

Search for Randall-Sundrum Graviton's Decay to Two Photons in 7 TeV p-p collisions with the CMS detector

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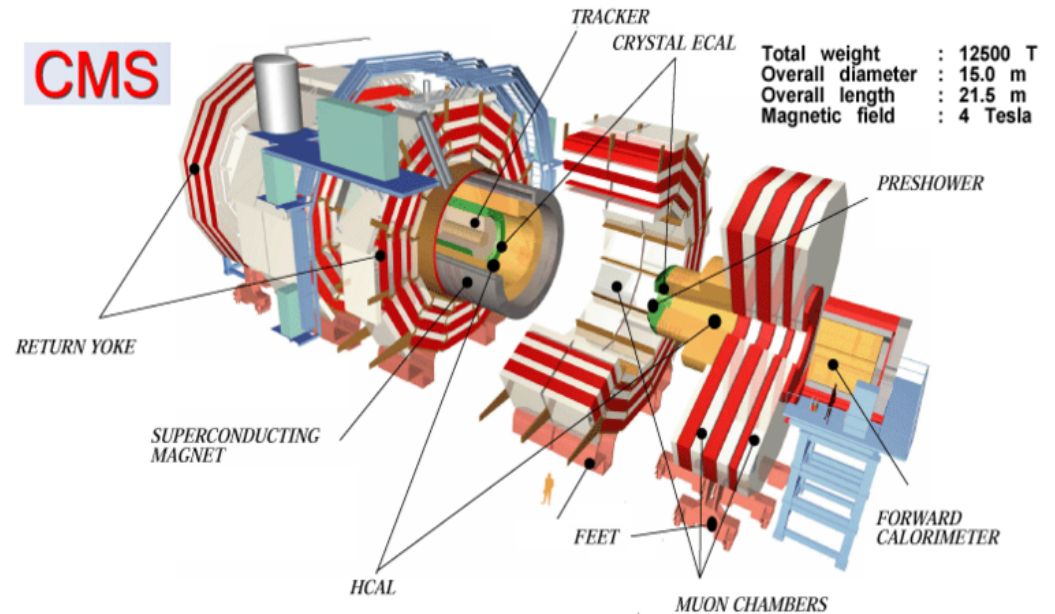
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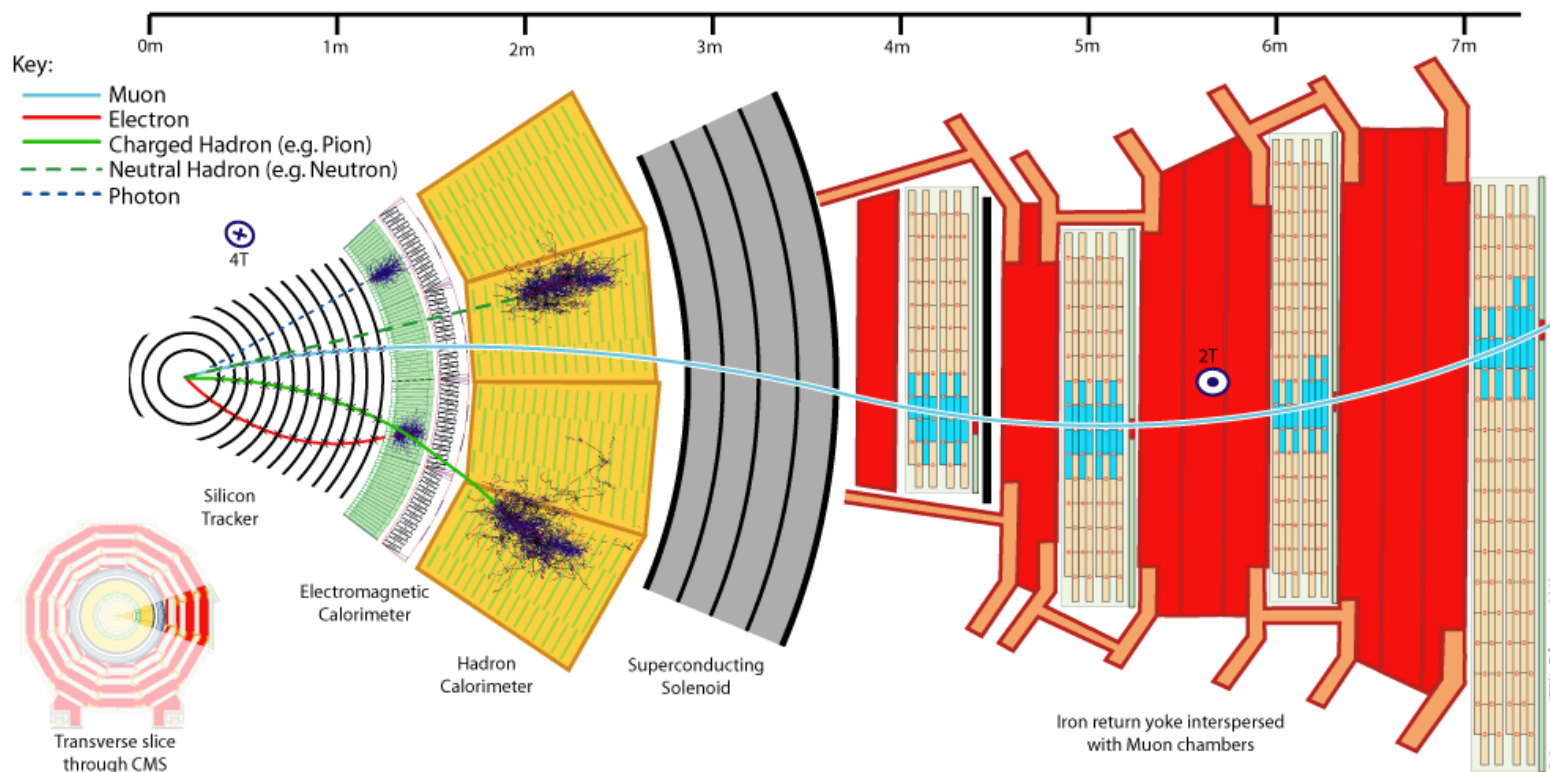


The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS)



- One of the two general detectors at the LHC
- Main difference from ATLAS being its uniform magnetic 4 T magnetic field
- Prepared for both SM and beyond the SM physics
- Main Studies:
 - Supersymmetry
 - Probing TeV scale physics
 - Discovery of Higgs Boson
 - Extra Dimensions





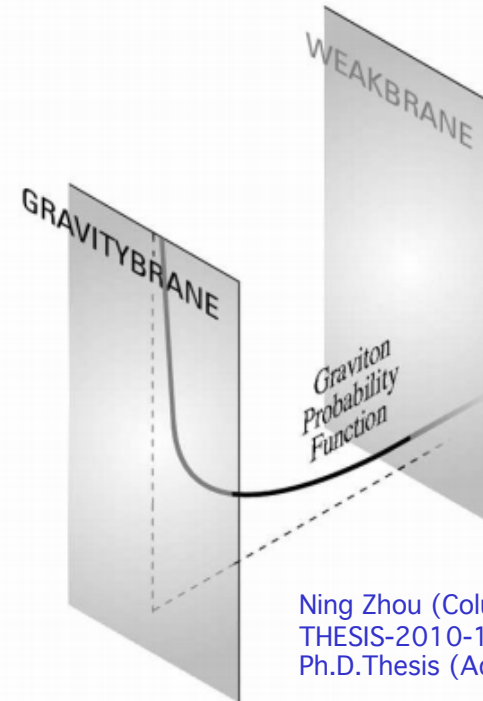
- 4 Main Subdetectors:
 - Tracker: 4 T solenoid outside the HCAL produces uniform magnetic field within. Knowing the charge of a particle we can calculate the mometa due to curvature.
 - ECAL: Scintillating material measures energy of photons and electrons
 - HCAL: Measures energy of hadronic particles
 - Muon Chambers



The Randall Sundrum Graviton (RS-1)



- In an attempt to solve the hierarchy problem (the large difference between the strength of the weak force and that of gravity) we introduce an extra dimension hence RS-1
- There are two (3+1)D branes separated by a (4+1)D “warped bulk”
- Gravitons exist mainly in one brane while “we” the standard model exist in the other
- The curvature of the bulk causes distance and mass to rescale exponentially causing gravity to appear weak



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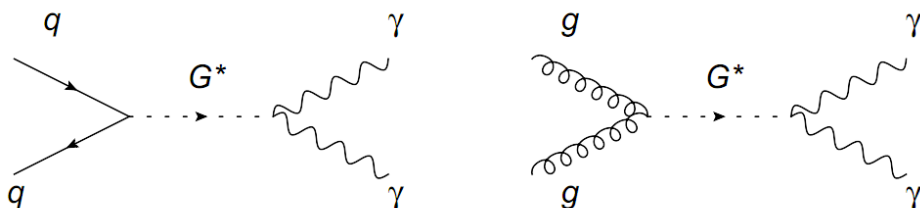
Two branes separated by “warped bulk”

$$ds^2 = e^{-2kr_c y} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu - r_c^2 dy^2$$

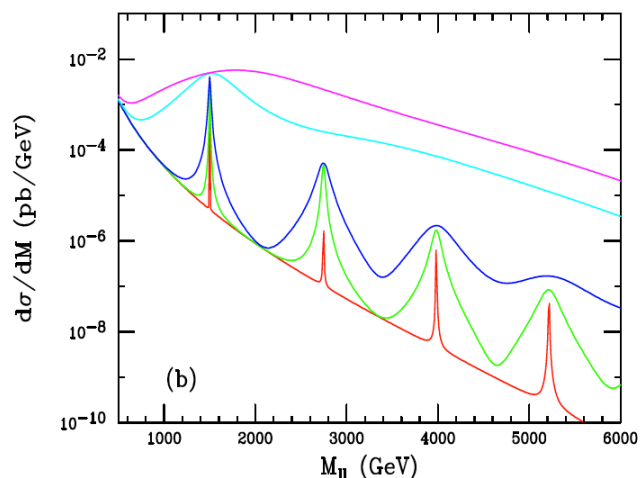
RS-1 5 dimensional metric - note exponential warp factor described by k (the coupling of study in this search). r_c is the compactification radius of the extra dimension, η is the usual minkowski-space time metric, and y is the coordinate in the extra dimension $0 < y < \pi$



The Randall Sundrum Graviton (RS-1)



Graviton production and decay to diphotons
(dielectrons also a common study)

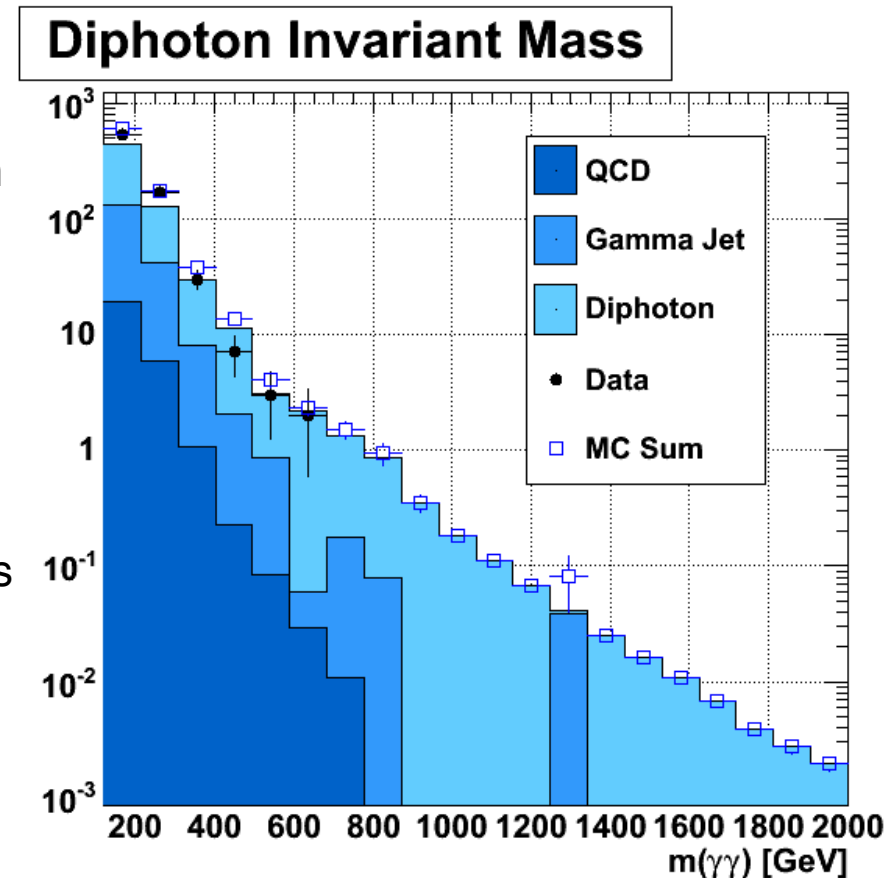


We look for the first (M_1) Kaluza Klein excitation

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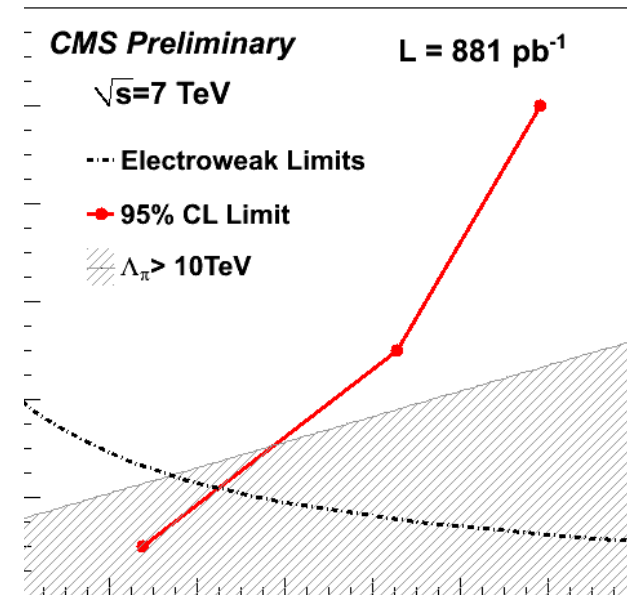
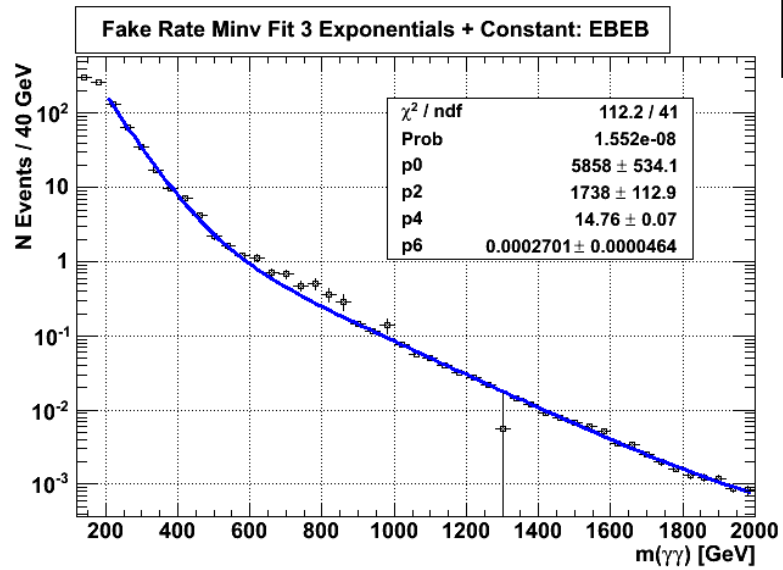
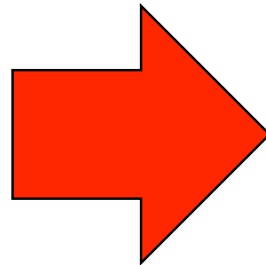
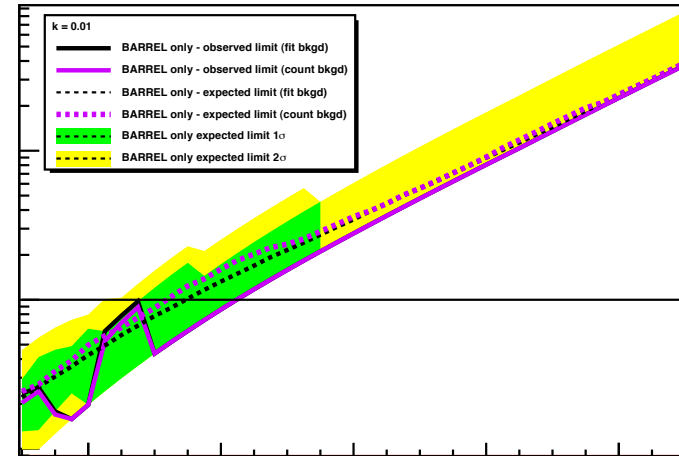
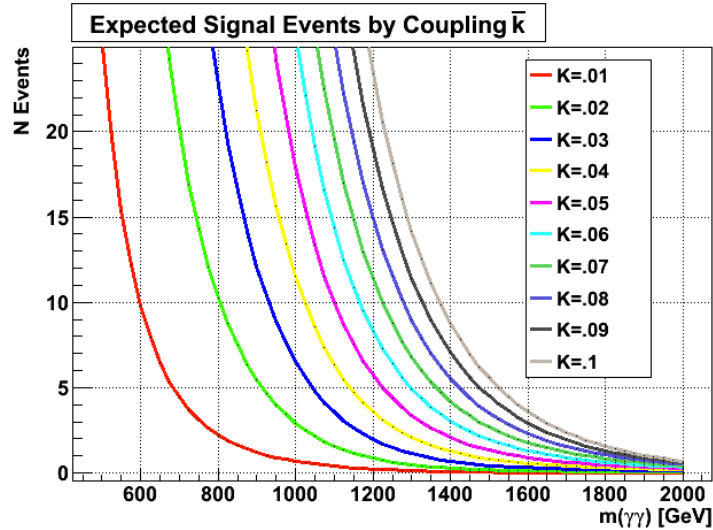
- We search for high mass resonances that would not have been seen at Tevatron at the level of ~ 1 TeV
- Gravitons appear as a tower of excitations
- The spacing and width of excitations is given by the coupling factor k/M_{pl} constraining the search for resonances
- Theory/Experiment constrain this further to $.1 > k/M_{pl} > .01$
- Using official signal samples of coupling k/M_{pl} for masses between 500 GeV and 2 TeV
- We apply an optimized selection and compute limits on the mass of the graviton and thus the cross section of $G_{KK} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- My role has been understanding the post-selection expectations for signal and background as to compute limits on the coupling parameter, the graviton mass, and the diphoton production cross section
- I first compute expectations for each (mass, coupling) point in the mentioned official MC samples
 - Window acceptance, kinematic acceptance, selection, NLO k factors to MC, shape studies, etc...
- I then generalize (through functional forms and interpolation) the expectations to be calculated for any value of k/M_{pl} and Graviton mass
- Limits are then computed and 95% confidence contours are made in k/M_{pl} vs m_G space





Limit Calculation





Ongoing Work



- Working on developing new categories for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis in the budget material of the tracker
- Photon r9 studies
- Vertex Selection Effects for RS Gravitons
- Currently pre-approved for the combined RS Graviton/ADD Extra dimensions analysis, working toward approval in the coming weeks for EPS



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Questions?