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Search for heavy resonances in the $\ell^+\ell^-\ell^+\ell^-$ final state in association with missing transverse energy using pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

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Search for the presence of a new heavy resonance, produced via gluon-gluon fusion and decaying to the fourlepton (4 ℓ) final state, in association with missing transverse energy ($E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$), with $\ell = e, \mu$. The search uses 2015–2018 proton–proton collision data at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 139 fb⁻¹, collected by the ATLAS detector at the Large Hadron Collider at CERN. The data is interpreted in terms of two models, firstly the $R \to SH \to 4\ell + E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$, where R is a scalar boson, which decays to two lighter scalar bosons (S and H). The S decays to a pair of neutrinos ($E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$) and the H decays into 4 ℓ , through ZZ bosons. The second model is the $A \to ZH \to 4\ell + E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$, where A is considered to be a CP-odd scalar which decays to a CP-even scalar H, and the Z boson. The Z boson decays to a pair of neutrinos, and the H decays to the 4 ℓ final state.

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