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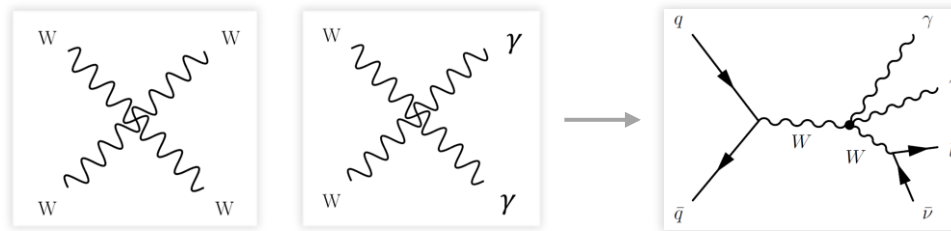
# $Z\gamma\gamma$ – What it Tells us about EW Interactions

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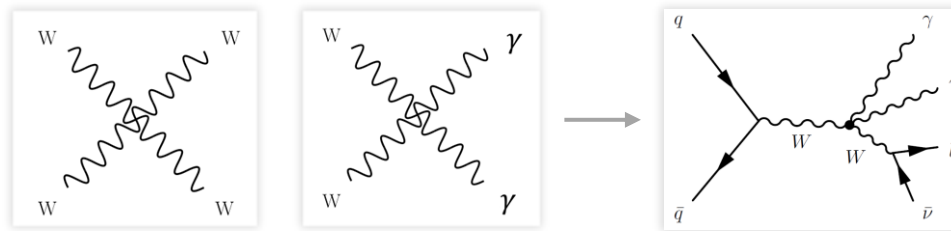
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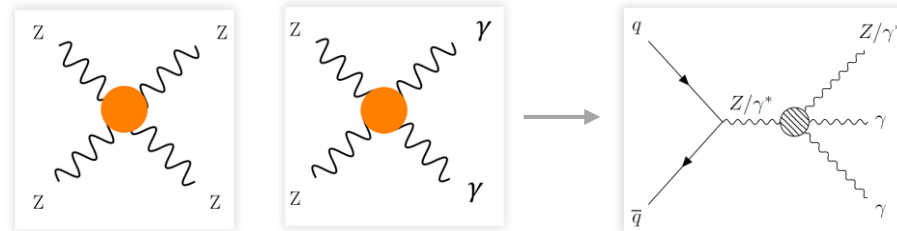
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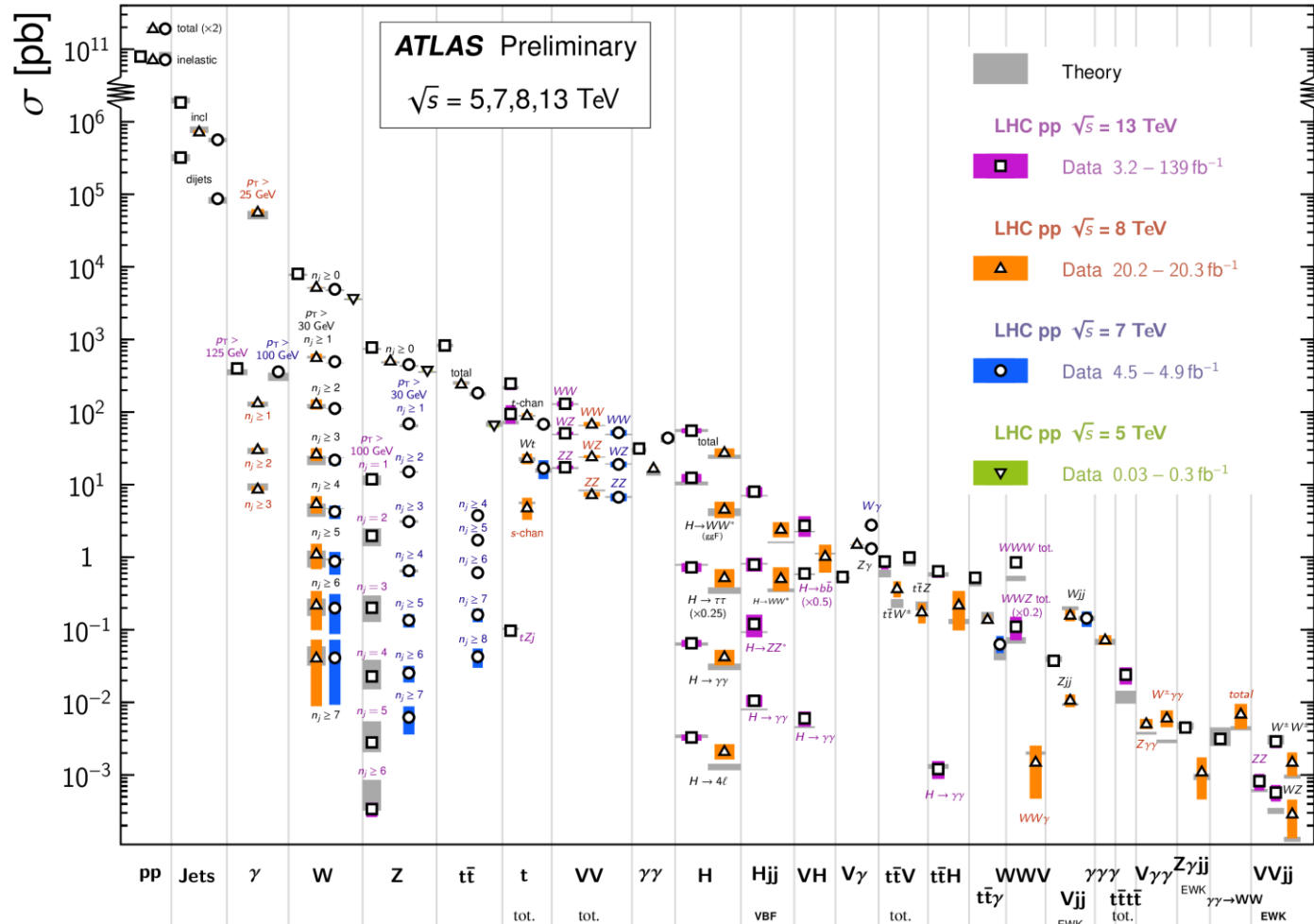
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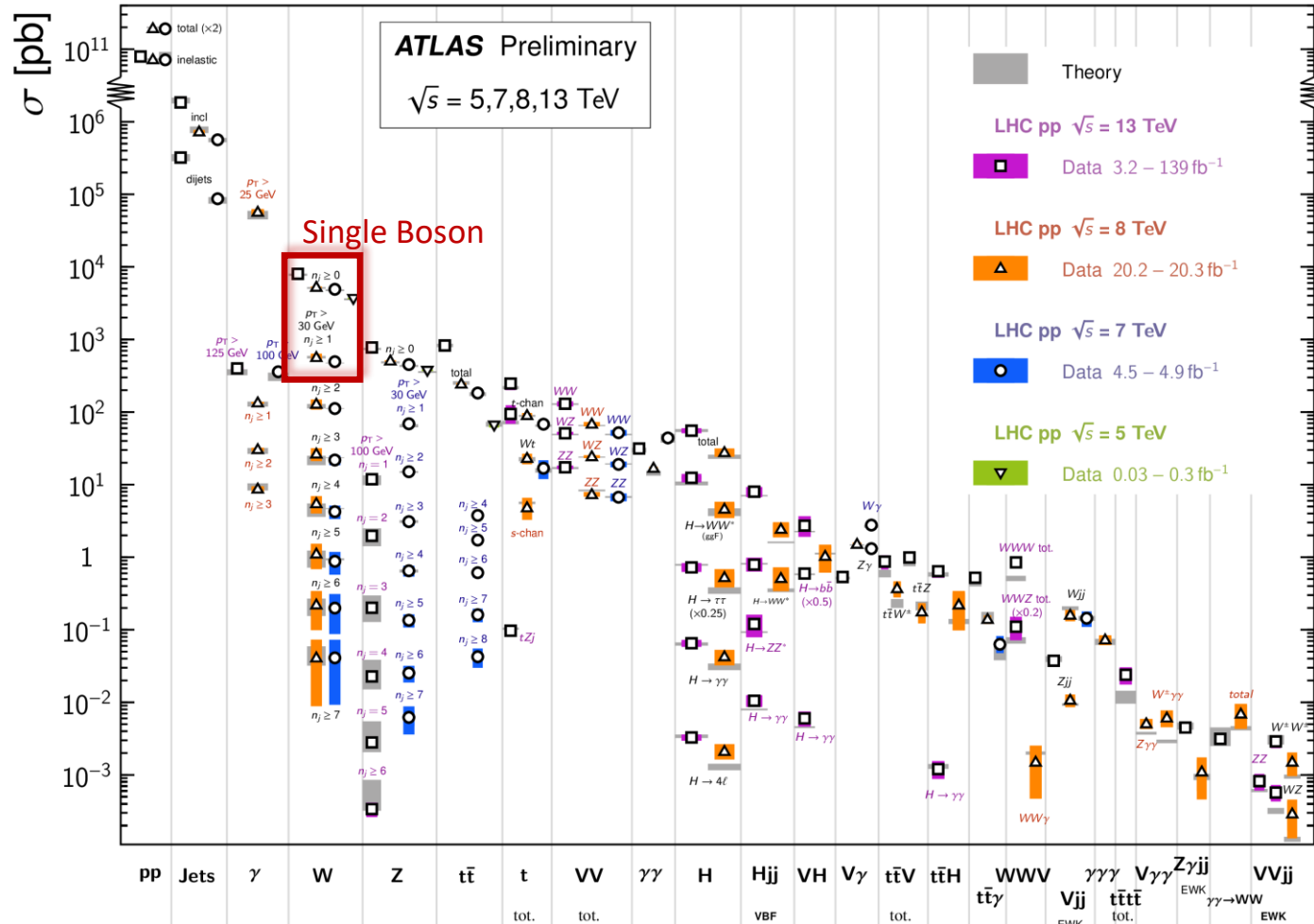
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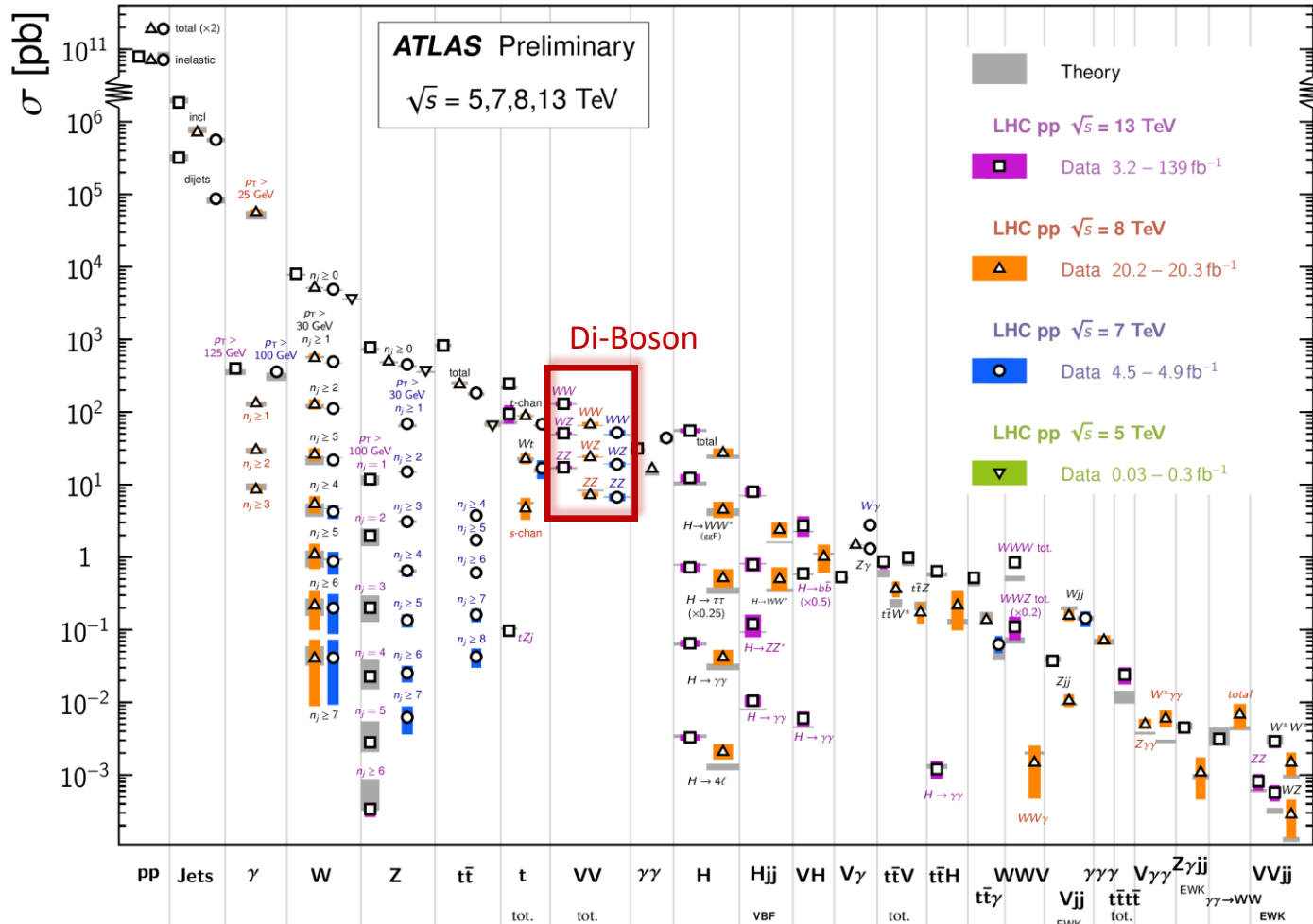
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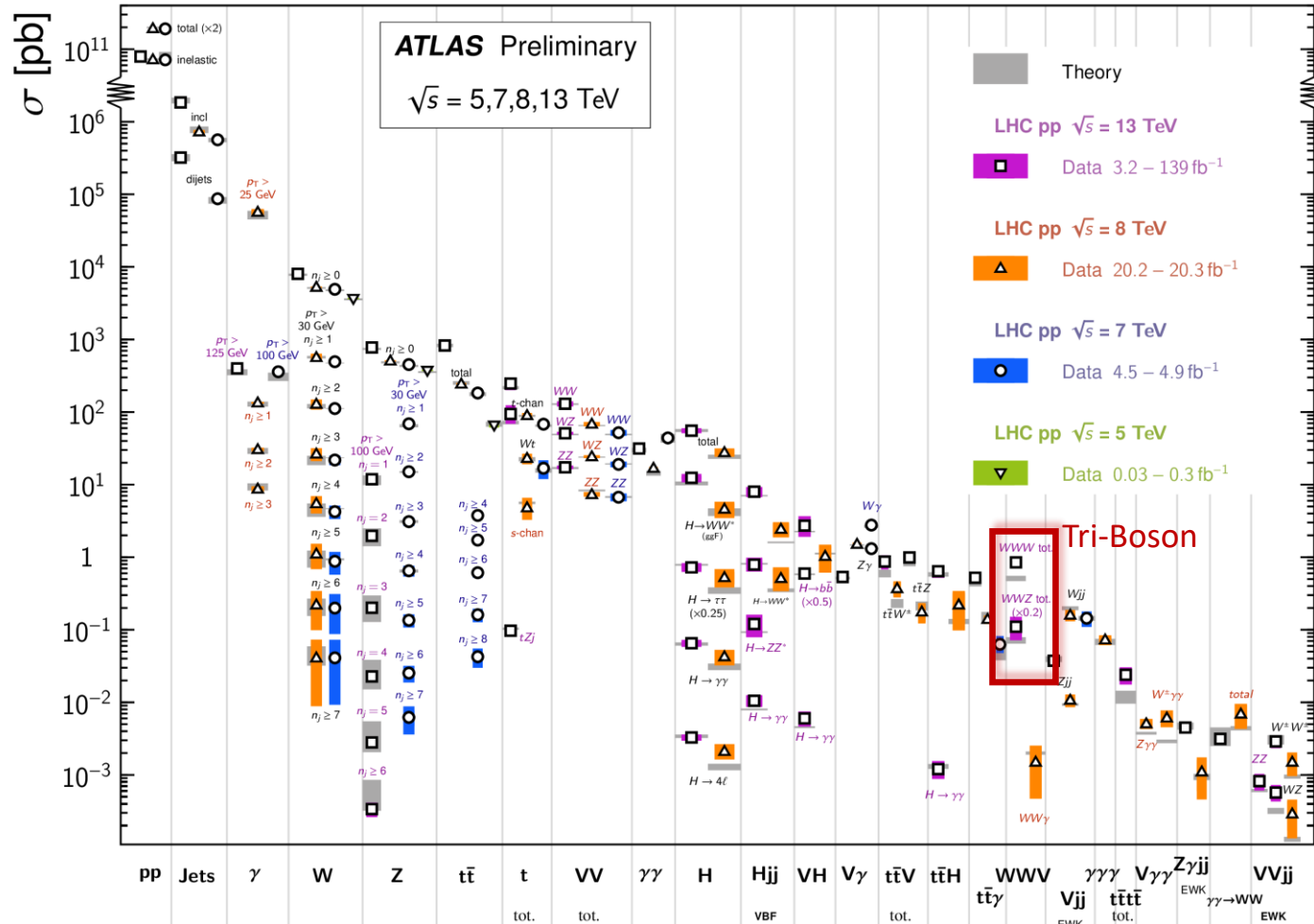
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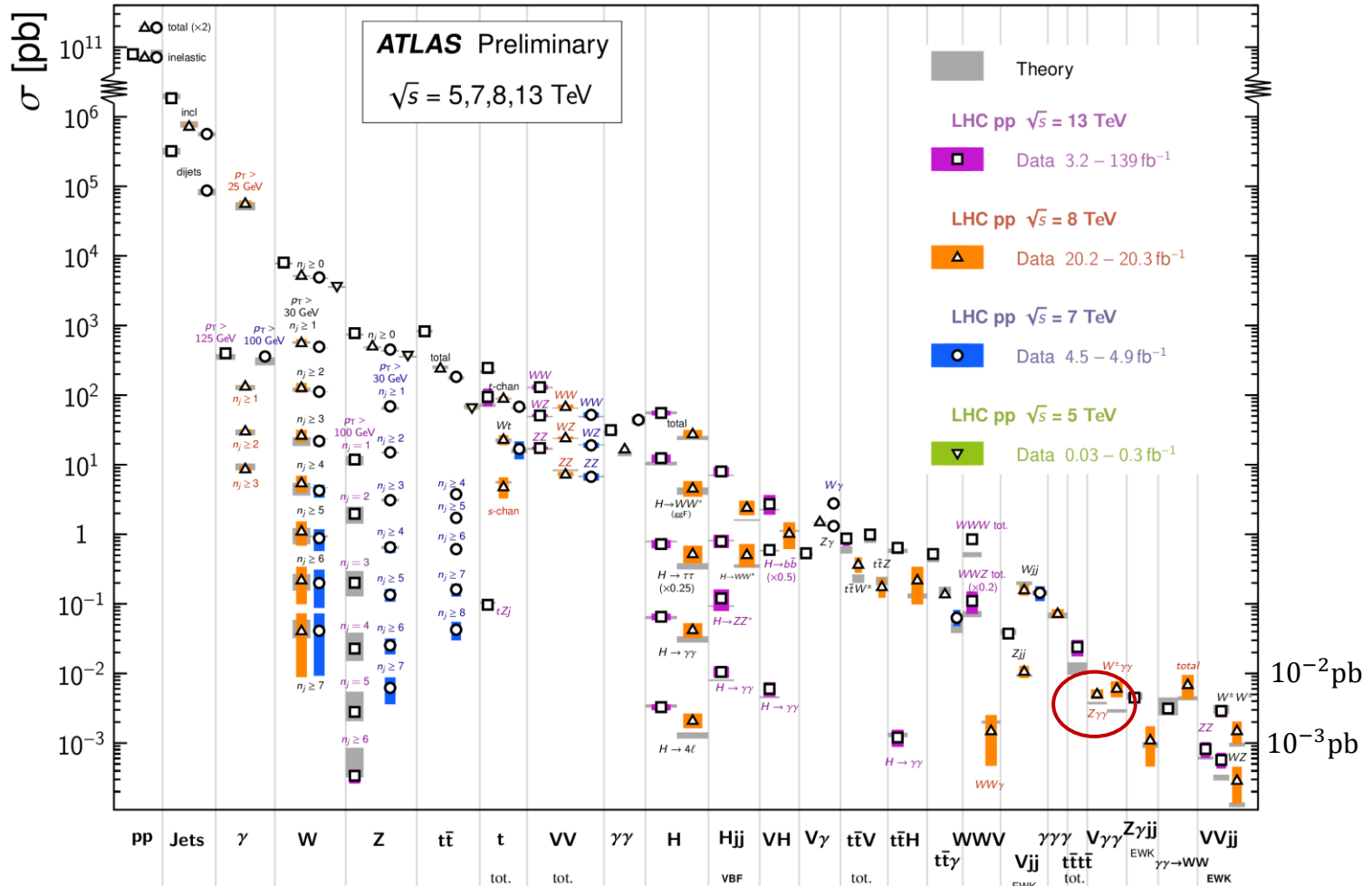
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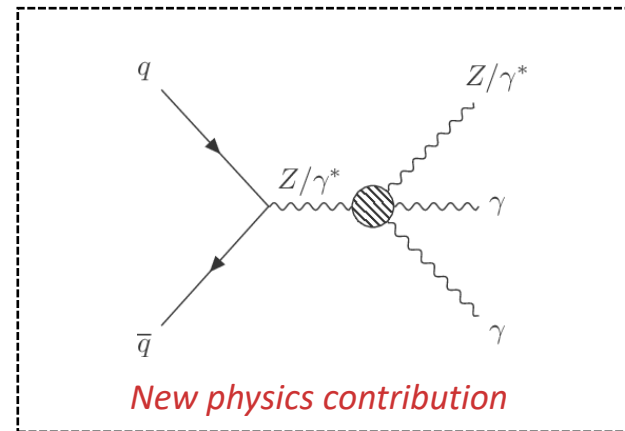
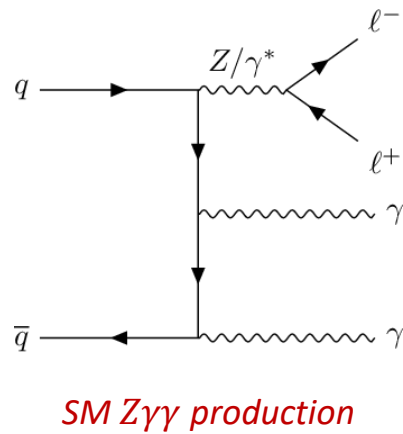
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## Overview

- Run2 dataset (2015-2018), fully leptonic  $Z(\rightarrow ee, \mu\mu) + \gamma\gamma$
- 2 isolated photons + 1 OSSF lepton pair
- **Integrated + differential cross section @ particle level**



## Background contamination in the signal region

- Any process with photons and charged same-flavour leptons
- Limited performance of particle identification algorithms

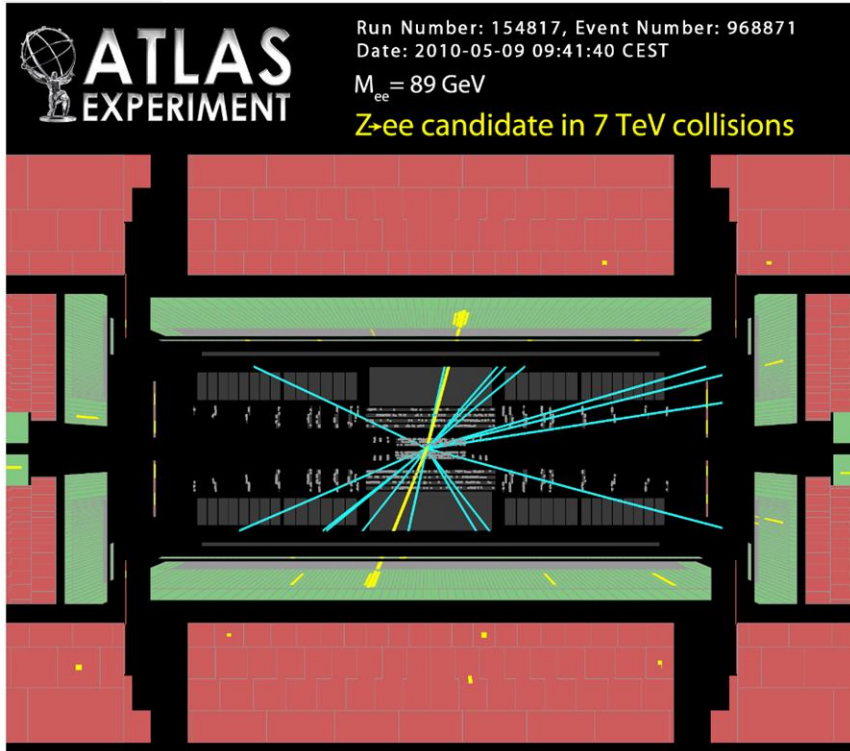
## Minor backgrounds

- $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$  process, 2 leptons from  $t \rightarrow Wb$  chain
- $ZZ \rightarrow lll$  ( $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fakes)

## Dominant background

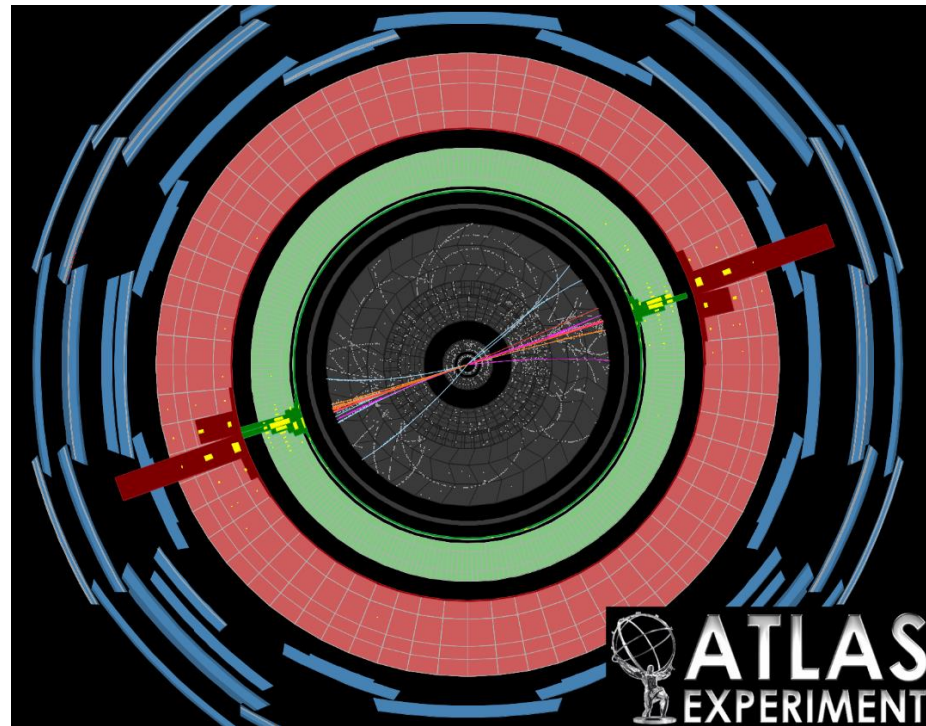
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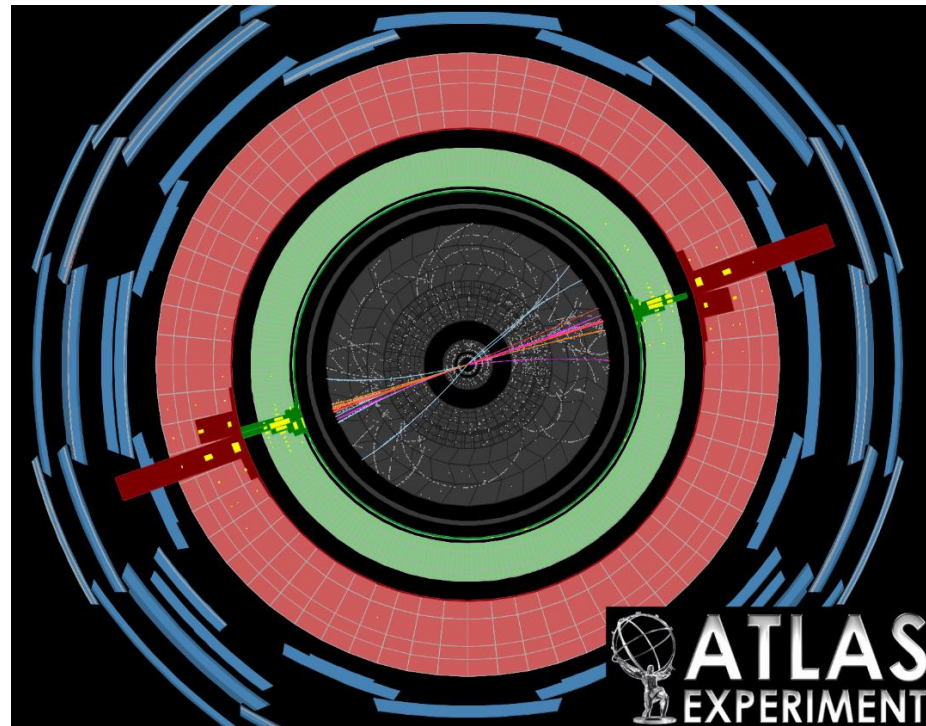
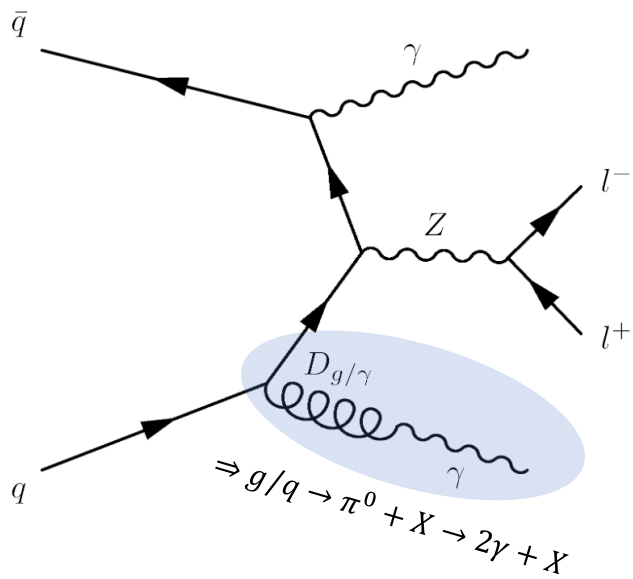
(Missing track in ID  $\rightarrow$  fake photon)  
Contamination of  $ZZ \rightarrow lll$

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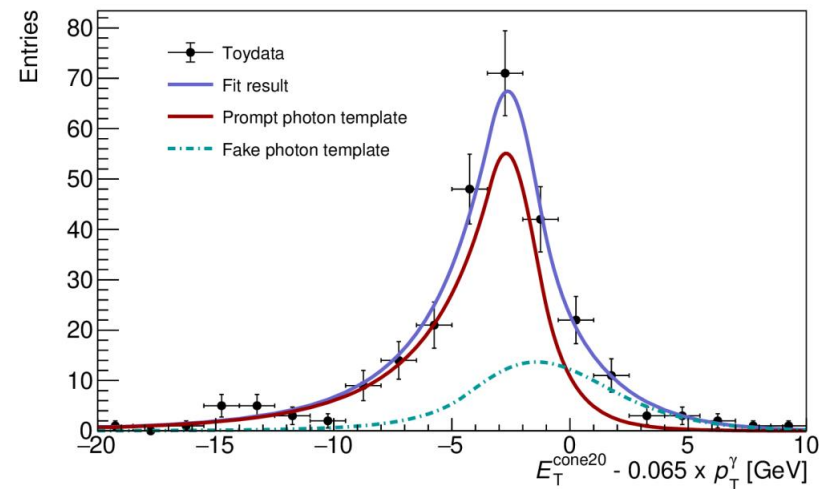
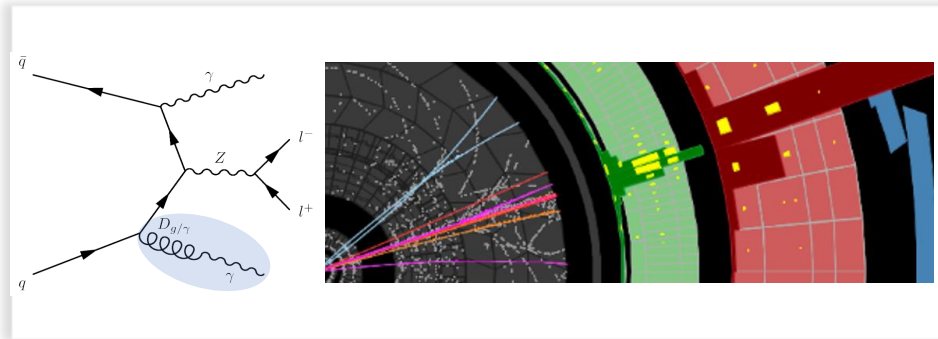
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## Fake Photons from jets

- Non-prompt photons surrounded by jet remnants
  - ⇒ Large isolation energy, hadronic activity
- Derive templates for prompt/non-prompt  $\gamma$ 
  - ⇒  $Z\gamma\gamma$  signal,  $Z\gamma j + Zj\gamma + Zjj$  backgrounds
- Fit templates to measured isolation energy in data
  - ⇒ *2D Template Fit*



# Observed Events in Signal Region

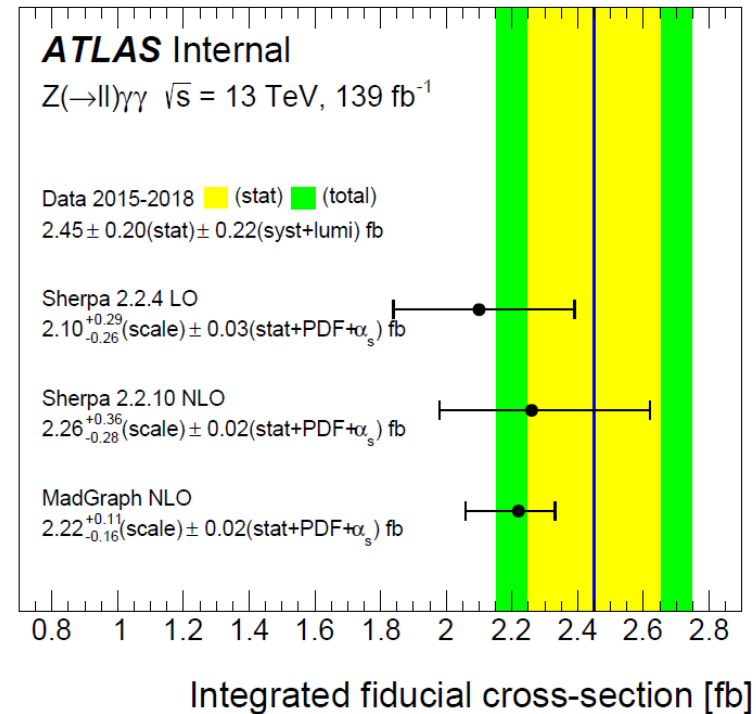
	$e^+e^-\gamma\gamma$	$\mu^+\mu^-\gamma\gamma$
$N^{obs}$	148	171
$N_{j\rightarrow\gamma fakes}$	$29.8 \pm 5.7 (stat.) \pm 5.5 (sys.)$	$34.4 \pm 6.6 (stat.) \pm 6.3 (sys.)$
$N_{t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma}$	$6.4 \pm 0.4 (stat.) \pm 1.4 (sys.)$	$8.4 \pm 0.5 (stat.) \pm 1.8 (sys.)$
$N_{eeee}$	$1.03 \pm 0.10 (stat.) \pm 0.51 (sys.)$	$1.2 \pm 0.11 (stat.) \pm 0.6 (sys.)$
$N_{WZ\gamma}$	$0.69 \pm 0.06 (stat.) \pm 0.35 (sys.)$	$0.52 \pm 0.05 (stat.) \pm 0.26 (sys.)$
$N_{ZH}$	$1.08 \pm 0.01 (stat.) \pm 0.22 (sys.)$	$1.38 \pm 0.01 (stat.) \pm 0.28 (sys.)$
$N_{Z\gamma+\gamma}$	$2.07 \pm 0.16 (stat.) \pm 0.72 (sys.)$	$2.74 \pm 0.21 (stat.) \pm 0.96 (sys.)$
$N_{Z+\gamma\gamma}$	$1.44 \pm 0.04 (stat.) \pm 0.39 (sys.)$	$1.90 \pm 0.05 (stat.) \pm 0.51 (sys.)$
$N_{sig}^{data}$	$105.5 \pm 12.2 (stat.) \pm 8.1 (sys.)$	$120.4 \pm 13.1 (stat.) \pm 9.4 (sys.)$
$N_{sig}^{SHERPA LO}$	$83.0 \pm 1.9 (stat.)$	$112.2 \pm 2.2 (stat.)$
$N_{sig}^{SHERPA NLO}$	$91.5 \pm 0.9 (stat.)$	$119.5 \pm 1.0 (stat.)$
$N_{sig}^{MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO}$	$91.0 \pm 1.0 (stat.)$	$118.1 \pm 1.2 (stat.)$

## Total event composition

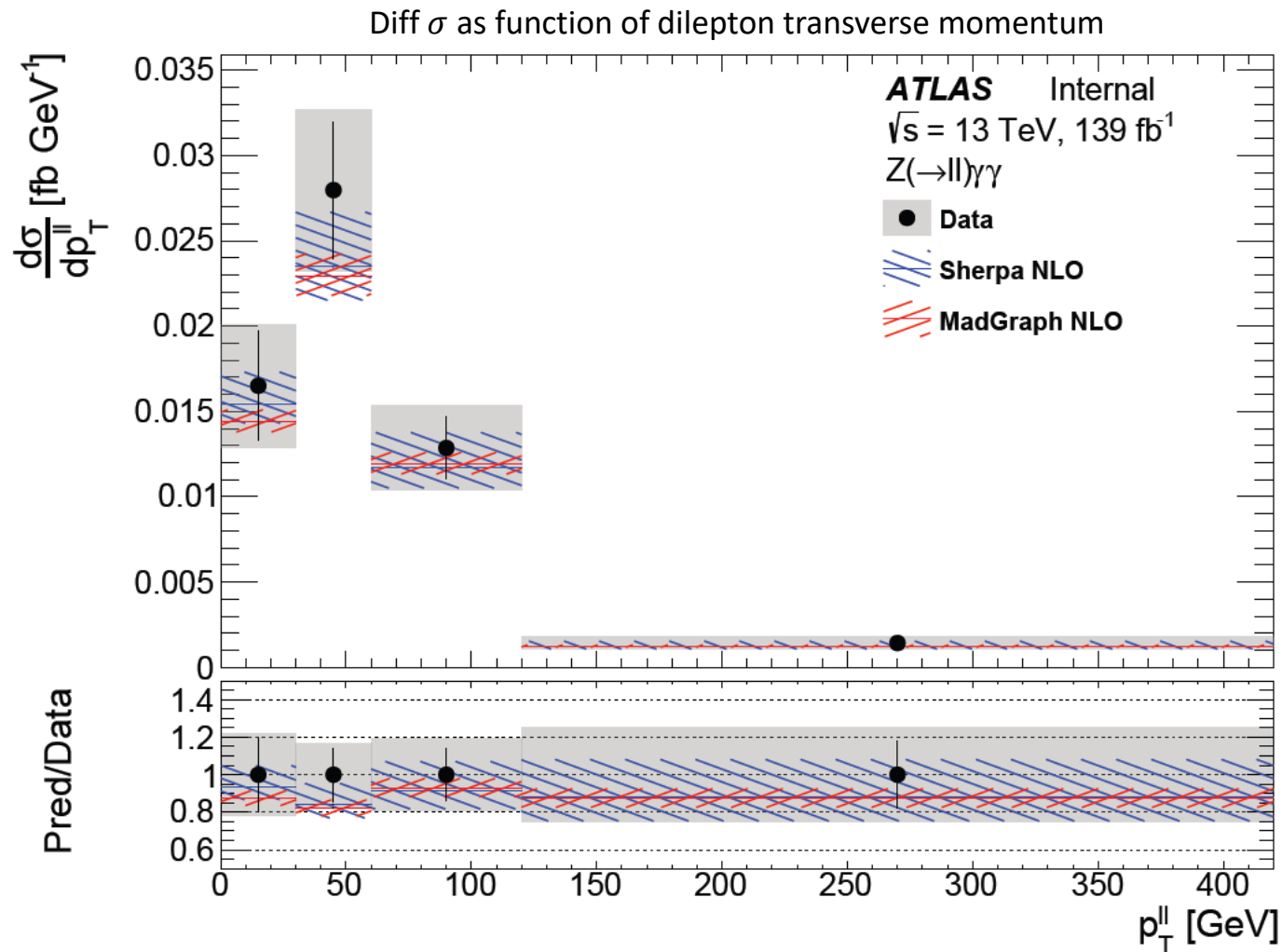
- **Background contamination**
  - Fakes from jets: 64 events (20%)
  - $t\bar{t}\gamma\gamma$ : 15 events (5%)
  - $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fakes: 2 events (<1%)
- **Dominant  $Z\gamma\gamma$  signal process: 226 events (71%)**

## Integrated cross section

- $\sigma$  measured @ particle level  
⇒ Correct for detector effects  
(inefficiency of particle reconstruction, ..)
- $\sigma^{ll\gamma\gamma} = 2.45 \pm 0.20(\text{stat}) \pm 0.22(\text{syst}) \text{ fb}$
- *Good agreement* between measurement and EW predictions



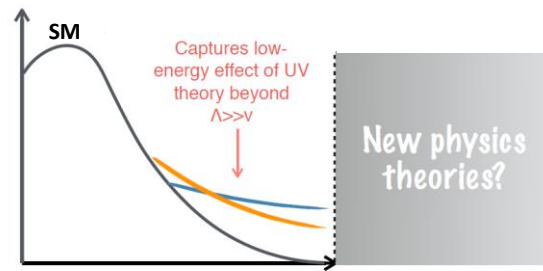
# Measured Cross Section



Good agreement with EW predictions also differentially



- **Effective Field Theory**
- Direct search for new physics (@ large scales) not always feasible
  - LHC upper boundary ( $13 \times \hat{x}$ ) TeV



- *Use current SM measurements to constrain NP parameters*

- Starting point: SM Lagrangian of dimension  $d \leq 4$
- Add higher dimension terms that fulfill SM symmetries

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = \overbrace{\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D} \leq 4}}^{\text{SM}} + \overbrace{\frac{\mathcal{L}_5}{\Lambda} + \frac{\mathcal{L}_6}{\Lambda^2} + \dots}^{\text{NP}} \quad \Lambda: \text{scale of NP}$$

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## Constructing the Lagrangian

- Which dimension do we need?
  - Uneven dimension (5,7,..) operators violating baryon/lepton conservation
  - Dimension 6? Introduces TGC and QGC, can not give rise to neutral QGC
- ⇒ Dimension 8? Only QGC, also valid for neutral bosons
- ⇒ Suppression by  $\Lambda^4$ , SM contribution expected to dominate

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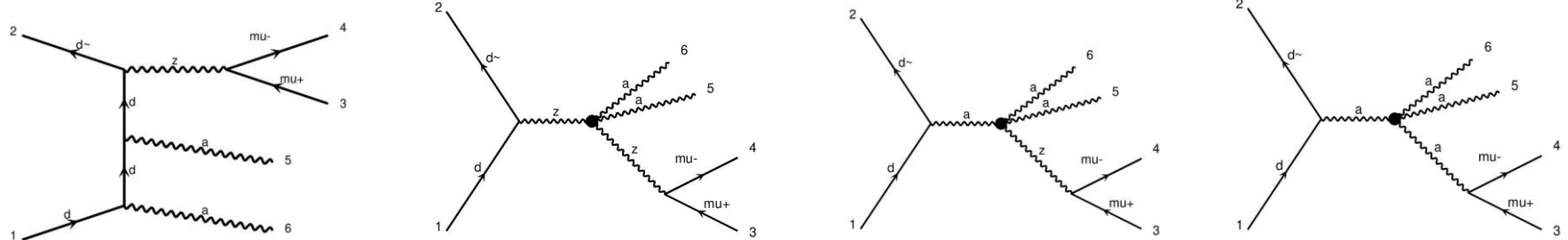
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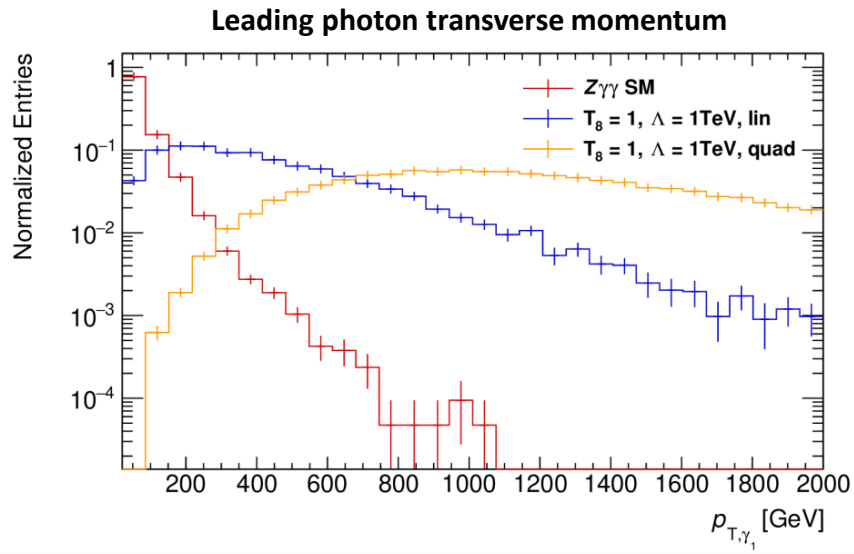
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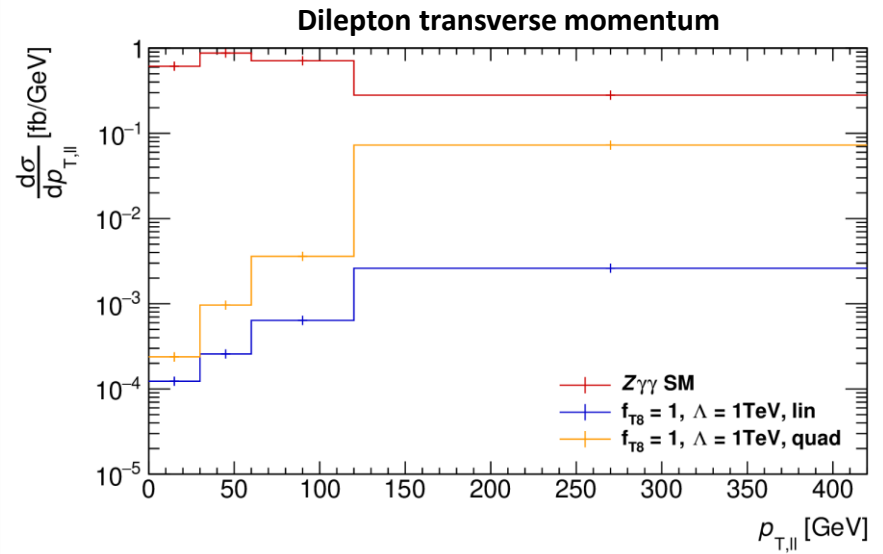
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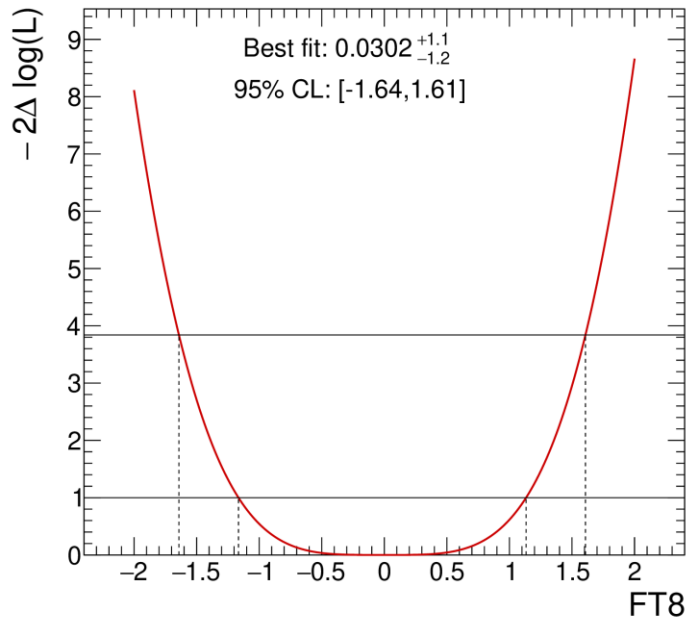
- Int:** dominates at low energies
- Quad:** dominates at large energies



- $p_{T,\ell}$  offers largest sensitivity for  $O_{T0-T8}$
- Small EFT contribution in fiducial region

## Limit Setting

- Observable  $p_T^{\text{ll}}$ , what else is needed?
    - SM  $Z\gamma\gamma$  production or data
    - EFT contribution (lin + quad)
    - Uncertainties (experimental + theory)
- ⇒ Profile likelihood ratio allows to extract limits @ 95% CL



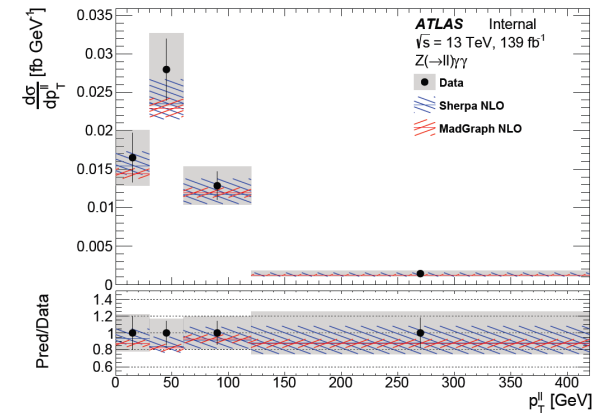
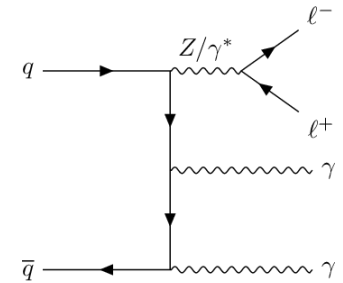
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First  $T_1, T_2, T_6, T_7$  limits in  
ATLAS @ 13 TeV

# Conclusion

- Triboson production of  $Z\gamma\gamma$
- Test SM predictions at small  $\sigma$  + gauge self-interaction  
 $\Rightarrow$  Successful prediction of EW interactions
- Sensitivity for dim-8 operators in context of EFT interpretation

Thanks for your attention!



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# Backup Slides

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$\mathcal{O}_{M,2}, \mathcal{O}_{M,3}, \mathcal{O}_{M,4}, \mathcal{O}_{M,5}$		X	X	X	X	X	X		
$\mathcal{O}_{T,0}, \mathcal{O}_{T,1}, \mathcal{O}_{T,2}$	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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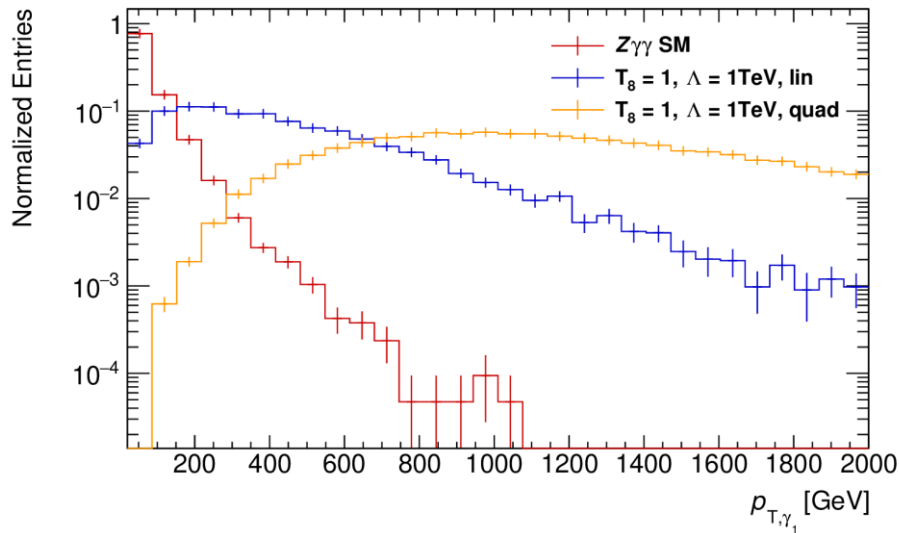
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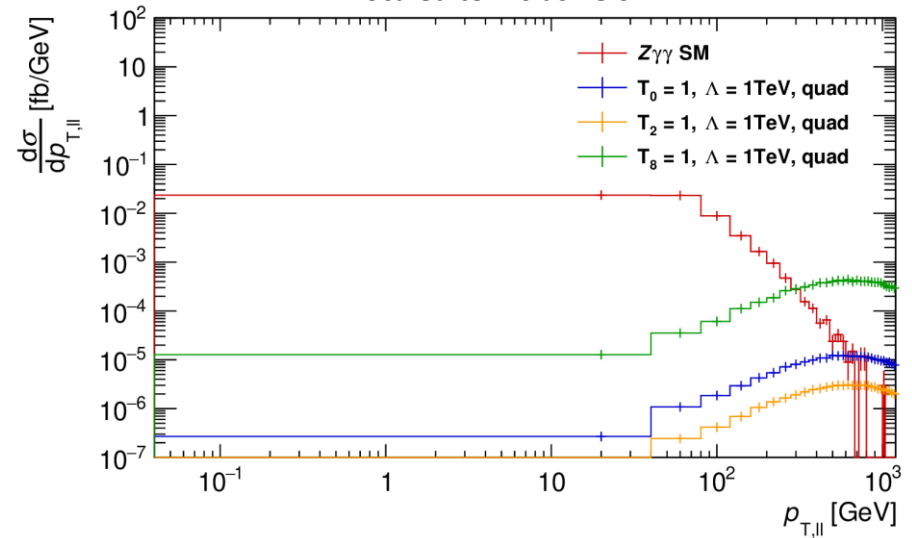
## Rivet routine

- Goal: measure inclusive + differential cross section @ fiducial phase space
- Read HepMC (SM, lin, quad) data in Rivet and apply fiducial selection
  - ⇒ Mimics detector-level selection
  - ⇒ Rivet provides final state particles, easy to apply selection

Transverse operator  $T_8$

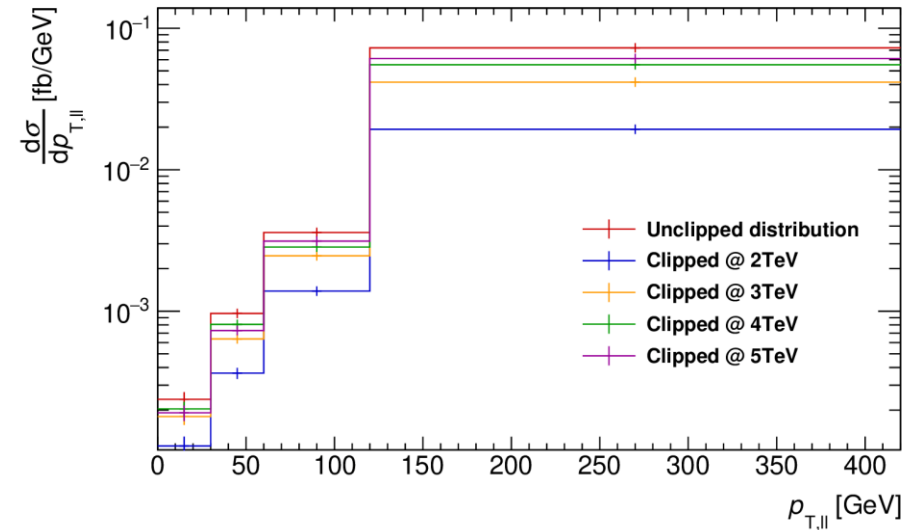
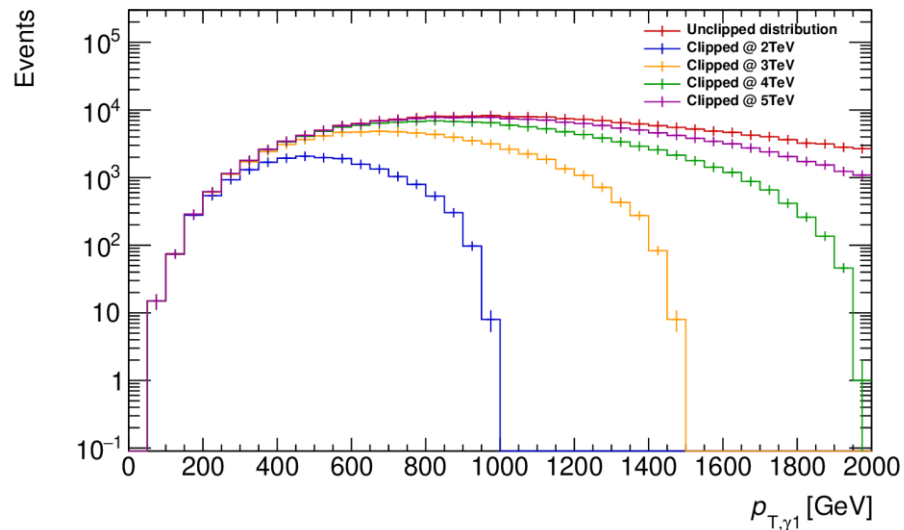


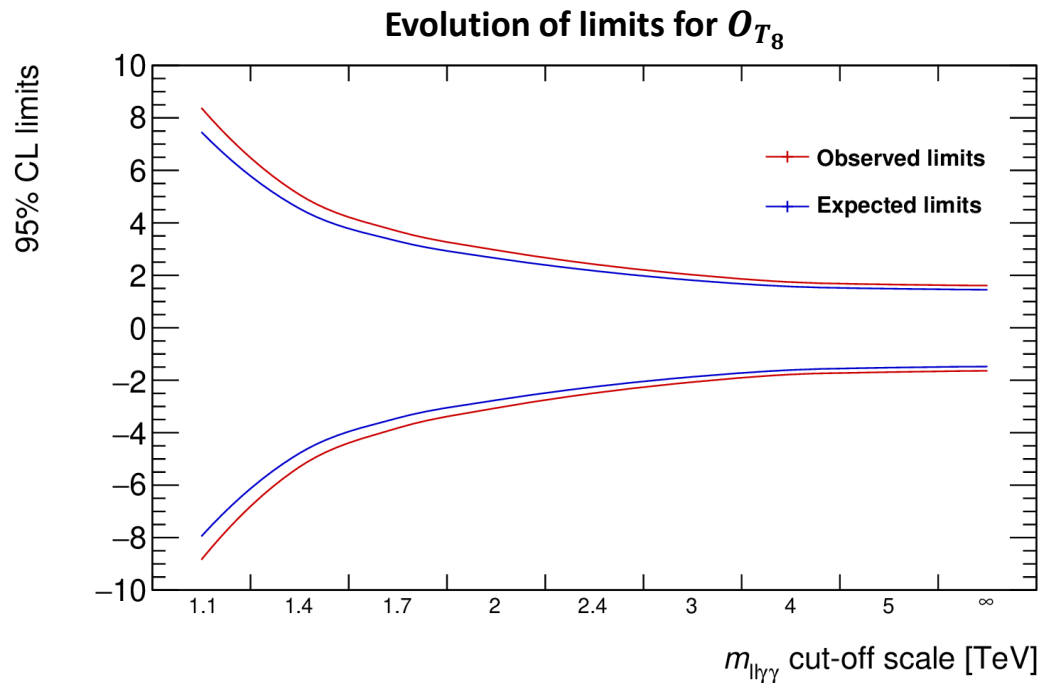
Scaled to inclusive  $\sigma$



## Restoring Unitarity

- EFT violates unitarity at large energy scales
- EFT contributions *clipped* for energies exceeding scale  $E_c$ 
  - Scale choice:  $m_{ll\gamma\gamma}$
- Clipping is done at parton level, *before* parton shower
  - $m_{ll\gamma\gamma}$  formed per event using LHE file and *lhe\_parser.py*





**Observed limits for all clipping thresholds**

Coefficient	$E_c = 1.1$ TeV	$E_c = 1.4$ TeV	$E_c = 1.7$ TeV	$E_c = 2.0$ TeV	$E_c = 2.4$ TeV	$E_c = 3$ TeV	$E_c = 4$ TeV	$E_c = 5$ TeV	$E_c = \infty$
$fr_{,0}/\Lambda^4$	[-47.03, 41.06]	[-29.62, 26.38]	[-21.61, 19.56]	[-17.36, 15.90]	[-14.24, 13.19]	[-11.91, 11.15]	[-10.49, 9.88]	[-10.05, 9.48]	[-9.87, 9.33]
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$fr_{,2}/\Lambda^4$	[-97.67, 80.00]	[-60.73, 51.23]	[-44.42, 38.33]	[-35.51, 31.27]	[-29.16, 26.07]	[-24.55, 22.27]	[-21.51, 19.71]	[-20.67, 18.99]	[-20.31, 18.68]
$fr_{,5}/\Lambda^4$	[-23.80, 22.94]	[-14.18, 13.68]	[-10.47, 10.12]	[-8.28, 8.02]	[-6.83, 6.65]	[-5.67, 5.54]	[-4.95, 4.84]	[-4.72, 4.62]	[-4.64, 4.54]
$fr_{,6}/\Lambda^4$	[-34.83, 33.44]	[-21.56, 20.88]	[-15.76, 15.35]	[-12.67, 12.37]	[-10.31, 10.11]	[-8.67, 8.52]	[-7.52, 7.41]	[-7.19, 7.08]	[-7.04, 6.94]
$fr_{,7}/\Lambda^4$	[-81.59, 75.19]	[-49.88, 46.50]	[-35.44, 33.43]	[-28.46, 26.99]	[-23.19, 22.15]	[-19.30, 18.55]	[-16.73, 16.14]	[-15.85, 15.33]	[-15.55, 15.04]
$fr_{,8}/\Lambda^4$	[-8.83, 8.37]	[-5.29, 5.07]	[-3.81, 3.67]	[-3.05, 2.95]	[-2.49, 2.42]	[-2.07, 2.01]	[-1.78, 1.74]	[-1.69, 1.65]	[-1.64, 1.61]
$fr_{,9}/\Lambda^4$	[-17.71, 16.36]	[-10.45, 9.80]	[-7.78, 7.35]	[-6.25, 5.94]	[-5.06, 4.85]	[-4.18, 4.03]	[-3.62, 3.51]	[-3.44, 3.33]	[-3.36, 3.26]

## Strength of limits

- Few 8 TeV + one 13 TeV measurement (Closure)
- First  $T_1, T_2, T_6, T_7$  limits in ATLAS @ 13 TeV

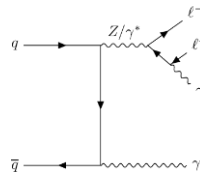
Coefficient	Limit [ $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ ]
$f_{T0}$ (13TeV)	[-0.095,0.085]
$f_{T1}$ (8TeV)	[-200,200] → [-9.88,9.34]
$f_{T2}$ (8TeV)	[-400,400] → [-20.31,18.68]
$f_{T5}$ (13TeV)	[-0.09,0.10]
$f_{T6}$ (8TeV)	[-1900,1900] → [-7.04,6.94]
$f_{T7}$ (8TeV)	[-4300,4300] → [-15.55,15.04]
$f_{T8}$ (13TeV)	[-0.06,0.06]
$f_{T9}$ (13TeV)	[-0.13,0.13]

Limits from  $WV\gamma, Z\gamma$  dijet,  $Z\gamma\gamma, W\gamma\gamma$

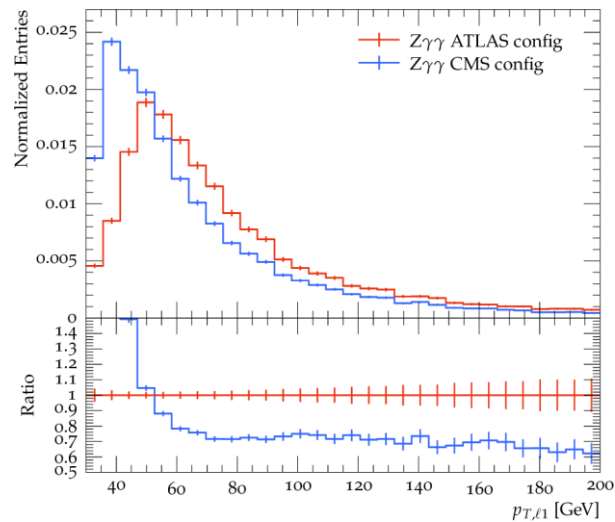
Coefficient	Expected limit [ $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ ]	Observed limit [ $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ ]
$f_{T,0}$	[-8.91, 8.35]	[-9.87, 9.33]
$f_{T,1}$	[-8.92, 8.35]	[-9.88, 9.34]
$f_{T,2}$	[-18.39, 16.68]	[-20.31, 18.68]
$f_{T,5}$	[-4.18, 4.07]	[-4.64, 4.54]
$f_{T,6}$	[-6.33, 6.23]	[-7.04, 6.94]
$f_{T,7}$	[-14.02, 13.48]	[-15.55, 15.04]
$f_{T,8}$	[-1.48, 1.44]	[-1.64, 1.61]
$f_{T,9}$	[-3.03, 2.92]	[-3.36, 3.26]

## CMS $Z\gamma\gamma$ analysis

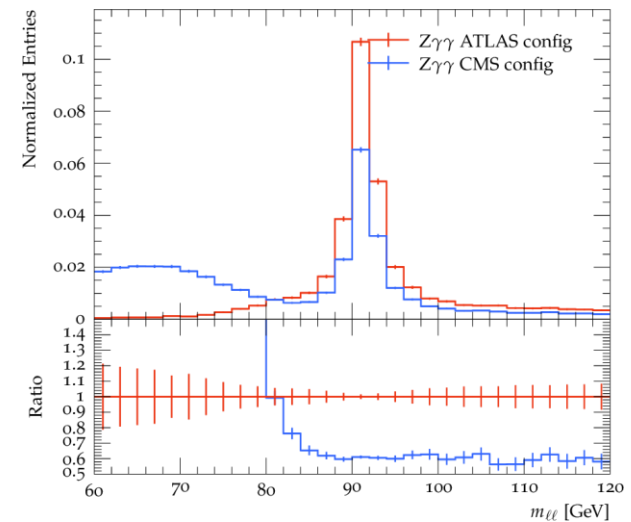
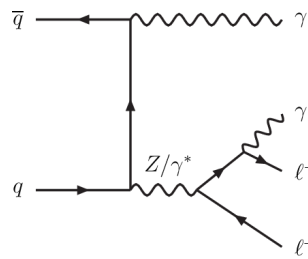
- [Paper](#) published May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- Significance of  $4.8\sigma$
- Different phase space selection
  - Most notably: FSR included



Parameter	$Z\gamma\gamma$ ( $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ )	
	Expected	Observed
$f_{M2}/\Lambda^4$	—	—
$f_{M3}/\Lambda^4$	—	—
$f_{T0}/\Lambda^4$	[-4.86, 4.66]	[-5.70, 5.46]
$f_{T1}/\Lambda^4$	[-4.86, 4.66]	[-5.70, 5.46]
$f_{T2}/\Lambda^4$	[-9.72, 9.32]	[-11.4, 10.9]
$f_{T5}/\Lambda^4$	[-2.44, 2.52]	[-2.92, 2.92]
$f_{T6}/\Lambda^4$	[-3.24, 3.24]	[-3.80, 3.88]
$f_{T7}/\Lambda^4$	[-6.68, 6.60]	[-7.88, 7.72]
$f_{T8}/\Lambda^4$	[-0.90, 0.94]	[-1.06, 1.10]
$f_{T9}/\Lambda^4$	[-1.54, 1.54]	[-1.82, 1.82]



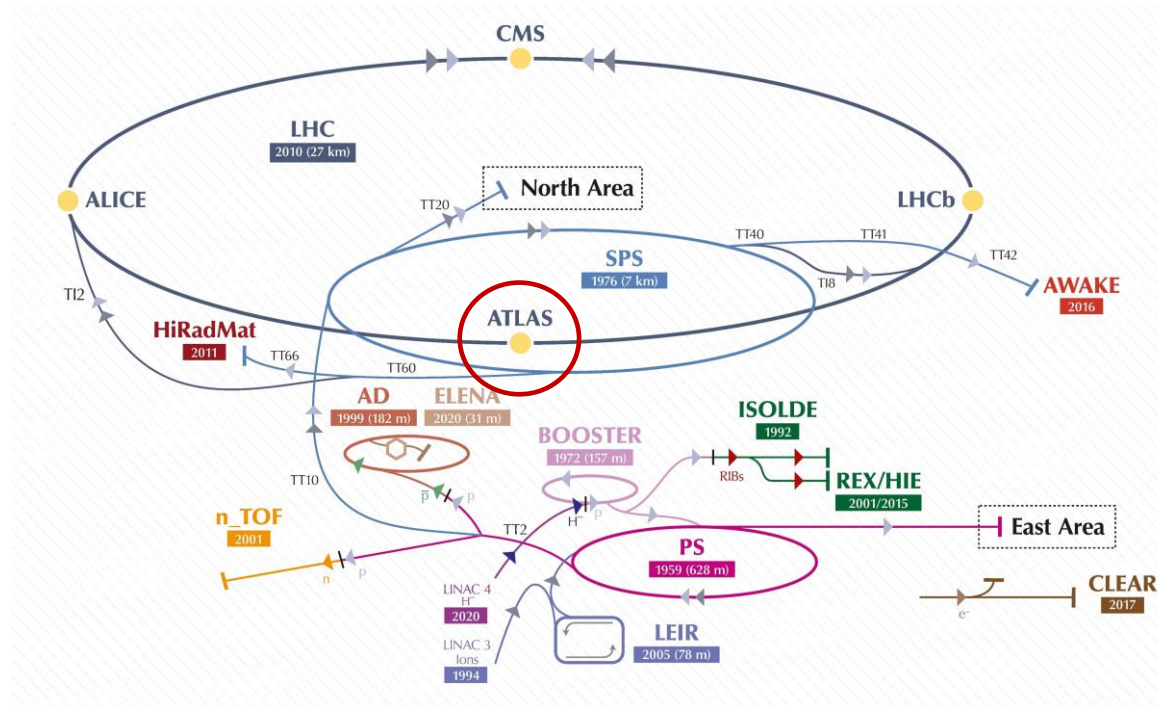
## CMS Lepton kinematics affected by FSR





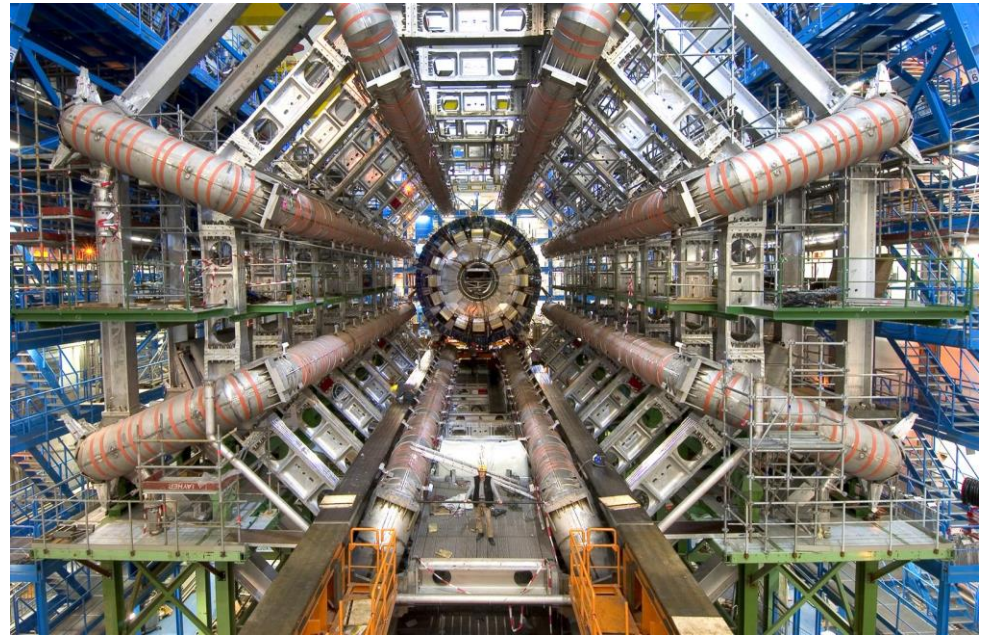
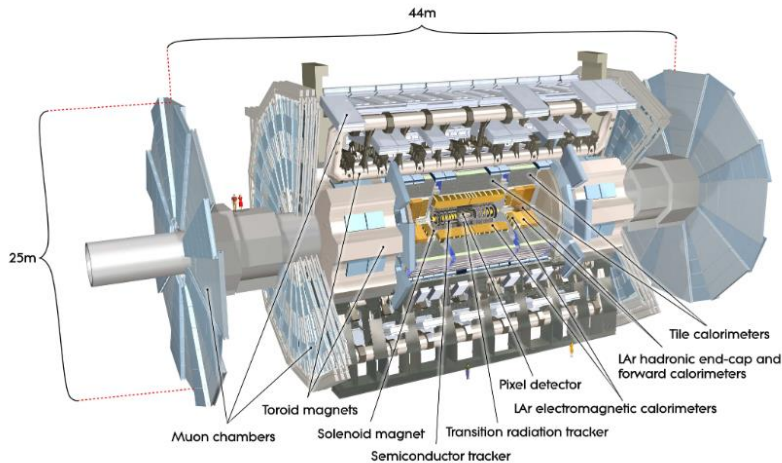
# The Large Hadron Collider

- World's largest/most-powerful particle collider
- Located close to Geneva (Border of France-Switzerland)
- LHC accelerates  $p$ - $p$ ,  $Pb$ - $Pb$ ,  $Xe$ - $Xe$  ions at energies up to  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV
  - ⇒ Two beam pipes guiding beams in opposite direction
  - ⇒ Beam consists of  $>2000$  bunches with  $10^{11}$  protons
- Major data-taking periods: Run-2 (2015-2018), Run-3 (2022-2025)

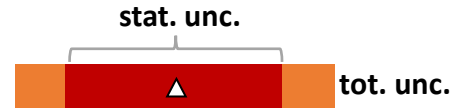


# A Toroidal LHC Apparatus

- General-purpose detector with  $\sim 4\pi$  coverage
  - 44m long, diameter of 25m
  - 25ns bunch spacing  $\rightarrow$  collisions @ 40MHz  $\rightarrow$  1kHz (trigger system)
  - Consists of multiple sub-detectors + magnetic system surrounding interaction point
    - $\Rightarrow$  Inner Detector: track reconstruction of charged particles
    - $\Rightarrow$  Calorimeter: electromagnetic ( $e, \gamma, \text{jets}$ ), hadronic ( $\text{jets}$ )
    - $\Rightarrow$  Muon Spectrometer ( $\mu$ )
- $\downarrow$  innermost to outermost



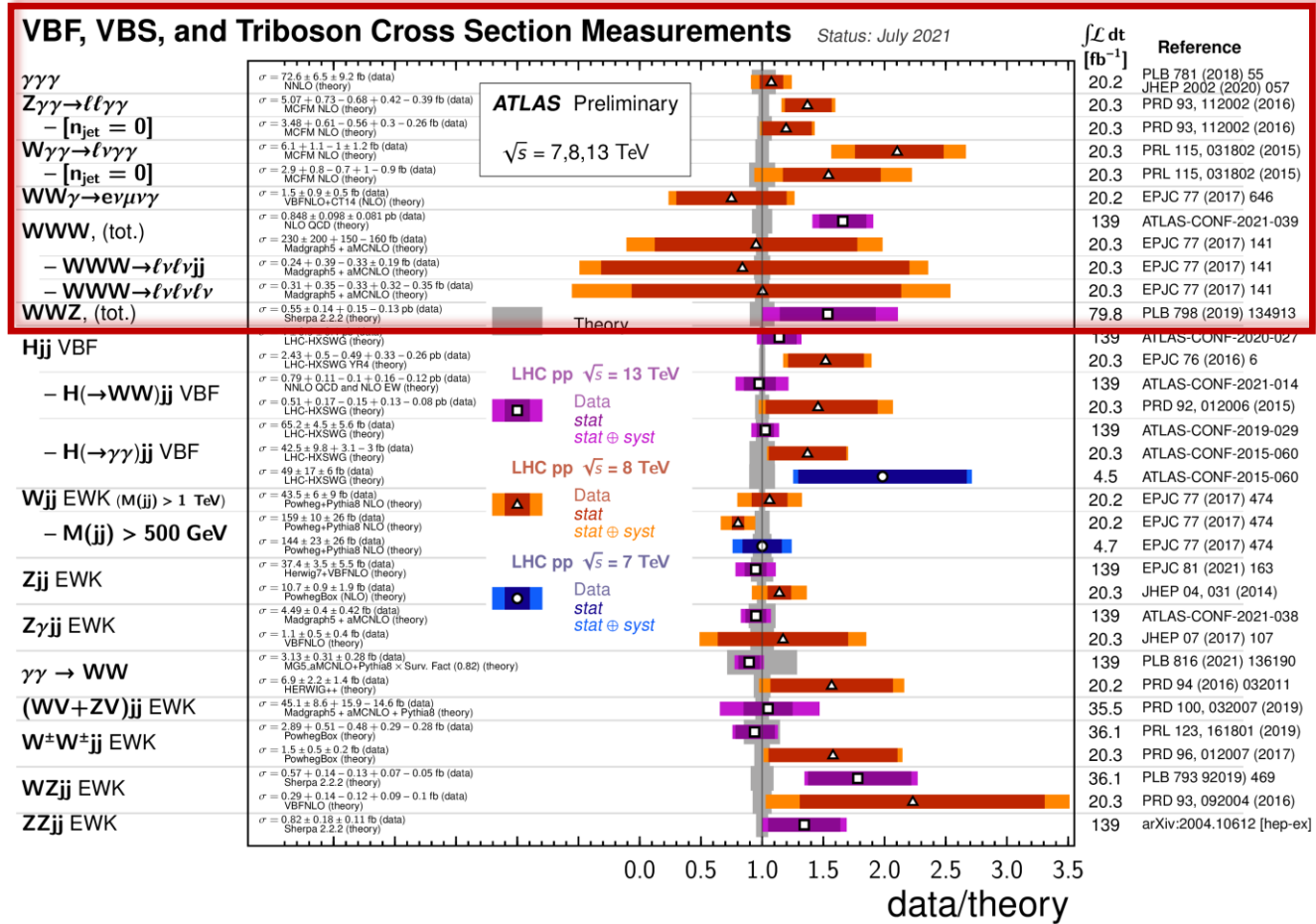
# ATLAS $\sigma$ Measurements



2012  $Z\gamma\gamma$   
analysis:  $20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

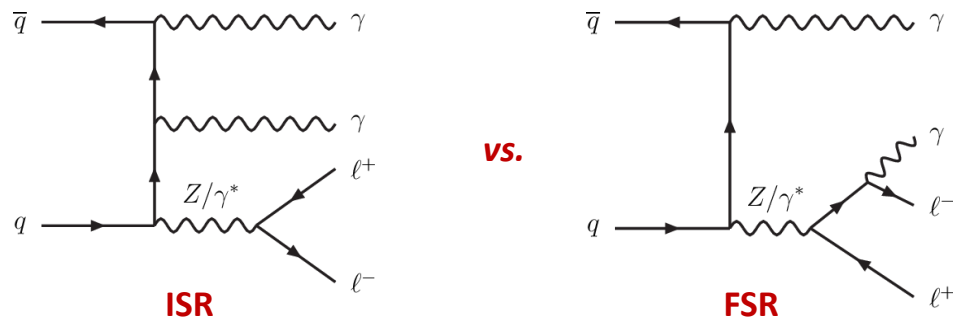
Run 2:  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

$N = \sigma \times L_{\text{int}}$   
 $7\times$  luminosity



## Rejection of Final State Radiation

- Photons emitted from initial quark lines (ISR) or charged leptons (FSR)

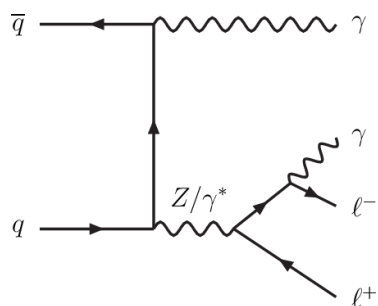


- 8 TeV  $Z\gamma\gamma$  analysis included FSR

⇒ Rejection of FSR selects prompt/pure TGP

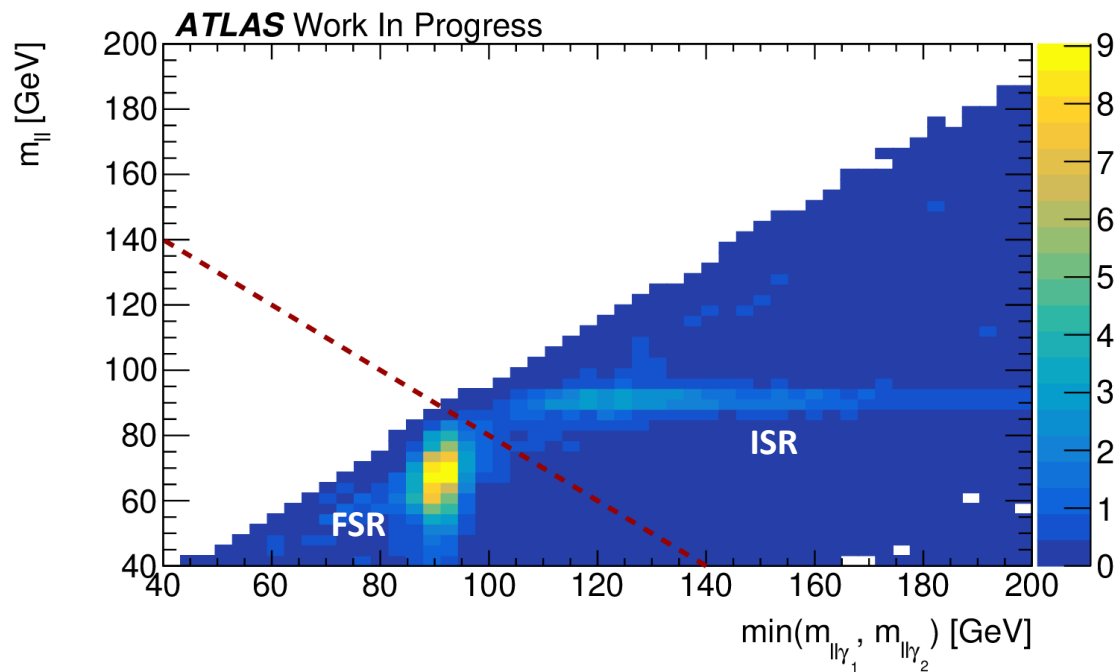
## FSR Rejection

- (Invariant mass  $m_{ll} > 40$  GeV)
- $m_{ll} + \min(m_{ll,\gamma_1}, m_{ll,\gamma_2}) > 2 \times m_{Z,\text{PDG}}$ 
  - $m_{ll} < Z$  boson mass
  - $m_{ll,\gamma_{1,2}} \sim Z$  boson mass



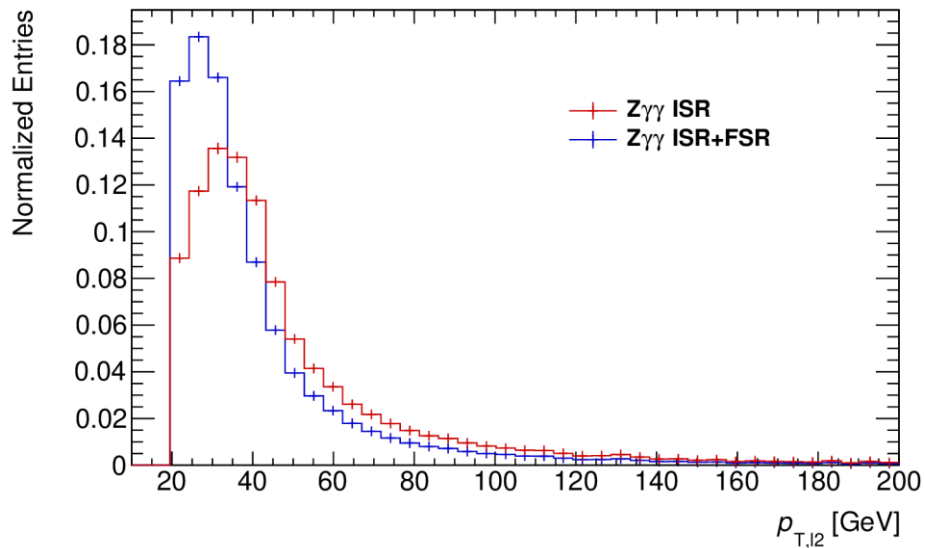
$Z\gamma\gamma$  signal MC sample (NLO in QCD)

Scaled to  $L_{\text{int}} = 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



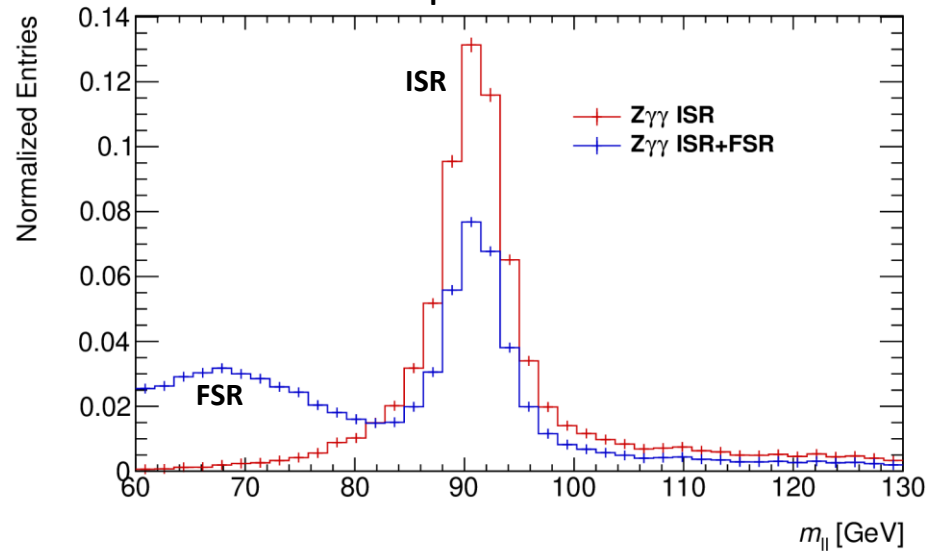
# $Z\gamma\gamma$ Analysis – FSR Rejection

### Subleading lepton $p_T$

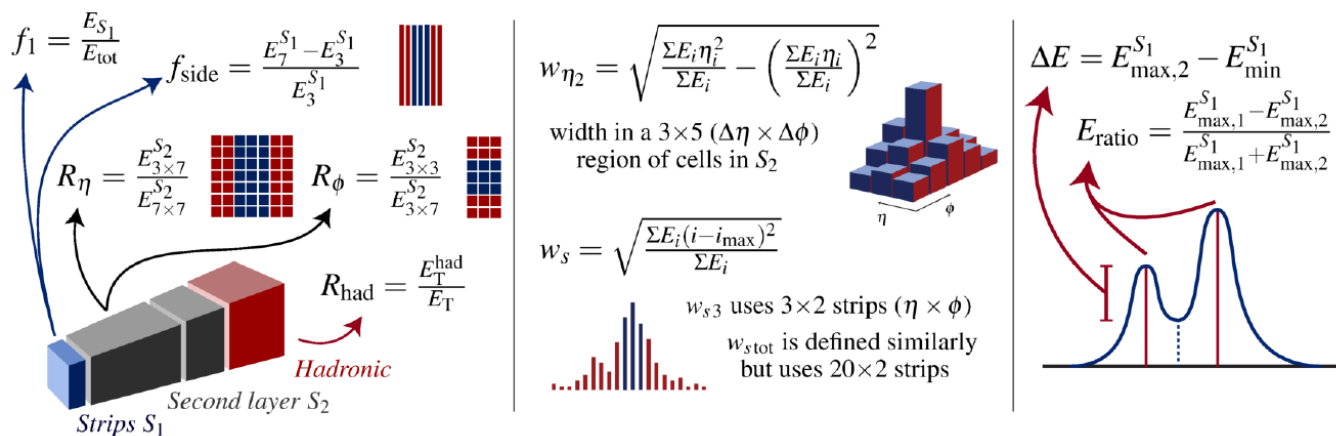


*FSR: loss of lepton energy*

### Dilepton invariant mass



*FSR: second, broad peak below  $m_Z$*



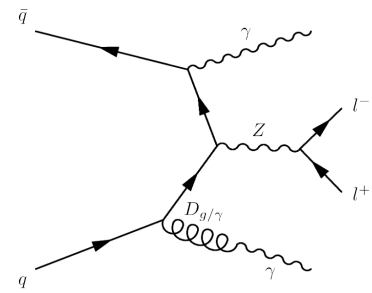
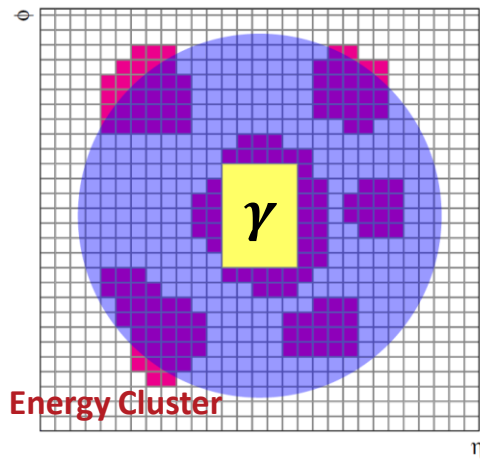
## Photon Identification

- Define fake-enriched CR using *dedicated identification*
  - ⇒ Select electromagnetic component (genuine non-prompt photon)
    - *pass* e.g.  $R_{\text{had}}$ : energy ratio between HCAL-ECAL
  - ⇒ Select hadronic component (jet remnant)
    - *fail* e.g.  $w_{s3}$ : lateral shower width

- **Photon Isolation Energy**

⇒ Measure for hadronic activity around photon

⇒ Cone of radius 0.2



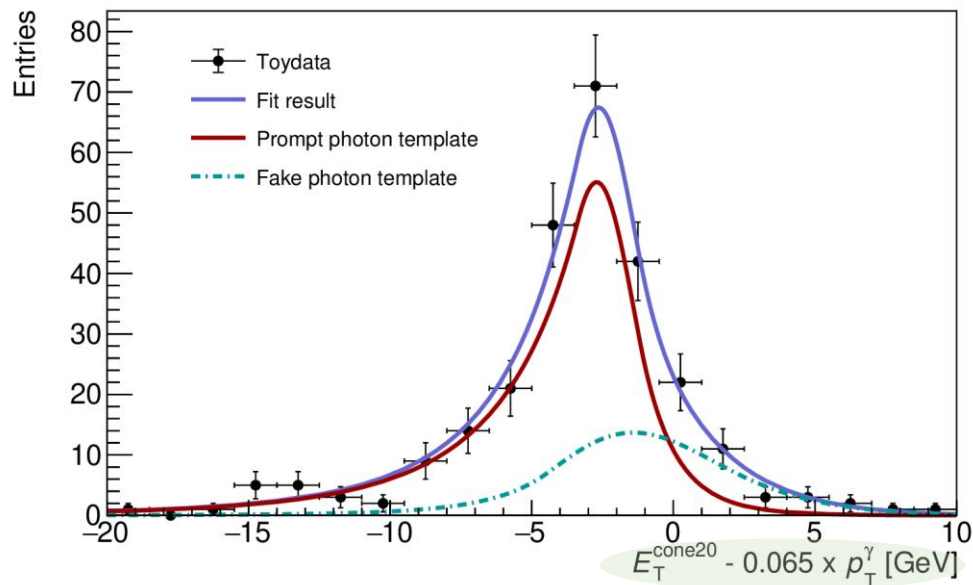
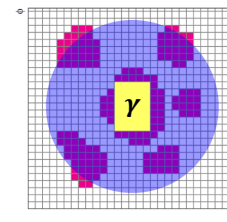
⇒  $g/q \rightarrow \pi^0 + X \rightarrow 2\gamma + X$



# 2D Template Fit - Introduction

## Isolation energy $E_T^{\text{cone20}}$

- Observable in 2D Template Fit
- Derive templates, probability density, for  $E_T^{\text{cone20}}$ 
  - ⇒ Prompt photons:  $Z\gamma\gamma$  signal
  - ⇒ Fake photons:  $Z\gamma j$ ,  $Zj\gamma$ ,  $Zjj$  backgrounds
- Fit templates to observed isolation energy in data
  - ⇒ Fix shape of templates, determine normalization for each process



Fake photon contamination w.r.t *loose isolation*

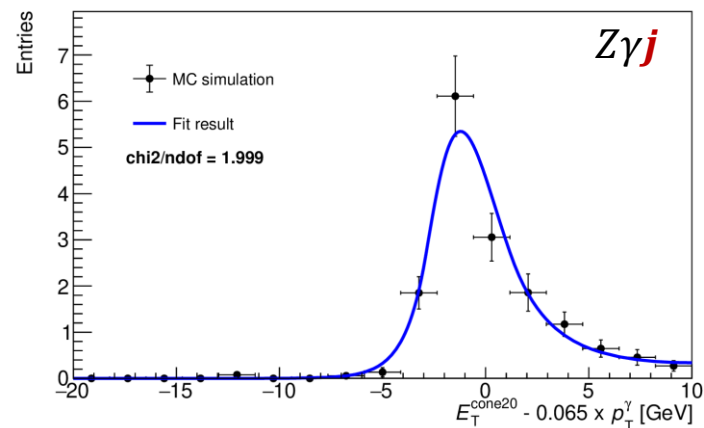
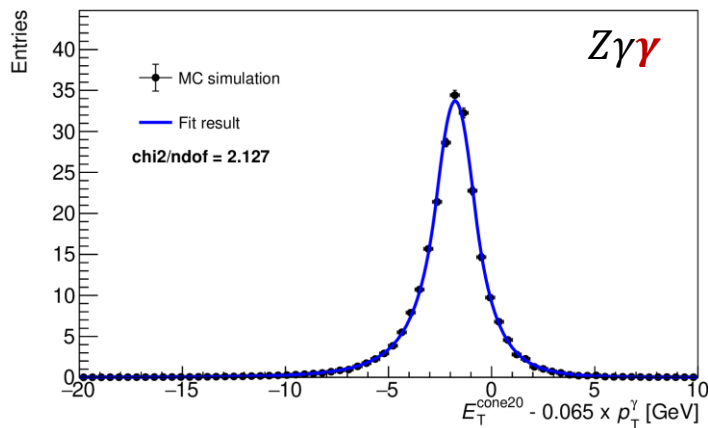
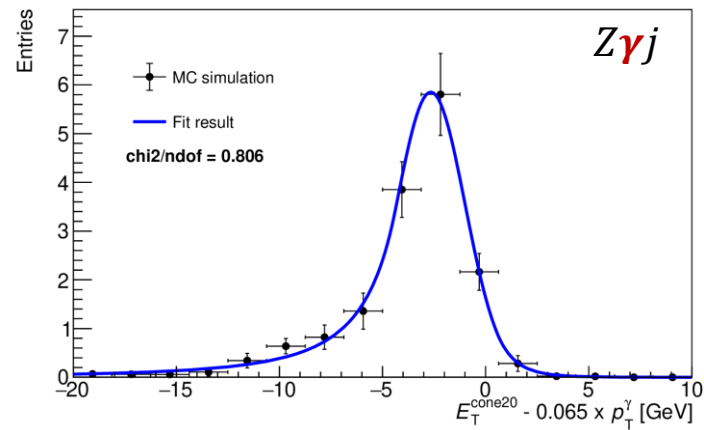
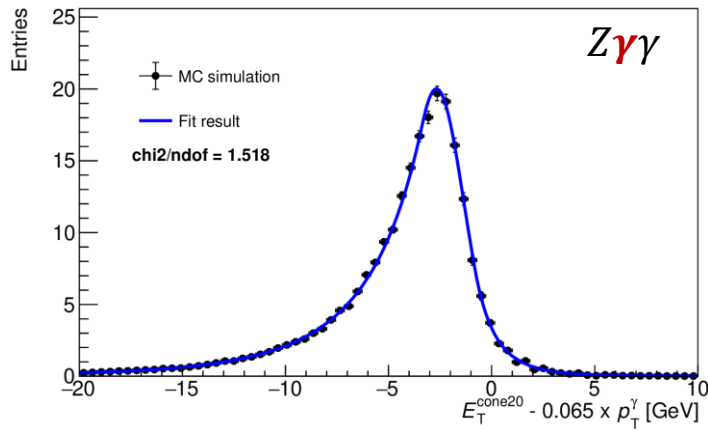
$$\Rightarrow E_T^{\text{cone20}} - 0.065 \times p_T < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E_T^{\text{cone20}} / p_T < 0.065$$

# 2D Template Fit - Templates

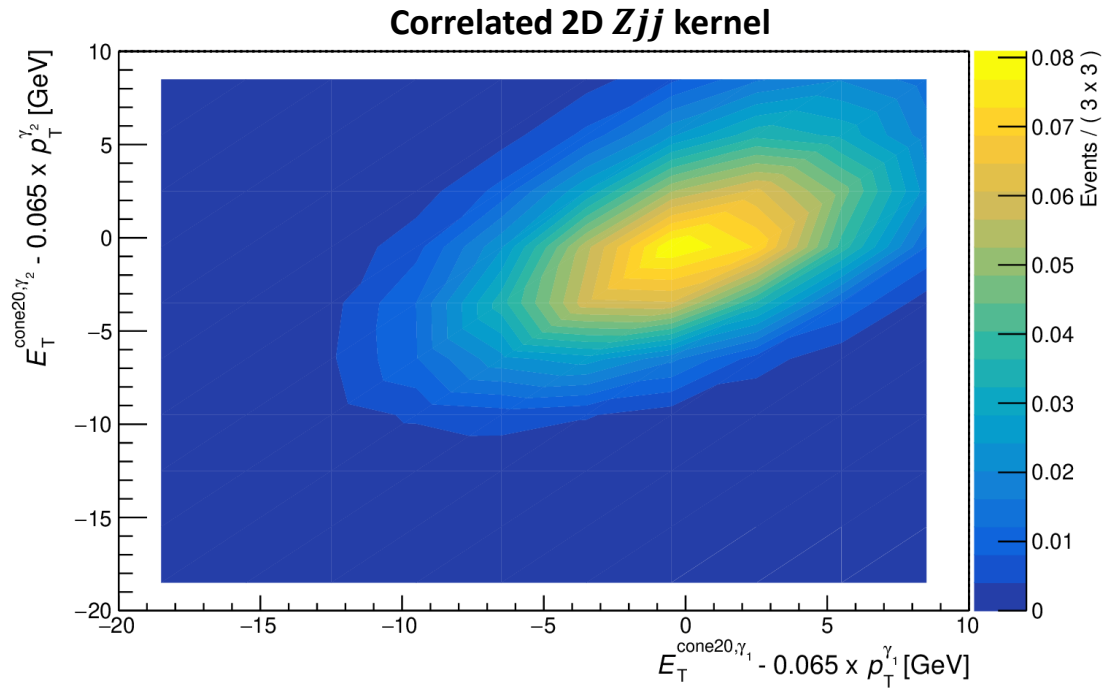
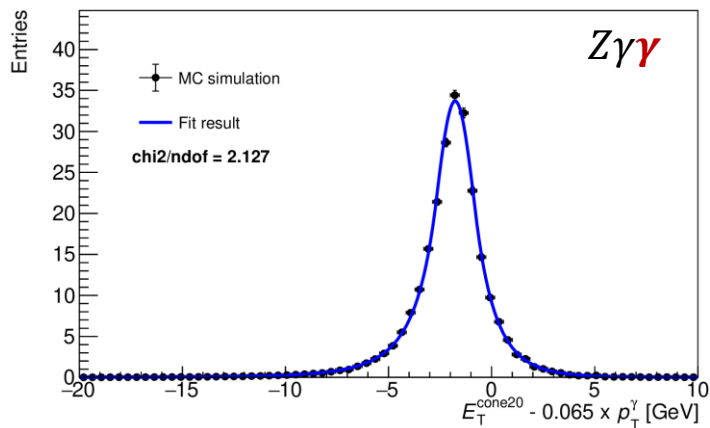
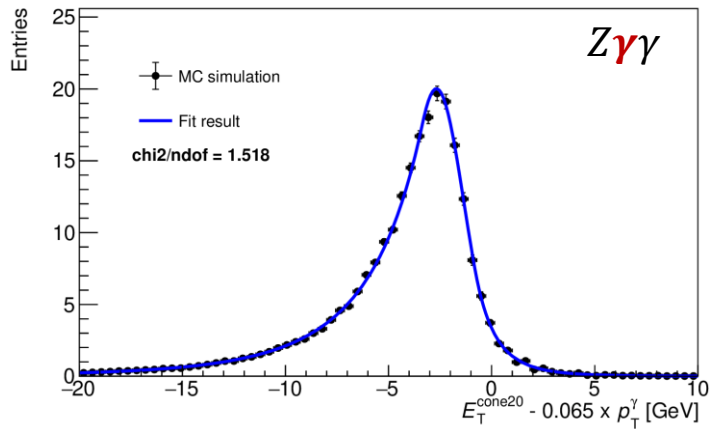
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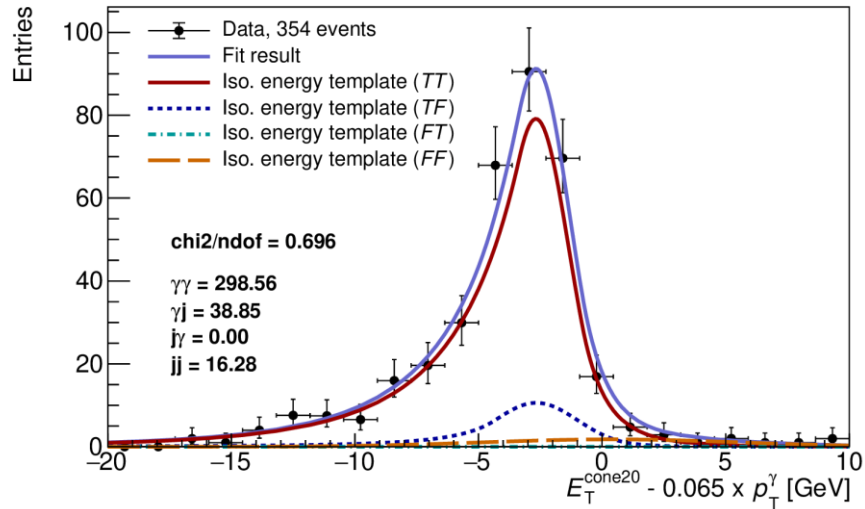


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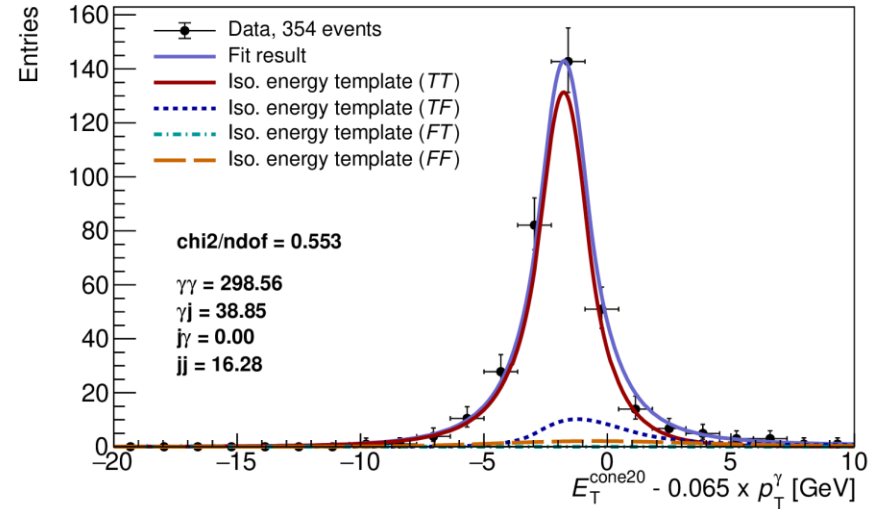
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### Leading photon projection



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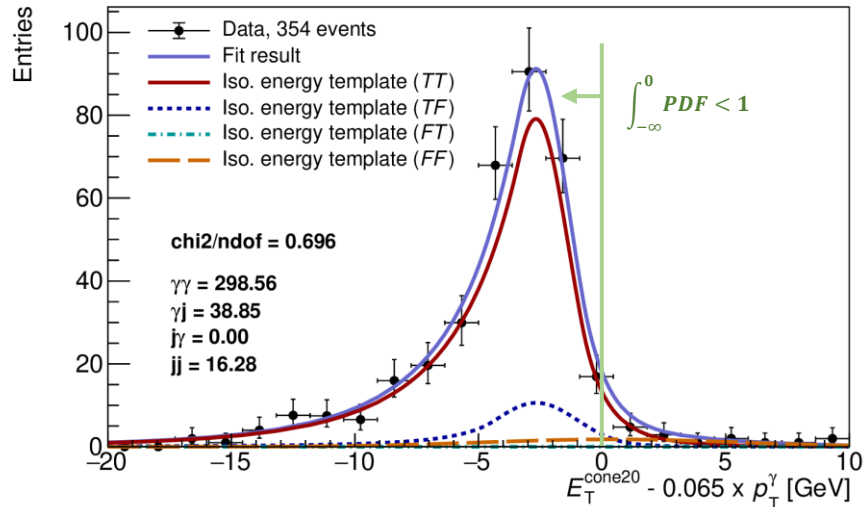
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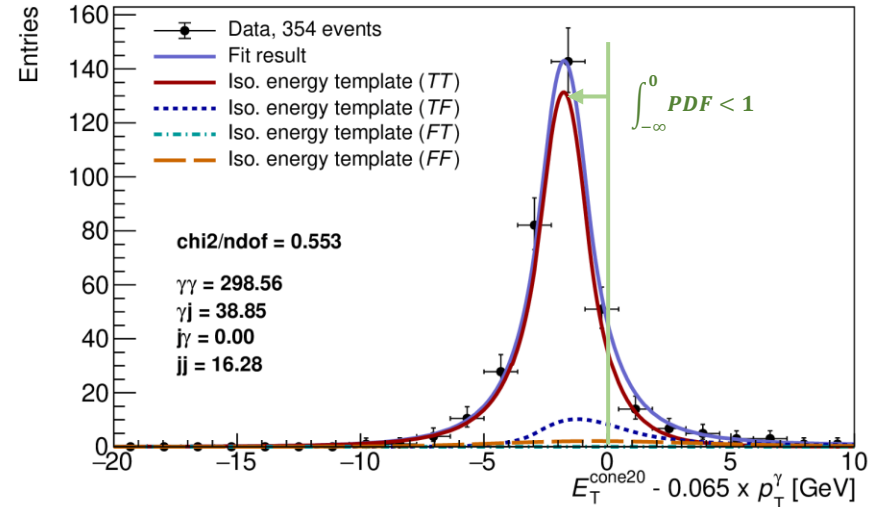
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	2D Template
$Z\gamma\gamma$ SR yield	$249.5 \pm 21.0$ (stat.) $\pm 19.1$ (sys.)
$Z\gamma j$ SR yield	$21.5 \pm 9.5$ (stat.) $\pm 11.0$ (sys.)
$Zj\gamma$ SR yield	$0.0 \pm 7.8$ (stat.) $\pm 11.2$ (sys.)
$Zjj$ SR yield	$5.5 \pm 2.5$ (stat.) $\pm 2.7$ (sys.)
Total fakes	$27.0 \pm 11.0$ (stat.) $\pm 15.9$ (sys.)