# LEPTOQUARK SEARCHES AT THE LHC

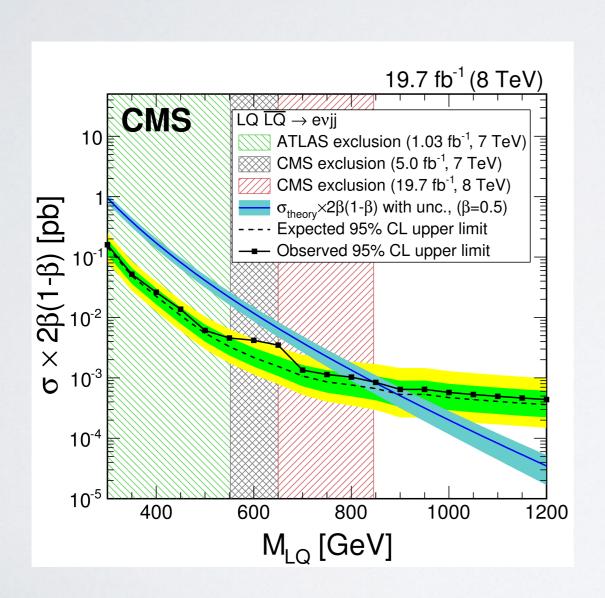
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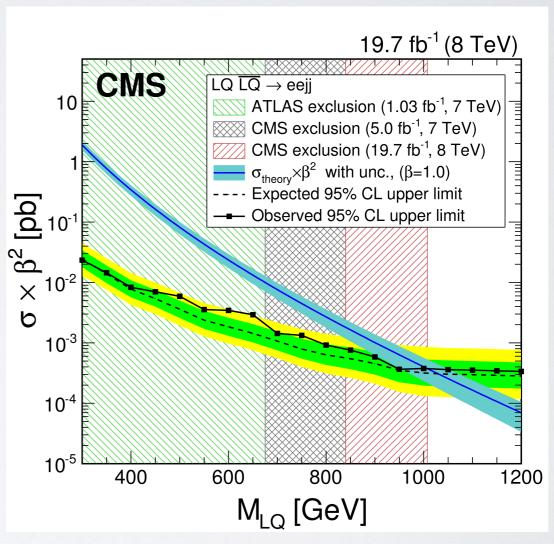
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# WHY LEPTOQUARKS?

- Consequence of many well-motivated SM extensions: Grand Unification, R-parity violation
- · Some varieties can alleviate fine-tuning @ LHC
- Interesting and unique phenomenology to set as a benchmark for future searches

# LEPTOQUARK EXCITEMENT!





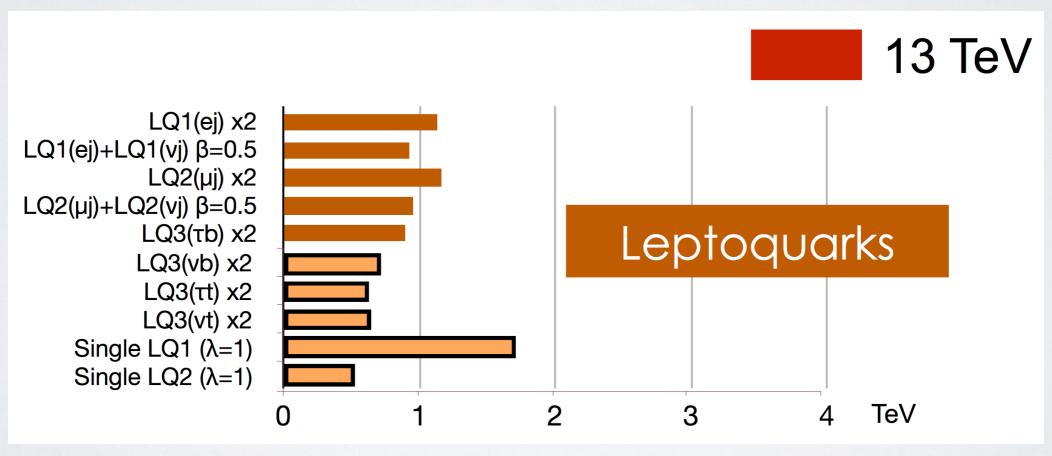
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#### CURRENT STATUS

#### Based on 2015 data!

70	Scalar LQ 1 <sup>st</sup> gen Scalar LQ 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen	2 e 2 μ	≥ 2 j ≥ 2 j		3.2 3.2	LQ mass LQ mass	1.1 TeV 1.05 TeV	$eta=1 \ eta=1$	1605.06035 1605.06035
	Scalar LQ 3 <sup>rd</sup> gen	1 e,μ	≥1 b, ≥3 j	Yes	20.3	LQ mass	640 GeV	eta=0	1508.04735

ATLAS Exotics



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# NON-SUSY MODELS

- Leptoquarks must be charged under QCD: minimal production mechanism
- Single leptoquark production possible, but constrained by other BLV tests
- More states means other production modes:
   coloron + leptoquark model

Bai, JB: 1407.4466

### HIGH ENERGY STRUCTURE



 $G_2$   $h_2$ 

G<sub>I</sub>
h<sub>I</sub>

#### LOW ENERGY STRUCTURE



$$G' = -s_{\theta} G_1 + c_{\theta} G_2$$

$$g_s t_{\theta} (1), g_s/t_{\theta} (2)$$

$$g_s'(q_i)/g_s'(S_1) \sim t_\theta$$

$$G = c_{\theta} G_1 + s_{\theta} G_2$$

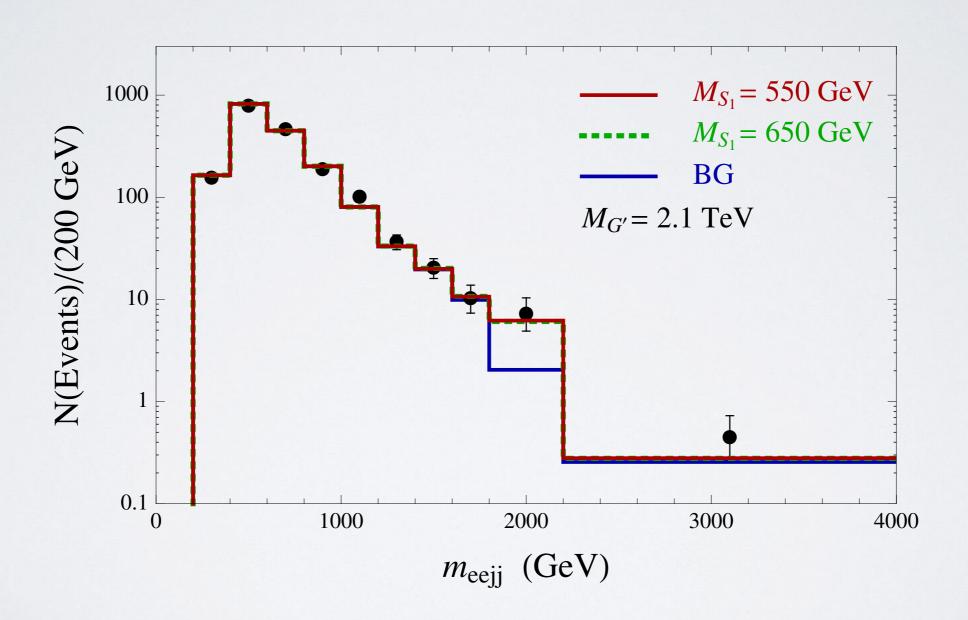
 $g_{S}$ 

No GGG'

#### NEW PHENOMENOLOGY

- "Normal" leptoquark production at the LHC is still possible in this structure
- But color octet, spin I particle resonant production could be comparable or dominant
- Octet decaying to leptoquarks could yield a new type of signal with multibody final state

# EXAMPLE SPECTRUM



# LEPTONS + QUARKS IN SUSY

- Strong hints and constraints from data
- Suppress SSDL signals → Dirac gauginos?
- 125 GeV Higgs → non-MSSM Higgs sector?
- · All this and more: Higgs as sneutrino

Riva, Biggio, Pomarol: 1211.4526 JB, Dror, Ng: 1506.08213

# HIGGS AS SNEUTRINO

	SU(3)	U(I)
Н	(1,2)	0
Е	( , )	2
L	(1,2)	I-L
Е	( , )	I+L
Q	(3,2)	I+B
U		I-B
D		I-B
	(8,1)	
Ф	(8,1)	0

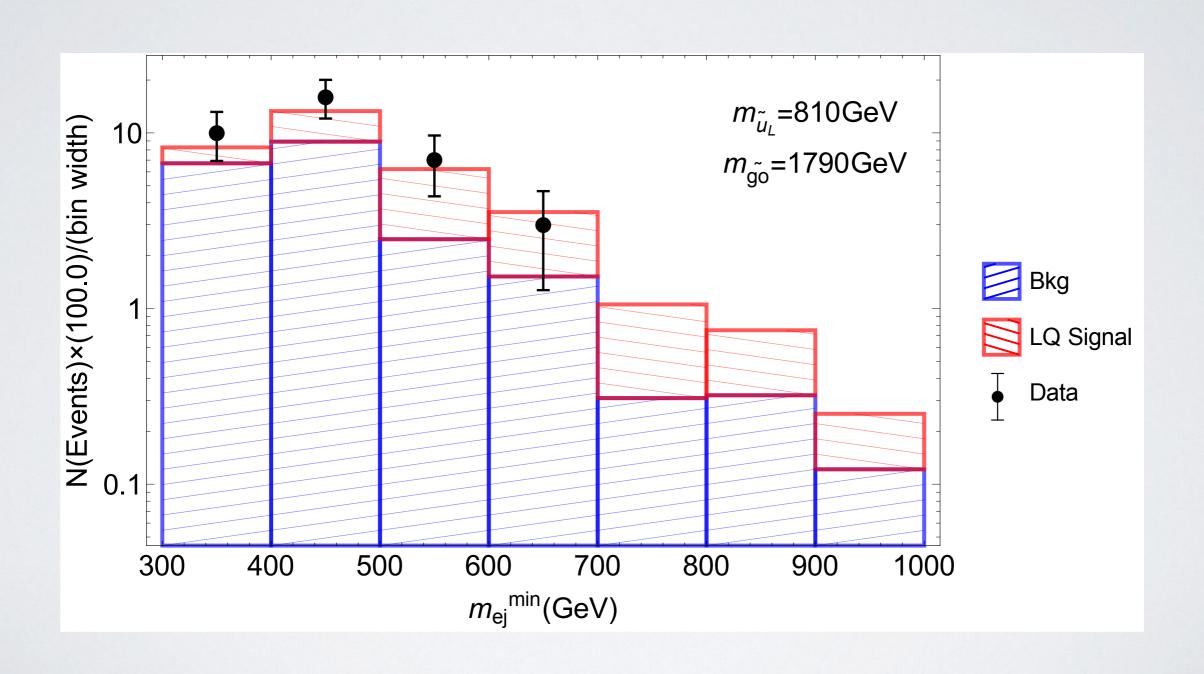
#### MODEL FEATURES

- R-parity conserved even after EWSB
- · Neutrino is a neutralino, electron is a chargino
- Heavier neutralinos unstable due to mixing with neutrino: no MET and no DM candidate
- Squarks can decay via on- or off-shell B & W

#### RICH PHENOMENOLOGY

- Production of qq, qg, gg
- Leptoquark-like decay for lightest squark:
   q → q ℓ V/H
- Final states with leptons, jets, not too much MET
- Kinematic features at multiple scales

## BROAD BUMP SIGNAL



#### OTHER DECAY MODES?

- Can decay to diquark final state (qq or tb for e.g.):
   constrained by flavor and proton decay
- Can decay to quarks + dark matter (qxx):
   constrained by q + MET
- More complicated chain decay also possible and could be well hidden

# LESSONS FROM OLD SIGNAL

- Additional production modes possible, can alter kinematics
- Additional decay modes possible, so don't just push up in energy, also push down in cross-section
- Non-trivial flavor structure difficult, but possible (and may have natural SUSY as a bonus)

#### WHAT'S LEFT?

- Push higher in mass, obviously: still waiting on 2016 data analysis for leptoquarks!
- But also push lower in branching fraction:
   leptoquark-like decay may not be dominant!
- Precision tests are also sensitive—could be related to the various flavor anomalies?