

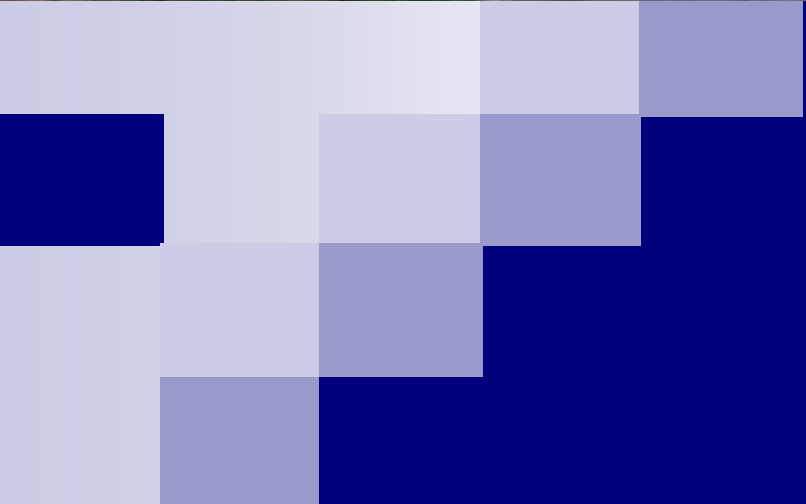


# Workshop on Photon Physics and Simulation at Hadron Colliders

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## Dark Matter and Supersymmetry with Photons



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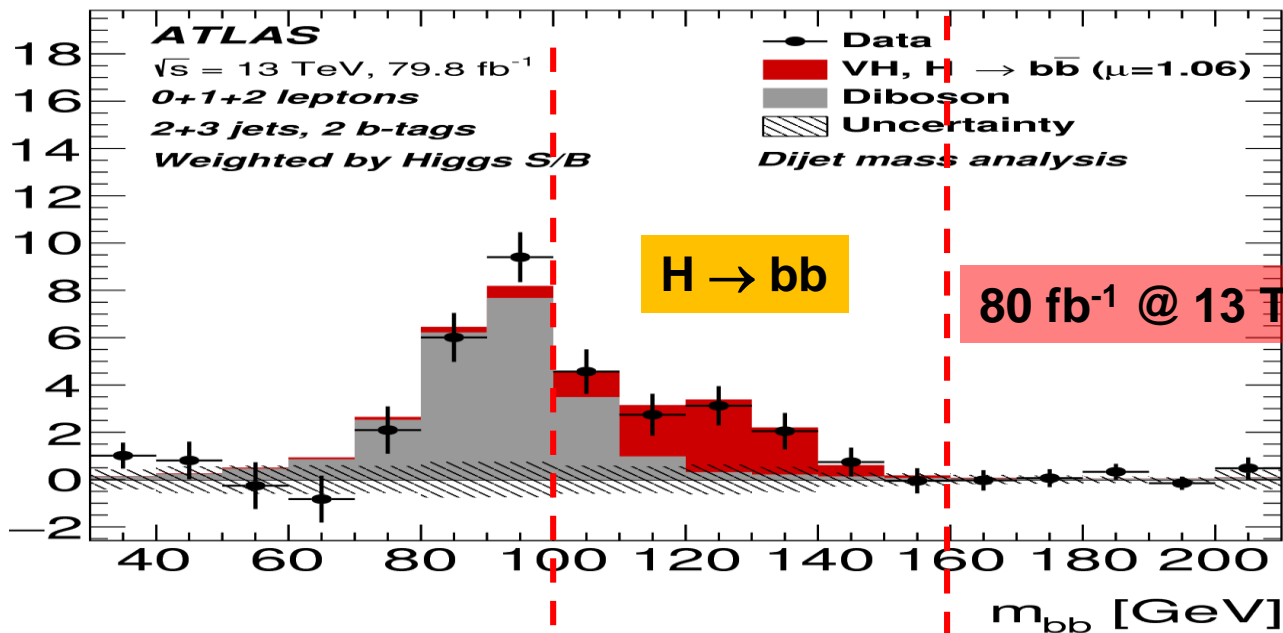


- Many models motivate photonic searches
  - GMSB SUSY
  - Compositeness
  - Kaluza-Klein towers
  - Channels with intermediate Higgs
  - Generic dark matter
  - ...
- Talk will be organized more by signature than by models
- Although generally we asked that models be motivated by signatures (but finding a signal (!) in a signature motivated by a model won't confirm the model...)
- Will spend a moment on the advantages of photons
- Analyses will be presented in roughly inverse order of “subtlety” of signature (in my estimation)



# The Beauty of Photons: Clean and precise

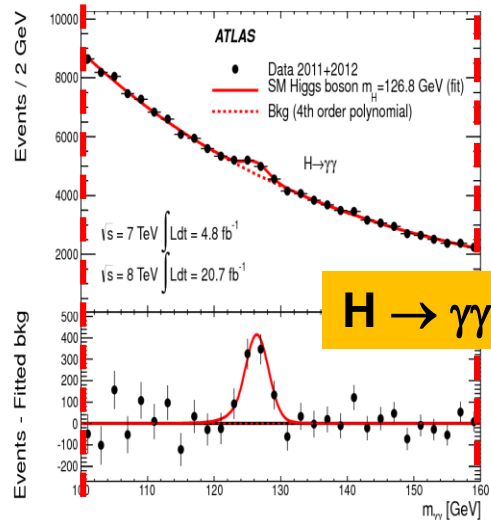
Events / 10 GeV (Weighted, backgr. sub.)



Most signals involve EW couplings in the production/decay chain  $\rightarrow$  isolated photons

Clarity of reconstruction allows for extraction of clear signal, even over large physics backgrounds

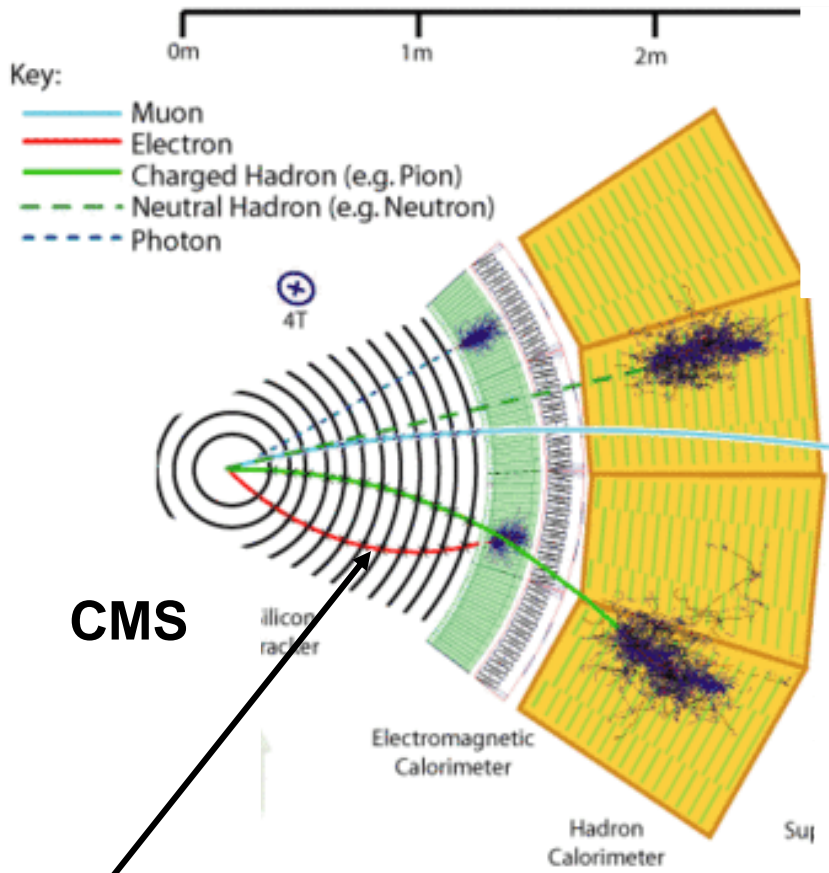
**25 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 7-8 TeV**



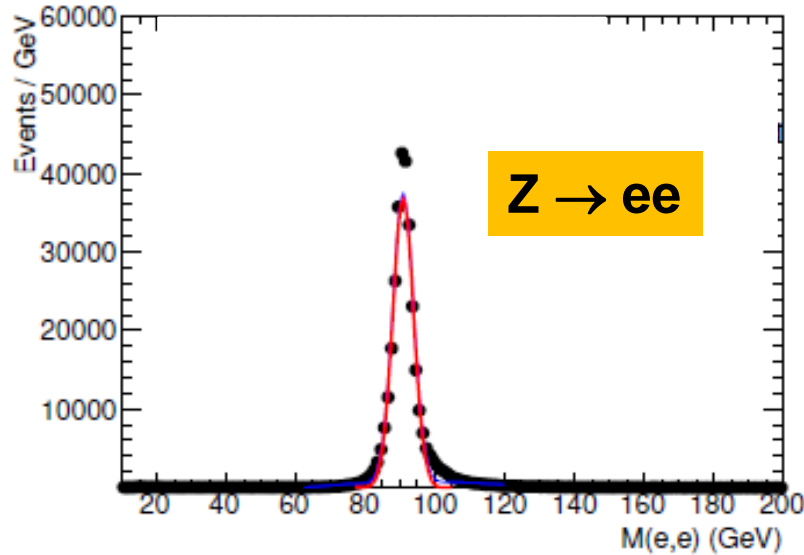
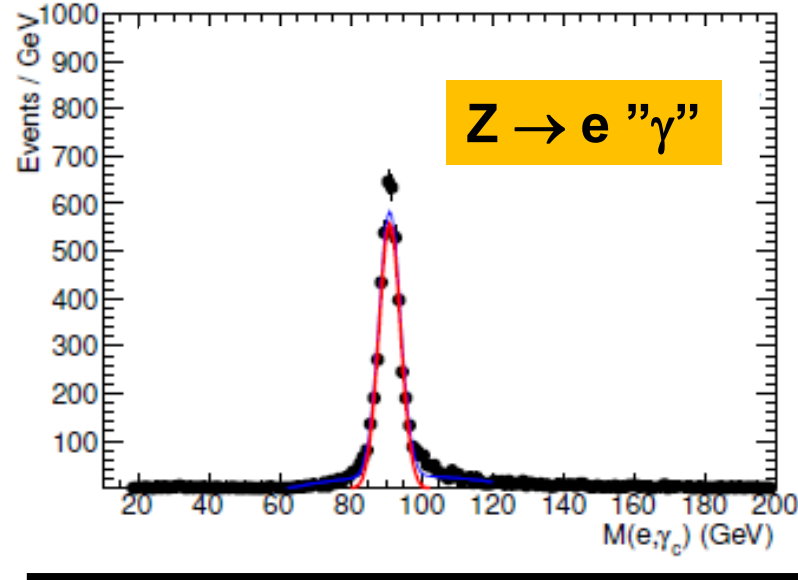
e.g. Higgs discovery  
 $B(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \cong 2 \times 10^{-3}$  but primary contribution to discovery



# Backgrounds Relatively Easily Modeled



Missed track → reconstructed as photon



Mis-ID rate 1-5% depending on energy, angle

=  $e^- \rightarrow \gamma$  mis-ID rate from ratio

Control sample with signal photon replaced by electron with identical kinematics then establishes background rate

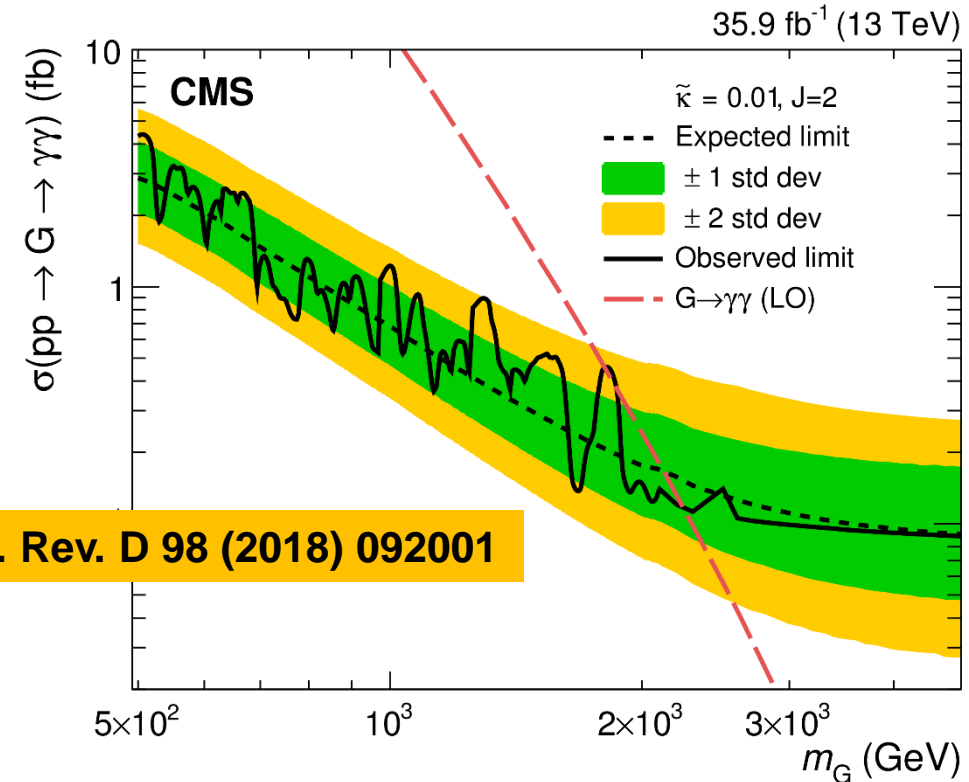
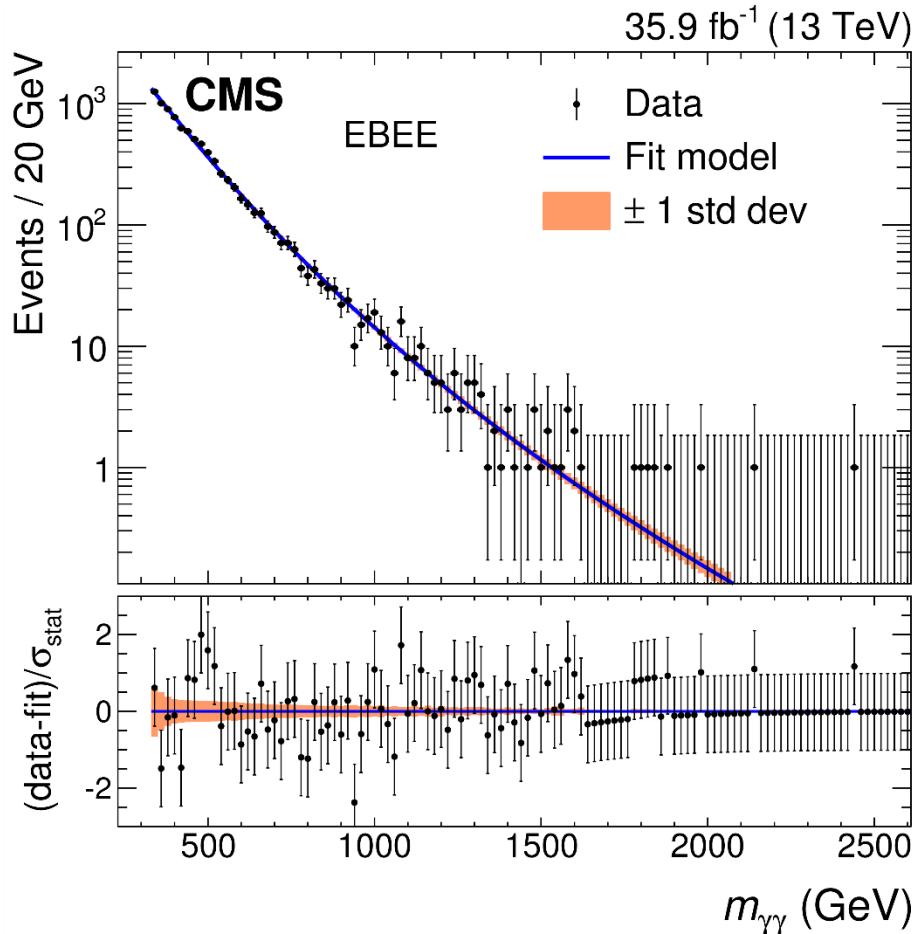


# The Analyses

# Basic Photonic Search: High Mass Diphoton Resonance



- Motivations: Higgs Multiplets, Extra dimensions, generic scalar resonances
- Event selection essentially just two energetic photons



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SUSY is a **broken** symmetry between fermions and bosons...

**SUGRA:** Local supersymmetry broken by **supergravity** interactions

Phenomenology: LSP (usually  $\chi_1^0$ ) carries  $E_t^{\text{miss}}$ .

**GMSB:** Explicit couplings to intermediate-scale ( $M_{EW} < \Lambda < M_{GUT}$ ) “messenger” **gauge** interactions **mediate** SUSY breaking.

Phenomenology: Gravitino ( $\tilde{G}$ ) LSP ( $E_t^{\text{miss}}$ ); NLSP is  $\chi_1^0$  or slepton  $\tilde{\tau}$ .  $\chi_1^0$  tends to be bino-like  
→ **photonic signatures**.

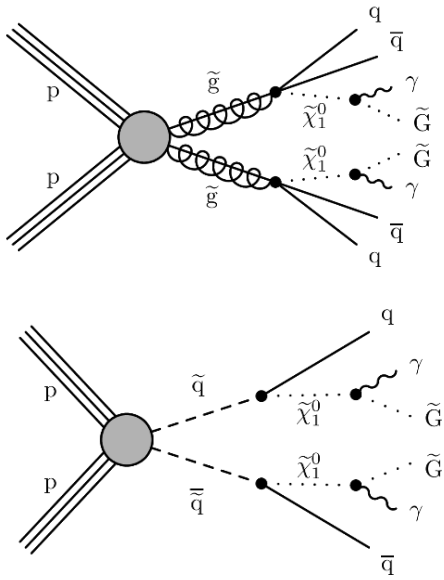
**AMSB:** Higher-dimensional SUSY breaking communicated to 3+1 dimensions via “Weyl **anomaly**”.

Phenomenology: LSP tends to be  $\tilde{W}$ , with  $\chi_1^+$ ,  $\chi_1^0$  nearly degenerate.

**GMSB** scenarios supply the inspiration for direct photons signatures  
(**SUGRA** inspires intermediate-Higgs scenarios)

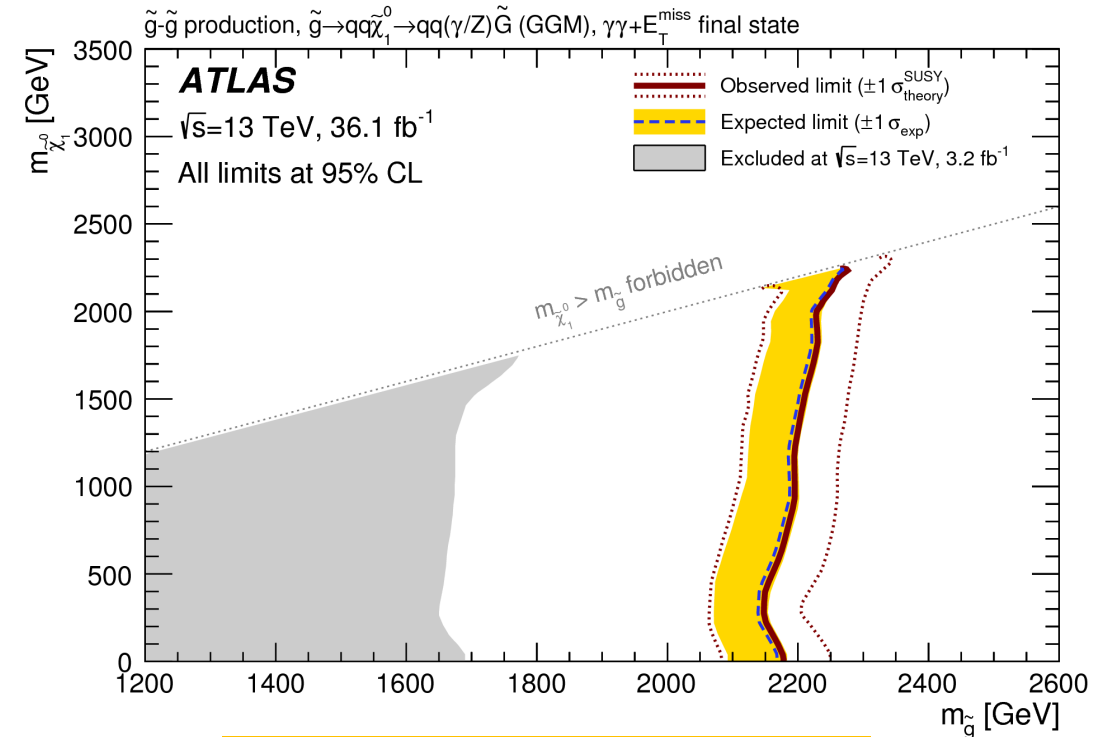


# GMSB: Strong Production



Signal Region	$SR_{S-L}^{\gamma\gamma}$	$SR_{S-H}^{\gamma\gamma}$
Number of photons	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$
$E_T^\gamma$ [GeV]	$> 75$	$> 75$
Number of jets	...	...
Number of leptons	...	...
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 150$	$> 250$
$H_T$ [GeV]	$> 2750$	$> 2000$
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	...	...
$R_T^4$	...	...
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\text{jet}, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$> 0.5$	$> 0.5$
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ ( $\Delta\phi(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ )	...	$> 0.5$

Signal Region	$SR_{S-L}^{\gamma\gamma}$	$SR_{S-H}^{\gamma\gamma}$
Jet $\rightarrow \gamma$	$0.19^{+0.21}_{-0.19}$	$0.19^{+0.21}_{-0.19}$
QCD diphoton	$0.00^{+0.17}_{-0.00}$	$0.00^{+0.17}_{-0.00}$
EW background	$0.08 \pm 0.04$	$0.06 \pm 0.04$
$(W \rightarrow \ell\nu)\gamma\gamma$	$0.22 \pm 0.14$	$0.21 \pm 0.13$
$(Z \rightarrow \nu\nu)\gamma\gamma$	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	$0.03 \pm 0.02$
Expected background events	$0.50^{+0.30}_{-0.26}$	$0.48^{+0.30}_{-0.25}$
Observed events	0	0



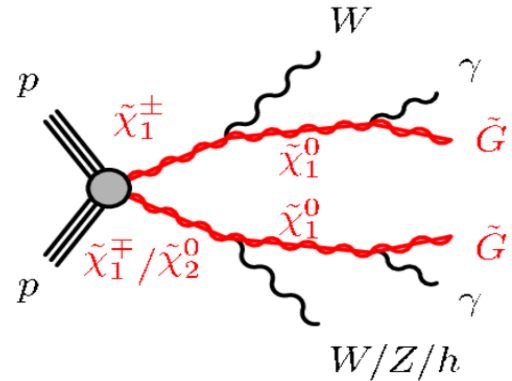
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$$\frac{d\sigma}{dM_{\tilde{g}}} (M_{\tilde{g}} = 2200) \propto M_{\tilde{g}}^{-9}$$

Also CMS: arXiv:1903.07070; submitted to JHEP

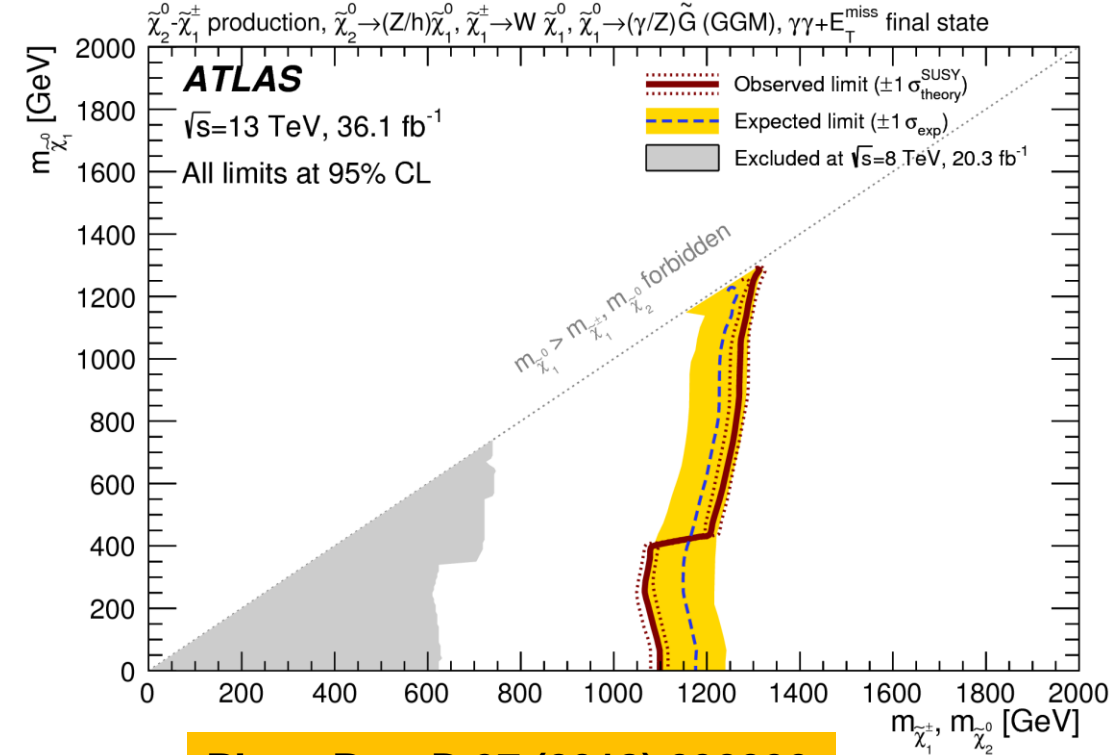


# GMSB: Electroweak Production



Signal Region	SR <sub>W-L</sub> <sup>γγ</sup>	SR <sub>W-H</sub> <sup>γγ</sup>
Number of photons	≥ 2	≥ 2
$E_T^\gamma$ [GeV]	> 75	> 75
Number of jets	...	...
Number of leptons	...	...
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	> 150	> 250
$H_T$ [GeV]	> 1500	> 1000
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	...	...
$R_T^4$	...	...
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\text{jet}, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	> 0.5	> 0.5
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ ( $\Delta\phi(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ )	...	> 0.5

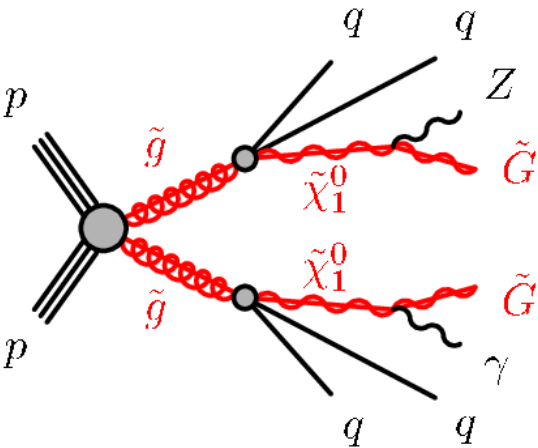
Signal Region	SR <sub>W-L</sub> <sup>γγ</sup>	SR <sub>W-H</sub> <sup>γγ</sup>
Jet → γ	0.93 ± 0.67	0.19 <sup>+0.21</sup> <sub>-0.19</sub>
QCD diphoton	0.15 <sup>+0.17</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	0.00 <sup>+0.17</sup> <sub>-0.00</sub>
EW background	0.88 ± 0.23	0.51 ± 0.15
(W → lν)γγ	1.55 ± 0.78	1.08 ± 0.56
(Z → νν)γγ	0.15 ± 0.08	0.27 ± 0.13
Expected background events	3.7 ± 1.1	2.05 <sup>+0.65</sup> <sub>-0.63</sub>
Observed events	6	1



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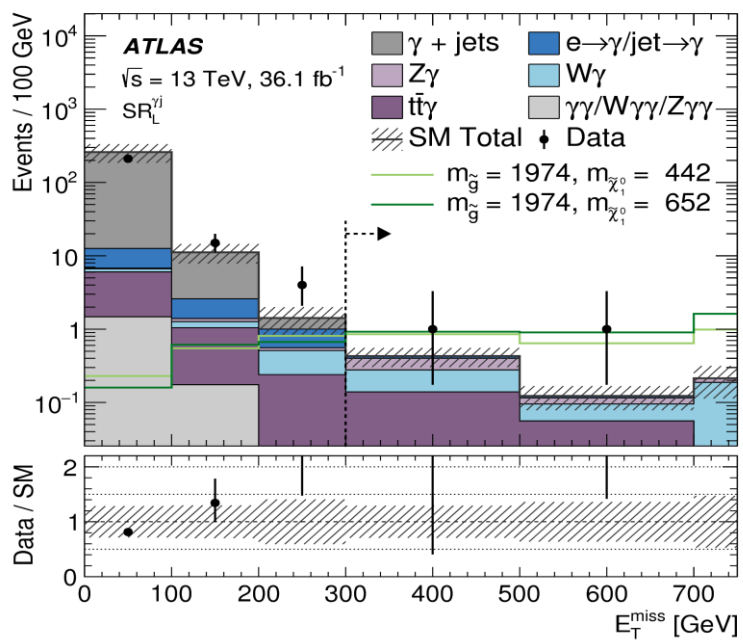
- Lower production cross section: somewhat more challenging to separate from backgrounds
- Can benefit from increased statistics

# GMSB: Can you find it with just one photon?



- Mixed NLSP can lead to limited  $\gamma$  production
- High backgrounds in single-photon samples
- Suppress with large MET, extensive jet activity
- Becomes model specific (models provide more discriminators, at cost of generality)
- Possibility of missing signals (ideas needed!)

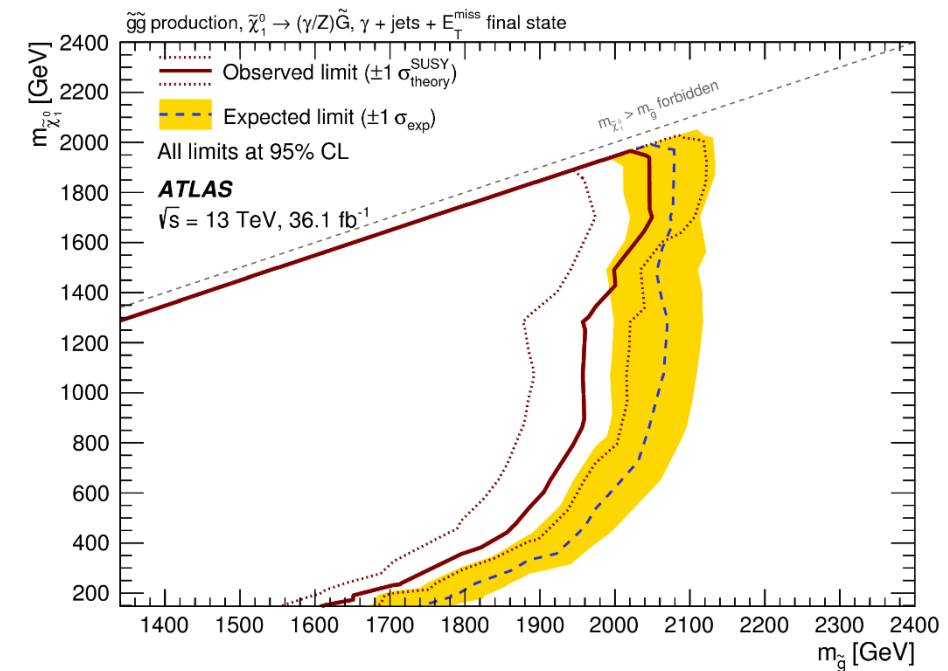
Signal Region	$SR_{L200}^{\gamma j}$	$SR_H^{\gamma j}$
Number of photons	$\geq 1$	$\geq 1$
$E_T^\gamma$ [GeV]	$> 145$	$> 400$
Number of jets	$\geq 5$	$\geq 3$
Number of leptons	0	0
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$> 200$	$> 400$
$H_T$ [GeV]	...	...
$m_{\text{eff}}$ [GeV]	$> 2000$	$> 2400$
$R_T^A$	$< 0.90$	...
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\text{jet}, E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$> 0.4$	$> 0.4$
$\Delta\phi_{\text{min}}(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ ( $\Delta\phi(\gamma, E_T^{\text{miss}})$ )	$(> 0.4)$	$(> 0.4)$



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- After all other cuts, look for signal at high  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- Small excess observed

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# Or: Single Photon, but Paired to Form Exotic Resonance



- De-excitation of excited strong states can be reconstructed as relatively narrow states (“ $\gamma$ -jet resonance”)
- Excited composite quarks ( $q^* \rightarrow q\gamma$ )
- Kaluza-Klein de-excitation
- Set limits on compositeness scale  $\Lambda$  or size of extra dimensions

Particle-level selection for fiducial region

Photon :  $E_T^\gamma > 150$  GeV,  $|\eta^\gamma| < 1.37$

Jet :  $p_T^{\text{jet}} > 60$  GeV,  $|\eta^{\text{jet}}| < 4.5$

Photon–Jet  $\eta$  separation :  $|\Delta\eta_{\gamma j}| < 1.6$

No jet with  $p_T^{\text{jet}} > 30$  GeV within  $\Delta R < 0.8$  around the photon

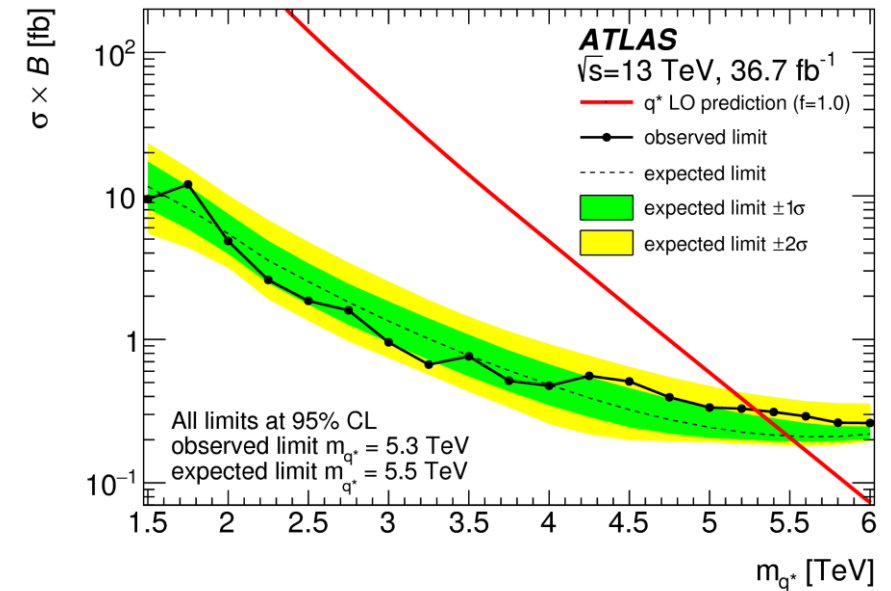
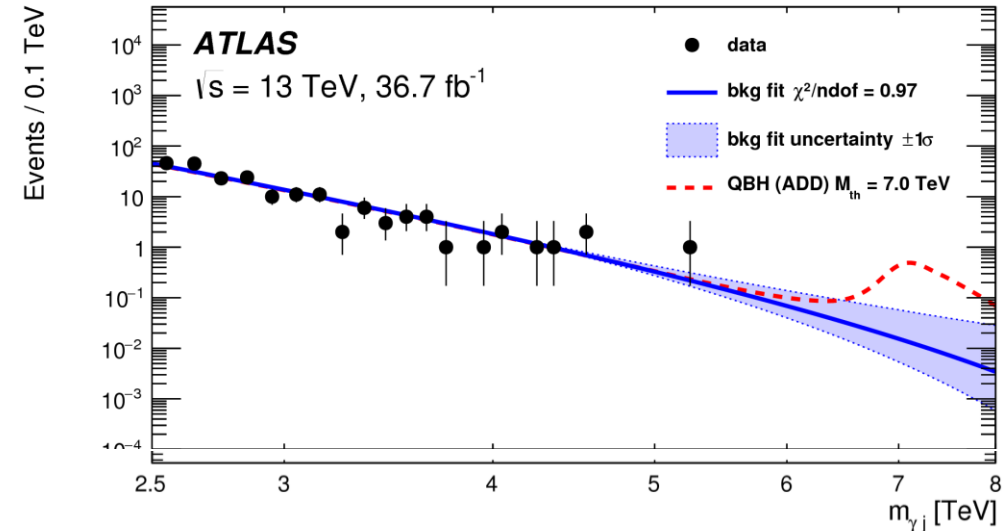
Detector-level selection for selection efficiency

Tight photon identification

Photon isolation

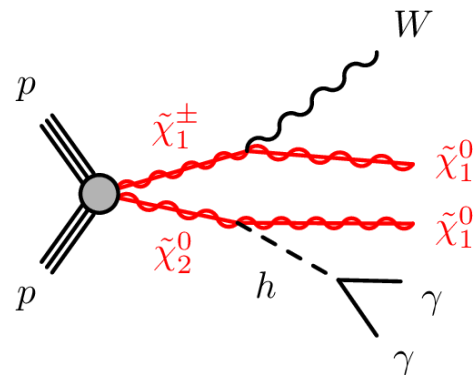
Jet identification including quality and pile-up rejection requirements

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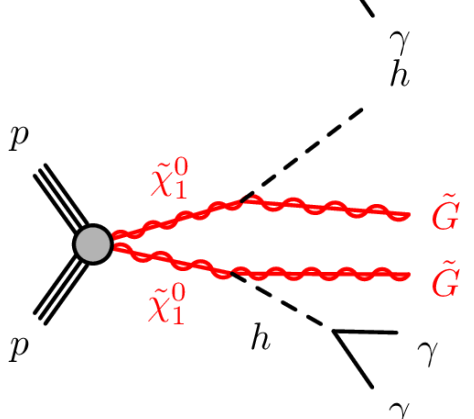
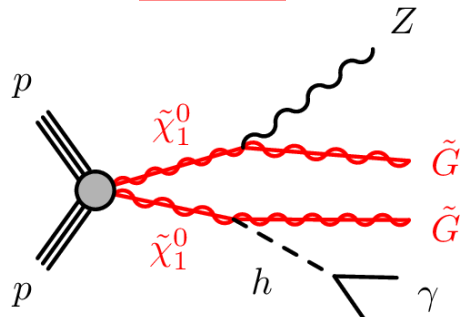




# SUSY: $\chi_2^0 \chi_1^\pm$ production; $\chi_1^\pm \rightarrow W \chi_1^0$ and $\chi_2^0 \rightarrow h \chi_1^0$ ; $h \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



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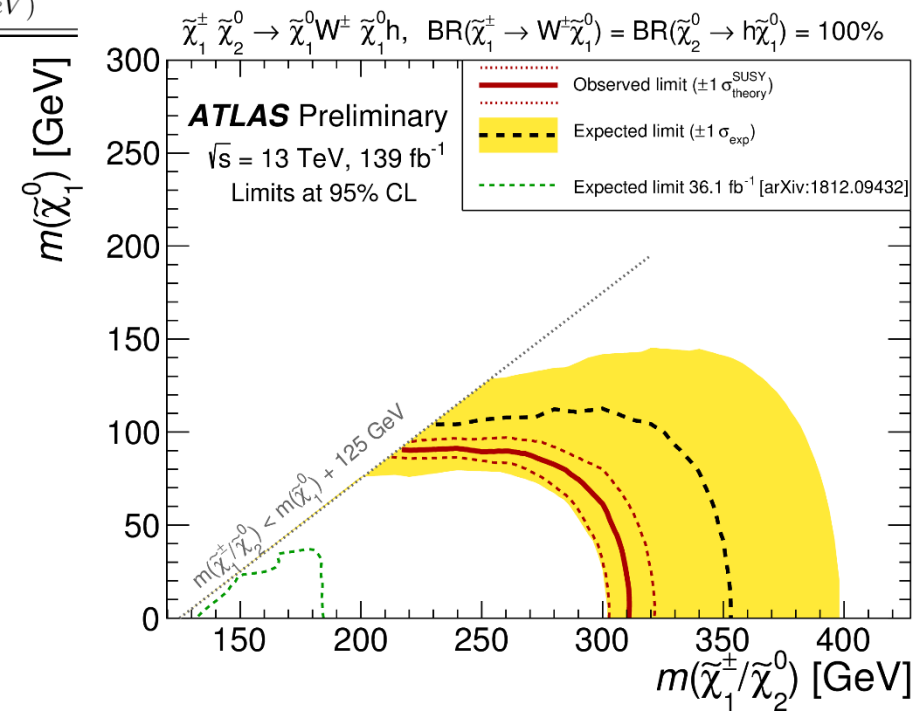
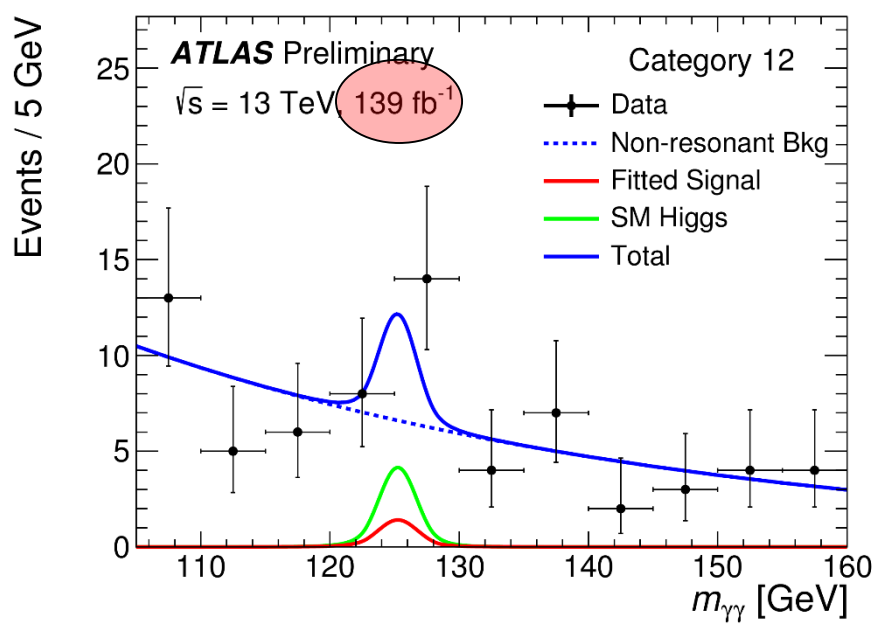


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Channels	Names	Selection
Leptonic	Category 1	$0 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 2, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 2	$2 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 4, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 3	$4 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 6, N_\ell \geq 1$
	Category 4	$S_{E_T^{miss}} > 6, N_\ell \geq 1$
Hadronic	Category 5	$5 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 6, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 6	$6 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 7, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 7	$7 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
	Category 8	$S_{E_T^{miss}} > 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \in [40, 120] \text{ GeV}$
Rest	Category 9	$6 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 7, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $(N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV})$
	Category 10	$7 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 8, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $(N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV})$
	Category 11	$8 < S_{E_T^{miss}} \leq 9, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $(N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV})$
	Category 12	$S_{E_T^{miss}} > 9, N_\ell = 0, N_j < 2$ or $(N_j \geq 2, M_{jj} \notin [40, 120] \text{ GeV})$

- Good examples of an Intermediate Higgs channel
- Main (continuum) background constrained by sidebands

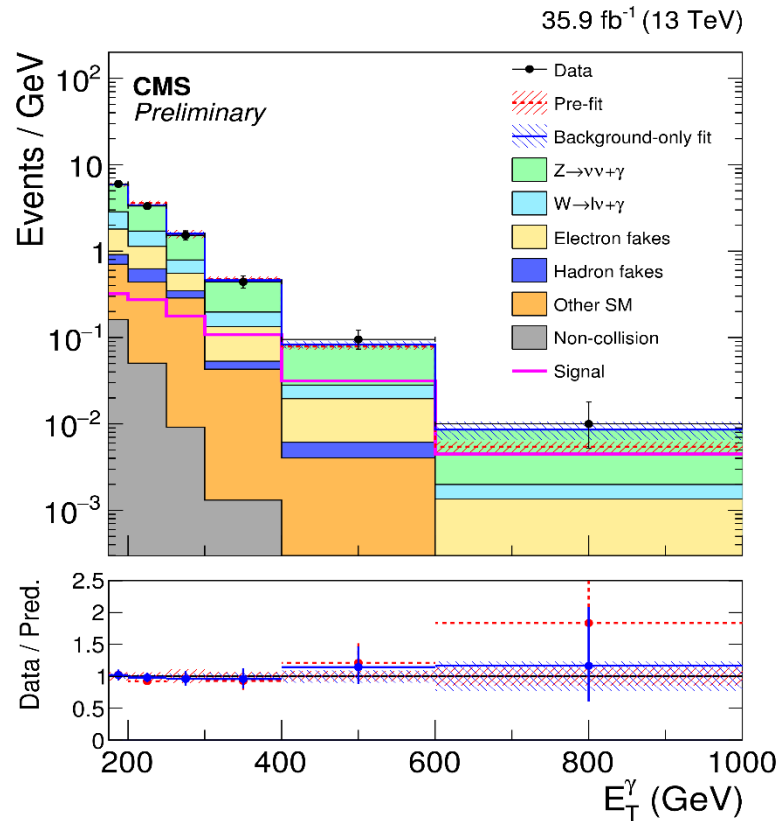
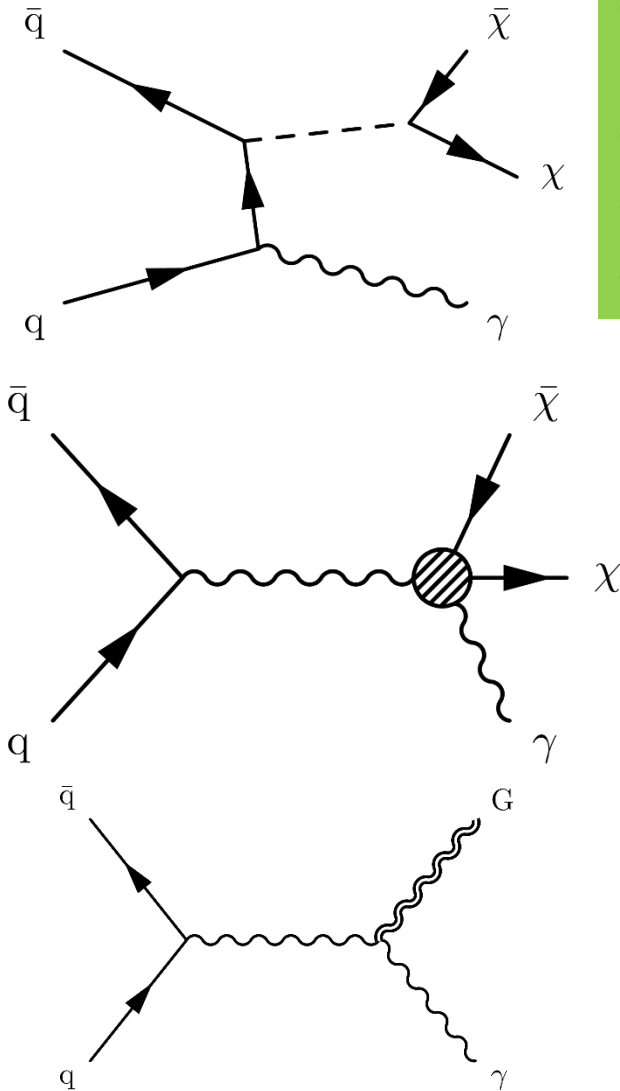
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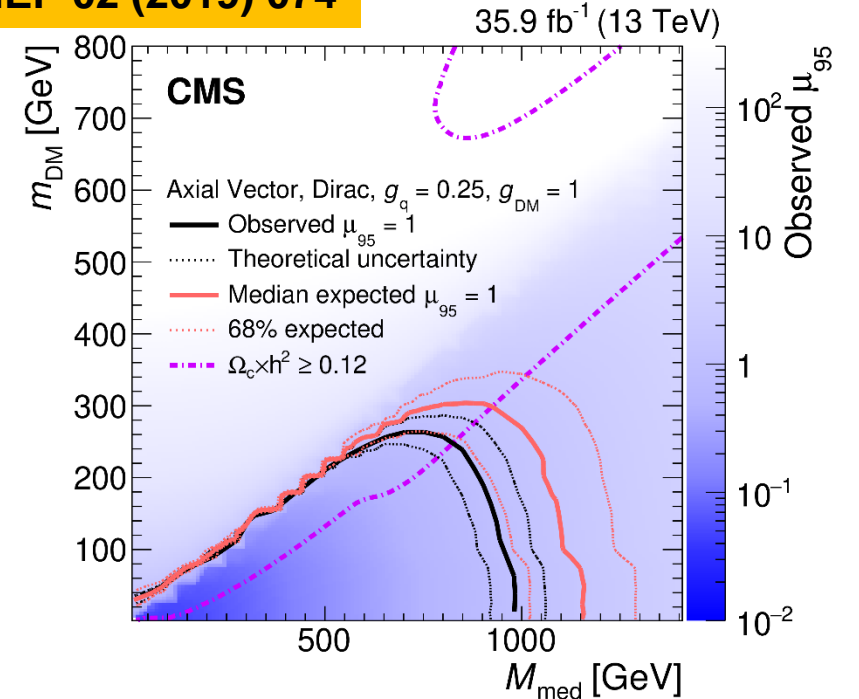


# Monophoton: Generic Production of Invisible States

- Produced state is invisible; can only be detected in recoil against SM parton (photon, jet)
- Photons produced via ISR, or in effective contact interaction
- Recoil produces significant  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 170$ ,  $E_T^\gamma > 175$ , and  $E_T^\gamma / E_T^{\text{miss}} < 1.4$  to protect against mis-measurement



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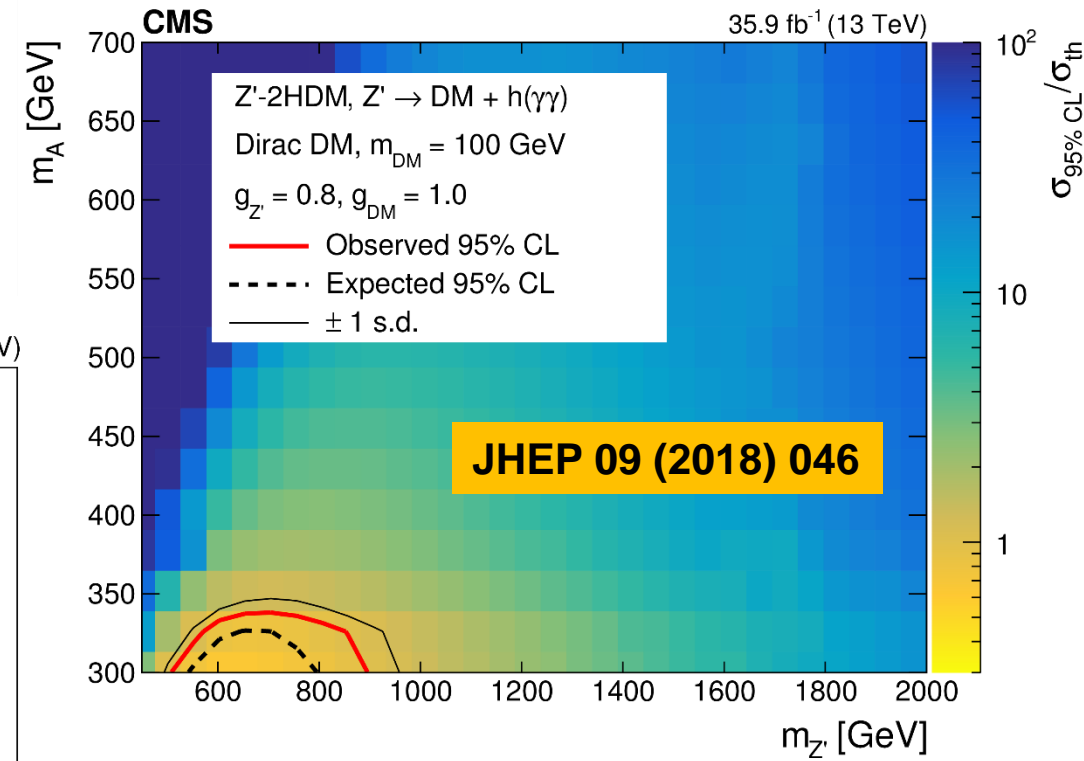
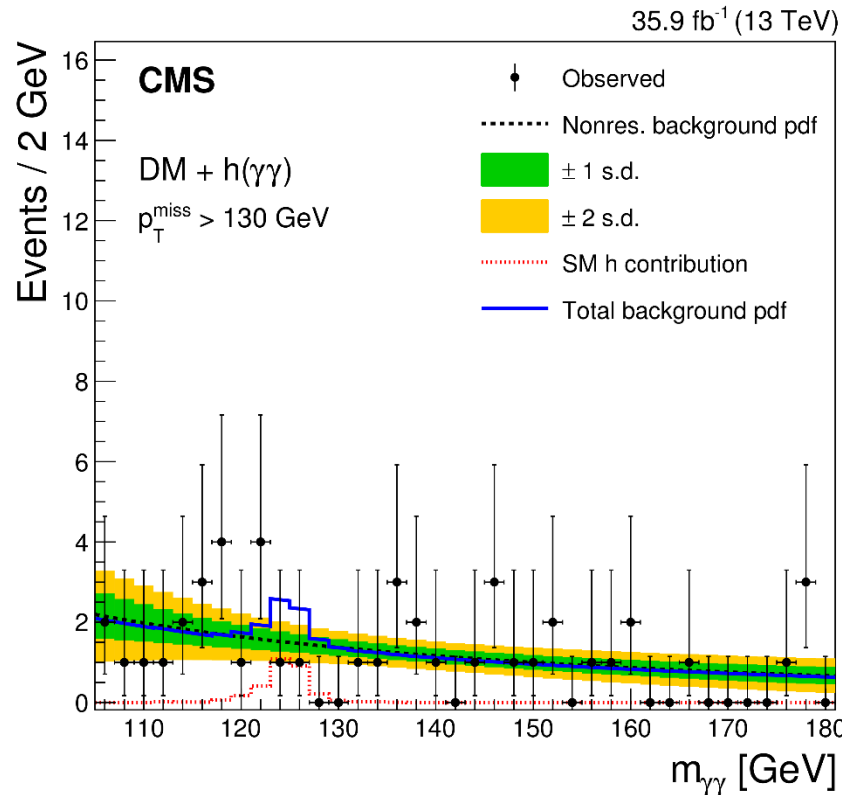
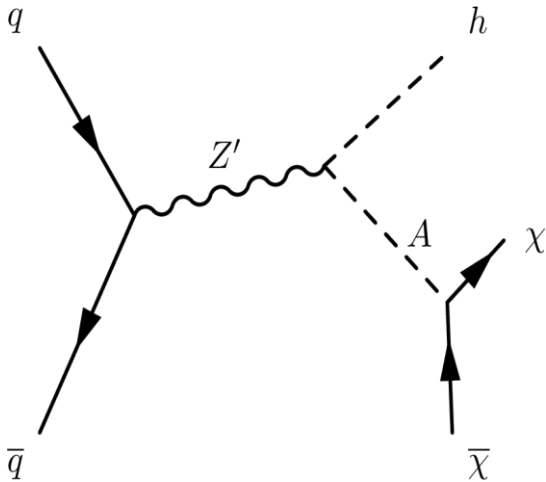
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# Higgstrahlung: Another Use of Photons in DM Searches



- Radiative search, but with two photons forming  $h_{125}$
- Very low backgrounds
- Pay price of branching rate ( $\sim 2 \times 10^{-3}$ )



Most sensitive analysis for low-mass  $Z'$  propagator



# Anomalous Couplings (First, $Q^2 = 0$ ; proton moment $\mu_p$ )



$$\mu_N = \frac{e}{2m_N}$$

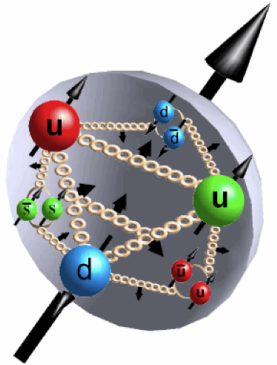
Nuclear magneton  $\mu_N$  arises for point-like states (pre-1950s proton) in the Dirac theory, but:

$$\mu_p = \mu_{\text{measured}} = 2.793 \mu_N$$

$$|p\rangle = \text{act on } uud = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ (\sigma_{Nz}) (2m_s) + (\sigma_{Nz}) (2m_A) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \left| \begin{aligned} &2u\uparrow u\uparrow d\downarrow + 2d\downarrow u\uparrow u\uparrow + 2u\uparrow d\downarrow u\uparrow \\ &- u\downarrow u\uparrow d\uparrow - u\uparrow u\downarrow d\uparrow - d\uparrow u\uparrow u\downarrow \\ &- d\uparrow u\downarrow u\uparrow - u\downarrow d\uparrow u\uparrow - u\uparrow d\uparrow u\downarrow \end{aligned} \right\rangle$$

But there's more going on... **new physics** leads to **anomalous photonic couplings** that provide essential clues to the deeper understanding of nature (e.g. SU(3) quark model)



$$\mu_p = \frac{1}{3} (4\mu_u - \mu_d) = 2.79 \mu_N \quad \mu_{\text{measured}} = 2.793 \mu_N$$

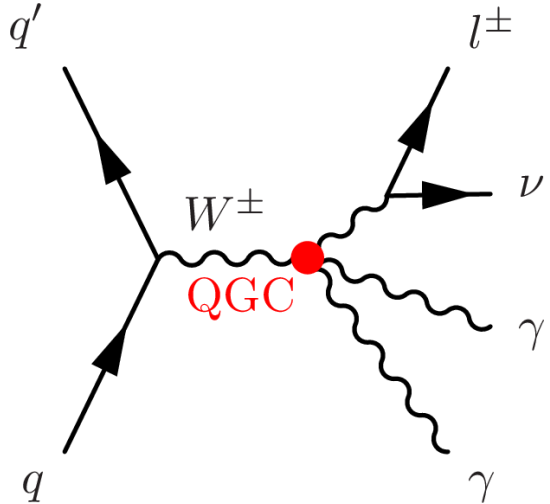
Proton's SU(3)  
Wavefunction



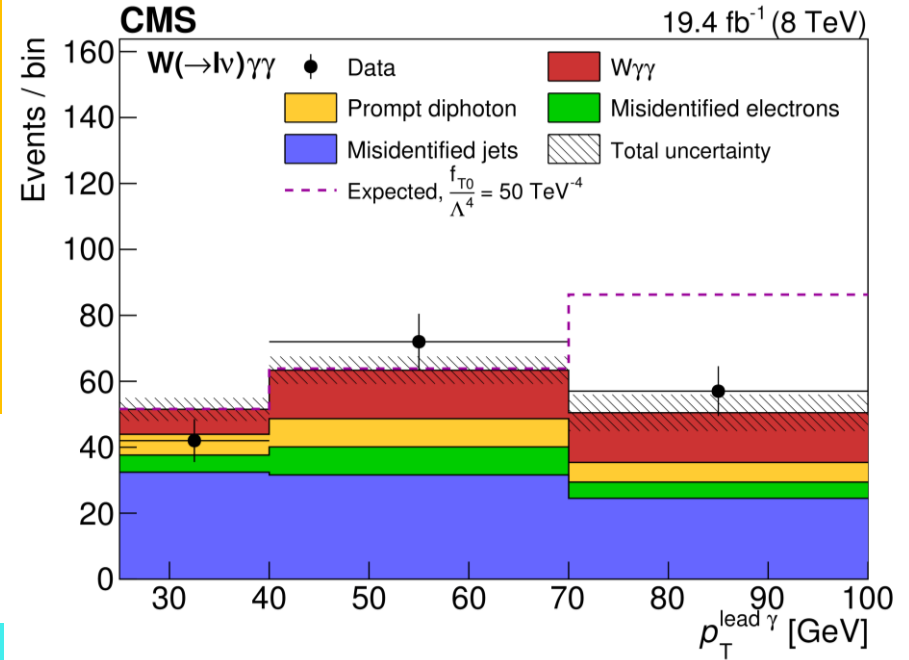
REMARKABLE!



# Radiative Behavior (Anomalous Couplings at $Q^2 > 0$ )



- Anomalous couplings change the rate of photon emission (“radiation”) by SM objects
- Substructure, non-standard quantum numbers, new forces



## Definition of $W^\pm\gamma\gamma$ Fiducial Region

$$p_T^\gamma > 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta^\gamma| < 2.5$$

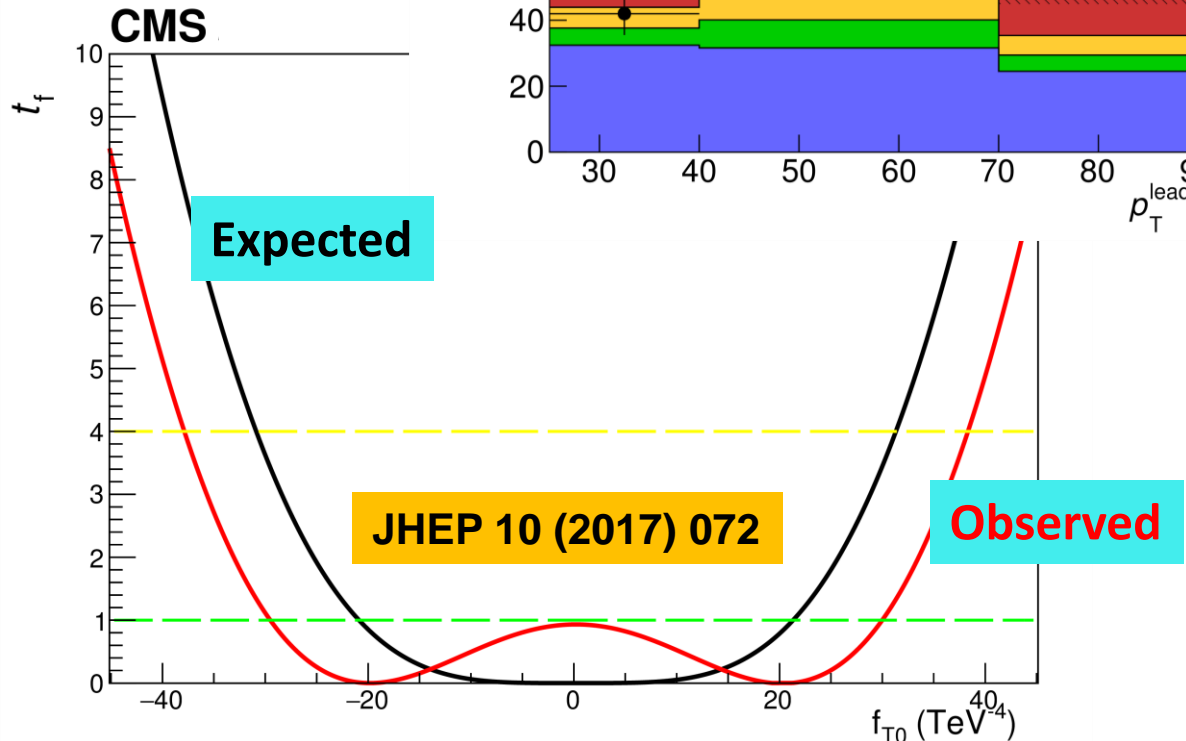
$$p_T^\ell > 25 \text{ GeV}, |\eta^\ell| < 2.5$$

Exactly one candidate muon and two candidate photons

$$m_T(\ell, \nu(s)) > 40 \text{ GeV}$$

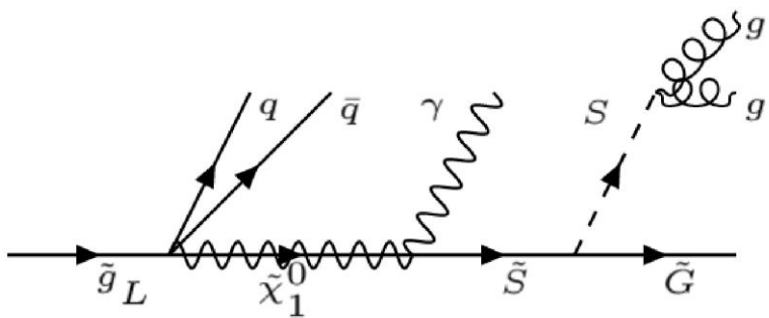
$$\Delta R(\gamma, \gamma) > 0.4 \text{ and } \Delta R(\gamma, \ell) > 0.4$$

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# “Stealth” SUSY with Non-Isolated Photons

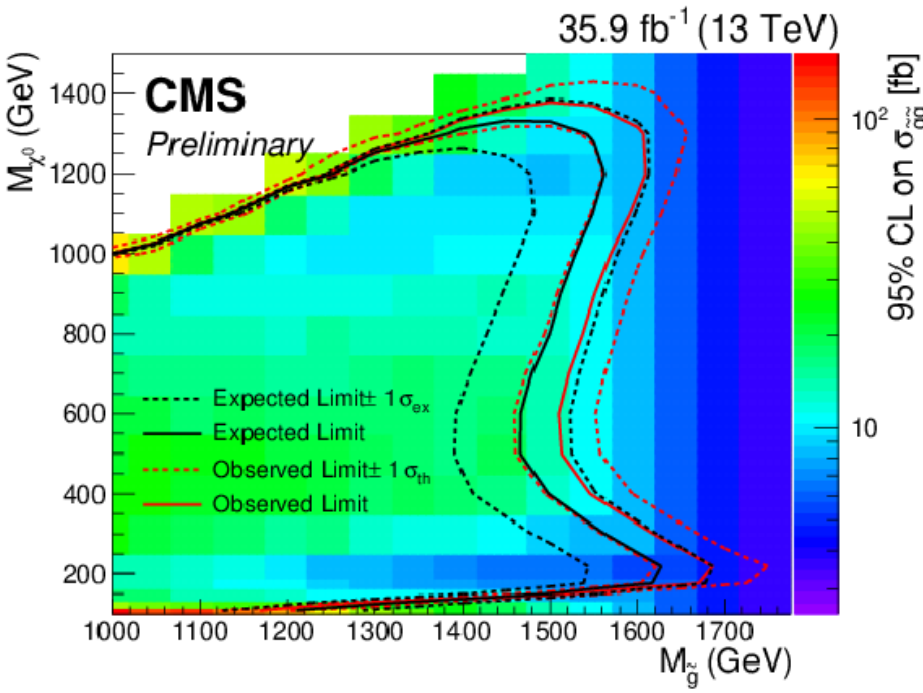
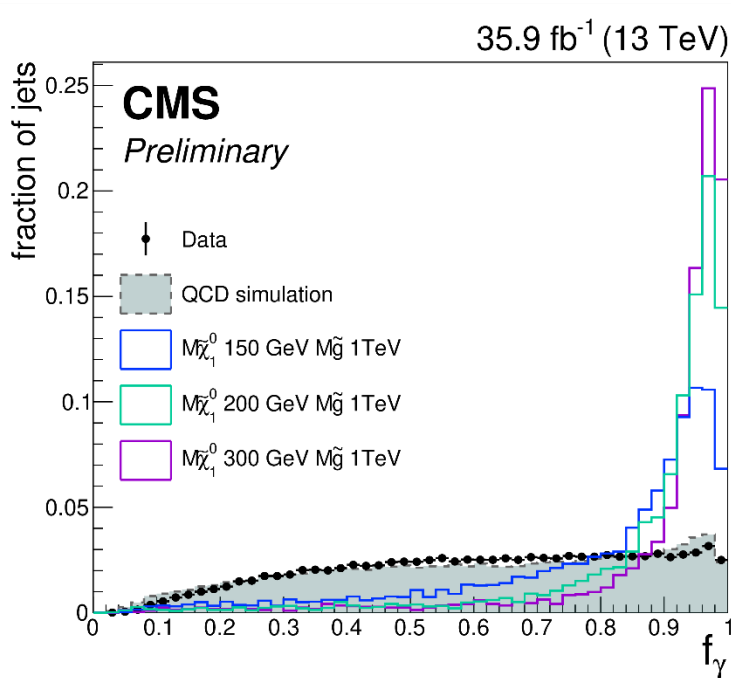


$S, \tilde{S}$  are lightly-couple, degenerate hidden sector bosons

→  $\tilde{G}$  produced with little momentum, so event has limited missing energy

Photon buried in jet → challenging, requires sophisticated jet substructure tools

- 3+ jets
- One subjet with high photon energy fraction  $f_\gamma$
- Large total visible energy ( $H_T \sim 2$  TeV)



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**PHOTONS** offer a clean, powerful and often low-background approach to searching for new physics

Their **unique, relatively strong coupling** to SM fermions and bosons allow for the development of many promising signatures, motivated by some of the most promising BSM hypothesis (especially SUSY)

The **intermediate Higgs channels**, while suffering a bit from the low  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  branching fraction, offer a clean approach with excellent control of backgrounds that competes well with and complements other approaches.

Some of the **highest-mass limits** are established with photonic searches ( $M_{\tilde{g}} > 2200$  GeV in bino-like NLSP scenario)

**Subtle signatures** that might hold the key to breakthrough discoveries (e.g. Stealth SUSY) **remain under development!**

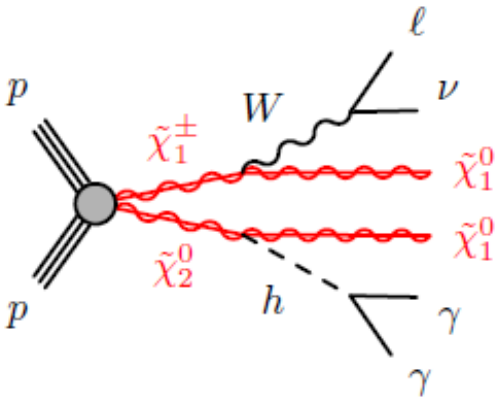
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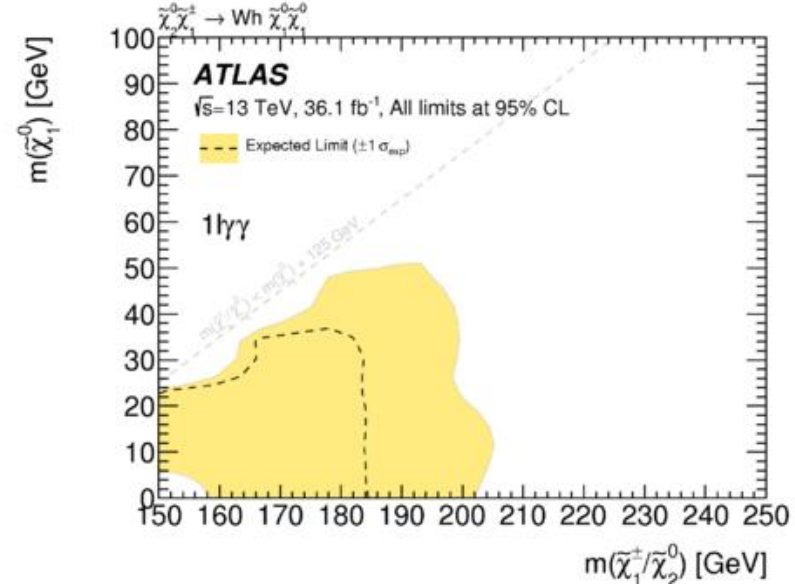
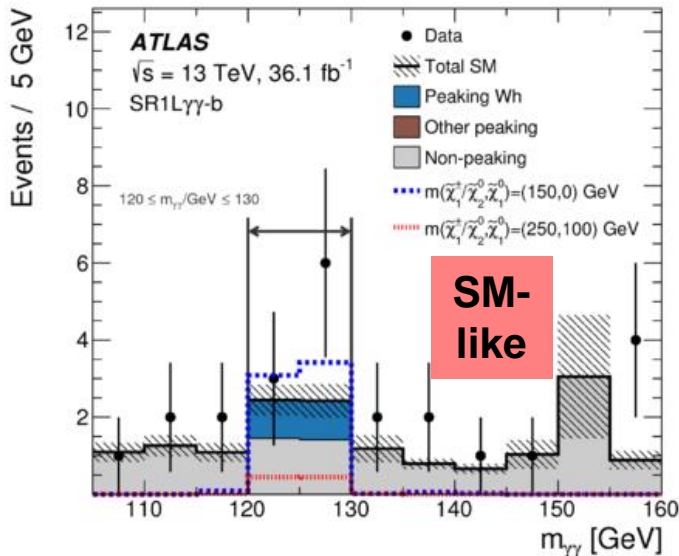
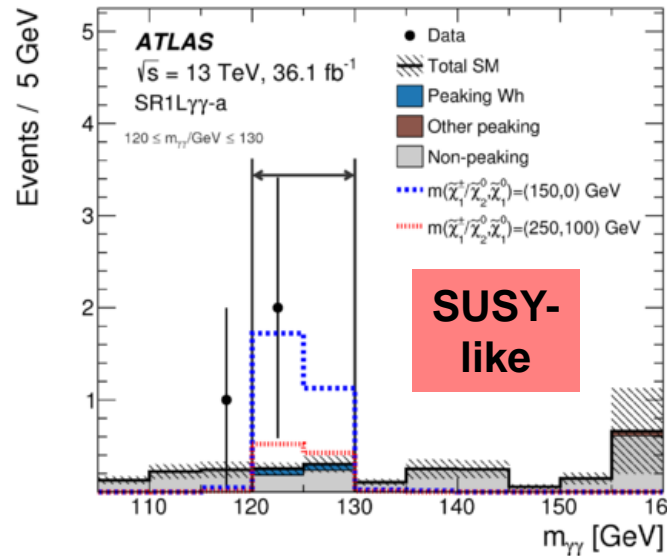
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Variable	SR1L $\gamma\gamma$ -a	SR1L $\gamma\gamma$ -b
$N_\gamma$		= 2
$p_T^\gamma$ [GeV]		> (40, 31)
$N_{\text{lepton}}$		= 1
$p_T^\ell$ [GeV]		> 25
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]		> 40
$\Delta\phi_{W,h}$		> 2.25
$m_{\gamma\gamma}$ [GeV]	<b>SUSY-like</b>	<b>SM-like</b>
$N_{b\text{-jet}} (p_T > 30 \text{ GeV})$		= 0
$m_T^{W\gamma_1}$ [GeV]		$\geq 150$
$m_T^{W\gamma_2}$ [GeV]	> 140	$\in [80, 140]$
$m_T$ [GeV]	> 110	< 110

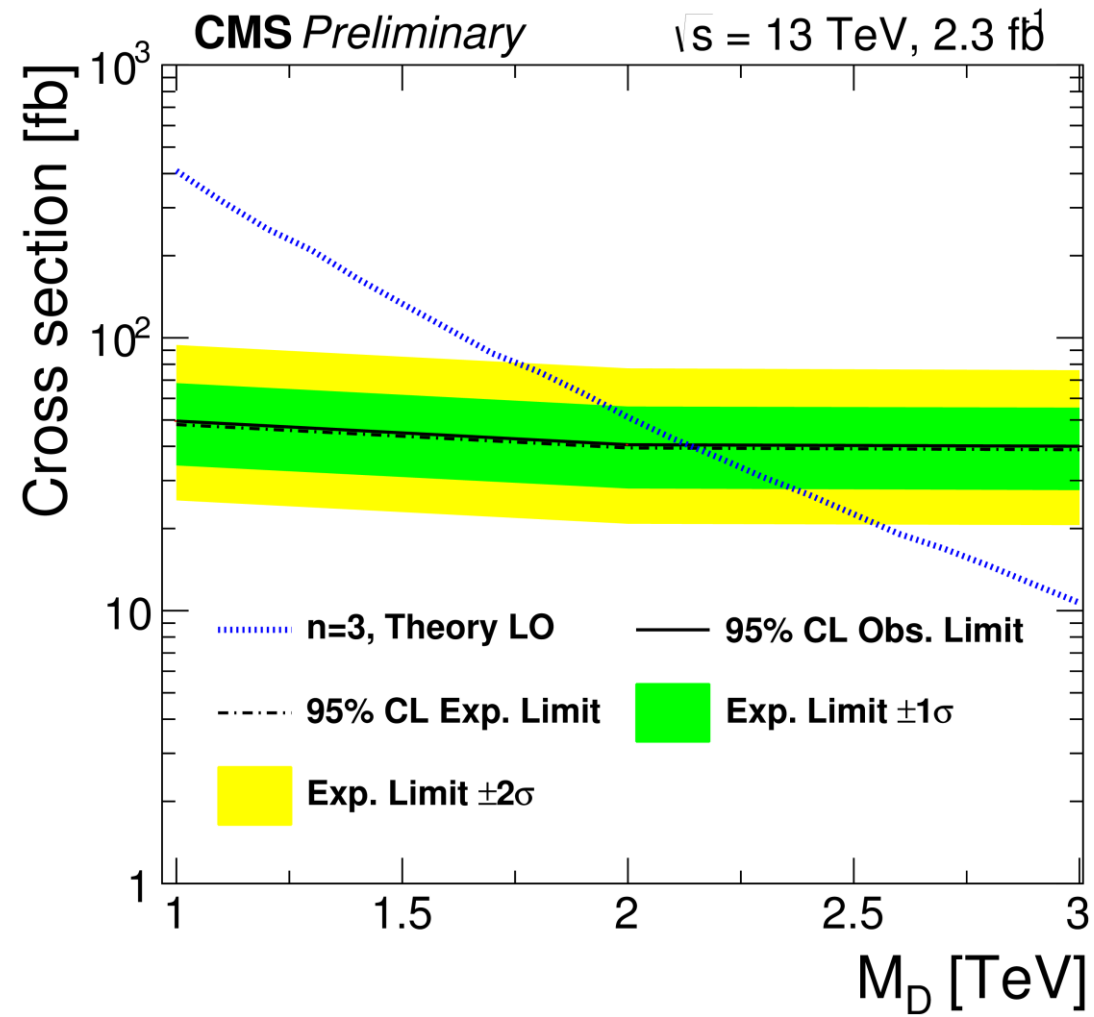
- Good examples of an Intermediate Higgs channel
- Main (continuum) background constrained by sidebands
- Fake lepton background removed by requiring l- $\gamma\gamma$  vertex consistency

arXiv:1812.09432; Submitted to Phys. Rev.D

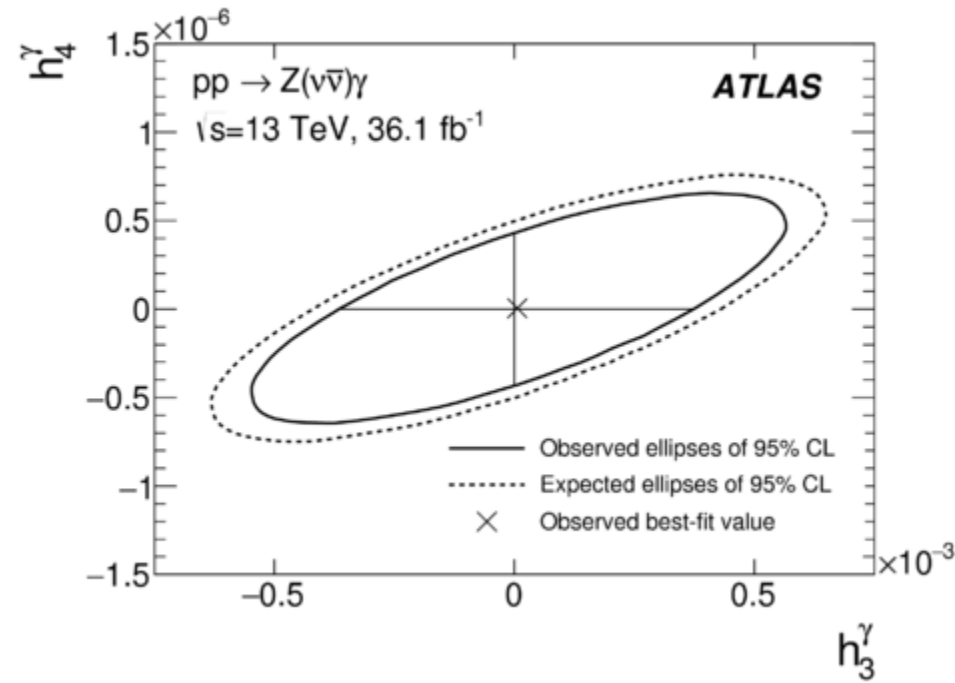
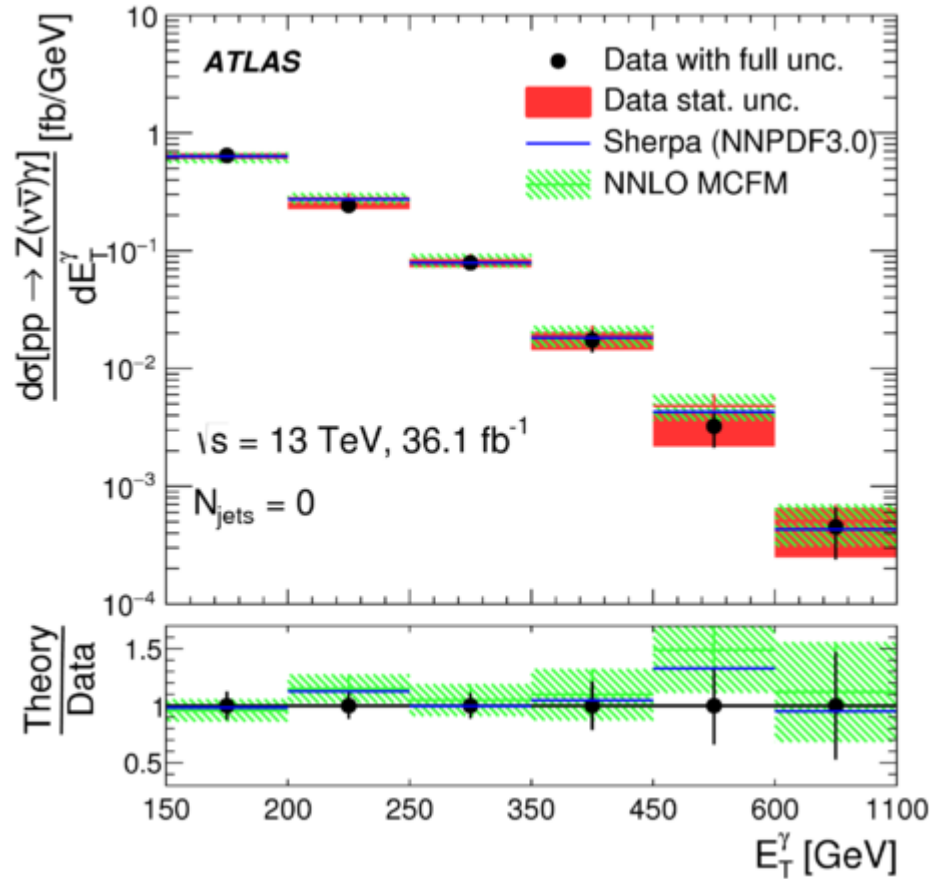
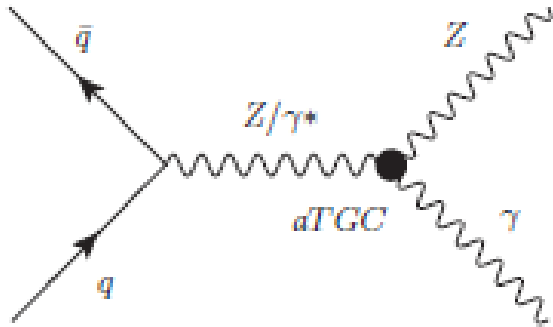


Small excess observed; update soon!





# Radiative Behavior (Anomalous Couplings at $Q^2 > 0$ )





## CMS SUSY:

<http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/SUS/index.html>

And then just click on the link for final states with photons

CMS mainstream photon Moriond result: [arXiv:1903.07070](https://arxiv.org/abs/1903.07070)

## CMS Exotica

<http://cms-results.web.cern.ch/cms-results/public-results/publications/EXO/index.html>

11 results with “photon” in title

## ATLAS: Just see

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic>

And search for “photon” results. Note there’s no SUSY selector (?!) so just search for all photon results.

Pseuso-Goldstini analysis (Dodsworth): Nov 12 Photons+X meeting (no ref for model though; but I dug up <https://arxiv.org/abs/1312.1698>)

Higgs decays to neutralinos (Khilesh): see Nov 22 2017 meeting in OLD groupings of meetings.  
References on signal model page.

