

# A Search for the Higgs Boson in the $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ Channel with CMS

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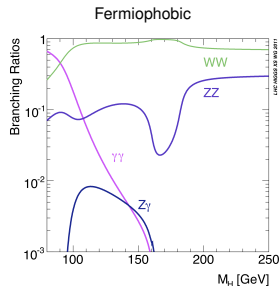
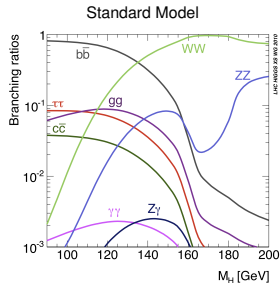
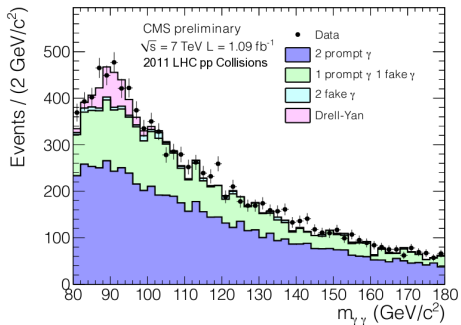
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# $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in a Nutshell

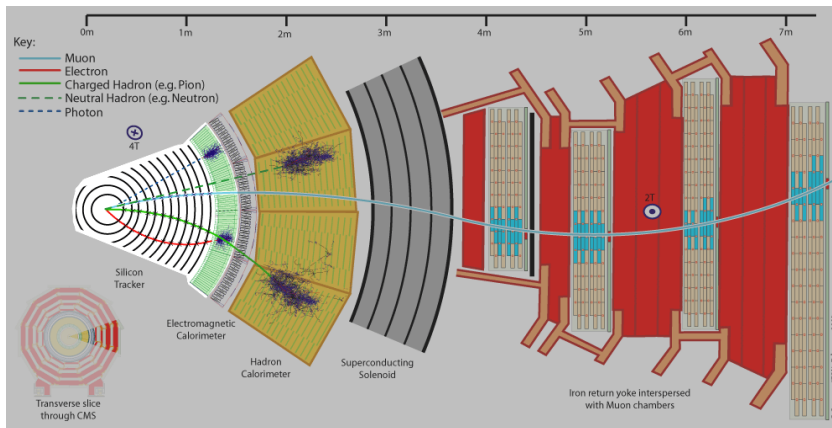
- Sharp signal peak  
**need great resolution**
- Smoothly declining background
  - Irreducible - 2 real  $\gamma$ 's
  - Reducible - 1,2 fake  $\gamma$ 's
    - Electrons faking  $\gamma$ 's ( $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )
    - Jets faking  $\gamma$ 's ( $\pi_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ )



## General purpose detector

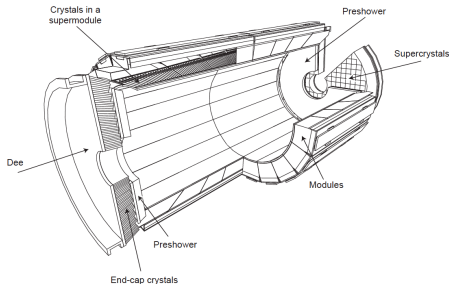
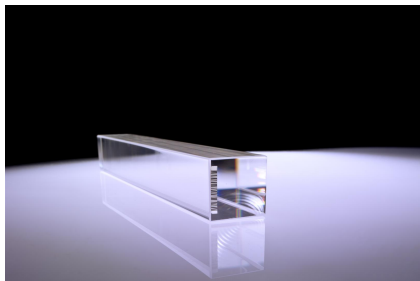
Searching for **Higgs**, SUSY and more

Reconstructing **photons** ( $\gamma$ 's), electrons, hadronic jets and muons ( $\mu$ 's)



# CMS - Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)

- $\sim 76\text{K}$   $\text{PbWO}_4$  crystals in barrel ( $|\eta| < 1.48$ ) and endcap ( $1.48 < |\eta| < 3.$ )
- **Design resolution  $\sim 0.5\%$**  for unconverted  $\gamma$ 's with energy  $> 100$  GeV
- Critical resolution issues
  - **Calibration**
    - Crystal inter-calibration -  $\pi_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
    - Energy scale calibration -  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$
  - **Transparency corrections** for radiation damage
    - An integrated laser system measures the transparency of crystals



# Photon Selection in Categories

## ● Photon Identification

### ● Isolation

- $\Sigma P_{T, Tracks} + \text{ECAL energy} + \text{HCAL energy}$  in hollow cone around  $\gamma$

### ● Cluster shape

- Spread in  $\eta$  rejects  $\pi_0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

### ● Electron veto

## ● Cuts are optimized in

### 4 photon categories

### ● Barrels/endcap

### ● Unconverted/converted

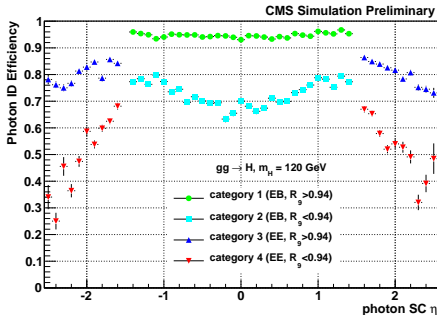
- Indicated by a measure of the spread of  $\gamma$ 's shower

## ● Photon Transverse Momentum ( $P_T$ )

- $P_T^{\gamma 1} > 40 \text{ GeV}/c$

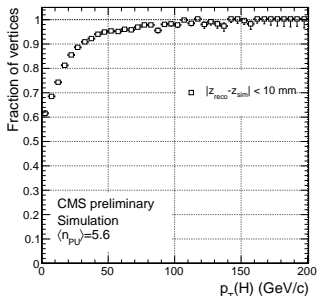
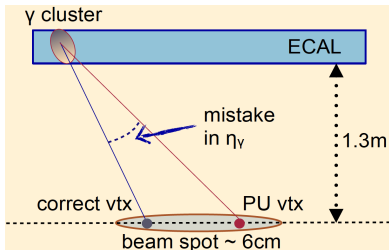
- $P_T^{\gamma 2} > 30 \text{ GeV}/c$

## Efficiencies vs. $\eta_\gamma$



# Vertex Selection

- The Pile-Up (PU) problem
  - $\langle N_{PU} \rangle \sim 5.6$  vertices in our  $1.09 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Wrong vertex, wrong  $\gamma\gamma$  invariant mass  
→ resolution loss
- Determine vertex using
  - $\sum_{\text{Tracks}} P_T^2$
  - Projection of tracks onto  $\gamma\gamma$
  - Balance between  $\gamma\gamma$  and vertex's tracks
  - For converted  $\gamma$ 's use conversion-tracks to point back to vertex
- Efficiency of correct selection (within 1 cm)  $\sim 83\%$  with nearly 100% efficiency at high  $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$
- From just using beamspot resolution improves by  $\sim 16\%$  overall



# Selection Efficiency in Data

## $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ Tag and Probe

- Assume that electrons and photons have similar shower properties
- Tag with **tight electron ID**
- Probe with **high  $E_T$  reconstructed electron**
- Use associated reconstructed  $\gamma$  and apply  $\gamma$  selection

## $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$

- Select  $\mu$ 's and  $\gamma$  that make Z-mass
- Use to measure **electron veto** efficiency

## Trigger Efficiencies from $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$

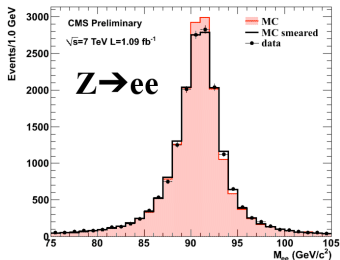
Both photons in barrel	
2 Unconverted	1,2 Converted
$100.00^{+0.00}_{-0.01}$ %	$99.53 \pm 0.04$ %
One or more in endcap	
2 Unconverted	1,2 Converted
$100.00^{+0.00}_{-0.02}$ %	$98.86 \pm 0.07$ %

## Selection Efficiencies from Data

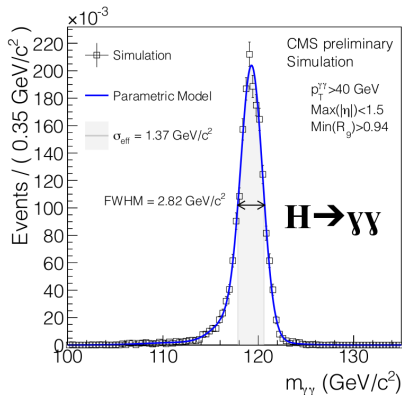
Category	$\epsilon_{data}$ (%)	$\epsilon_{MC}$ (%)	$\epsilon_{data}/\epsilon_{MC}$
All cuts except electron rejection (from $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ )			
1	$91.77 \pm 0.14$	$92.43 \pm 0.07$	$0.993 \pm 0.002$
2	$72.67 \pm 0.43$	$71.89 \pm 0.08$	$1.011 \pm 0.007$
3	$80.33 \pm 0.47$	$80.04 \pm 0.18$	$1.004 \pm 0.008$
4	$57.80 \pm 1.26$	$55.09 \pm 0.15$	$1.049 \pm 0.025$
Electron rejection cut (from $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$ )			
1	$99.78^{+0.13}_{-0.16}$	$99.59^{+0.13}_{-0.17}$	$1.002^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$
2	$98.77^{+0.59}_{-0.73}$	$97.70^{+0.32}_{-0.37}$	$1.011^{+0.007}_{-0.008}$
3	$99.32^{+0.51}_{-1.02}$	$99.29^{+0.30}_{-0.42}$	$1.000^{+0.006}_{-0.011}$
4	$93.0^{+2.1}_{-2.3}$	$93.34^{+0.79}_{-0.86}$	$0.996^{+0.024}_{-0.027}$

# Resolution from $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$

- ECAL resolution **measured from  $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$**  is applied to simulated Higgs'  $\gamma$ 's.
- The simulated **Higgs'  $\gamma$ 's with data resolution** are used in **signal modeling** for CL limits.



Suboptimal transparency loss corrections are primarily responsible for degraded resolution.





# Event Classes Used for CL Evaluation

## 2 $\eta$ Classes

- 2  $\gamma$ 's in the barrel
- 1 or 2  $\gamma$ 's in the endcap

## 2 Conversion Classes

- 2 Unconverted  $\gamma$ 's ( $R_9 > 0.94$ )
- 1 or 2 Converted  $\gamma$ 's ( $R_9 < 0.94$ )

## 2 $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ Classes

- $P_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 40$  GeV/c
- $P_T^{\gamma\gamma} < 40$  GeV/c

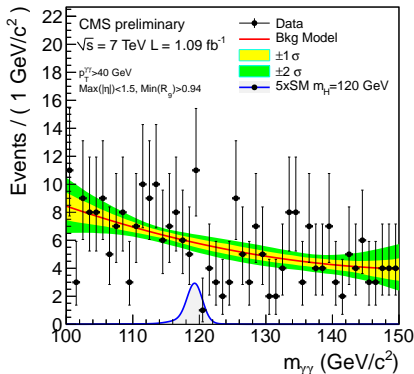
Fraction of selected signal and background expected in each event class.

	Both $\gamma$ 's in barrel		One or more in endcap	
	2 Unconverted	1,2 Converted	2 Unconverted	1,2 Converted
<b><math>P_T^{\gamma\gamma} &lt; 40</math> GeV/c</b>				
Signal	0.209	0.271	0.094	0.116
Background	0.167	0.263	0.129	0.203
Signal $\sigma_{effective}$ (GeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	1.58	2.33	3.14	3.60
<b><math>P_T^{\gamma\gamma} &gt; 40</math> GeV/c</b>				
Signal	0.102	0.122	0.035	0.051
Background	0.043	0.079	0.043	0.074
Signal $\sigma_{effective}$ (GeV/c <sup>2</sup> )	1.37	2.12	2.95	3.26

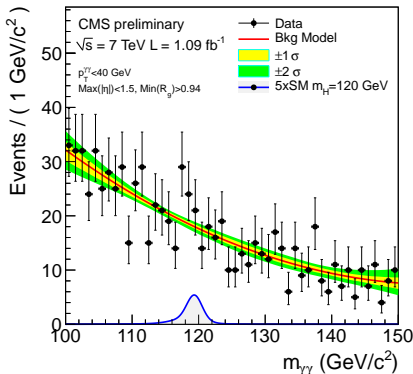
# Background Modeling

Background from **data fit to 2<sup>nd</sup> order polynomial**  
( $100 < M_{\gamma\gamma} < 150 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ )

High  $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ , both high  $R_{\eta}$ , barrel-barrel



Low  $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ , both high  $R_{\eta}$ , barrel-barrel

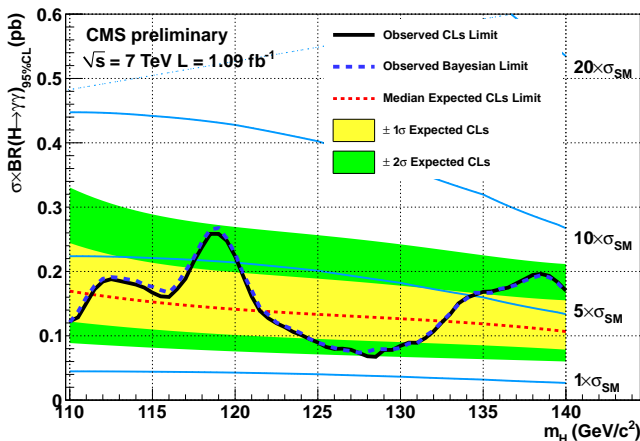


# Systematic Errors on the Signal

Source	Systematics
<i>applicable to individual photons</i>	
Photon identification efficiency	1.0% ÷ 4.0%
R9 cut efficiency	4.0% ÷ 6.5%
Energy resolution	0.2% ÷ 0.5%
Energy scale	0.05% ÷ 0.34%
<i>applicable to di-photons</i>	
Integrated luminosity	6.0%
Trigger efficiency	1.0%
Vertex finding efficiency	0.5%
pT>40GeV cut efficiency	6.0%
<i>cross sections and branching ratios</i>	
Gluon-gluon cross section	12.5%(scale) 7.9%(PDF)
Fermiophobic: scale	0.5%(VBF) 0.8%(WH) 1.6%(ZH)
Fermiophobic: PDF	3.1%
Fermiophobic: BR	5.0%

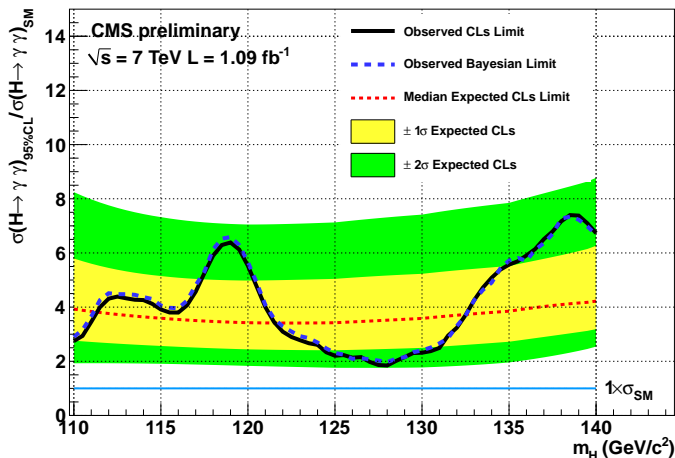
# SM Exclusion at 95% CL

- Limits determined in **two** ways with **consistent results**
  - Modified frequentist approach (CLs) using profile likelihood
  - Bayesian method with flat prior
- **Excluding between 0.06 and 0.26 pb**



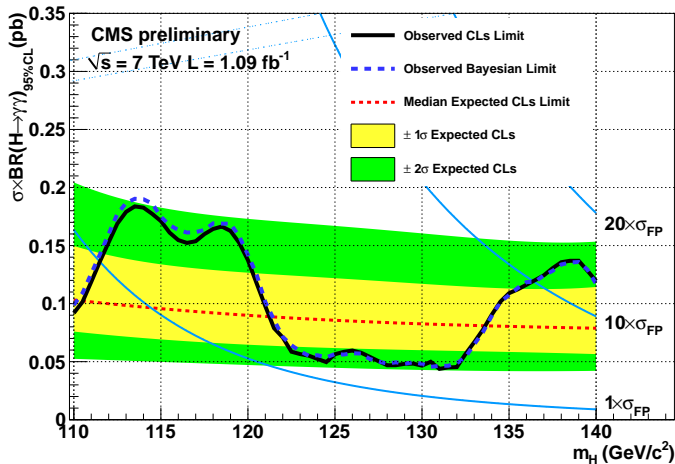
# SM Exclusion Relative to $\sigma_{SM}$

- Excluding between 1.9 and 7.0  $\times \sigma_{SM}$



# Fermiophobic Exclusion at 95% CL

- Excluding between 0.04 and 0.18 pb
- Constraining  $M_{Fermiophobic} > 111 \text{ GeV}/c^2$



- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  Analysis
  - Photon selection in categories
  - Vertex selection (from conversions and event topology) improves resolution
  - Resolution measured from  $Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$
- Limits
  - CL evaluation in event classes  $\rightarrow$  greater sensitivity
  - Becoming sensitive to SM Higgs (2-6 times  $\sigma_{SM} * BR$  in 110-135 GeV range)
  - Already quite sensitive to Fermiophobic Higgs ( $M_{Fermiophobic} > 111$  GeV)
- Outlook
  - More data!
  - Improved CMS  $\gamma\gamma$  resolution

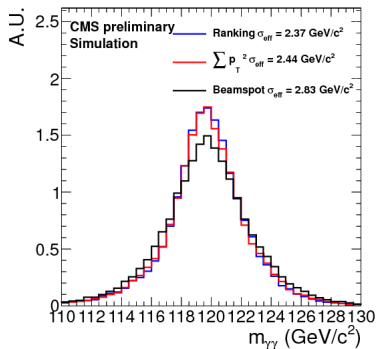
# BACKUP



$$\bullet P_T^{Asym} = \frac{\left( \sum_{Tracks} P_T - P_T^{\gamma\gamma} \right)}{\left( \sum_{Tracks} P_T + P_T^{\gamma\gamma} \right)}$$

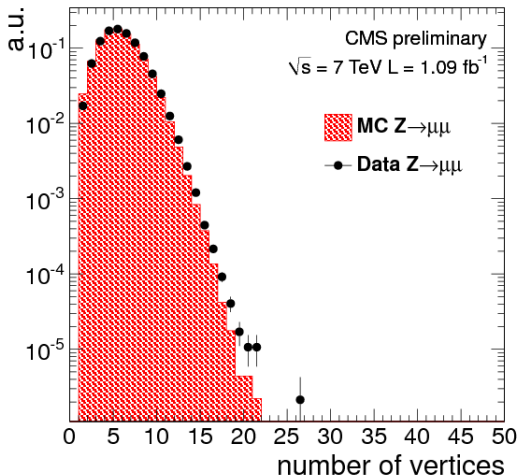
$$\bullet P_T^{Bal} = - \left( \sum_{Tracks} P_T \cdot \frac{\bar{P}_T^{\gamma\gamma}}{|\bar{P}_T^{\gamma\gamma}|} \right)$$

## Simulated Mass Resolutioin



# Vertex Re-weighting Validation

Re-weighting applied on the number of in-time pile-up events according to the number of expected number of interactions in data.

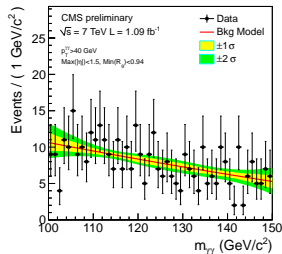
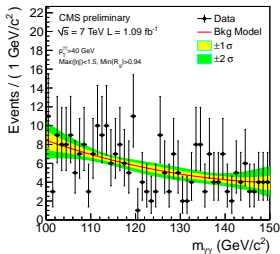


# $P_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 40$ Fits in Data

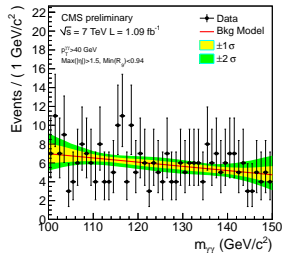
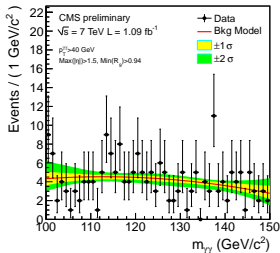
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1 or 2 low  $R_9 \gamma$ 's

2 barrel  $\gamma$ 's



1 or 2 endcap  $\gamma$ 's

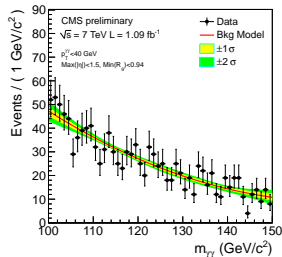
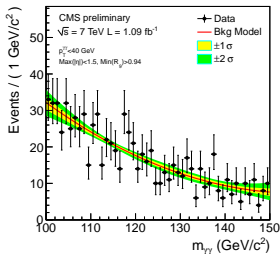


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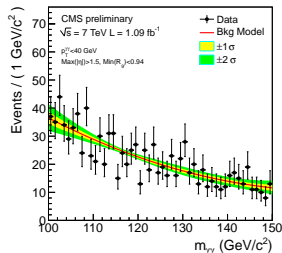
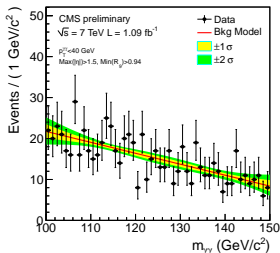
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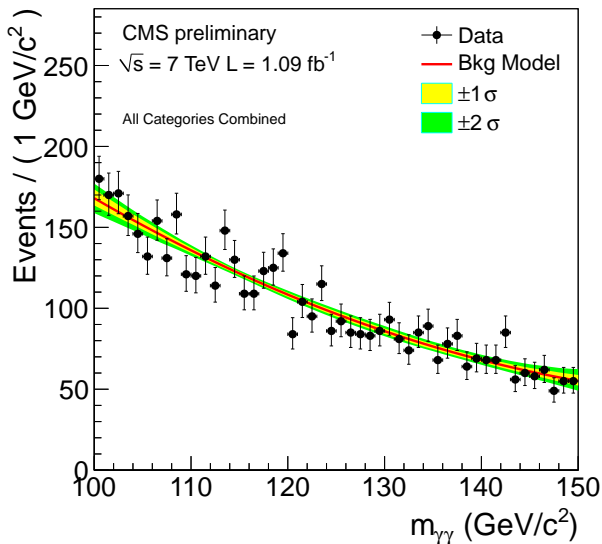
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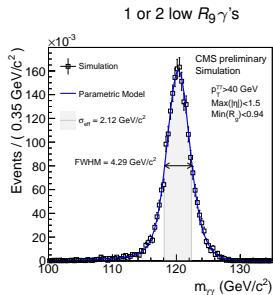
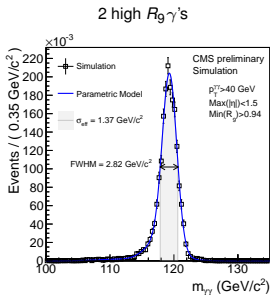


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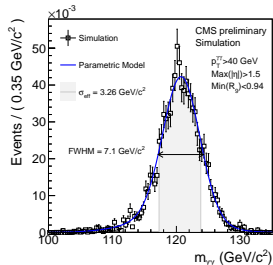
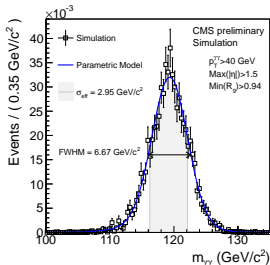


# $P_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 40$ Resolution with Smearing

2 barrel  $\gamma$ 's

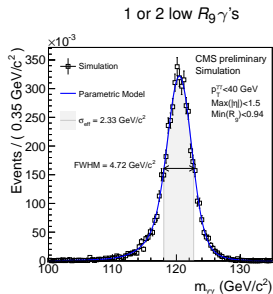
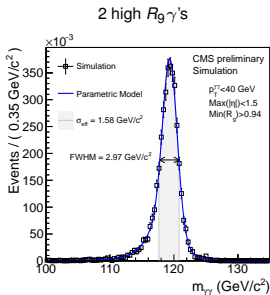


1 or 2 endcap  $\gamma$ 's

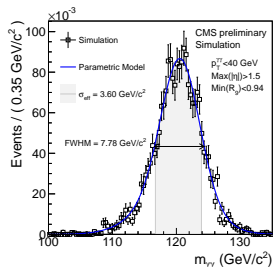
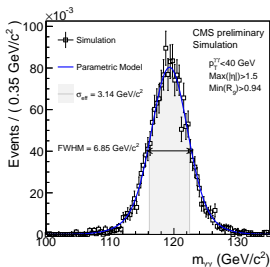


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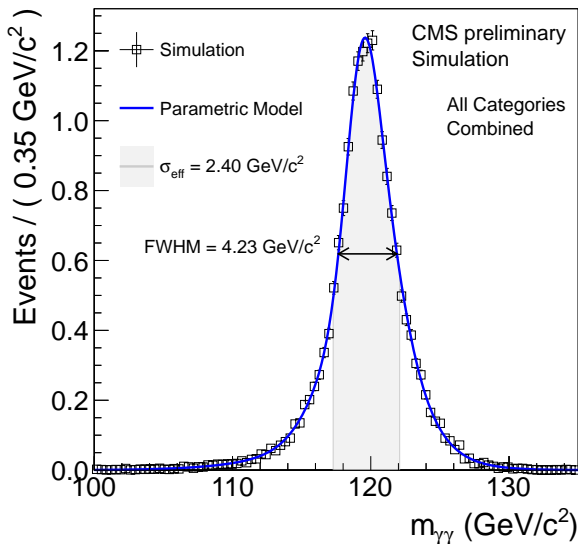
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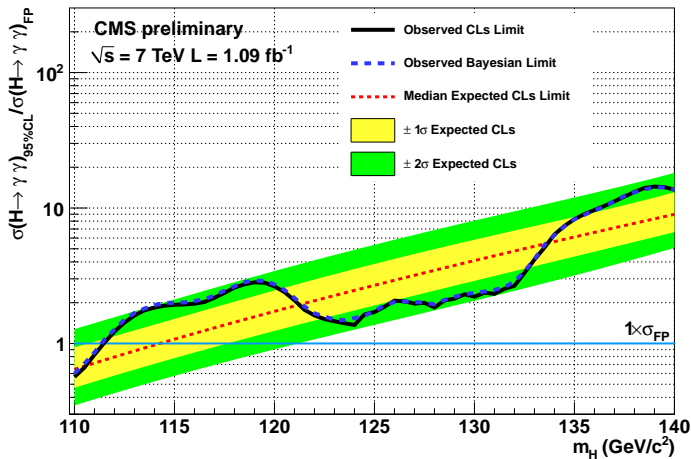


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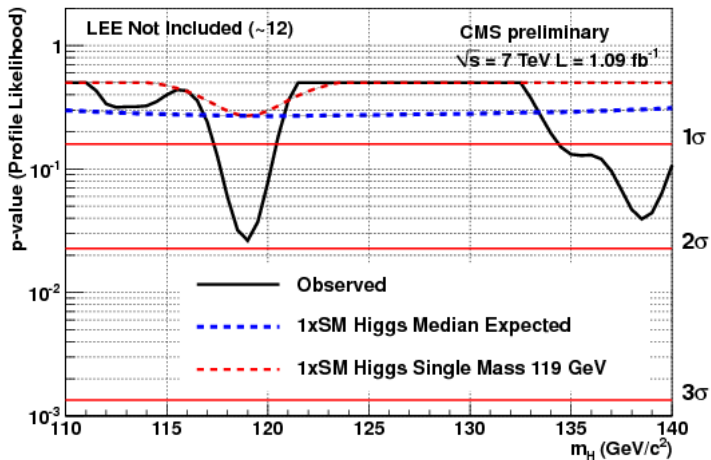




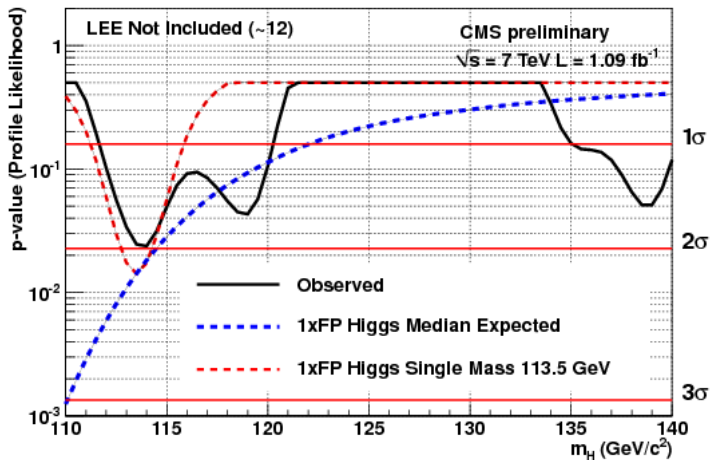
# Limits Relative to Fermiophobic Cross Section



# P-Values (SM)



# P-Values (Fermiophobic)



- CMS PAS HIG-11-010 ( $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  PAS)  
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- CMS PAS HIG-11-011 (Higgs combination PAS)  
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