Searches for Leptoquarks

In scenarios of LFU anomalies

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Flavor Anomalies

- Recent hints for LFU violation
 - $b \rightarrow c \ell \nu$ transitions (3.1 σ)
 - $b \rightarrow s\ell\ell$ transitions (3.1 σ)
 - $(g-2)_{\mu} (4.2 \sigma)$
 - Even more
- Leptoquarks possible solution
 - Mass at TeV scale
 - Preferential couplings to 2nd/3rd generation
 - Weaker indirect bounds





HFLAV: R(D)-R(D*) LHCb: arXiv:2103.11769 Muon g-2: PRL 126, 141801 (2021)



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Leptoquarks

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 - Depends only on M_{LQ}
- Single production
 - Depends on M_{LQ} and LQ $\rightarrow q\ell$ coupling λ
- Non-resonant processes
 - t-channel LQ
 - Also depend on M_{LQ} and λ

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LQ pair – $q\ell / b\ell$

ATLAS: JHEP10(2020)112

- ATLAS search using 2 e/ μ and 2 jets
- Average ℓj invariant mass sensitive variable
- Categorisation using b- and c-tagging
- First time: optimised sensitivity to $b\ell$ and $c\ell$ couplings
- Scalar LQs below $M_{\rm LQ}=1.7~{\rm TeV}$ excluded in all channels ($\mathscr{B}=1$) for q ℓ and b ℓ
- Also consider varying ${\mathscr B}$

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ATLAS

√s=13 TeV, 139 fb⁻¹

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Exp. ± 2σ

 $\pm 1\sigma$ theory

Obs. 95% CL limit

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• Exclude $M_{\rm LQ} < 0.8 \,{\rm TeV}$ down to $\mathscr{B} = 0.1$

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 $m_{\rm LO}$ [GeV]

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 m_{10} [GeV]

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Single LQ – $q\ell$

ATLAS: ATLAS-CONF-2021-045

- ATLAS search for $e^+\mu^-$ and $e^-\mu^+$ asymmetry
- In SM pp collisions: $e^-\mu^+$ slightly favored
 - ► Single LQ with $q\ell$ couplings: enhances $e^+\mu^-$
- First single LQ result from ATLAS

- Single LQ production
 - Sensitive to LQ $\rightarrow q\ell$ coupling $\lambda \neq \mathscr{B}$
 - Exclusion limits depend on λ
 - Pair-production reach exceeded for $\lambda \ge 0.6$
 - $M_{\rm LO} < 1.74 \,{\rm TeV}$ excluded at $\lambda = 1$ (scalar)





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CMS

 $pp \rightarrow LQ LQ$

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35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

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- CMS: Interpretation in scalar and vector scenarios
 - Excludes $M_{\rm LO} \lesssim 1 \,{\rm TeV}$ (scalar) and up to $1.8 \,{\rm TeV}$ (vector) (35.9 fb⁻¹)
- ATLAS considers varying \mathscr{B} : Excludes $M_{\rm LO} \lesssim 1.2 \,{\rm TeV}$ (scalar) at $\mathscr{B} = 0 \,(139 \,{\rm fb}^{-1})$



CMS: Phys. Rev. D 98, 032005 (2018) ATLAS: Eur. Phys. J. C 80 (2020) 737 ATLAS: JHEP 05 (2021) 093



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Single + Pair LQ – $q\nu$

CMS: arxiv:2107.13021 (subm. to JHEP)



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ATLAS: arxiv:2108.07665 (subm. to. PRD) ATLAS: Summary



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ATLAS: Eur. Phys. J. C 81 (2021) 313

LQ couplings to $b\nu \leftrightarrow te/t\mu$

- LQ \rightarrow te ($\mathscr{B} = 1$)
 - ATLAS excludes $M_{LQ} \lesssim 1.5 \text{ TeV}$ (scalar LQ pair)
 - First result testing this coupling



Z_{+jets} CR

SR: mid BDT

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SR: high BDT

Data/Bkg.

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- CMS: Combination of $t\tau$ and $t\mu$ channels
 - Cross-gen. couplings: $M_{\rm LQ} \lesssim 0.9 1.5 \, {\rm TeV}_{-}$

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ATLAS: Summary CMS: PRL 121, 241802 (2018)





Summary

- Leptoquarks potential solution to LFU anomalies
 - Third-generation couplings preferred
- ATLAS and CMS probe coupling matrix systematically
 - Focus on pair production so far
- No deviations from SM: Exclusion limits of 1—2 TeV

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е	Scalar: 1.8 TeV	Scalar: 1.7 TeV	Scalar: 1.5 TeV
μ	Scalar: 1.8 TeV	Scalar: 1.7 TeV	Scalar: 1.5 TeV Vector: 2.0 TeV
τ		Scalar: 1.2 TeV Vector: 1.8 TeV	Scalar: 1.4 TeV Vector: 1.5 TeV



