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# Overview of collider searches (and opportunities)

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#### **Hints for LFUV**



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#### **Possible new physics explanations**

- Hundreds of phenomenological papers proposing explanations.
- Successful explanations need to satisfy many constraints.
- A large fraction of models involve particles already being searched in ATLAS and CMS.
  - How well are we doing?
  - What are we missing?

Not discussing models where explanation is driven by new scalars or SUSY particles



**Light resonances** 

## Light leptophilic vectors/scalars: phenomenology

#### Anomaly scorecard

- R(K) R(K\*)
- R(D) R(D\*)



Other



- A Z' associated with the spontaneously broken U(1)<sub>Lµ-Lτ</sub> symmetry only interacts with the second and third generation of leptons at tree level → challenging at a hadron collider.
- For  $M_{Z'/S}$ >5 GeV can perform searches at the LHC.
- For lighter Z'/S can use fixed target experiments (very light scalars can be long-lived!).









#### Light resonances: current program







#### ATLAS-CONF-2022-041

#### Light resonances: opportunities













- Other explanations of  $a_{\mu}$  involve e.g. flavor-violating vectors or scalars.
  - → New dedicated multilepton search involving taus at higher masses!







# **Heavy resonances**

#### Heavy vector particles: phenomenology

arXiv:1704.06005

Anomaly scorecard









- B-anomalies can be explained with new heavy W' and Z' bosons with LH couplings to fermions. A heavy W'/ LFV Z' can also explain the CA/a<sub>µ</sub> anomaly (*arXiv:2005.13542*).
- Many models, with different flavor structure, predict very different cross sections and decay rates to SM particles.
  - → decays to  $3^{rd}$  generation quarks and  $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$  generation leptons relevant!
- Flavor-violating couplings to quarks can also be generated without new sources of flavor violation via loops:

 $\int_{q}^{u} \underbrace{W = t}_{t} \underbrace{Z'}_{t} \underbrace{V'}_{\ell d^{j}} \underbrace{W = t}_{t} \underbrace{Z'}_{t} \underbrace{V'}_{\ell d^{j}} \underbrace{W = t}_{t} \underbrace{Z'}_{t} \underbrace{V'}_{\ell} \underbrace{V$ 



mz [GeV]



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Anomaly scorecard



Oth

Events ATLAS √s=13 TeV, 139 fb<sup>-1</sup> 10 ≥1 b-taq 10<sup>6</sup> 10<sup>5</sup> 10<sup>4</sup> 10<sup>3</sup> 10<sup>2</sup> 10 10 Significance



Anomaly scorecard















#### Heavy vector particles: opportunities



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High-p<sub>T</sub> tails

#### Non-resonant dileptons: phenomenology



arXiv:2103.16558

Anomaly scorecard





$$\begin{split} \mathcal{L}_{q\ell} &= \frac{g_{\text{contact}}^2}{\Lambda^2} \Big[ \eta_{\text{LL}}(\overline{q}_{\text{L}}\gamma^{\mu}q_{\text{L}})(\overline{\ell}_{\text{L}}\gamma_{\mu}\ell_{\text{L}}) + \eta_{\text{RR}}(\overline{q}_{\text{R}}\gamma^{\mu}q_{\text{R}})(\overline{\ell}_{\text{R}}\gamma_{\mu}\ell_{\text{R}}) \\ &+ \eta_{\text{LR}}(\overline{q}_{\text{L}}\gamma^{\mu}q_{\text{L}})(\overline{\ell}_{\text{R}}\gamma_{\mu}\ell_{\text{R}}) + \eta_{\text{RL}}(\overline{q}_{\text{R}}\gamma^{\mu}q_{\text{R}})(\overline{\ell}_{\text{L}}\gamma_{\mu}\ell_{\text{L}}) \Big], \end{split}$$

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CMS-EXO-19-019

Anomaly scorecard





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#### Anomaly scorecard

R(K) R(K\*) R(D) R(D\*)

Oth

- Unfolded spectra and LFUV ratio test also obtained by CMS.
  - $R_{\mu\mu/ee}$  normalized to 1 in 200-400 GeV  $m_{\parallel}$  region.
  - Compatibility with R<sub>µµ/ee</sub>=1 hypothesis for m<sub>ll</sub>>400 GeV: ~2.3σ.



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- Compatibility with R<sub>μμ/ee</sub>=1 hypothesis for m<sub>ll</sub>>400 GeV: ~2.3σ.
- Can be explained, along with the CAA anomaly, by this operator:

 $[Q_{\ell q}^{(3)}]_{1111} = (\bar{\ell}_1 \gamma^\mu \sigma^I \ell_1) (\bar{q}_1 \gamma_\mu \sigma^I q_1)$ 





Anomaly scorecard

First search for bsll CI recently completed by ATLAS: •

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 $\frac{g_*^2}{\Lambda^2}$ 











#### Non-resonant dileptons: opportunities

Anomaly scorecard







Develop broad program of non-resonant dilepton searches (ee,  $\mu\mu$ ,  $\tau\tau$ , ev,  $\mu\nu$ ,  $\tau\nu$ ), both in inclusive and exclusive (e.g. 0b, ≥1b) final states.

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• Unfolded dilepton mass spectra and LFU ratio tests.





Leptoquarks

#### Vector leptoquarks: phenomenology

Anomaly scorecard



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	R(D)	
	D(D*)	
$\overline{)}$	r(D)	Ϊ

Single-particle explanation of B anomalies:  $V_1$  ( $V_3$  also possible).

Predicted by Pati-Salam lepton-guark unification models

Dominant decay if only explaining R(K),  $R(K^*)$ :  $V_1^{+2/3} \rightarrow b\mu, t\nu$ 

Resonant production in pairs or singly.

 $V_3^{-1/3} \rightarrow b_V$  $V_3^{+2/3} \rightarrow b\mu$ , tv  $V_3^{+5/3} \rightarrow t\mu$ 

coupling.

If also explaining R(D), R(D<sup>\*</sup>), couplings to  $\tau$  dominate.



m(LQ) [GeV]

Need a broad program!

#### Scalar leptoquarks: phenomenology

Anomaly scorecard









 Predicted by composite Higgs models (as pNGBs) or GUTs. Typical mass ~1 TeV.

Most successful models involve at least two LQs:

- $S_1$  and  $S_3$  (e.g. arXiv:1912.04224)
- R<sub>2</sub> and S<sub>3</sub> (e.g. *arXiv:1806.05689*)
- Another possibility: S<sub>1</sub> and singlet  $\phi^+$  (e.g. arXiv:2104.05730)
  - Can also explain  $a_{\mu}$  and the CA anomaly.
  - But large masses for  $S_1$  and  $\phi^+$  preferred (multi-TeV).



However, other decay modes may actually dominate (e.g.  $S_3^{-4/3} \rightarrow b\tau^-$ ) if similar hierarchies as in SM quark Yukawas hold ( $\lambda_{b\tau} > \lambda_{b\mu}$ ).







#### Need a broad program!

Anomaly scorecard







Broad program of searches for pair-production underway.

	u, d, s	С	b	t	
νν	Х		Х	Х	
vl	vl		X		
II	Х	Х	Х	Х	
ντ				X	
ττ	Х		Х	Х	

- Typical mass exclusions:
  - LQ<sub>S</sub>: ~1.0-1.7 TeV depending on search/benchmark
  - $LQ_V$ : ~  $LQ_S$  limit + 0.4 TeV





Anomaly scorecard

R(K) R(K\*)

R(D)

a

- Growing program of single LQ searches: I+LQ( $\rightarrow$ bl) (I=e, $\mu$ , $\tau$ ),  $\tau$ +LQ( $\rightarrow$ b $\nu$ ),  $\nu$ +LQ( $\rightarrow$ b $\tau$ ),  $\nu$ +LQ( $\rightarrow$ c $\tau$ ).
- Also considering non-resonant production. Interference with SM background can be relevant!



LQ

CMS-HIG-21-001

Anomaly scorecard

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CMS-PAS-EXO-19-016

Anomaly scorecard

R(K)

**R(K\*** 

R(D)

a

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<u>CMS-PAS-EXO-19-016</u>

#### Leptoquarks: opportunities

Anomaly scorecard











- Pair production
- Single production
- Non-resonant production
- Combinations!
- Explore single resonant production





**Vector-like quarks** 

#### Vector-like quarks: phenomenology





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 $B_{L,R}$ 

 $\begin{pmatrix} T\\ B \end{pmatrix}$ 

B

• Can explain CA anomaly.

 $T_{L,R}$ 

 $\frac{X}{T}$ 

T

B

Triplets

charge





Branching Ratio (T,B) or (X,T) Doublet SU(2) Singlet •••••  $T \rightarrow Wb$ 0.8  $\rightarrow Zt$  $\cdots T \rightarrow Zt$  $\cdots T \rightarrow Ht$ 0.6 0.4 0.2 PROTOS 400 600 800 1000 1200 m<sub>T</sub> [GeV]

Anomaly scorecard

Oth

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VLT (VLB) masses below 1.3 (1.0) TeV excluded for any combination of BRs.

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  - Full Run 2 program underway. Individual searches now have comparable/better sensitivity than partial Run 2 combination:
    - x4 larger integrated luminosity
    - Improved experimental techniques (e.g. boosted object tagging).







- Powerful handles against backgrounds:
  - Forward jet tagging
  - Boosted object tagging
  - VLQ mass reconstruction
- More complex interpretations (mass- and coupling-dependent).
- Highest sensitivity achieved for singlet representations.





#### **Vector-like quarks: opportunities**

#### Anomaly scorecard



Oth

- Non-standard production: e.g. via W'/Z'.
  - Non-standard decay modes: e.g. Q→q+η, η CP-odd scalar;
     3-body final states as in 4321 model, etc.



• VLQs preferentially coupled to light-quark generations. Most recent search by CMS in Run 1!









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 $q_{3}, l_{3}$ 

**q**<sub>3</sub>

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# **Vector-like leptons**

#### **Vector-like leptons**

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 $\nu_{e}$ 





Oth

- Predicted in Composite Higgs models and other UV-complete constructions. Typical mass O(TeV).
- Can explain R(K), R(K\*) (via loop effects),  $a_{\mu}$ , and/or CA anomalies.



- DY pair production dominant (via W\* and/or  $Z/\gamma^*$ ).
- Typically CC (l'→Wv, v'→Wl) and/or NC decays (l'→Z/Hl), depending on the SU(2)<sub>L</sub> representation.







#### Vector-like leptons: current program



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Other

- Recent CMS search for the VLLs appearing in the 4321 model.
- Complex cascades giving heavy-flavored multilepton+multijet final states.

Tau	VLL production	Final	
multiplicity	+ decay mode	state	
	$EE \rightarrow b(t\nu_{\tau})b(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b + 4j + 2\nu_{\tau}$	
$0 \tau$	$EN \rightarrow b(t\nu_{\tau})t(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b + 6j + 2\nu_{\tau}$	
	$NN \rightarrow t(t\nu_{\tau})t(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b + 8j + 2\nu_{\tau}$	
	$EE \rightarrow b(b\tau)b(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b+2j+\tau+\nu_{\tau}$	
1 ~	$EN \rightarrow b(t\nu_{\tau})t(b\tau)$	$4b + 4j + \tau + \nu_{\tau}$	
1 t	$EN \rightarrow b(b\tau)t(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b+4j+\tau+\nu_{\tau}$	
	$NN \rightarrow t(b\tau)t(t\nu_{\tau})$	$4b+6j+\tau+\nu_{\tau}$	
	${ m EE}  ightarrow { m b}({ m b} au) { m b}({ m b} au)$	$4b + 2\tau$	
2 τ	$EN \rightarrow b(b\tau)t(b\tau)$	$4b + 2j + 2\tau$	
	$NN \to t(b\tau)t(b\tau)$	$4b+4j+2\tau$	

#### Obs significance VLL (600 GeV):

	2017	2018	Combinatior
0-τ	0	0	0
1 <b>-</b> τ	1.44	1.65	1.93
2-τ	0.83	2.04	2.26
$1+2-\tau$	1.63	2.55	2.88
$0+1+2-\tau$	1.38	2.57	2.83





<u>CMS-B2G-21-004</u>

### **Vector-like leptons: opportunities**



 Develop optimized searches for the three different vector-like lepton flavors separately. Given the small production cross section, must optimally exploit broad range of possible signatures (including hadronic W/Z/H decays!):



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- Consider other novel production/decay modes.
  - E.g. Simplified model with VLLs (to address a<sub>µ</sub>) and a Z' (to address R(K), R(K\*)): e.g. arXiv:2104.04461



E.g. Flavourful vector-like leptons decaying into flavor-violating scalars: e.g. arXiv:2011.12964



→ Analyze ≥4I events split by lepton flavor!



#### Conclusions

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• The landscape to be probed is vast, and the available resources/time limited.

A vibrant theory-experiment interplay critical to sort this out!





#### Anomaly scorecard

R(K) R(K\*)

105

≥<sup>104</sup>

94 10<sup>3</sup>

Events /

10<sup>1</sup>

10<sup>0</sup>

10-1

10-2

1000

2000

3000

4000

5000

6000 7000 M<sub>T</sub>(GeV)

CMS e+p<sup>mi</sup>









• Non-resonant interpretation only available from CMS as constraint on the oblique W parameter.

138 fb<sup>-1</sup>(13 TeV)

M = 3.8 TeV

Syst. uncertainties

SSM W'. M = 5.6 TeV

10<sup>9</sup>

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Events 10<sup>4</sup>

10<sup>3</sup>

10<sup>2</sup>

10<sup>1</sup>

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10-2

6.0 3.5 1.0 -1.5

1000

2000 3000

4000

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CMS

Modification of W-boson propagator:







CMS-EXO-19-017

6000 7000 M<sub>T</sub>(GeV)

138 fb<sup>-1</sup>(13 TeV)

Syst. uncertainties

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