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# Signals of a $W'$ boson near 2 TeV

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**1507.01923** ("Heavy Higgs Bosons and the 2 TeV  $W'$  Boson")

- Pilar Coloma and Jacobo Lopez-Pavon

**1508.04129** ("Right-Handed Neutrinos and the 2 TeV  $W'$  Boson")

- Patrick Fox, **1511.02148** ("Signals of a 2 TeV  $W'$  boson and a heavier  $Z'$ ")

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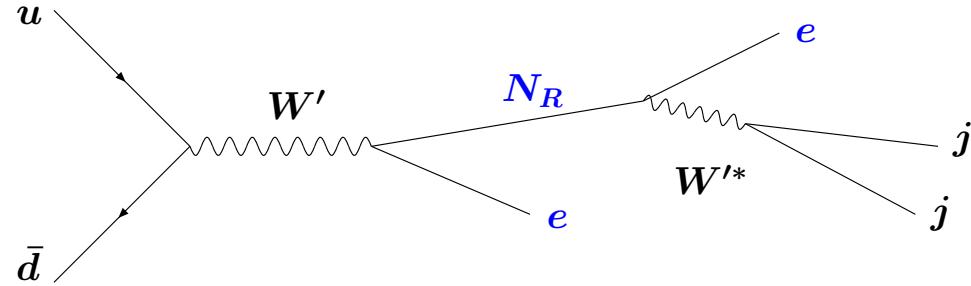
**The LHC experiments have confirmed many aspects of the Standard Model, and measured  $M_h = 125.09 \pm 0.24$  GeV**

*(ATLAS + CMS, 1503.07589)*

**The LHC is probing the laws of nature at the shortest distances accessible by humans so far.**

**We do not know what the LHC will find next ...**

$$W' \rightarrow eN \rightarrow e^+e^-jj$$



$N_R$  - right-handed neutrino

$W'$  boson associated with  $SU(2)_R$   
*(Mohapatra, Pati, 1974)*

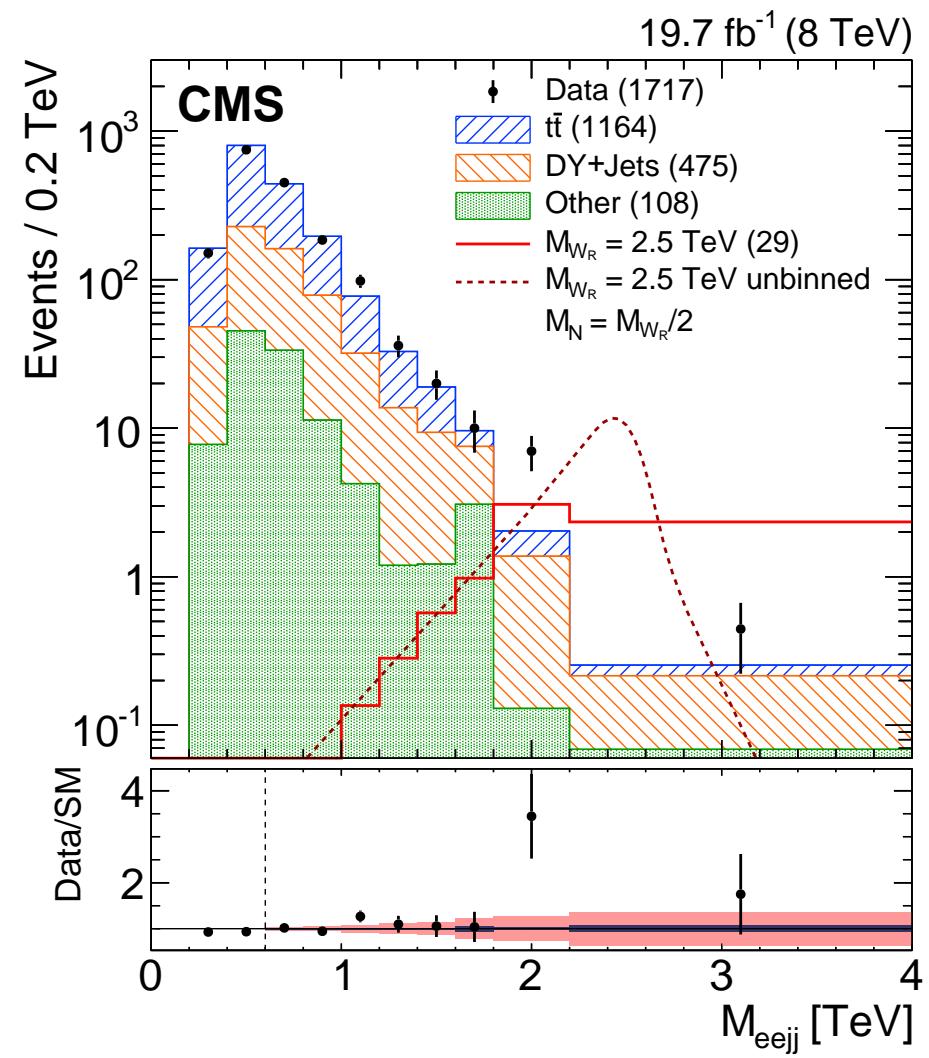
CMS (1407.3683) –  $eejj$  mass distribution:

$M_{eejj} = 1.8\text{--}2.2 \text{ TeV bin}$ :

14 events observed

background = 4.3 events

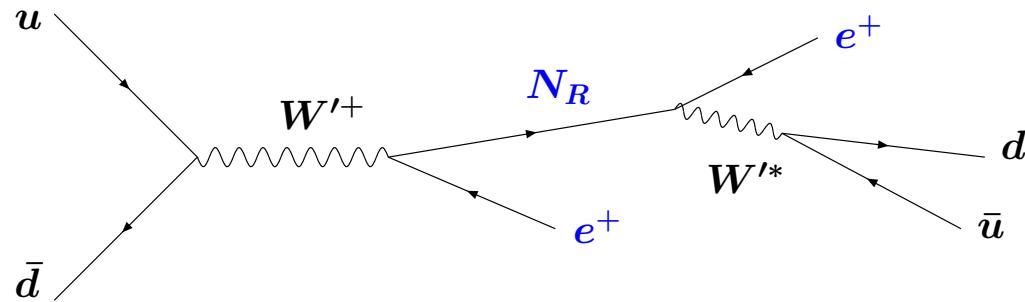
$2.8\sigma$  excess



## Classic prediction of Left-Right symmetric model:

(Keung, Senjanovic, 1983)

$N_R$  has Majorana mass  $\Rightarrow \Gamma(N \rightarrow e^- u \bar{d}) = \Gamma(N \rightarrow e^+ \bar{u} d)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  equal number of  $e^+ e^- jj$  (opposite sign) and  
 $e^\pm e^\pm jj$  (same sign) events



CMS observed 13 opposite-sign events out of the 14  $eejj$  events,  
so a  $W' \rightarrow eN \rightarrow e^+ e^- jj$  explanation requires  $N$  to have Dirac mass at the TeV scale.

Who is the “left-handed” Dirac partner of  $N_R$  ?

## Models

To specify an  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$  model we need:

- a right-handed neutrino sector ...
- an extended Higgs sector

At least one scalar must break  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L}$  down to  $SU(2)_W \times U(1)_Y$ , so that  $M_{W'} \approx 2 \text{ TeV}$ .

*Simple choices:  $SU(2)_R$  doublet or triplet*

Other scalar(s) must break the electroweak symmetry, and include the SM-like Higgs boson.

Higgs sector –  $T:(1,3)$ ,  $\Sigma:(2,2)$  under  $SU(2)_L \times SU(2)_R$

$$\langle T \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ u_T & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle \Sigma \rangle = v_H \begin{pmatrix} \cos\beta & 0 \\ 0 & e^{i\alpha_\Sigma} \sin\beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$M_{Z'} > 3.4 \text{ TeV}$$

$$v_H \approx 174 \text{ GeV}$$

Mass terms for the charged gauge bosons:

$$\frac{1}{2} (W_L^{+\mu}, W_R^{+\mu}) \begin{pmatrix} g_L^2 v_H^2 & -g_L g_R v_H^2 \sin 2\beta \\ -g_L g_R v_H^2 \sin 2\beta & g_R^2 (2u_T^2 + v_H^2) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_{L\mu}^- \\ W_{R\mu}^- \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W_L - W_R \text{ mixing: } \sin \theta_+ = \frac{g_R}{g} \left( \frac{M_W}{M_{W'}} \right)^2 \sin 2\beta$$

Mass eigenstates:  $W$  and  $W'$ .

## Right-handed neutrino sector

Include a vectorlike lepton  $\psi = (\psi^N, \psi^e)$ , give a Majorana mass to  $\psi_R^N$  ( $\bar{\psi}_R^c T^\dagger \psi_R$ ), and a Dirac mass to  $\bar{N}_R \psi_L^N \rightarrow$  opposite-sign  $eejj$  events!

Fields	spin	$SU(3)_c$	$SU(2)_L$	$SU(2)_R$	$U(1)_{B-L}$
$q_L = (u_L, d_L)^\top$	<b>1/2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>+1/3</b>
$q_R = (u_R, d_R)^\top$	<b>1/2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>+1/3</b>
$L_L = (\nu_L, \ell_L)^\top$	<b>1/2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-1</b>
$L_R = (N_R, \ell_R)^\top$	<b>1/2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-1</b>
$\psi_{L,R} = (\psi^N, \psi^e)_{L,R}^\top$	<b>1/2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>+1</b>
$\Sigma$	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
$T$	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>+2</b>

Assume  $N_R^\mu$  is heavier than  $W' \implies$  no  $\mu\mu jj$  events

$N_R^e$  and  $N_R^\tau$  may mix:  $\frac{g_R}{\sqrt{2}} W'_\nu \bar{N}_R \gamma^\nu (s_{\theta_e} e_R + c_{\theta_e} \tau_R)$

# A simpler right-handed neutrino sector

with Pilar Coloma and Jacobo Lopez-Pavon 1508.04129

Assume a flavor structure for the Majorana masses:

$$-\frac{y_{\mu\mu}}{2}(\bar{L}_R^\mu)^c i\sigma_2 T L_R^\mu - y_{e\tau}(\bar{L}_R^e)^c i\sigma_2 T L_R^\tau$$

right-handed neutrinos acquire masses:

$$-u_T (\bar{N}_R^e, \bar{N}_R^\mu, \bar{N}_R^\tau)^c \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & y_{e\tau} \\ 0 & y_{\mu\mu} & 0 \\ y_{e\tau} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N_R^e \\ N_R^\mu \\ N_R^\tau \end{pmatrix}$$

Two right-handed neutrinos make a Dirac fermion  $N_D$ :

$$N_R^\tau \equiv N_{D_L}^c \quad , \quad N_R^e \equiv N_{D_R}$$

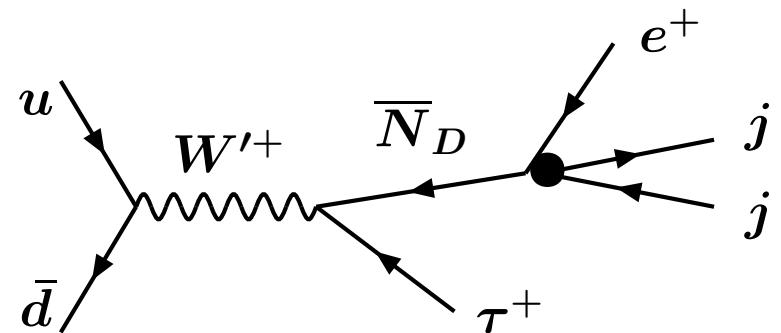
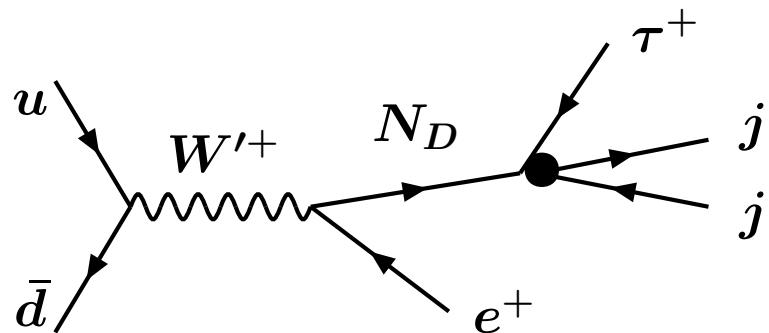
Interactions of  $N_D$  with  $W'$ :

$$\frac{g_R}{\sqrt{2}} W'_\nu \left( \bar{N}_{D_R} \gamma^\nu e_R + \bar{N}_{D_L}^c \gamma^\nu \tau_R \right)$$

**Flavor structure can be enforced by a global  $U(1)$  symmetry with the  $L_R^e$ ,  $L_R^\mu$ ,  $L_R^\tau$  doublets carrying charges  $-1, 0, +1$ .**

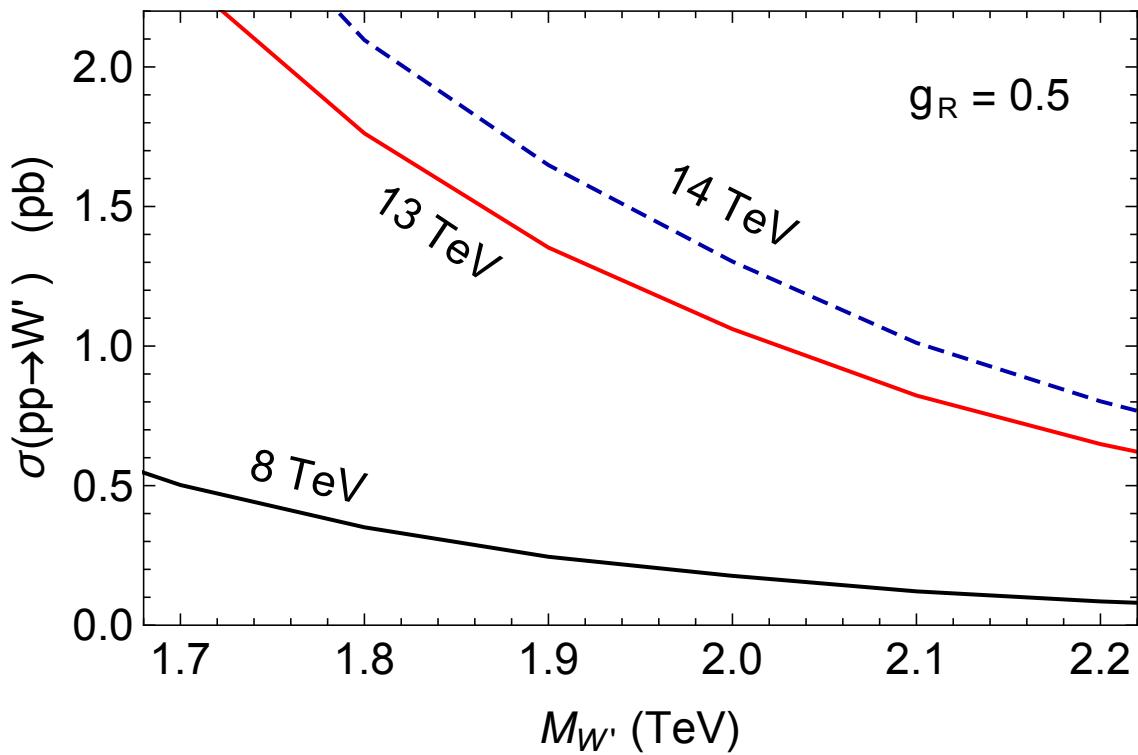
**Implications for the LHC:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 B(W'^+ \rightarrow e^+ N_D \rightarrow e^+ e^- jj) &= B(W'^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \bar{N}_D \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- jj) \\
 &= B(W'^+ \rightarrow e^+ N_D \rightarrow e^+ \tau^+ jj) \\
 &= B(W'^+ \rightarrow \tau^+ \bar{N}_D \rightarrow \tau^+ e^+ jj)
 \end{aligned}$$



## $pp \rightarrow W'$ cross section

$$\frac{g_R}{\sqrt{2}} W'_\mu (\bar{u}_R \gamma^\mu d_R + \bar{c}_R \gamma^\mu s_R + \bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu b_R)$$



$W'$  is slightly more weakly coupled than  $W$ :

$$g_R < g \approx 0.63$$

$$\sigma_{13}(W') \approx 700 \text{ fb} \left( \frac{g_R}{0.4} \right)^2$$

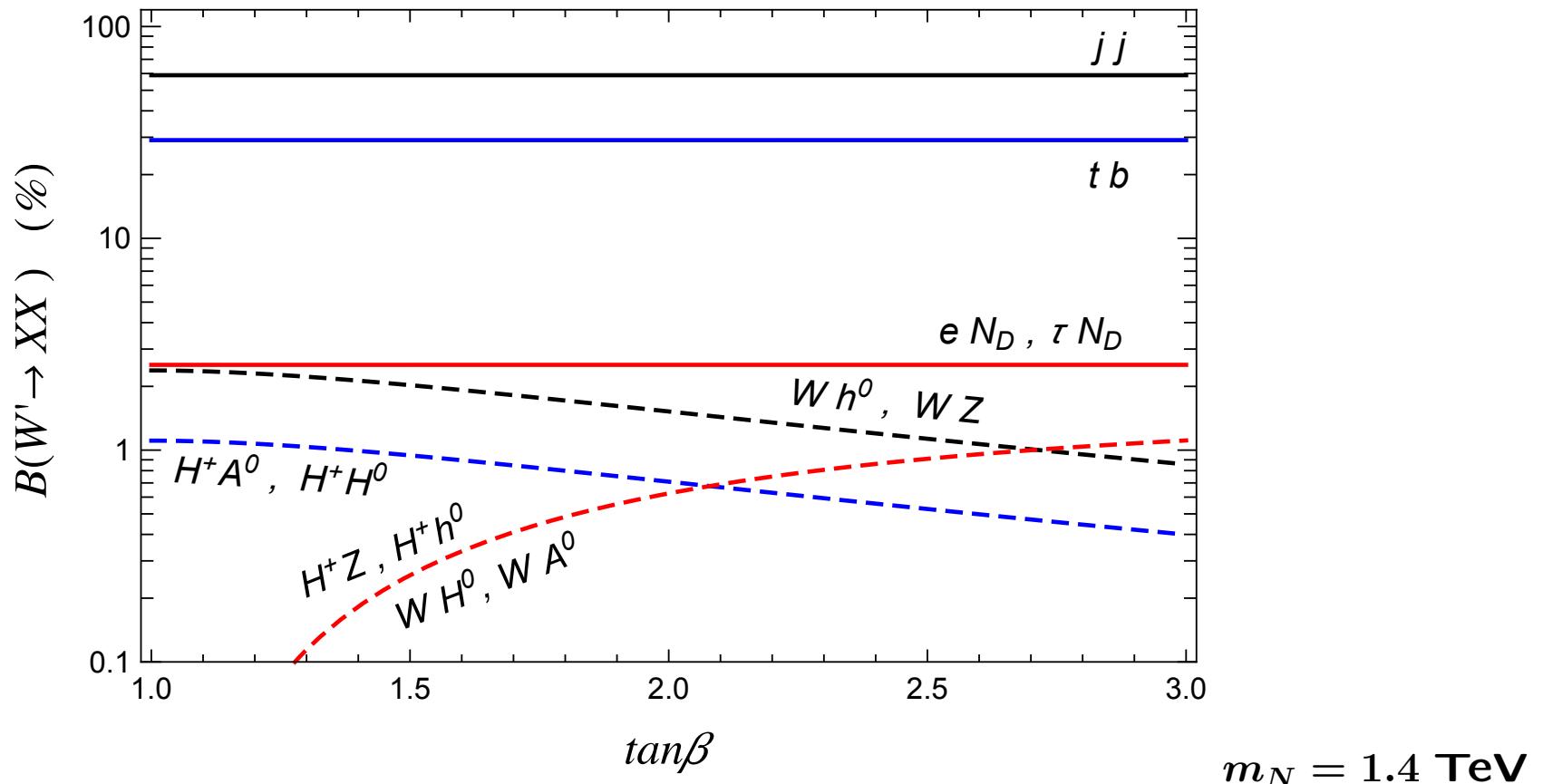
at  $M_{W'} = 1.9$  TeV.

## $W'$ widths and branching fractions

$$\Gamma(W' \rightarrow t\bar{b}) \simeq \Gamma(W' \rightarrow c\bar{s}) = \Gamma(W' \rightarrow u\bar{d}) = \frac{g_{_R}^2}{16\pi} M_{W'}$$

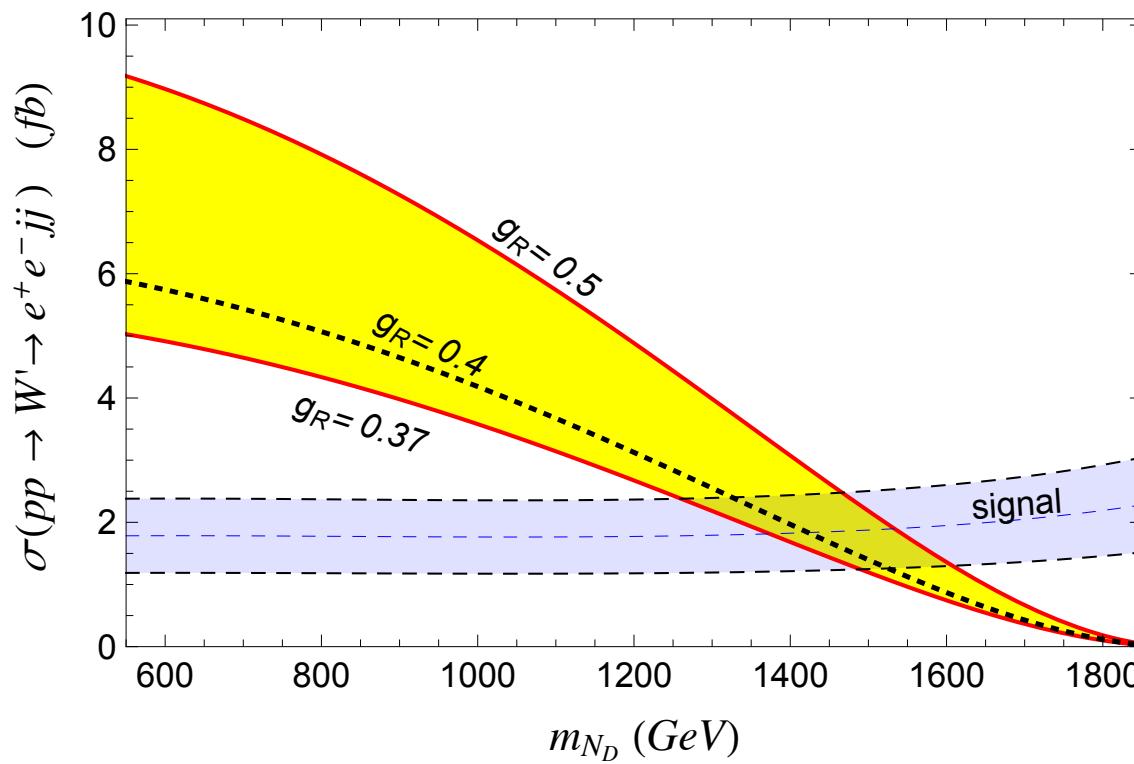
$$\Gamma(W' \rightarrow e\bar{N}) \simeq \Gamma(W' \rightarrow \tau\bar{N}) \simeq \frac{g_{_R}^2}{48\pi} M_{W'} \left(1 + \frac{m_{N_D}^2}{2M_{W'}^2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{m_{N_D}^2}{M_{W'}^2}\right)^2$$

$$\Gamma(W' \rightarrow WZ) \simeq \Gamma(W' \rightarrow Wh^0) \simeq \frac{g_{_R}^2}{192\pi} \sin^2 2\beta M_{W'}$$



Heavy Higgs bosons (part of the bidoublet),  $H^\pm, H^0, A^0$ , have approximately the same mass (assumed here in the 500–600 GeV range).

**Comparison of the CMS  $e^+e^-jj$  excess with the  $W' \rightarrow eN_D \rightarrow e^+e^-jj$  rate allows a determination of  $m_{N_D}$ :**



with P. Fox, 1511.02148

⇒  $m_{N_D} \approx 1.4$  TeV

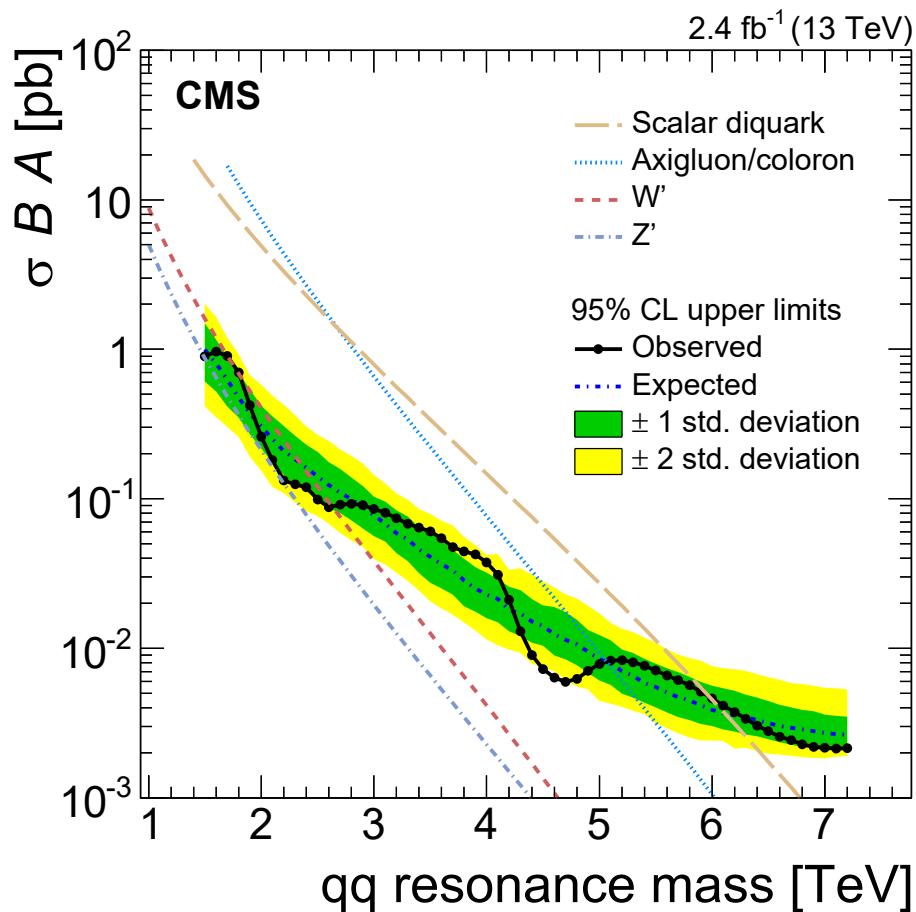
$$u\bar{d} \rightarrow W' \rightarrow jj$$

$W'$  decays predominantly into quark pairs  $\rightarrow B(W' \rightarrow jj) \approx 60\%$

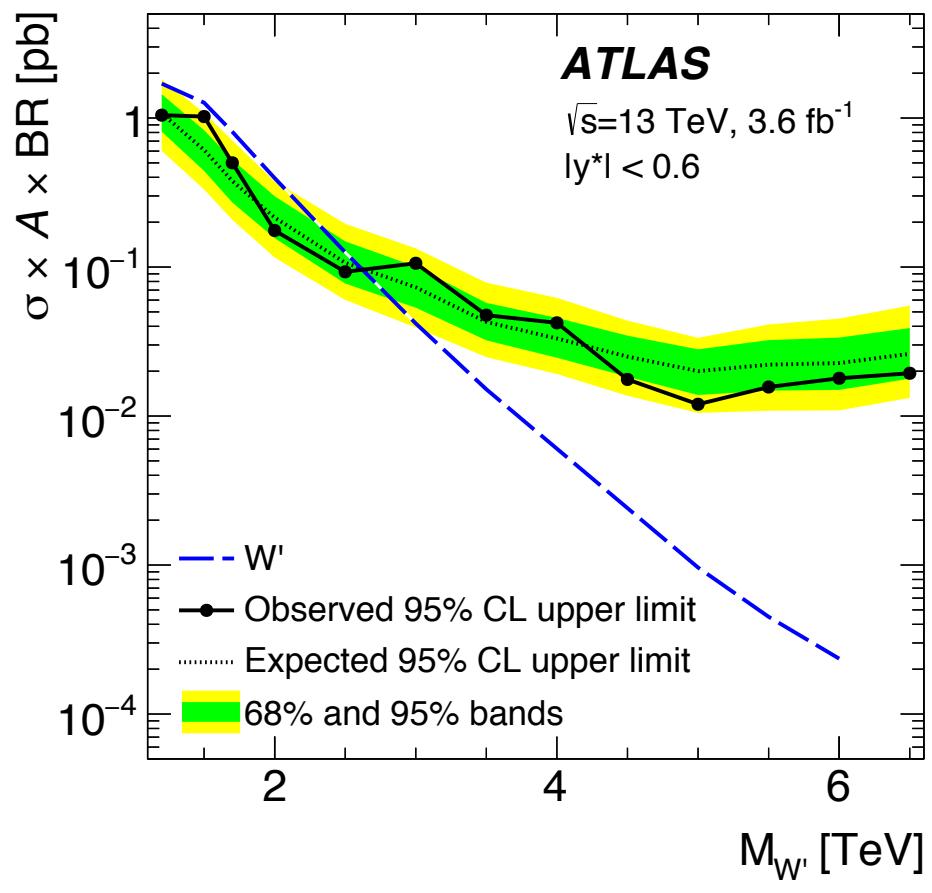
Highly boosted  $t$ ,  $W$ ,  $Z$ ,  $h^0$  often look like jets  $\rightarrow B(W' \rightarrow "jj") \approx 85\%$

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**CMS (1512.01224):**

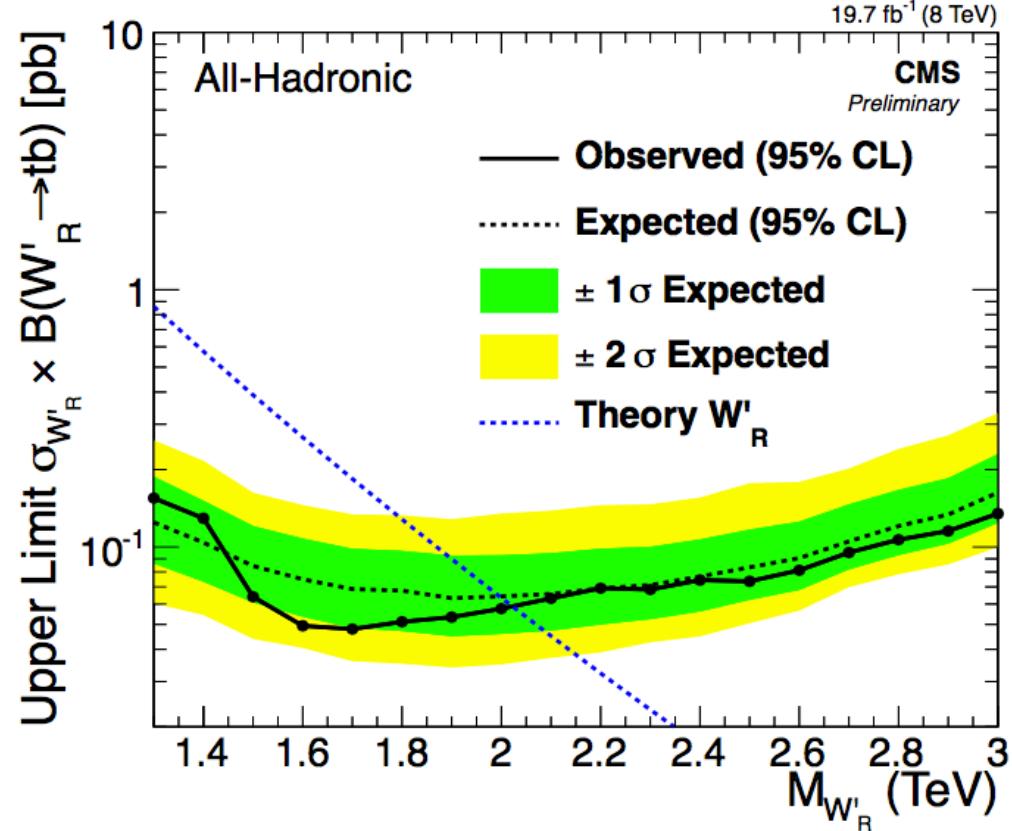
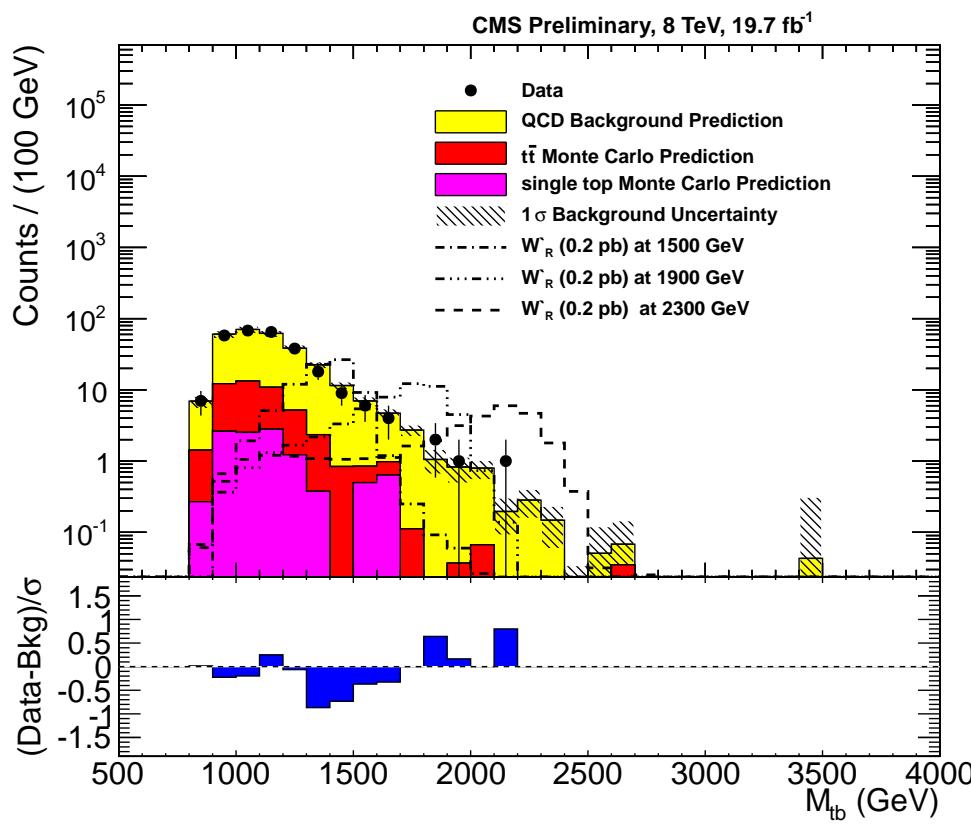


**ATLAS (1512.01530):**



$$\underline{W' \rightarrow t\bar{b} \rightarrow (jjb)\bar{b}}$$

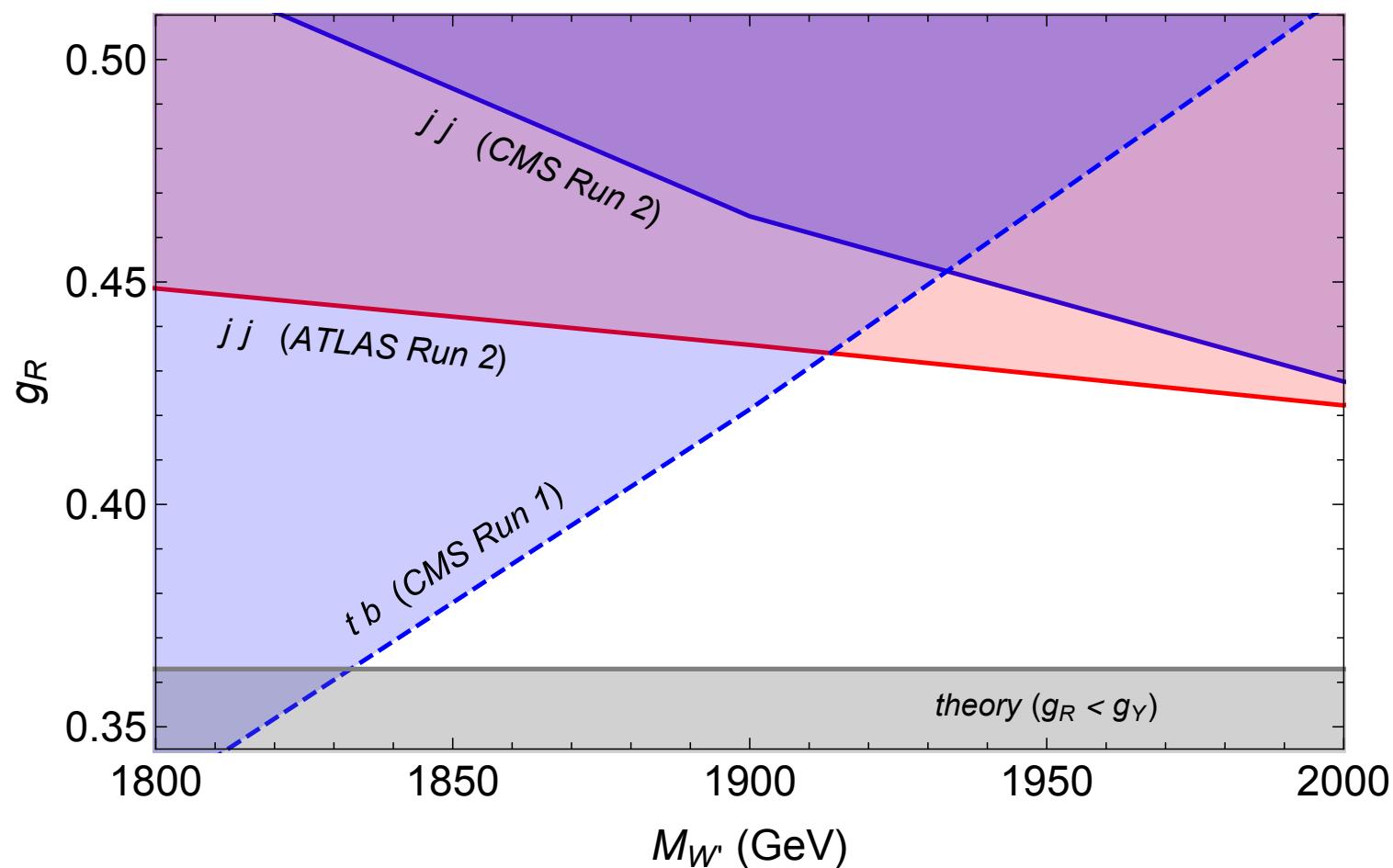
**CMS (B2G-009):**



$g_R \lesssim 0.45$  – some tension with the  $jj$  and  $WZ$  preferred values.

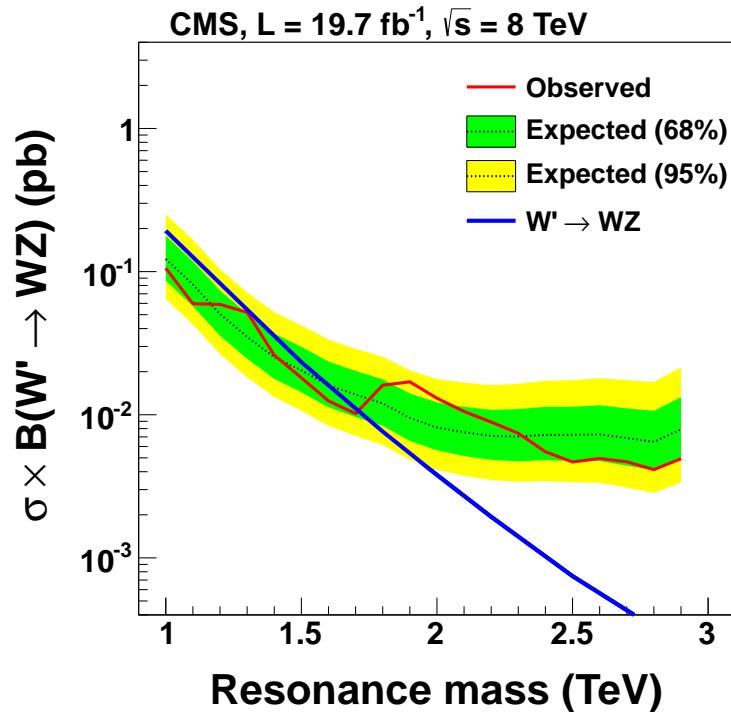
$W'$  width used by CMS (based on  $g_L = g_R$ ):  $\sim 65$  GeV.

$W'$  width in this model:  $\Gamma_{W'} \approx 30$  GeV: does the limit on  $g_R$  relax?



# $W' \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow JJ$

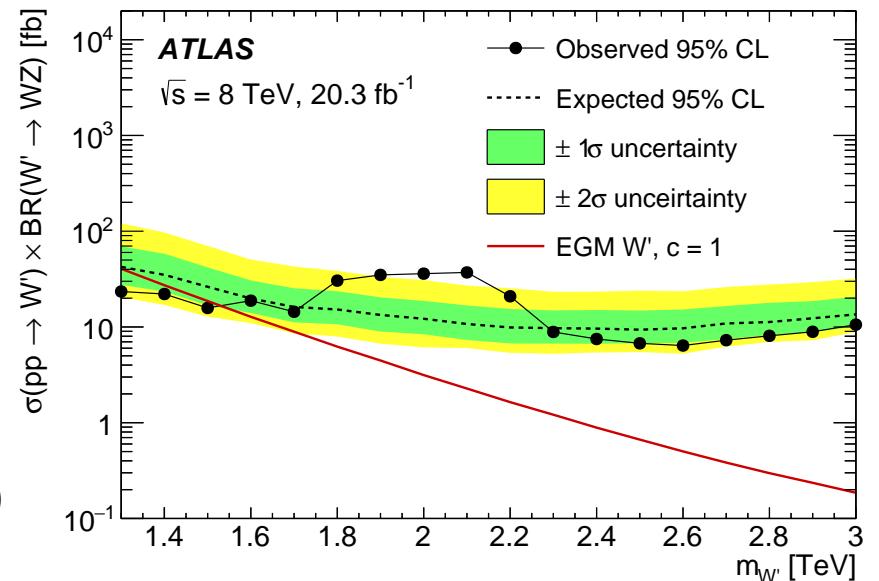
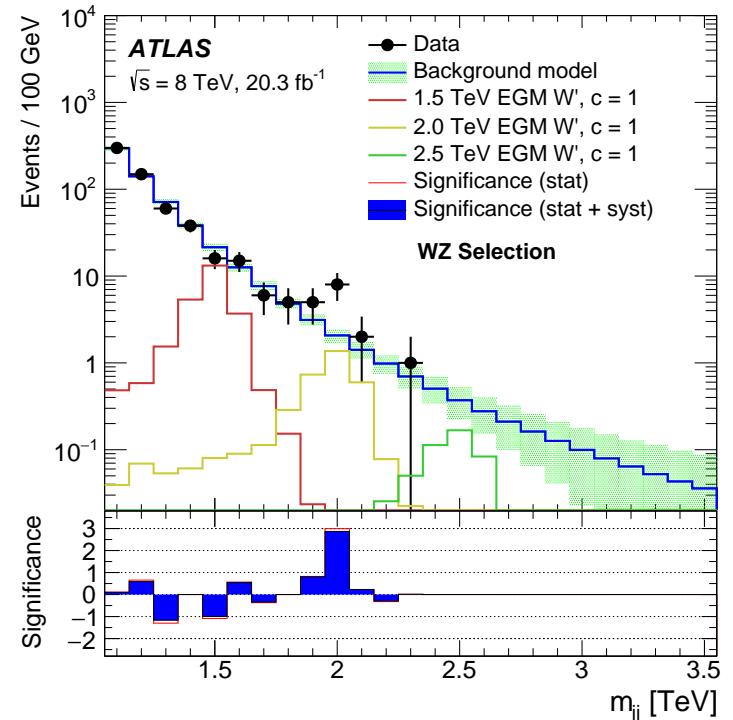
CMS (1405.1994):



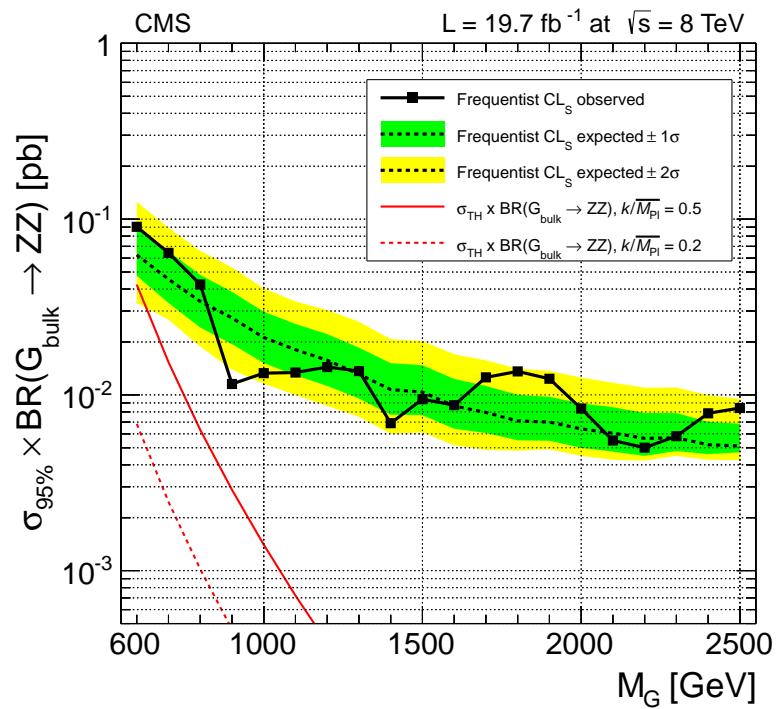
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow W' \rightarrow WZ) = O(5) \text{ fb} \leftarrow$$

Consistent with  $\Gamma(W' \rightarrow WZ) = \Gamma(W' \rightarrow Wh^0)$

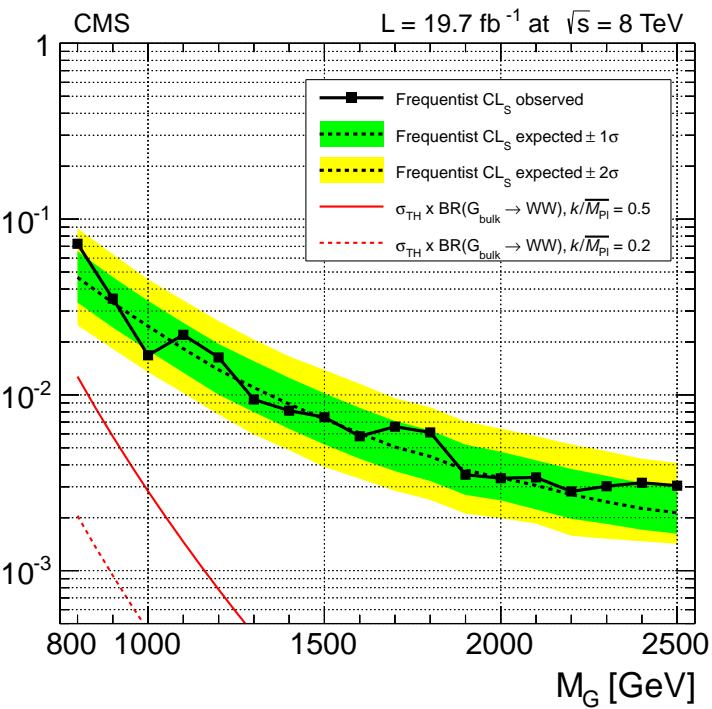
ATLAS (1506.00962):



$W' \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow J(\ell^+\ell^-)$

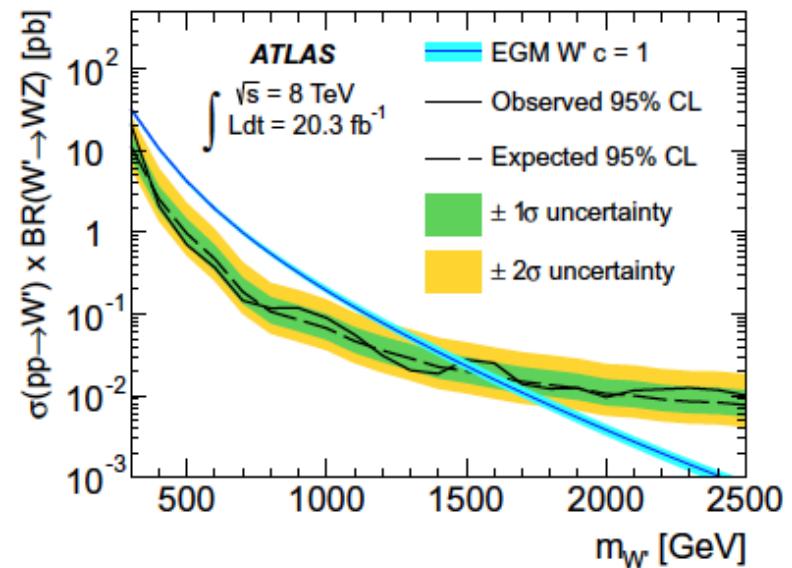


$W' \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow (\ell\nu)J$

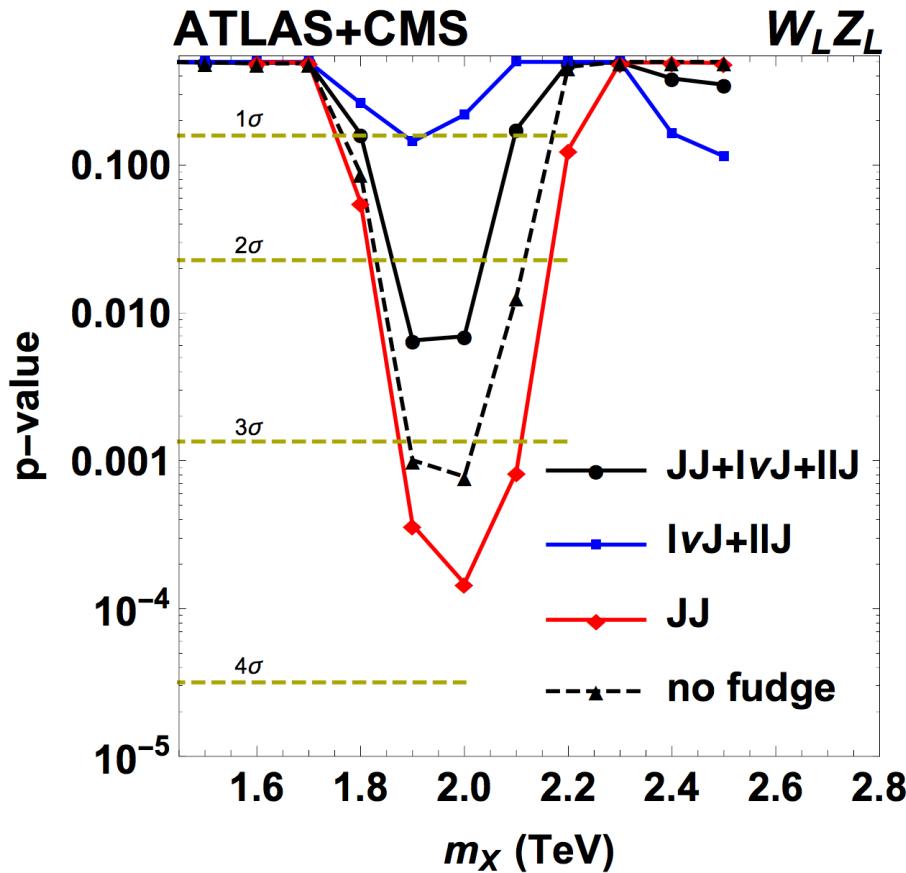


CMS (1405.3447): limit on  $WZ$  weaker by a factor of 2 (2.3) compared to  $ZZ$  ( $WW$ )

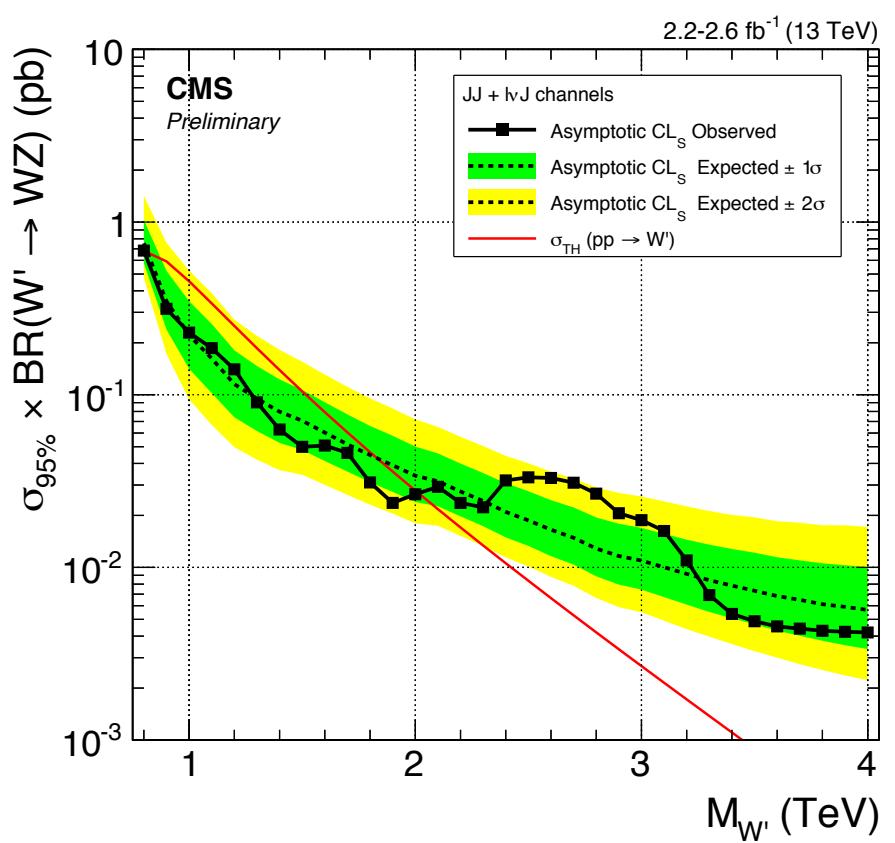
ATLAS 1503.04677:  
 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow W' \rightarrow WZ) < 12 \text{ fb}$



## Run 1 combination (F. Dias et al, 1512.03371):



## Run 2: CMS-EXO-15-002

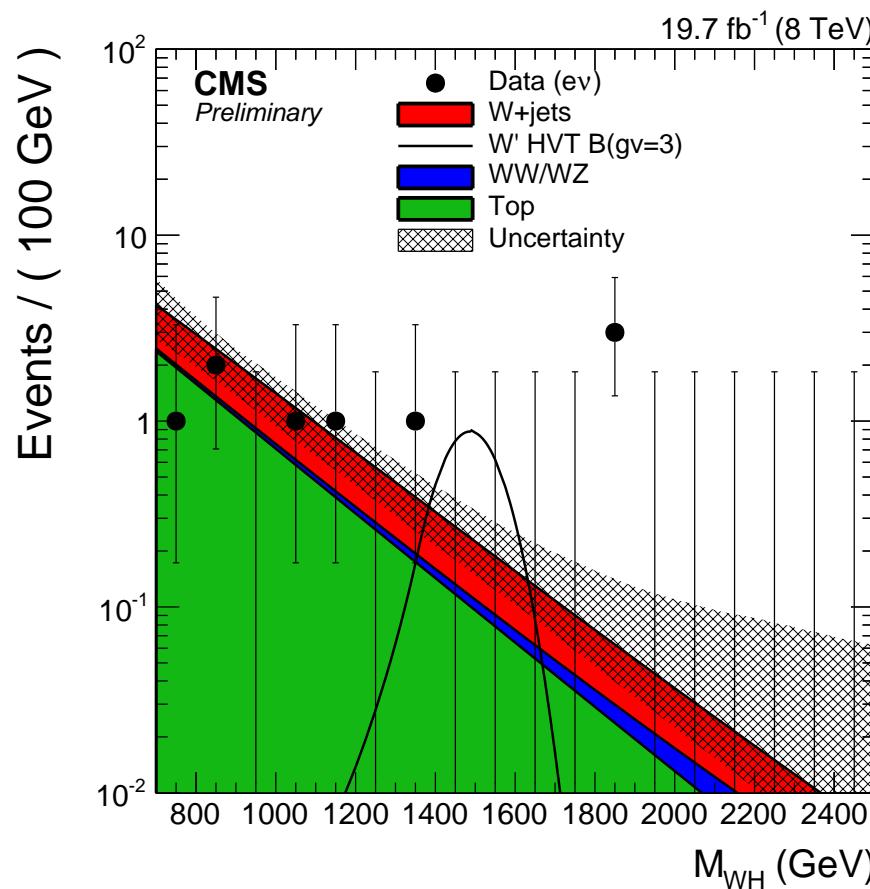


$$\sigma_8 \approx 5 \pm 2 \text{ fb}$$

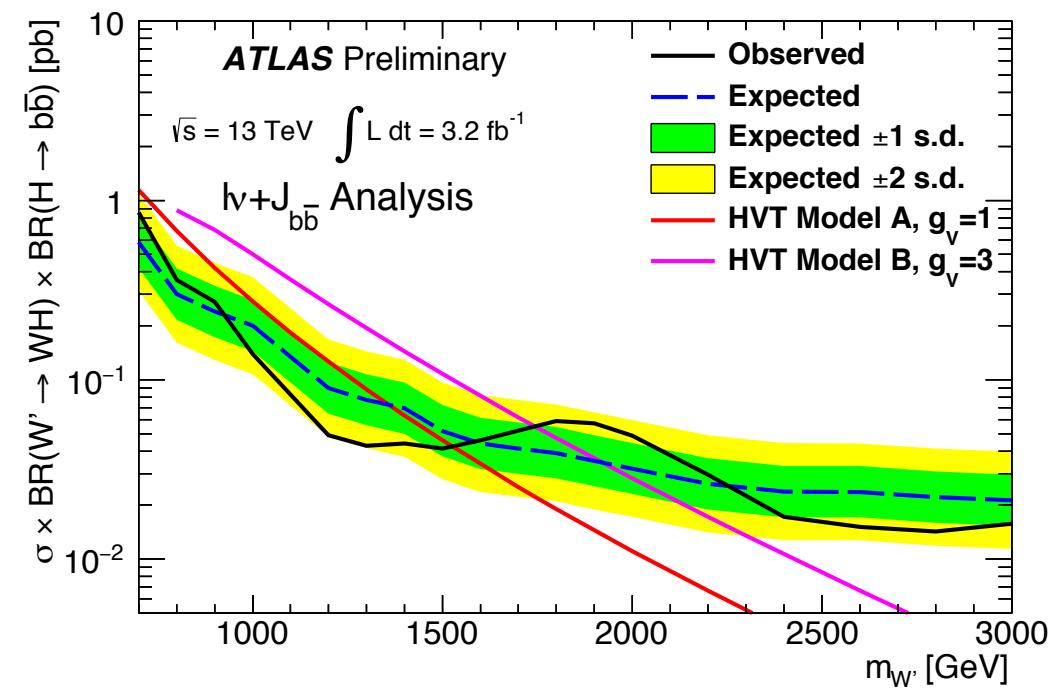
$$\sigma_{13}/\sigma_8 \approx 6.5 \text{ for } M_{W'} = 1.9 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\overline{W' \rightarrow Wh \rightarrow (\ell\nu)(b\bar{b})}$$

**CMS (EXO-14-010):**



**ATLAS (CONF-2015-074):**



The  $W' \rightarrow Wh^0$  rate is consistent with the  $eejj$  excess.

# $W'$ decays into heavy Higgs bosons

1507.01923

$$W' \rightarrow H^+ H^0, H^+ A^0 \rightarrow (t\bar{b})(t\bar{t}) \rightarrow 3W + 4b$$

**ATLAS 1504.04605**

$\ell^+ \ell^+ + (\geq 3)b$  and  $\ell^+ \ell^+ bb$

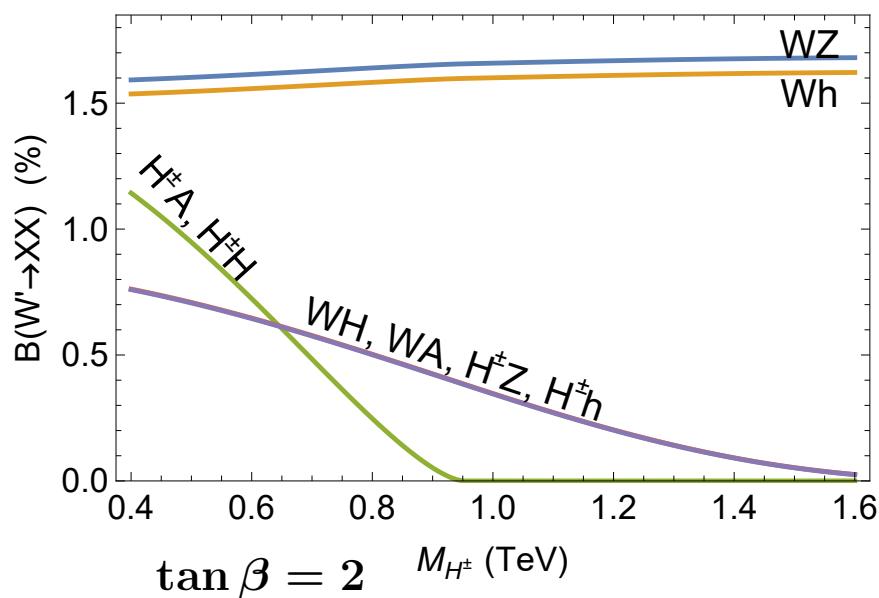
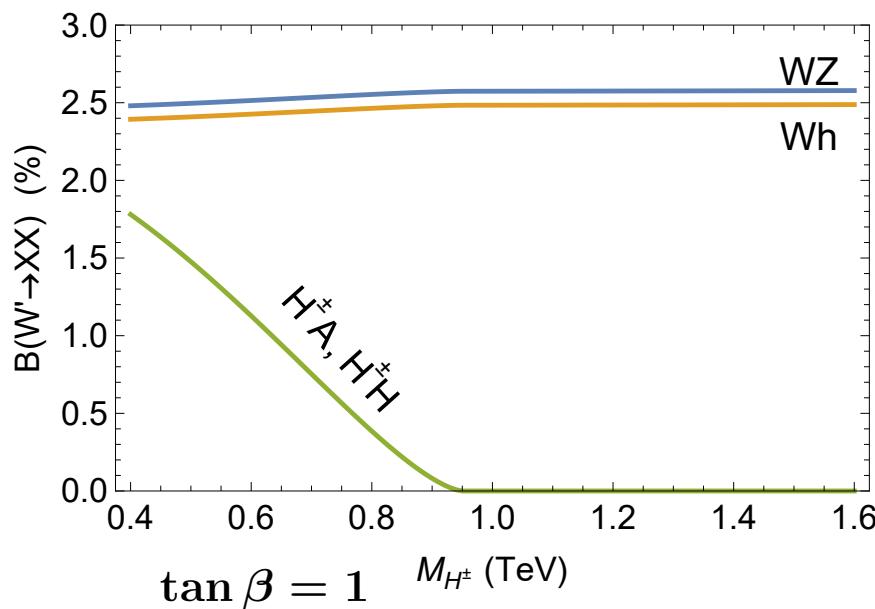
Type	$N_j$	$N_b$	$H_T$ [GeV]	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]
$e^+ e^+$	4	3	709	298
$e^+ e^+$	6	3	800	137
$e^+ \mu^+$	5	3	744	216
$e^+ \mu^+$	4	3	888	155
$\mu^+ e^+$	3	3	1439	239
$\mu^- \mu^+ \mu^-$	4	4	1072	176

Type	$N_j$	$H_T$ [GeV]	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]
$e^- e^-$	3	807	171
$e^+ e^+$	5	862	268
$e^+ e^+$	5	868	113
$\mu^- e^-$	6	1346	353
$e^+ \mu^+$	5	810	106
$e^- \mu^-$	3	707	184
$e^- \mu^-$	2	706	174
$\mu^+ e^+$	8	882	150
$\mu^+ e^+$	4	860	112
$\mu^+ \mu^+$	5	888	111
$\mu^- e^+ e^+$	5	773	197
$\mu^- e^+ e^+$	9	968	355

Excess explained for  $M_{H^\pm} \approx M_{H^0} \approx M_{A^0} \approx 500$  GeV  
( $M_{W'} \approx 1.9 - 2$  TeV)

Signal	channel	efficiency	signal events	obs. (background)
$b b \ell^\pm \ell^\pm$	$W' \rightarrow H^\pm (H^0/A^0) \rightarrow 3t + b$	$2.5 \times 10^{-4}$	<b>1.0-1.8</b>	<b>4-7</b> <b>12 (4.3±1.1 ± 1.1)</b>
	$W' \rightarrow (\tau/e)N \rightarrow (\tau/e)(\tau/e)tb$	$5.3 \times 10^{-4}$	<b>2.2-3.8</b>	
	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}A^0, t\bar{t}H^0 \rightarrow 4t$	$1.7 \times 10^{-2}$	<b>1.1</b>	
$\geq 3b \ell^\pm \ell^\pm$	$W' \rightarrow H^\pm (H^0/A^0) \rightarrow 3t + b$	$6.3 \times 10^{-4}$	<b>2.5-4.4</b>	<b>5-7</b> <b>6 (1.1±0.9 ± 0.4)</b>
	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}A^0, t\bar{t}H^0 \rightarrow 4t$	$4.1 \times 10^{-2}$	<b>2.6</b>	

### Branching fractions for bosonic decays of $W'$ :

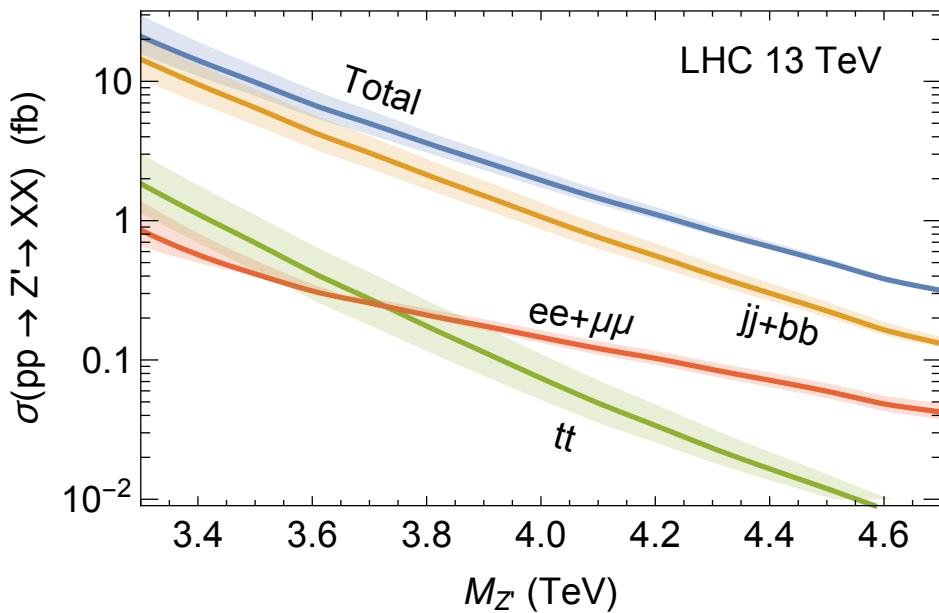


**$Z'$  couplings to quarks and leptons:**

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{g_R^2 + g_{B-L}^2}} \left( g_R^2 T_R^3 - g_{B-L}^2 \frac{B-L}{2} \right)$$

**If  $SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L} \rightarrow U(1)_Y$  breaking is due to an  $SU(2)_R$  triplet:**

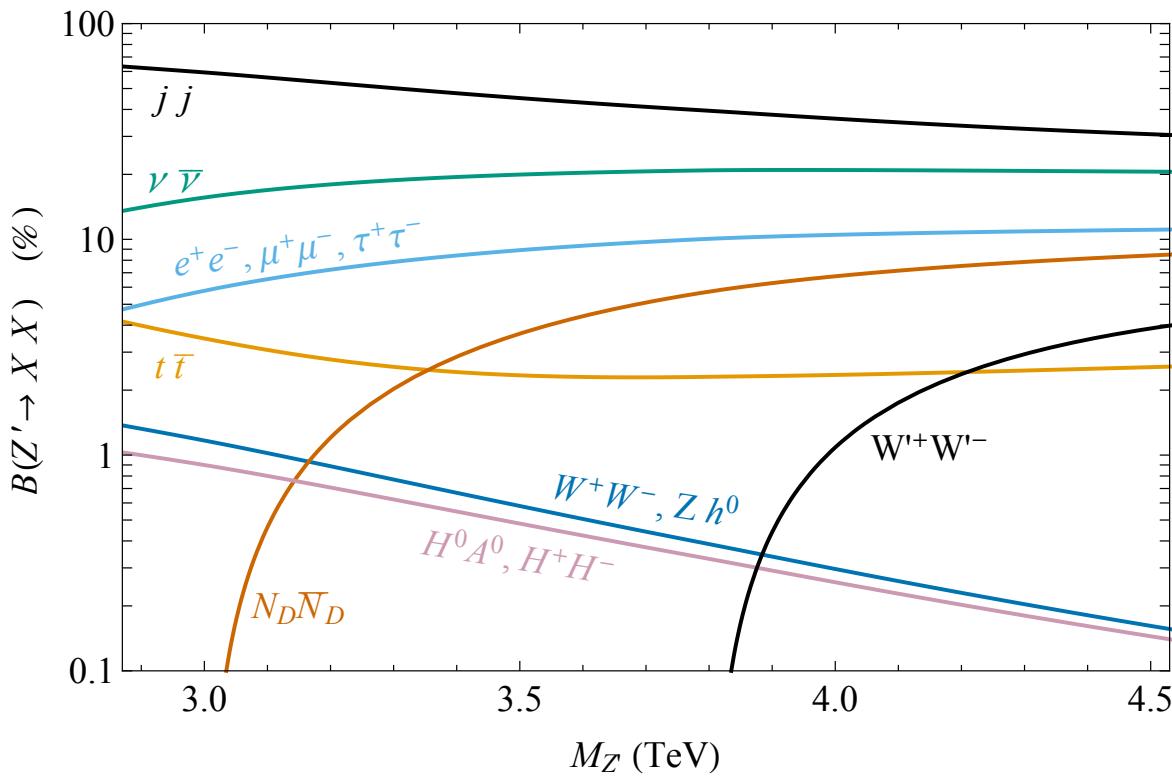
$$M_{Z'} = \sqrt{2} \frac{g_R}{(g_R^2 - g_Y^2)^{1/2}} M_{W'} , \quad g_Y \approx 0.36 \text{ is the SM hypercharge coupling}$$



$$\frac{1}{g_{B-L}^2} = \frac{1}{g'^2} - \frac{1}{g_R^2}$$

**$Z'$  can be lighter than 3.4 TeV if the  $SU(2)_R \times U(1)_{B-L} \rightarrow U(1)_Y$  breaking is due to an  $SU(2)_R$  doublet**

with P. Fox, 1511.02148



$$M_{Z'} = \frac{M_{W'}}{\sqrt{1 - g_Y^2/g_R^2}}$$

## Conclusions

- Excess events near

1.8–2 TeV reported by CMS and ATLAS:

$$W' \rightarrow e^+e^-jj , Wh^0 , WZ$$

Rates consistent with  $SU(2)_R \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_{B-L}$  gauge model  
(1511.02148)

- If a  $W'$  will be confirmed, a new era of discoveries will follow: measurements of the  $Z'$  boson, right-handed neutrinos, heavy Higgs bosons, ... , will lead us to deeper organizing principles.