

# Exclusive and diffractive physics results from CMS



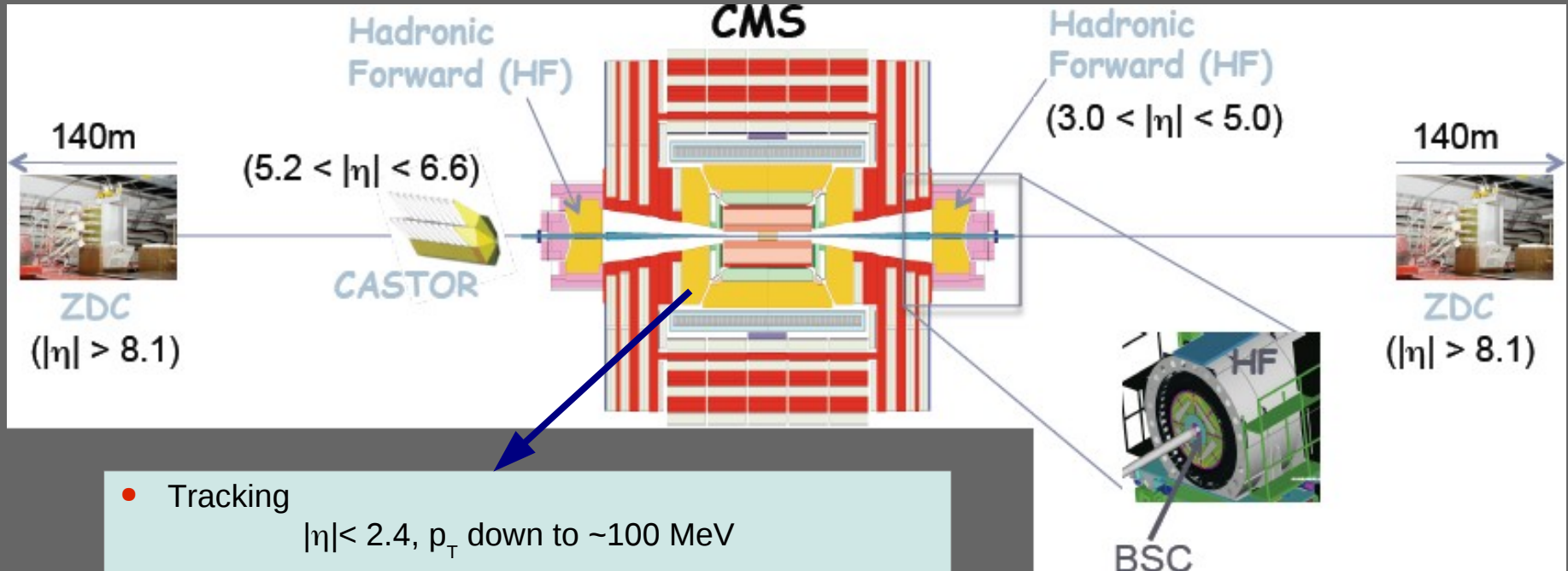
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- Observation of inclusive (soft) diffraction at 0.9, 2.36 and 7 TeV  
*CMS PAS FWD-10-001, FWD-10-07*
- **Hard diffraction**
  - Diffractive dijets (new)  
*CMS PAS FWD-10-004*
  - Energy flow and rapidity gaps at hard scale (W/Z events)  
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- **Exclusive processes**
  - $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu$  production  
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  - $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ee$  and search for central exclusive  $\gamma\gamma$  production (new)  
*CMS PAS FWD-11-004*

# CMS detector



- Tracking  
 $|\eta| < 2.4$ ,  $p_T$  down to  $\sim 100$  MeV
- Calorimetry
 

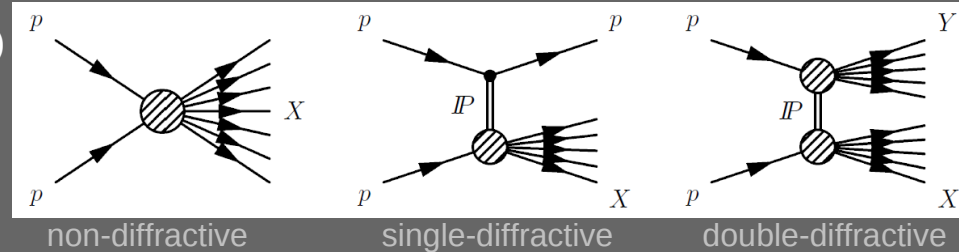
Electromagnetic calorimeter	$ \eta  < 3.0$
Hadronic calorimeter (HB, HE, HF)	$ \eta  < 5.0$
- Muons  
 $|\eta| < 2.4$ ,  $p_T > 3$  GeV (barrel)
- Forward detectors:
 

- HF, hadron forward calorimeter (10m from IP)	$3 <  \eta  < 5$
- BSC, beam scintillator counters (in front of HF)	$3.2 <  \eta  < 4.7$
- CASTOR calorimeter (one side only)	$-6.6 < \eta < -5.2$
- ZDC (zero degree calorimeter)	$ \eta  > 8.1$

# Observation of soft diffraction



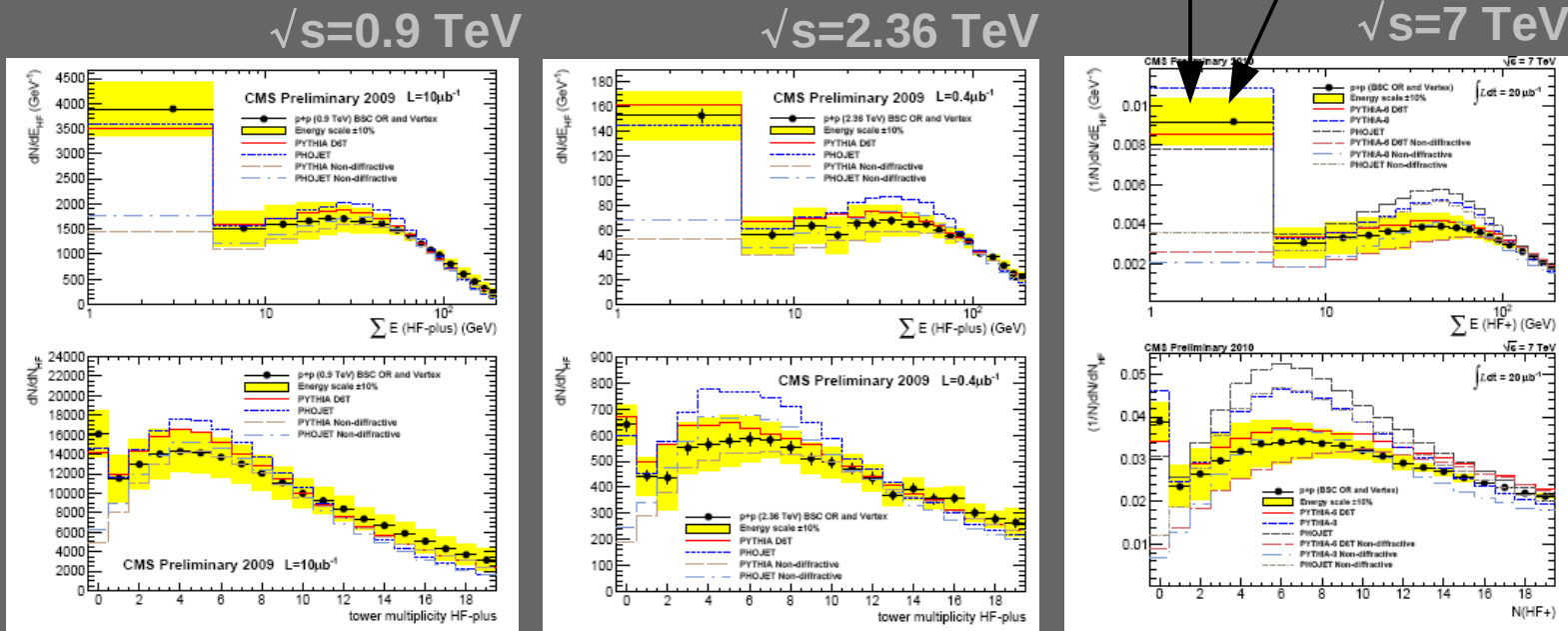
- Early CMS result based on dedicated runs (no PileUp) from 2009 and 2010 data
- Minimum-Bias trigger (hit in either of BSCs) + vertex
- Study activity in one of the forward calorimeters (HF)



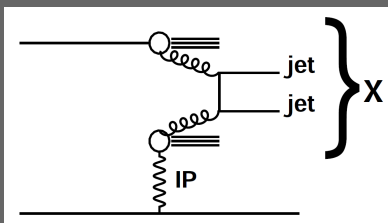
Data compared to Pythia6, Pythia8 and Phojet with and without diffraction. At low HF energy deposits excess of data wrt non-diffractive MC. None of the models describe the features of the data.

Energy in HF

HF tower multiplicity

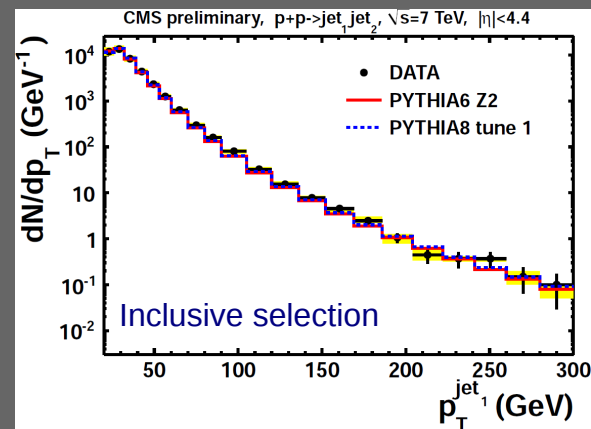


# Diffractive dijets



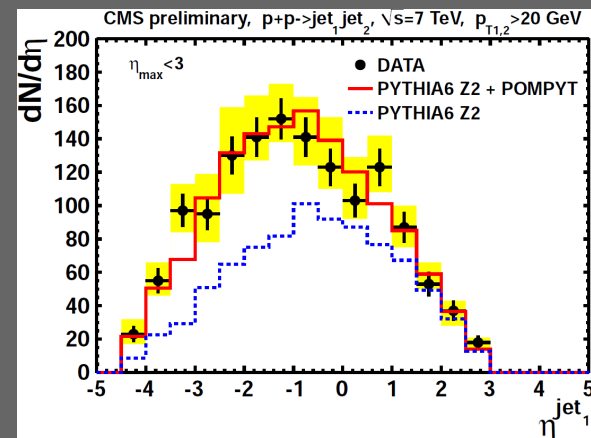
Measure hard diffractive process and compare to pQCD-based theory predictions (gap-survival probability at 7 TeV).

- Analysis based on 2010 data ( $2.7 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ ) with negligible PileUp
- Single-jet trigger, anti-kt 0.5, vertex.
- At least 2 jets with  $p_{T,j} > 20 \text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 4.4$
- Based on Particle Flow objects (tracking+calorimetry)



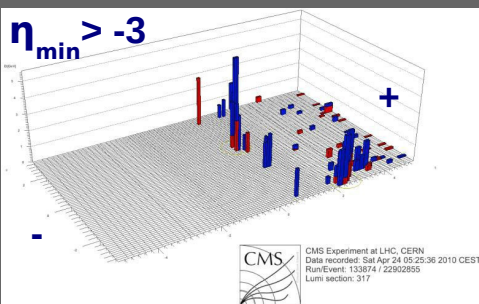
**Large Rapidity Gap (LRG):** require most forward (or backward) PF object in the event to satisfy  $\eta_{\max} < 3$  (or  $\eta_{\min} > -3$ ).

Corresponds to no individual energy deposit above 4 GeV in HF+ (or HF-). Rapidity gap of 1.9 units.



LRG data described by a combination of diffractive (POMPYT) and non-diffractive (PYTHIA6 Z2) samples

relative fraction from the fit to the data



# Di-jet cross section



Inclusive di-jet cross section extracted in 3 bins of  $\xi$ .

$$\frac{d\sigma_{jj}}{d\tilde{\xi}} = \frac{N_{jj}^i}{L \cdot \epsilon \cdot A^i \cdot \Delta\tilde{\xi}^i}$$

For single-diffractive events  $\xi$  approximates proton fractional momentum loss.

$$\tilde{\xi}^{\pm} = \frac{\sum (E^i \pm p_z^i)}{\sqrt{s}} \simeq \frac{M_X^2}{s}$$

$\xi$  reconstructed from PF objects.

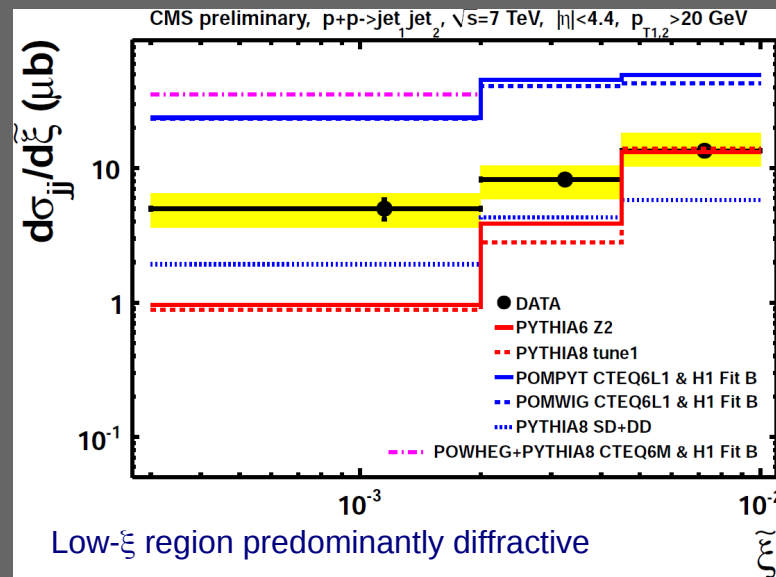
$\xi^+$  ( $\xi^-$ ) corresponds to the gap on positive (negative) side.

Excess of events in low- $\xi$  region wrt non-diffractive PYTHIA6 and PYTHIA8 MC.

POMPYT and POMWIG (LO) diffractive MCs and NLO calculations from POMWEG, using diffractive PDFs, are a factor  $\sim 5$  above the data in the lowest- $\xi$  bin.

Data/MC suppression factor is:  $0.21 \pm 0.07$  (LO MC)  
 $0.14 \pm 0.05$  (NLO MC).

After proton-dissociation correction, the ratio can be interpreted in terms of rapidity-gap survival probability of  $0.12 \pm 0.05$  (LO MC) and  $0.08 \pm 0.04$  (NLO MC).



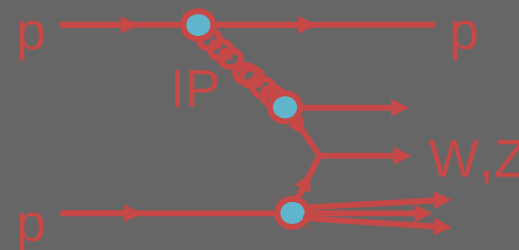
$\tilde{\xi}$ bin	$\Delta\sigma_{jj} / \Delta\tilde{\xi}$ ( $\mu\text{b}$ )
$0.0003 < \tilde{\xi} < 0.002$	$5.0 \pm 0.9(\text{stat.})_{-1.4}^{+1.5}(\text{syst.})$
$0.002 < \tilde{\xi} < 0.0045$	$8.2 \pm 0.9(\text{stat.})_{-2.3}^{+2.3}(\text{syst.})$
$0.0045 < \tilde{\xi} < 0.01$	$13.5 \pm 0.9(\text{stat.})_{-3.1}^{+4.7}(\text{syst.})$

# Forward energy flow and rapidity gaps with W/Z events



Study of energy flow in the forward region.  
Diffractive component in W/Z sample.

- Analysis based on full 2010 dataset (36 pb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Only single-vertex events to suppress PileUp
- Selection for leptonic W/Z decays follows inclusive cross section measurements  
iso. lepton with  $p_T > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 1.4$ ,  $E_{T,miss} > 30$  GeV,  $m_T > 60$  GeV



**LRG events: events with no individual energy deposit above 4 GeV in one of HF. Rapidity gap of 1.9 units.**

Wide range of (non-diffractive) predictions, tune dependent:

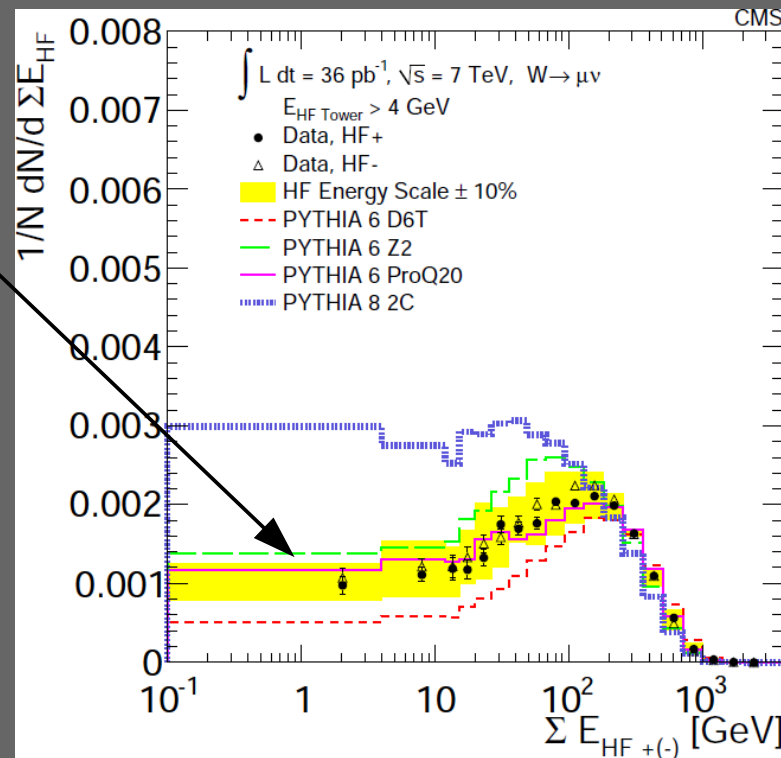
- Excess of gap events compared to PYTHIA6 D6T
- Deficit compared to PYTHIA6 Z2 and Pythia8.

Monte Carlo generators cannot describe the data.

**Fraction of gap events:**

$$W \rightarrow l\nu = 1.46 \pm 0.09 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.38 \text{ (syst.)} \%$$

$$Z \rightarrow ll = 1.60 \pm 0.25 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.42 \text{ (syst.)} \%$$



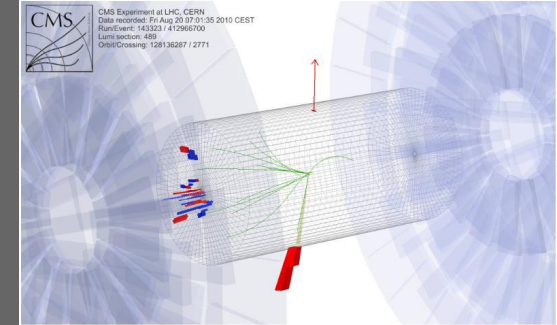
# Forward energy flow and rapidity gaps with W/Z events



## Hemisphere correlation

Signed pseudorapidity of lepton,  $\eta_l$ :

- positive - if gap and lepton on the same side
- negative - if gap and lepton on the opposite side.



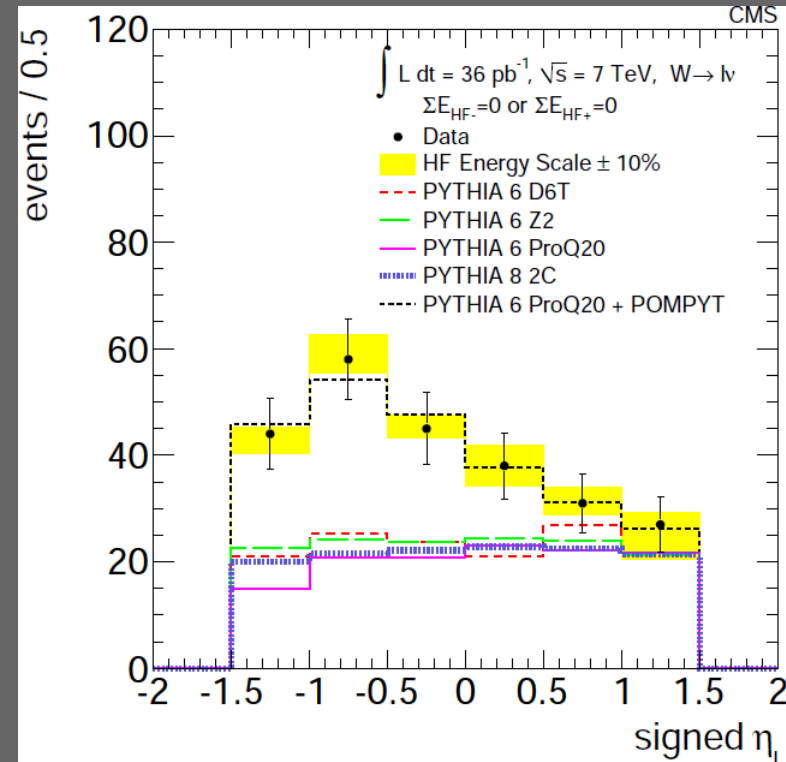
- Large asymmetry in model including W/Z production in single-dissociation diffraction (POMPYT)
- No significant asymmetry in non-diffractive PYTHIA W/Z samples, independent of the tune

### Diffractive component in LRG W/Z sample:

from best with with PYTHIA (ND) and POMPYT (SD) MC

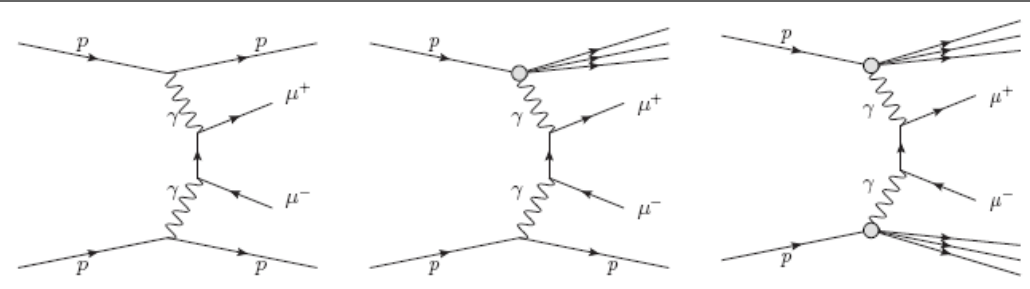
$$f_{SD} = 50.0 \pm 9.3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 5.2 \text{ (syst.)} \%$$

First evidence of diffractive W/Z production at LHC





# Exclusive $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu$ production



QED process, accurate theory predictions:

- Complementary luminosity calibration.
- Control sample for other exclusive processes theoretically less certain (exclusive  $\gamma\gamma$  or Higgs production).

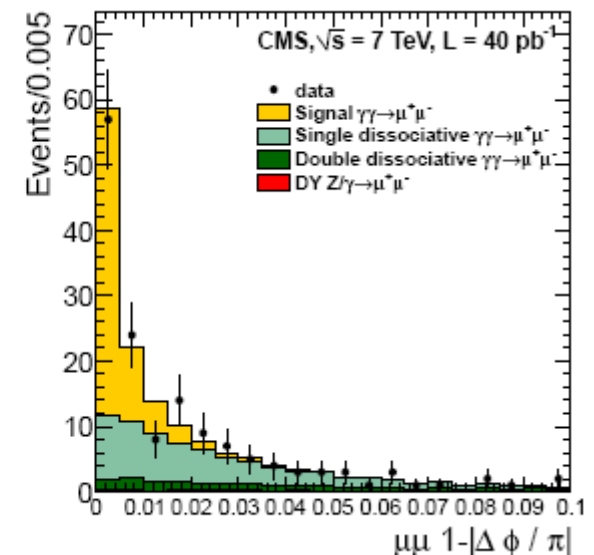
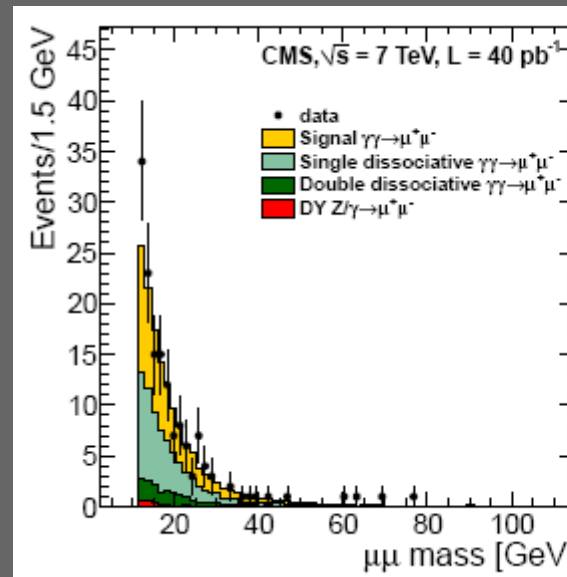
Dominant background – proton dissociation (uncertainty in modelling of low mass dissociated system)

- Analysis based on full 2010 dataset ( $40 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- Di-muon trigger + tracking information (calorimeters not used)
- Vertex with 2 tracks, no other track within 2mm (track veto)
- Kinematic cuts: muon  $p_T > 4 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.1$ ,  $m(\mu\mu) > 11.5 \text{ GeV}$
- Back-to-back topology:  $\Delta\phi > 162 \text{ deg.}$ ,  $\Delta p_T < 1 \text{ GeV}$

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Exclusivity defined by track veto retains efficiency with high PileUp! (~92% at PU=3)

Good agreement of kinematic distributions with LPAIR prediction



# Exclusive $\gamma\gamma\rightarrow\mu\mu$ cross section



Exclusive cross section and ratio to LPAIR prediction extracted from the fit to  $p_T(\mu\mu)$  distribution.

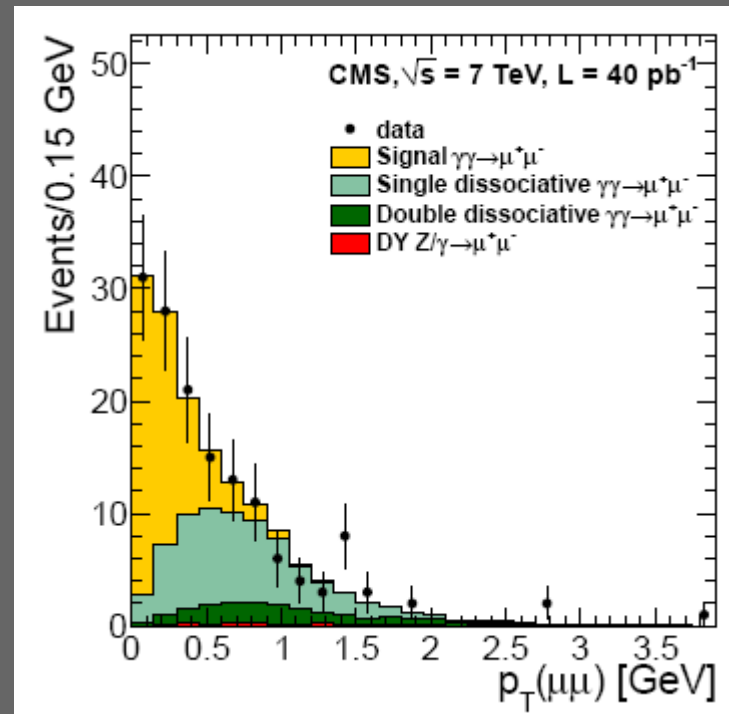
Free parameters of the fit: signal yield, single proton-dissociation yield and the correction to the shape of the proton-dissociation sample (negligible).

Results of the fit:

$$\sigma = 3.38^{+0.58}_{-0.55} \text{ (stat.) } \pm 0.16 \text{ (syst.) } \pm 0.14 \text{ (lumi.) } pb$$

$$\text{ratio to MC} = 0.83^{+0.14}_{-0.13} \text{ (stat.) } \pm 0.04 \text{ (syst.)}$$

Consistent with expectations at  $\sim 1\sigma$ .

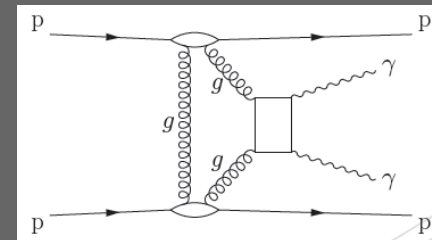


# $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ee$ production and search for central exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production



Exclusive  $ee$  production – QED process (similarly to  $\mu\mu$ )  
 Exclusive  $\gamma\gamma$  production – QCD process

- Analysis based on full 2010 dataset ( $36 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )
- Trigger: two electromagnetic objects. Offline: two high-quality electrons or photons.
- Exclusivity criteria: no additional tracks, no additional energy deposit in calorimeters (eff.= $0.145 \pm 0.008$ )
- Kinematic cuts:  $E_T > 5.5 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Back-to-back topology:  $\Delta\phi > 2.5 \text{ rad}$

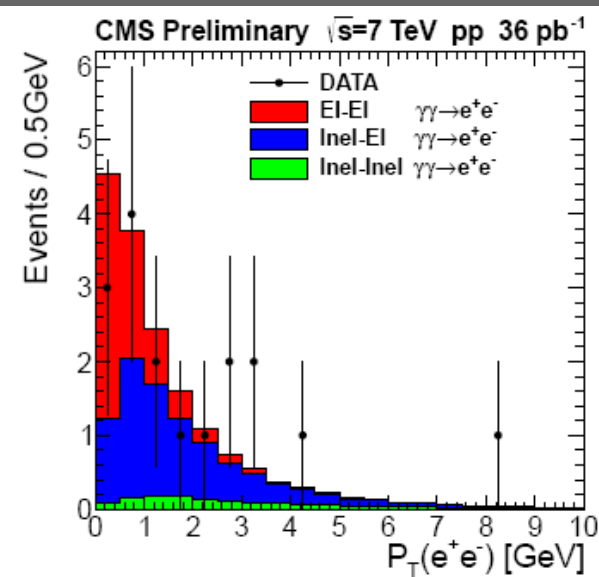
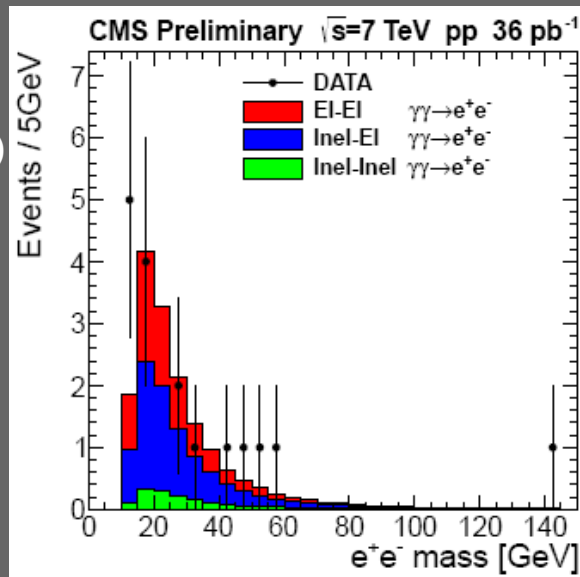


## Exclusive $ee$ :

17 candidates observed in data.  
 Background expectations:  $0.84 \pm 0.28$  (stat.)

Predicted by LPAIR:  
 $16.5 \pm 1.7$  (theory)  $\pm 1.2$  (stat.)  
 (elastic and proton dissociation).

Very good agreement between data and LPAIR prediction.



Provides validation of experimental procedure for  $\gamma\gamma$  search.

# $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ee$ production and search for central exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production



## Exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production:

No events observed after all selections.

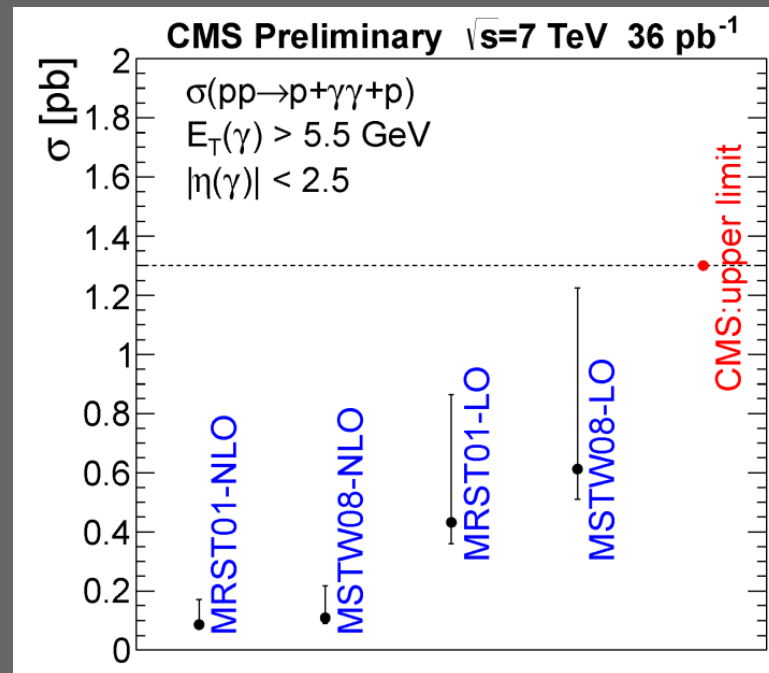
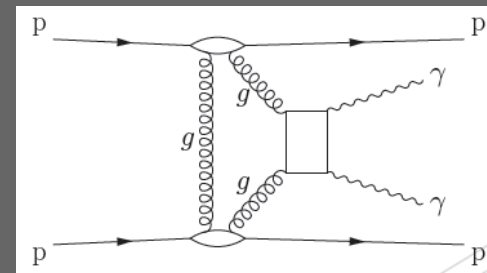
Upper limit on exclusive + proton dissociation production of  $\gamma\gamma$  with  $E_T > 5.5$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$ :

$$\sigma < 1.30 \text{ pb} \quad @95\% \text{ CL}$$

Results compared to prediction of ExHume MC with several LO/NLO PDF sets.

Poor statistics to test NLO calculations.

Probability of seeing 0 events wrt. MSTW08-LO prediction is 23%.



# Summary



- **CMS results presented on:**

- Soft diffraction at 0.9, 2.36 and 7 TeV
- Diffractive dijets
- Energy flow and rapidity gaps with W/Z events
- Exclusive  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu$  production
- Exclusive  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ee$  and search for central exclusive  $\gamma\gamma$  production

- **Prospects:**

- Many new results expected - ongoing analyses with 2010/early 2011 data, possible low-pileUp runs in 2012
- Only beginning to exploit the potential of forward detectors (CASTOR, ZDC, CMS, CMS+TOTEM common runs).

Stay tuned! And check the latest CMS results at:

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsFSQ>