

# Probing $\gamma\gamma XX$ anomalous gauge couplings with proton tagging at the LHC

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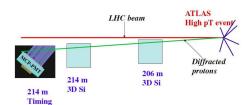
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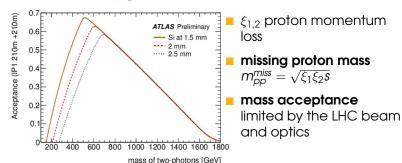
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#### Forward proton detectors at the LHC

The ATLAS Forward Physics (AFP) and the Precision Proton Spectrometer (PPS, CMS/TOTEM) upgrade projects

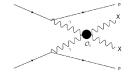






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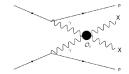




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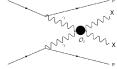




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- Drawback: smaller cross-sections
   (intact protons must be in the acceptance of the forward detectors)

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dimension 6 operators parametrized with 4 different parameters

$$\mathcal{L}_{6}^{0} \sim \frac{-e^{2}}{8} \frac{a_{0}^{W}}{\Lambda^{2}} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} W^{+\alpha} W_{\alpha}^{-} - \frac{e^{2}}{16 \cos^{2}(\theta_{W})} \frac{a_{0}^{Z}}{\Lambda^{2}} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} Z^{\alpha} Z_{\alpha}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{6}^{C} \sim \frac{-e^{2}}{16} \frac{a_{C}^{W}}{\Lambda^{2}} F_{\mu\alpha} F^{\mu\beta} (W^{+\alpha} W_{\beta}^{-} + W^{-\alpha} W_{\beta}^{+})$$

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- Only the leptonic decays of the heavy bosons are considered as final states (clean signal)
- **Background considered:** ND WW/ZZ production, dilepton photoproduction, DPE dilepton, DPE WW/ZZ
- Generation and simulation performed with the Forward Physics MC generator (FPMC) interfaced with the fast simulation of the ATLAS detector (ATLFast++ package)

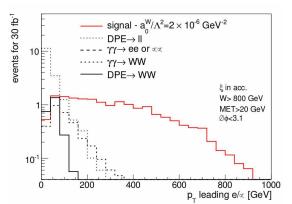
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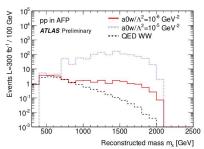


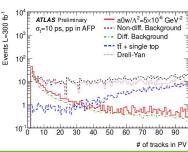


### Dealing with pile-up at the LHC

#### ATLAS full simulation study

- The LHC is operated at very high luminosity → high event multiplicites in a single bunch-crossing (pile-up)
- Use of the forward timing detectors to constrain the vertex of the interaction dependant on the timing detectors resolution
- Cut on the number of tracks fitted to the primary vertex very efficient to remove remaining pile up after requesting a high mass object to be produced







#### $WW\gamma\gamma$ and $ZZ\gamma\gamma$ sensitivities

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- **Recent papers from DØ and CMS** for  $WW\gamma\gamma$  with reach of the order of  $10^{-4}$  GeV<sup>-2</sup> (CMS-PAS-FSQ-12-010) Former reference (P. J. Bell, arXiv:0907.5299): sensitivites predicted at the LHC of the order of a few  $10^{-4}$  GeV<sup>-2</sup>
- Sensitivities predictions with AFP (30 and 200 fb<sup>-1</sup>) improvement by a factor  $\simeq 100$

		limits $[10^{-6}\mathrm{GeV^{-2}}]$			limits [10 <sup>-6</sup> GeV <sup>-2</sup> ]				
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$3\sigma$ evidence {	$\Lambda_{cut} = \infty$ $\Lambda_{cut} = 2 \text{ TeV}$	1.6	5.8	4.0	14	0.85	3.0	1.6	5.7
30 evidence (	$\Lambda_{cut} = 2  \text{TeV}$	3.6	13	9.0	34	1.8	6.7	3.5	13
$5\sigma$ discovery $\Big\{$	$\Lambda_{cut} = \infty$ $\Lambda_{cut} = 2 \text{ TeV}$	2.3 5.4	9.7	6.2	23	1.2	4.3	4.1	8.9
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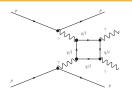


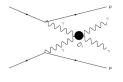


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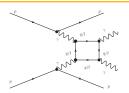


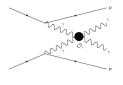


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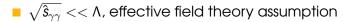
 $\sqrt{\hat{s}_{\gamma\gamma}} << \Lambda$ , effective field theory assumption

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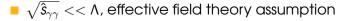
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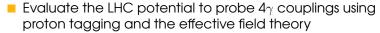
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- The signal showed in the plots of this presentation are for a signal with  $\zeta_1 > 0$  and  $\zeta_2 = 0$  and with f.f.  $\zeta_1$  and  $\zeta_2$  have the same angular behaviour
- A table of final sensitivities for both  $\zeta_1$  and  $\zeta_2$ , with and without f.f are given at the end of the presentation



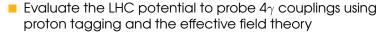


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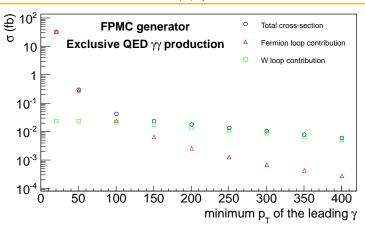




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#### SM QED exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production (preliminary)

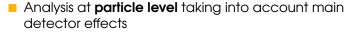


- Mass of the fermions taken into account
- W loop non negligeable for  $p_{T,\gamma} > 50$  GeV
- QCD and DPE contributions to be added
- Same plot against the diphoton mass (in progress)





- Analysis at particle level taking into account main detector effects
  - Estimation of  $\gamma$  conversion rates ( $\eta$  function), fake photon rates, reconstruction efficiency ( $p_T$  functions) from ECFA ATLAS studies
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#### Final outputs

- $5\sigma$  and 95% C.L sensitivities on the  $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$  couplings effective field theory
- M-Q exclusion plane for generic exotic fermions/vectors full amplitude

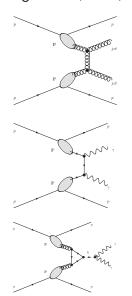


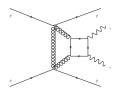
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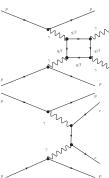








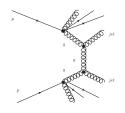
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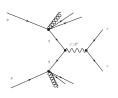
### Pile-up backgrounds (HERWIG 6.5)



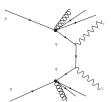
#### Dijet



#### Drell-Yan



#### Diphoton



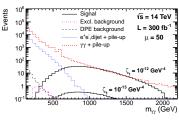
# + protons generated from **minimum bias events** (Pythia 8)

transported to the forward detectors through the LHC magnets with FPTracker/MADX

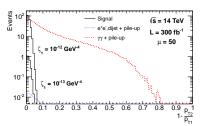
# Mass and p<sub>T</sub> balance distribution of signal and backgrounds

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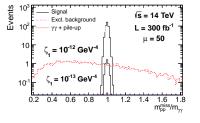
- By requesting  $m_{\gamma\gamma} > 600$  GeV (left), **Only pile-up** backgrounds remain
- $p_T$  ratio distribution after  $p_T$  and  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  cuts (right) provides another efficient cut (exclusive process)
- $\Delta \phi > \Pi$ -0.01 also applied later in the selection

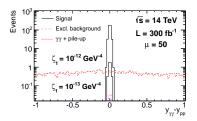


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- **Missing proton mass**  $\sqrt{\xi_1\xi_2s}$  matches  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  for the signal A mass window of 3% (= resolution) is required in the event selection
- Same effect with **rapidity variables**  $|y_{\gamma\gamma} y_{pp}| < 0.03$  with  $y_{pp} = (0.5 * ln(\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_2}))$  is applied
- The small width of the signal distributions is due to the smearing applied to simulate detector effects

Very efficient cuts due to very good  $\xi$  resolution, **absolutely needed in order** to suppress the pile-up background



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$p_{\rm T1} > 200 {\rm GeV}, p_{\rm T2} > 100 {\rm GeV}$	17.6	0.2	0.2	1.6	2968
$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 600 \text{GeV}$	16.6	0.1	0	0.2	1023
$p_{\rm T2}/p_{\rm T1} > 0.95,  \Delta\phi  > \pi - 0.01$	16.2	0.1	0	0	80.2
$\sqrt{\xi_1\xi_2s}=m_{\gamma\gamma}\pm 3\%$	15.7	0.1	0	0	2.8
$ v_{\alpha'\alpha'} - v_{\alpha\alpha}  < 0.03$	15.1	0.1	1 0	0	0

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- Background completely suppressed thanks to forward detectors ∈ measurement
  - Very high significance per observed event
  - 1.5 background events expected at  $\mu$  = 200 Robust analysis, good background control
  - proton time-of-flight **not used**Possible additional rejection factor of 40 at  $\mu$  = 50



# Final discovery (5 $\sigma$ ) and exclusion (95% CL) sensitivities on $\zeta_1$ and $\zeta_2$



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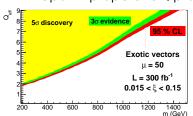
Luminosity pile-up (µ)	300 fb <sup>-1</sup>	300 fb <sup>-1</sup>	300 fb <sup>-1</sup>	3000 fb <sup>-1</sup>
coupling	$\geq$ 1 conv. $\gamma$	$\geq$ 1 conv. $\gamma$	$ $ all $\gamma$	all $\gamma$
(GeV <sup>-4</sup> )	5 σ	95% CL	95% CL	95% CL
ζ <sub>1</sub> f.f.	1 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>	9 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	2.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>
$\zeta_1$ no f.f.	$3.5 \cdot 10^{-14}$	2.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	1.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	7 · 10 <sup>-15</sup>
$\zeta_2$ f.f.	2.5 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>	1.5 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>	1 · 10 <sup>-13</sup>	4.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>
$\zeta_2$ no f.f.	7.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	5.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	3 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>	1.5 · 10 <sup>-14</sup>

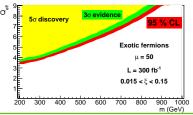
- A large panel of extra-dimension models can be probed in the multi-TeV range
- The form factor is not needed anymore for a new physics scale **beyond** ≈ **2 TeV**because of the forward detector acceptance (see slide 9)

# **Full amplitude** computation for generic heavy charged fermions/vectors contributions (preliminary)



- The existence of new heavy charged particles will enhance the  $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$  coupling at high mass via loops
- This enhancement can be parametrized by **only the** mass and the effective charge  $Q_{eff} = Q.N^{1/4}$ , N multiplicity
- Generic implementation for fermions and vectors implemented in FPMC
- Paper in preparation, preliminary M-Q<sub>eff</sub> exclusion plane

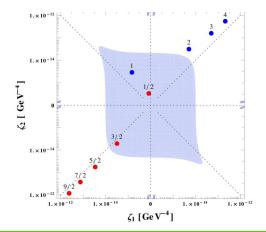




# Higher spin resonances and link with EFT (preliminary)



- Dots mark generic exotic charged particles of **high spin** with M = 1 TeV,  $Q_{eff} = 3$  (300 fb<sup>-1</sup>, all  $\gamma$ ,  $\mu = 50$ )
- $\blacksquare$  5  $\sigma$  sensitivity is represented by the white region



#### Conclusion



- Forward proton tagging at the LHC seems promising to probe **anomalous**  $\gamma\gamma XX$  **Gauge Couplings** 
  - proton tagging associated by high energy object detections in the central EM calorimeter allow to highly suppress the background
  - $WW\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ\gamma\gamma$  couplings sensitivity improvement by a factor > **100**
  - $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$  couplings: sensitivities around  $10^{-13} 10^{-14}$  GeV<sup>-4</sup>, down to  $7 \cdot 10^{-15}$  GeV<sup>-4</sup> → allows to probe directly a large panel of new physics models (no previous constraints from collider experiments)
- γγγγ coupling: a channel probing exotic heavy charged vectors/fermions in a completely model-independent way
  - sensitive for vectors (fermions) up to 1400 (920) GeV (Preliminary result)



# Probing $\gamma\gamma XX$ anomalous gauge couplings with proton tagging at the LHC

Back-up

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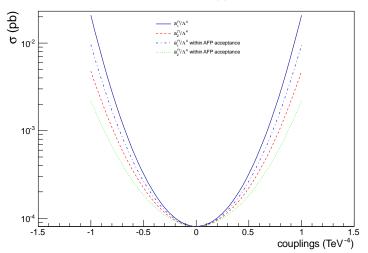
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# Integrated total cross-section against couplings for anomalous $\gamma\gamma\gamma$ couplings



#### Form factor applied



# Effective Field Theory cross-section of the $4\gamma$ couplings (G. Von Gersdorff)



#### **EFT of 4 Photon Interactions**

- ▶ Focus on AAAA (AAZZ and AAWW see [Chapon et al '12])
- ▶ EFT for 4-photon interaction contains two dim-8 structures

$$\mathcal{L}_{4\gamma} = \zeta_1 \left( F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right)^2 + \zeta_2 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\sigma\mu}$$

▶ Cross section has a simple form

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 s} (s^2 + t^2 + st)^2 \left[ 48\zeta_1^2 + 40\zeta_1\zeta_2 + 11\zeta_2^2 \right]$$

- Unitarity breaks down for  $\zeta s^2 \gtrsim 2\pi$
- ▶ Demanding unitarity for LHC energies  $\Rightarrow \zeta_i \le 10^{-10} \text{GeV}^{-4}$
- In explicit models EFT breaks down before that!
- ▶ LHC sensitivities to  $\zeta_i$  are ~10<sup>4-5</sup> better than unitarity bound

### New physics contributions to $4\gamma$ couplings

#### New charged particles via loops

- Effective coupling only depends on the mass, charge and spin :  $\zeta_i^{\gamma} \propto c_i^s Q^4 m^{-4}$
- Example: top partners

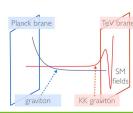
#### New neutral particles at tree level

- Effective coupling depends on mass, spin and the non-renormalizable  $\gamma\gamma X$  coupling  $\zeta_i^{\gamma} \propto b_i^s f^{-2} m^{-2}$
- Example: KK gravitons, dilaton (warped extra-dimension)

if coupling  $\simeq$  TeV and  $m_{K\!K} \simeq$  few TeV,  $\zeta_i^\gamma \simeq 10^{-14}\text{-}10^{-13}$  GeV $^{-4}$  achievable, which we are sensitive







### Where does proton tagging do better?



- Proton tagging allows a very high background rejection at the cost of a smaller cross-section
  - A single observation has a high significance
  - Ideal to probe small deviations from the Standard Model like aQGC
     ex: new charged particles via loops, ADD gravity effects, ...
  - Interesting "subleading" constraints on resonances searches at tree level
     ex: new neutral particles at tree level
  - Very difficult to quantify precisely the improvements compared to the central detector alone (in progress)
- We reach sensitivities allowing to probe directly a large class of new models
  - **Extra-dimensions:** KK gravitons, dilaton, high  $\kappa$  untested domain (Randall-Sundrum model)
  - Strongly-interacting composite states, monopoles: generic searches of new heavy charged particles

# Conversion, fake and efficiency reconstruction rates



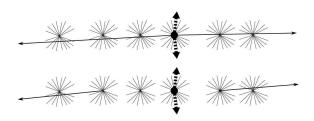
- Inputs from the ECFA ATLAS studies
- **Photon conversion factors:** 15% in the barrel, 30% in the end-caps
- Photon and electron reconstruction efficiency:  $Eff(p_T) = 0.76 1.98 \ exp^{\frac{-p_T}{16.1(GeV)}}$
- **Photon fake factors:** 1% for electron European Strategy studies
- **Fake photon p**<sub>T</sub> **for jets:** gaussian draw (Mean=75%, $\sigma$ =13%) on the jet p<sub>T</sub> and use of

$$Eff_{fake}(p_T) = 0.0093 \ exp^{\frac{-min(p_T, 200 GeV)}{17.5(GeV)}}$$

almost no fake  $\gamma$  from jets at very high  $p_T$ 

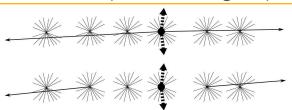
#### Forward detectors measurements





- Proton missing mass measurement with 3% resolution in case of double tag
- It matches the central  $\gamma\gamma$  mass for signal. Can match as well for pile-up backgrounds as a statistical fluctuation
- **Double tag probability** from pile-up protons on the forward detectors (no missing mass requirement): 32% ( $\mu = 50$ ) 66% ( $\mu = 100$ ) 93% ( $\mu = 200$ )

#### Possible extra-cut: proton timing requirement

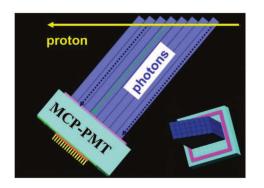


- Proton timing will be measured by forward detectors
  - 10 ps resolution assumed → proton vertex constrained within 2.1 milimeters
  - Requirement of 1 converted  $\gamma \rightarrow <$  1 mm resolution on the  $\gamma$  vertex
  - Resolution on the vertex position driven by forward timing detectors
- additional background rejection factor of 40 at  $\mu=50$
- No need to use for this study, **robustness of the analysis**
- can be used for unknown backgrounds (beam-induced)



# Forward timing detectors: inefficiencies due to pile-up protons





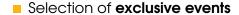
Inefficiencies - 2mm bar detector										
Bar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$\mu = 50$	0.129	0.085	0.067	0.057	0.049	0.046	0.043	0.040	0.036	0.011
$\mu = 100$	0.185	0.122	0.097	0.082	0.071	0.066	0.062	0.057	0.051	0.016

M. Saimpert. Search for new states of matter wih the ATLAS experiment at the LHC, Master Thesis MINES ParisTech (2013)

#### Event selection: summary

#### Kinematic cuts

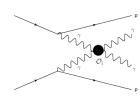
- $p_{T1}^{\gamma} > 200 \text{ GeV}, p_{T2}^{\gamma} > 100 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_{\gamma\gamma} > 600 \text{ GeV}$



- $\frac{p_{12}}{p_{11}} > 0.95$
- $|\Delta \Phi| > \pi 0.01$

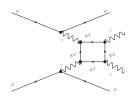


- $m_{pp}^{miss} = m_{\gamma\gamma} \pm 3\%$
- $|y_{\gamma\gamma} y_{DD}| < 0.03$ with  $y_{pp} = (0.5 * ln(\frac{\xi_1}{\xi_0}))$
- 3 Possible proton timing measurement with forward detectors (Not used)



#### SM QED exclusive $\gamma\gamma$ production





- Different loop contributions: fermions (quarks, leptons), vectors (W)
- W loop contribution and massive fermions added to the process in FPMC rev.913 (negligible at low mass but not at high mass, usually not included in the MCs)
- Interferences SM/Exotics added for the full amplitude calculation of new heavy charged particles



#### The BSM amplitudes



- Loops of spin 0,1/2, 1 new electric particles contribute to  $4\gamma$  . Because all vertices are fixed by gauge invariance, the NP contributions depend only on spin, mass and
- For example in the effective theory limit :  $\zeta_i^{\gamma} = \alpha_{em}^2 Q^4 m^{-4} N c_{i,s}$

$$c_{1,s} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{288} & s = 0 \\ -\frac{1}{36} & s = \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{5}{32} & s = 1 \end{cases}, \quad c_{2,s} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{360} & s = 0 \\ \frac{7}{90} & s = \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{27}{40} & s = 1 \end{cases}$$
 Scalar loops are smaller!

- Full amplitudes for fermions and vectors are now implemented in FPMC.
- Amplitudes get enhanced near the threshold



# $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$ full amplitude calculation (S. Fichet)



#### The SM background



- All electric particles of the SM contribute : leptons, quarks and W bosons
- The imaginary part of certain W helicity amplitudes grows with the energy, while the fermion amplitudes are finite. Background is dominated by the W loop
- When the new particle is real, it interfers with the W loop.
  - On-shell NP signal enhanced by SM interference
- All SM background amplitudes are implemented in FPMC (+ swiches to separately turn off them)
- One can check that SM fermions contributions are negligible.
  - Keeping only the W loop provides a huge gain of CPU time!

# Full amplitude computation for generic heavy charged fermions/vectors contributions (preliminary)



Link full amplitude - effective field theory

$$\zeta_i^\gamma = c_i^s Q_{
m eff}^4 m^{-4} \alpha_{
m em}^2$$
,  $c_i \simeq$  0.01 (0.1) for fermions (vectors)

Typical sensitivity with the full amplitude calculation

M = 800 GeV,  $Q_{eff} > 7$  (4) for fermions (vectors)

- Gives a coupling of  $\simeq$  **3.10**<sup>-15</sup> in terms of  $\zeta_i$
- Same order of magnitude than the sensitivity we had using the effective field theory → successful cross-check of the method

#### Conclusion: additional information



- Effective field theory:  $5\sigma$  discovery with less luminosity (1 fb<sup>-1</sup>, 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>, 50 fb<sup>-1</sup>):  $7 \cdot 10^{-13}$ ,  $2 \cdot 10^{-13}$ ,  $9 \cdot 10^{-14}$  GeV<sup>-4</sup>
- $\sim \gamma \gamma \gamma \gamma$  paper: S. Fichet et al Phys. Rev. D **89** (2014)
- More detailed paper including the full amplitude calculations for loop contributions and SM exclusive production update in preparation