sections for each coupling:

For S / PS: $\sigma(W\phi/Z\phi) \sim \Lambda^{-2}$
 $\sigma(t\bar{t}\phi) \sim g_S^2$ or g_{PS}^2
 For H-like: $\sigma(W\phi/Z\phi) \sim \sin^2 \theta$
 Λ is the effective coupling mass scale,
 θ is the mixing angle, g is Yukawa coupling to top quark.

$W\phi (\phi \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$

$Z\phi (\phi \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$

$t\bar{t}\phi (\phi \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-)$



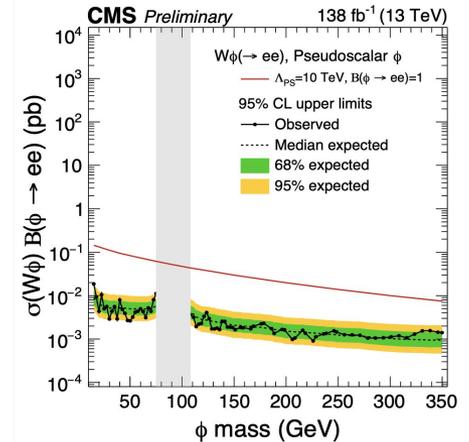
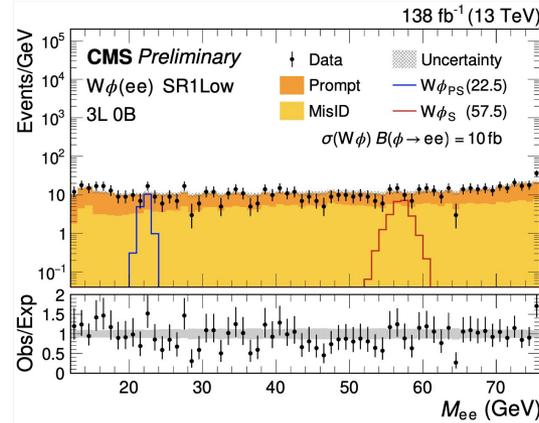
Analysis strategy and results (EXO-21-018)

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Resonant $X\phi \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$

- Dilepton mass is the final discriminator distribution: M_{ee} for $\phi \rightarrow e^+e^-$ and $M_{\mu\mu}$ for $\phi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ search.
- Z boson mass window 91 ± 15 GeV is excluded due to high SM background contamination. ϕ mass is probed in the mass range of 15–76 GeV and 106–366 GeV.

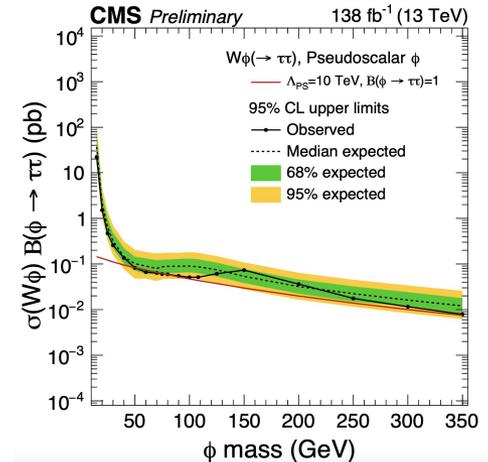
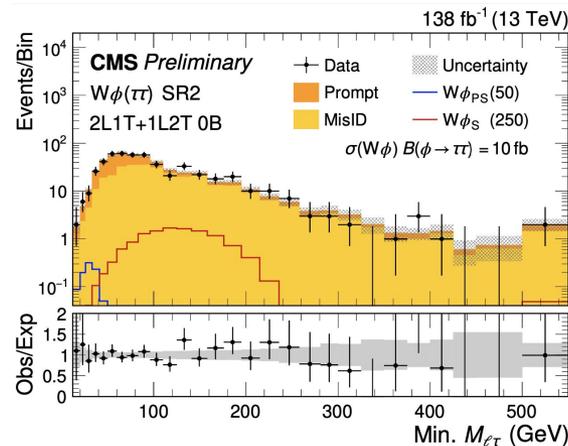
Example of dielectron mass distribution with $W\phi$ signal ($\phi \rightarrow ee$)



Semiseronant $X\phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$

- Mass spectra are defined depending on the flavor of leptons used to reconstruct the ϕ mass:
 - $M_{\tau\tau}$ when two τ_h leptons are used
 - $M_{l\tau}$ when light lepton and τ_h lepton are used
 - M_{ll} when two light leptons are used (ee , $\mu\mu$ or $e\mu$)

Example of the $\min M_{l\tau}$ mass variable with $W\phi$ signal ($\phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$).

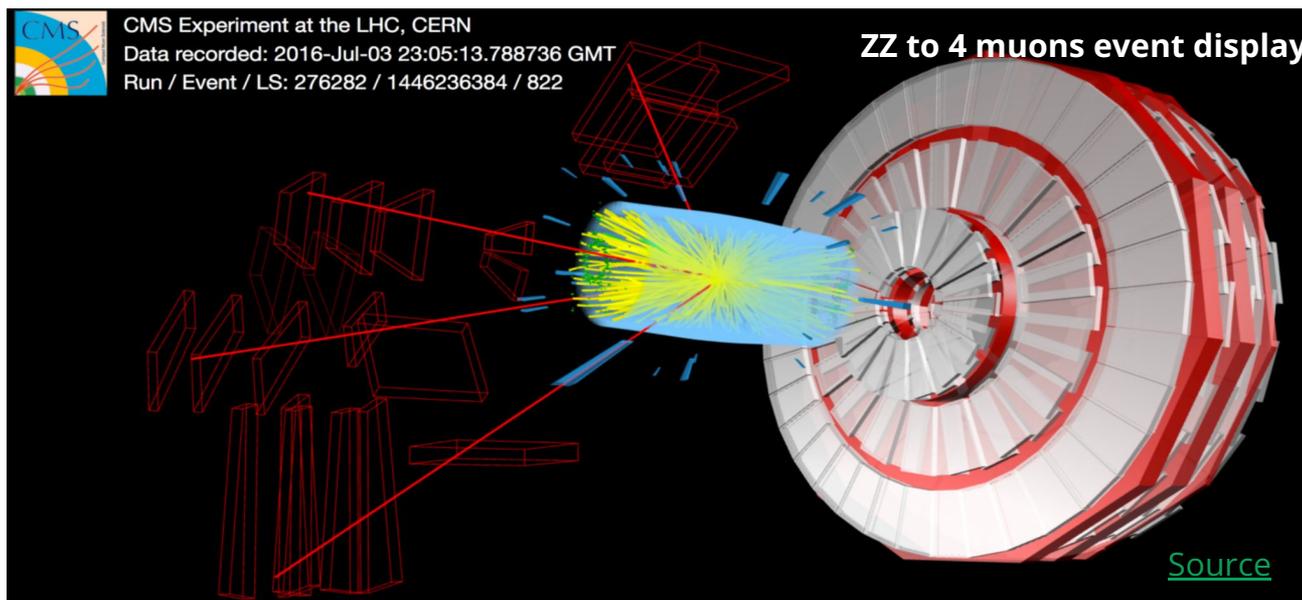


- No significant excess of data consistent with the models probed.
- $tt\phi \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$ are the most restrictive limits. $W\phi$, $Z\phi$ and $tt\phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$ are the first direct constraints on an extension of the SM with light boson in leptonic decay channels and this mass range.

Conclusions

- CMS performed many resonant and nonresonant searches beyond Standard Model with leptons in the final state.
- Only several latest publications were discussed today. **Full list of publications** can be found [here](#) and preliminary results [here](#).
- **Run 3** will bring: more data, new triggers, analysis techniques!

Looking forward to new exciting results!



See more CMS analyses with leptons in the final states in Celia's [talk](#):

Searches in CMS for long-lived particles and other non-conventional signatures

Celia Fernández Madrazo

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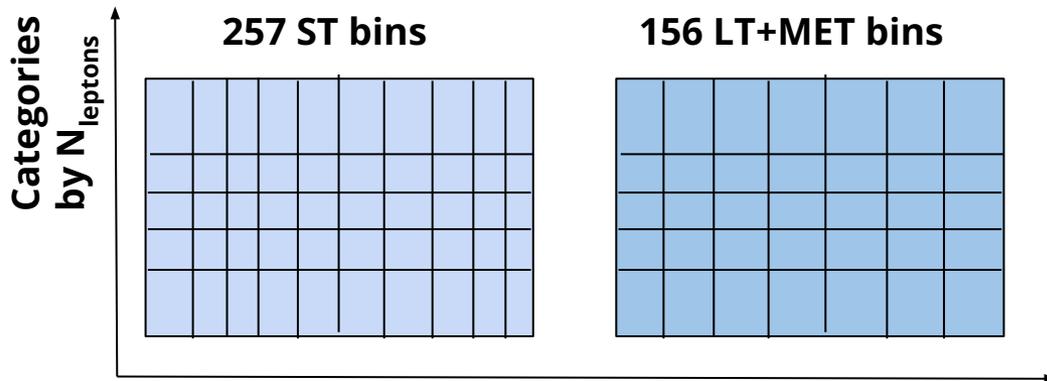
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Backup

Inclusive nonresonant multilepton probes of new phenomena ([EXO-21-002](#))

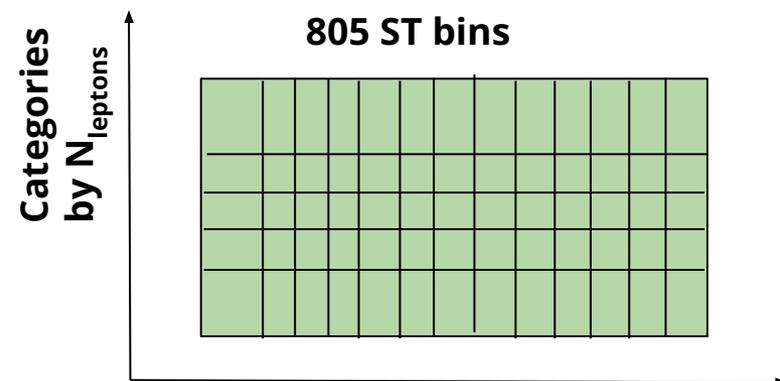
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Fundamental tables



Z-candidates and mass,
with some M_T and p_T
categories

Advanced ST table



Z-candidates and mass,
with b-jets and high/low
HT and MET

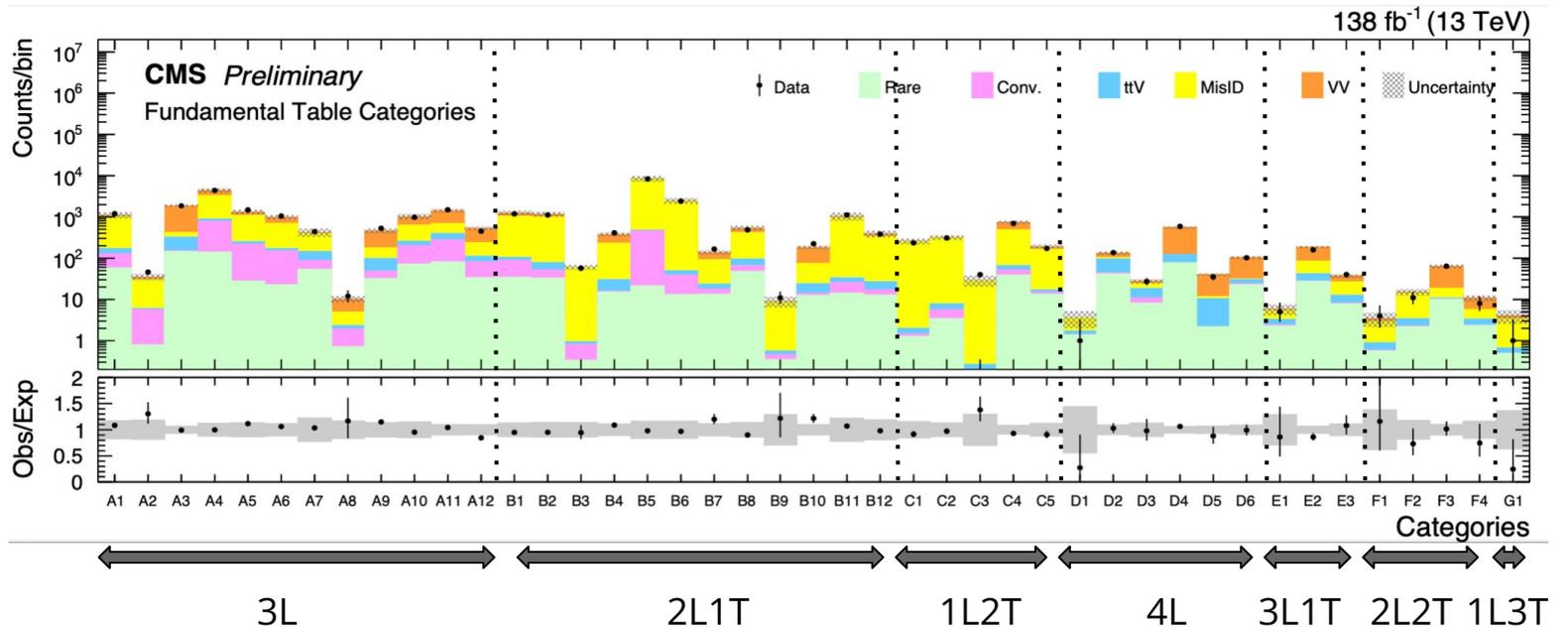
Inclusive fundamental tables ([EXO-21-002](#), full Run 2)

Flavor based Categories ↑

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↑ **Z-candidates**

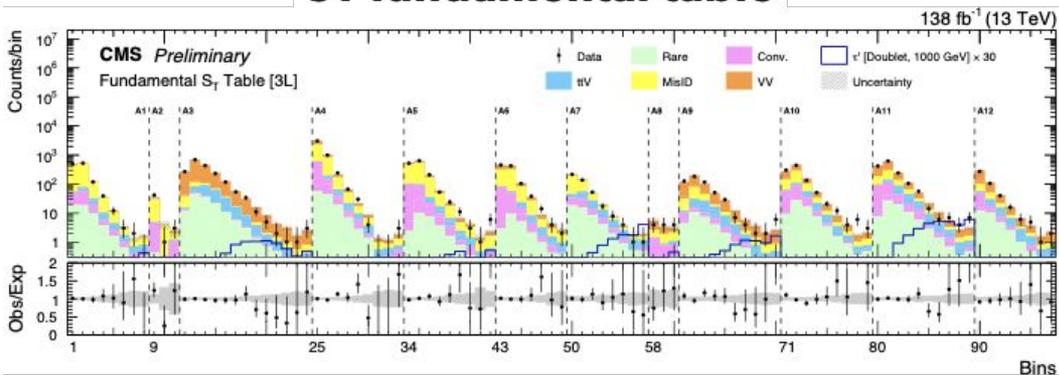
↑ **Multiplicity**



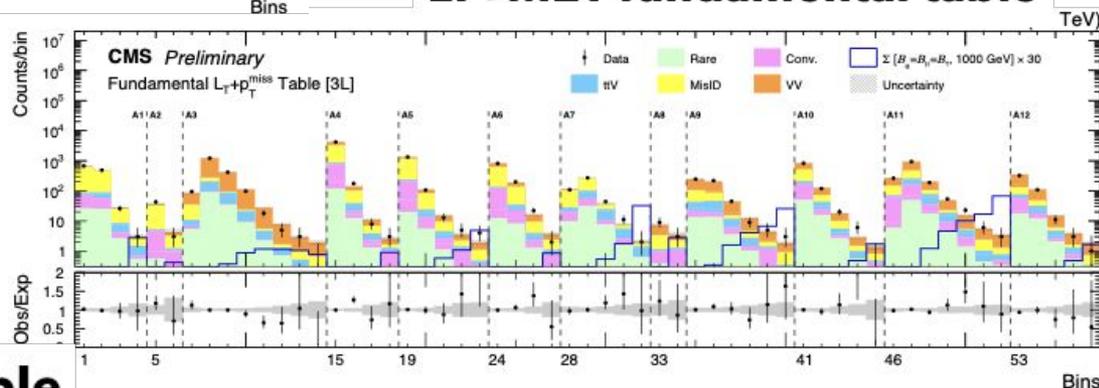
Signal regions tables ([EXO-21-002](#))

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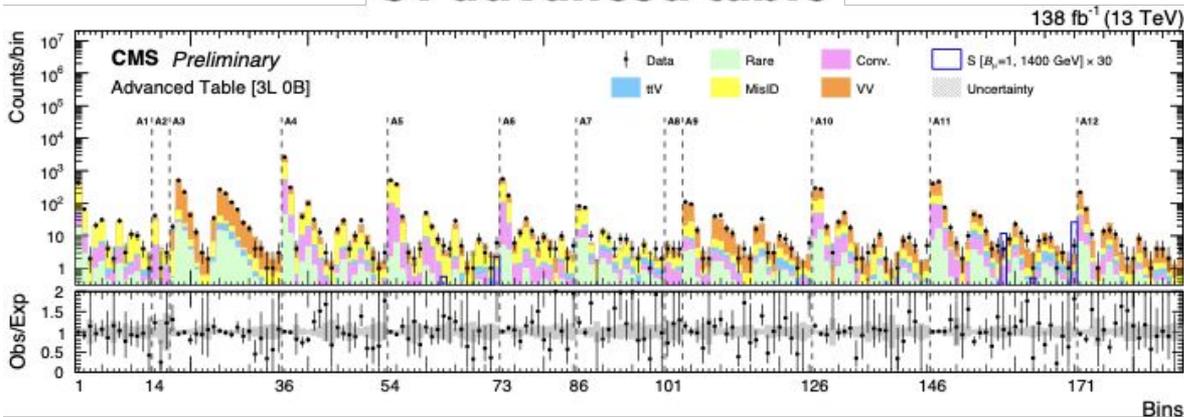
ST fundamental table



LT+MET fundamental table



ST advanced table



Other recent EXO searches with leptons in the final states

Search for Z prime and heavy neutrino in events with two same flavor leptons and at least two jets (EXO-20-006)

Key points:

- Neutral current
- Dielectron and dimuon final states

Right-handed W boson and heavy neutrino (EXO-20-002)

Key points:

- Charged current
- Dielectron and dimuon final states
- Boosted and resolved topologies

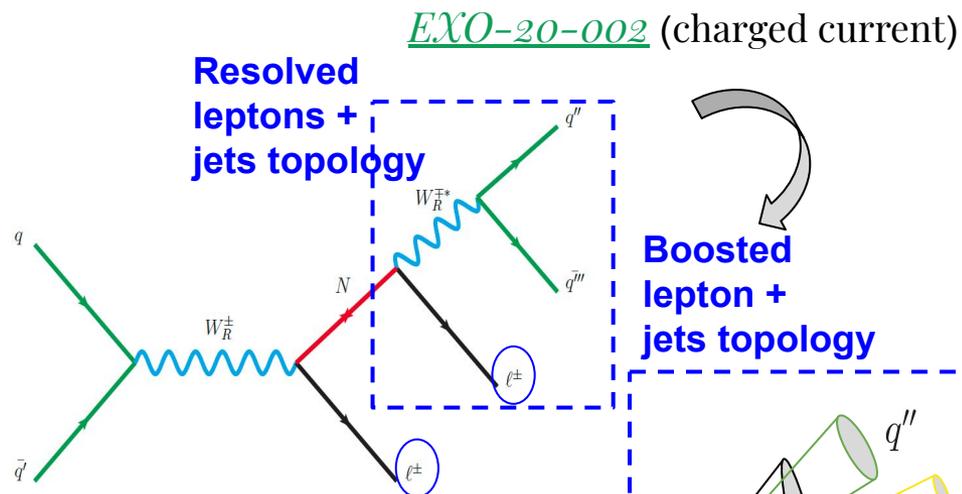
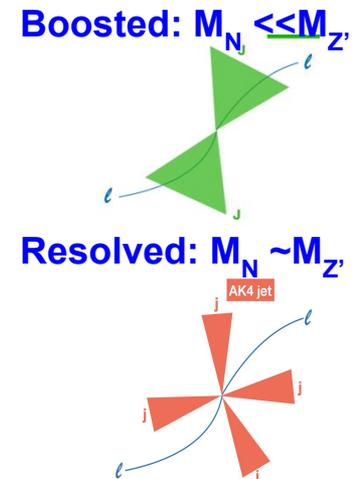
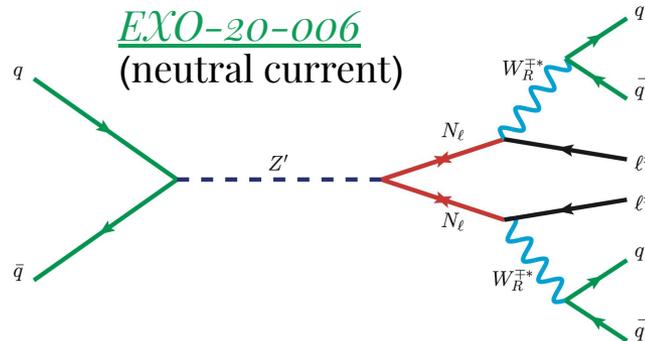
Lepton-flavor violating decays of heavy resonances and quantum black holes to $e\mu$, $e\tau$, $\mu\tau$ (EXO-19-014)

Key points:

- Final state with light leptons and taus
- Model specific and model independent exclusions

Search for Z' , W_R and heavy Majorana neutrinos ([EXO-20-006](#), [EXO-20-002](#))

- The left-right symmetric model (LRSM) is an extension of SM by a right-handed SU(2) group: W_R^\pm and Z' and three right handed neutrinos.
- Two searches for extra gauge bosons and heavy Majorana neutrinos:
 - Dilepton (ee and $\mu\mu$) plus jets final state
 - Z' mass range 400-4400 GeV
 - W_R , mass range 200-7000 GeV
 - **heavy neutrino** (N , mass between 100 GeV and Z' or W_R mass)
- Kinematics varies dramatically depending on ratio between masses of extra gauge bosons and heavy Majorana neutrinos

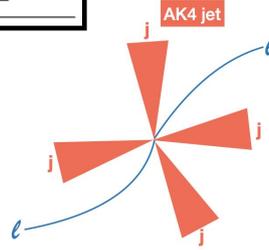


See more on EXO-20-002 and heavy neutrino new Run2 results in dedicated Basile's [talk](#):

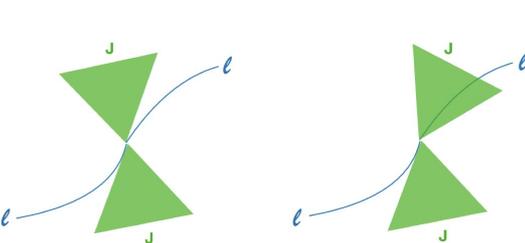
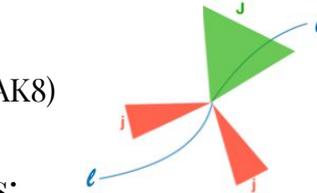
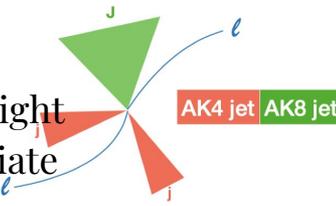
Reconstruction of Z' and N

SR	N(AK8 jet)	N(tight leptons)	N(AK4 jet)
SR1 (0AK8)	= 0	= 2	≥ 4
SR2 (1AK8)	= 1	≥ 1	≥ 2
SR3 (2AK8)	≥ 2	—	—

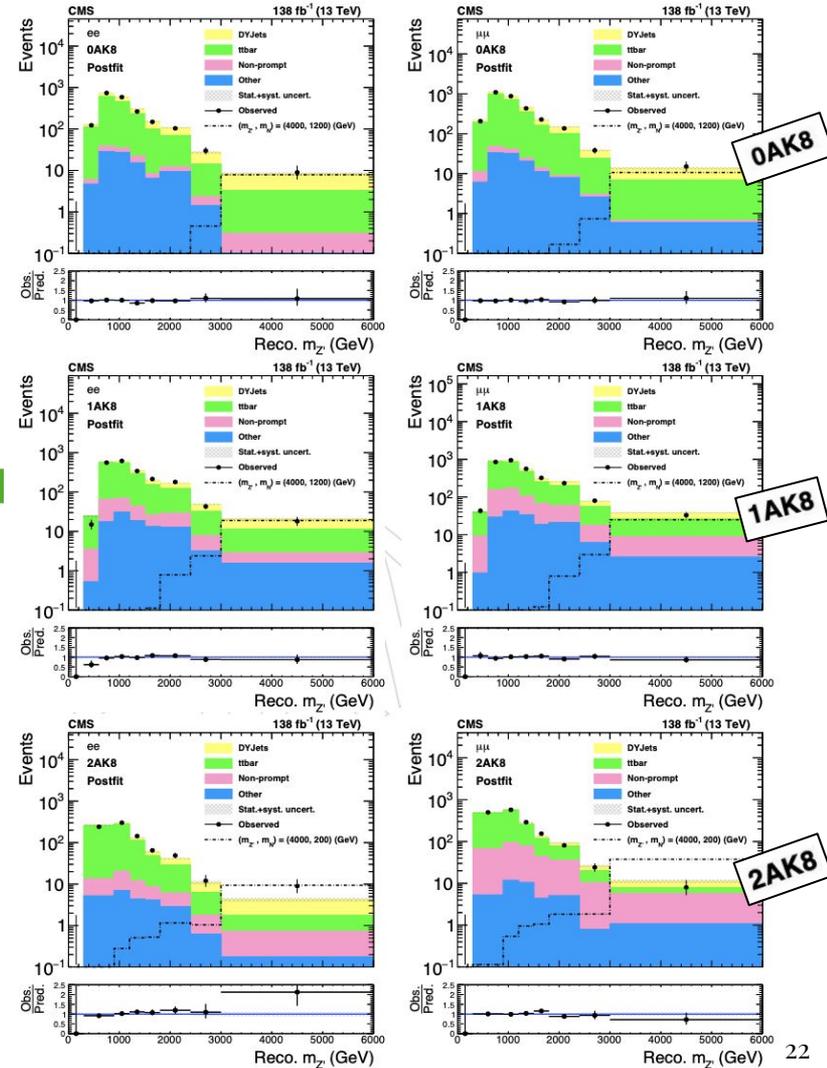
- Leading four AK4 jets and two tight leptons: Good sensitivity for resolved signals
 - Two N (= a tight lepton + two AK4 jets) with the smallest $\Delta(m_{N1}, m_{N2})$
 - $Z' = N_1 + N_2$



- An AK8 jet, leading two AK4 jets, and tight leptons: good sensitivity for intermediate signals
 - N_1 = two jets and tight lepton
 - N_2 = AK8 jet and tight lepton (or just AK8)
- Leading two AK8 jets and tight leptons: good sensitivity for boosted signals

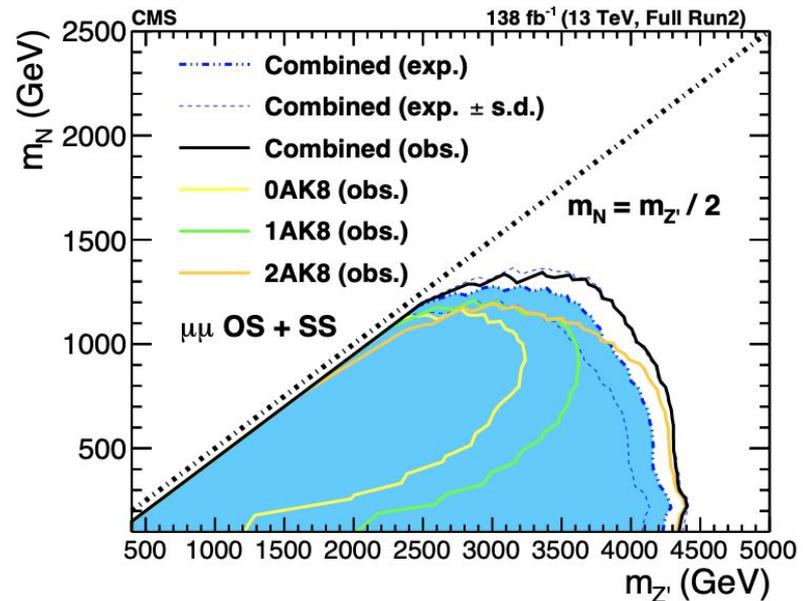
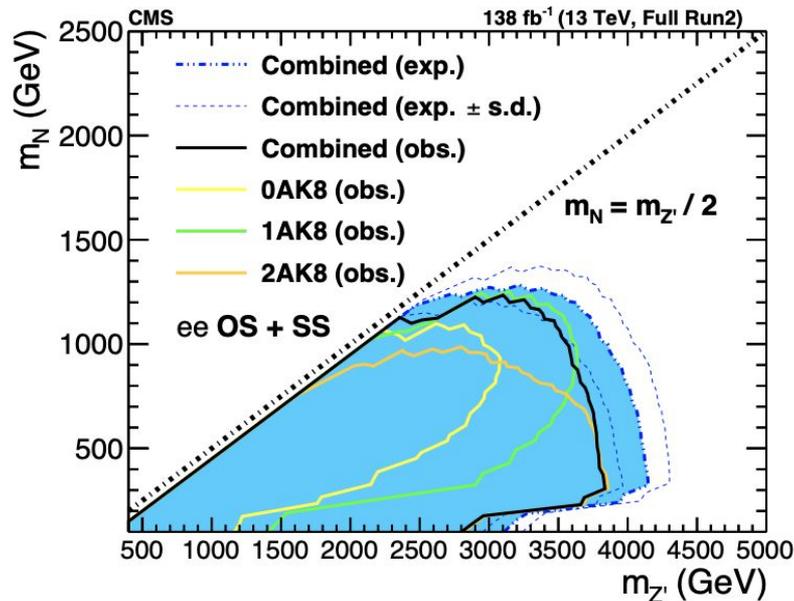
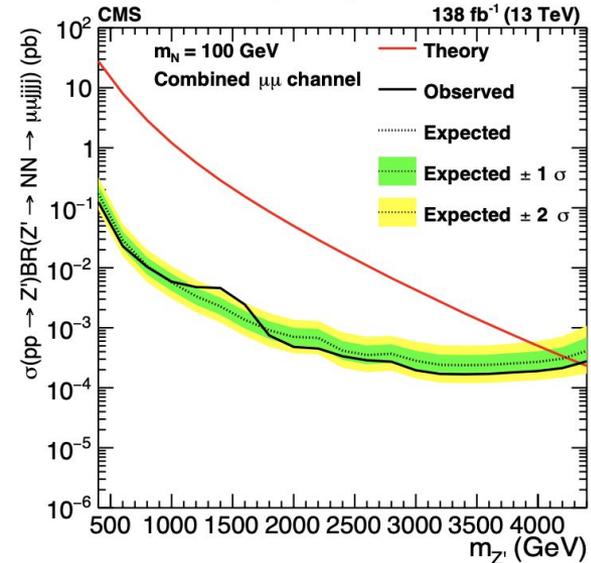


- Final discriminant for binned maximum-likelihood fit is invariant mass:



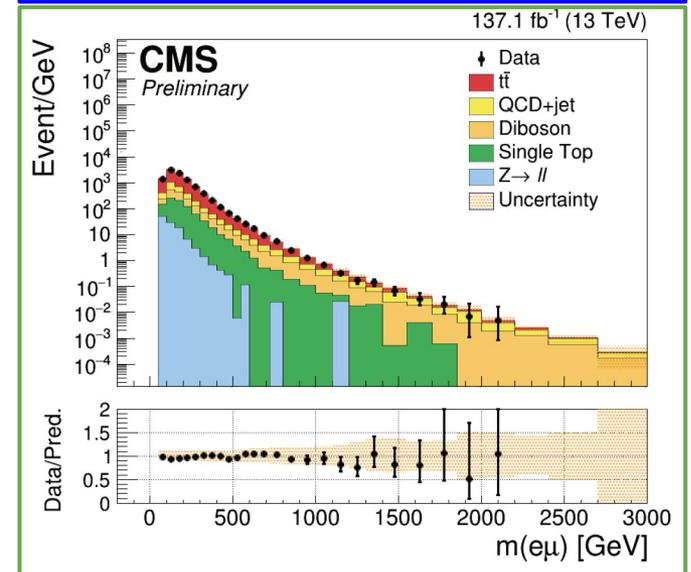
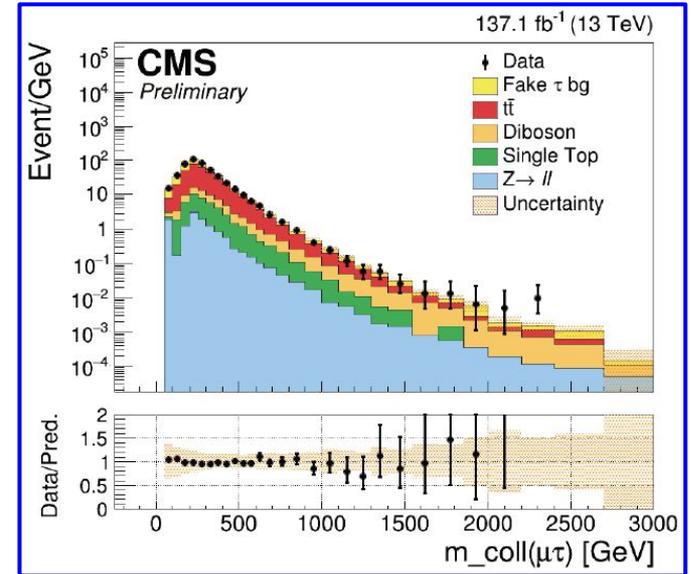
Results (EXO-20-006)

- No significant excess for Z' : upper limits are set on cross section times brach fraction
- Exclusion regions are set using signal cross sections:
 - Up to $m_{Z'} = 2.8$ TeV in electron channel, and 4.4 TeV in muon channel
 - Significant improvement in sensitivity compared to the previous ATLAS results (2.2 TeV based on 8 TeV data from Run 1)



Search for lepton-flavor violating decays of heavy resonances and quantum black holes to $e\mu$, $e\tau$, $\mu\tau$ final states (EXO-19-014)

- **Trigger**
 - single-muon $p_T > 50$ GeV
 - single-photon $p_T > 175$ GeV.
- **p_T requirements in events selection**
 - Electrons in the event have min p_T of 35 GeV (50 GeV in $e\tau$ channel) and muons min p_T of 53 GeV, leading hadronic τ min p_T is 50 GeV.
- The statistical interpretation is done based on the shape of the **invariant $e\mu$ mass and collinear $e\tau, \mu\tau$ distributions.**
- Analysis is designed to be as model independent as possible and tested various lepton-flavor violating signals:
 - Resonant **τ -sneutrino** production in R-parity violating supersymmetric models (RPV SUSY).
 - Resonant **heavy Z'** gauge vector bosons with lepton-flavor violating transitions: $Z' \rightarrow e\mu // e\tau // \mu\tau$ with BR 10% each.
 - Non-resonant **quantum black-hole** production in models with extra spatial dimensions (QBH).



Results (EXO-19-014, full Run 2)

- Upper limits on the $\sigma \times BR$ are determined using a Bayesian method with a uniform positive prior probability density for the signal cross section.
 - Z' boson with LFV couplings is excluded up to mass 4.1 // 4.2 // 5.0 TeV in the $\mu\tau$ // $e\tau$ // $e\mu$ channels.
 - τ -sneutrino derived from RPV SUSY is excluded up to mass 3.7 TeV in the $\mu\tau$ and $e\tau$ channels, and up to 4.2 TeV in the $e\mu$ channel, for the coupling hypothesis $\lambda = 0.1$ (λ controls decay of τ -sneutrino).
 - The cross section limit is translated into **exclusion bounds in the mass vs coupling plane** (using the narrow width approximation formula of the RPV signal cross section).
 - Quantum black holes derived from an ADD model with $n=4$ extra dimensions are excluded up to threshold mass 5.1 // 5.3 // 5.7 TeV in the $\mu\tau$ // $e\tau$ // $e\mu$ channels.
- Also model independent cross section limits ($\sigma \times BR \times A \times \epsilon$) are derived.

