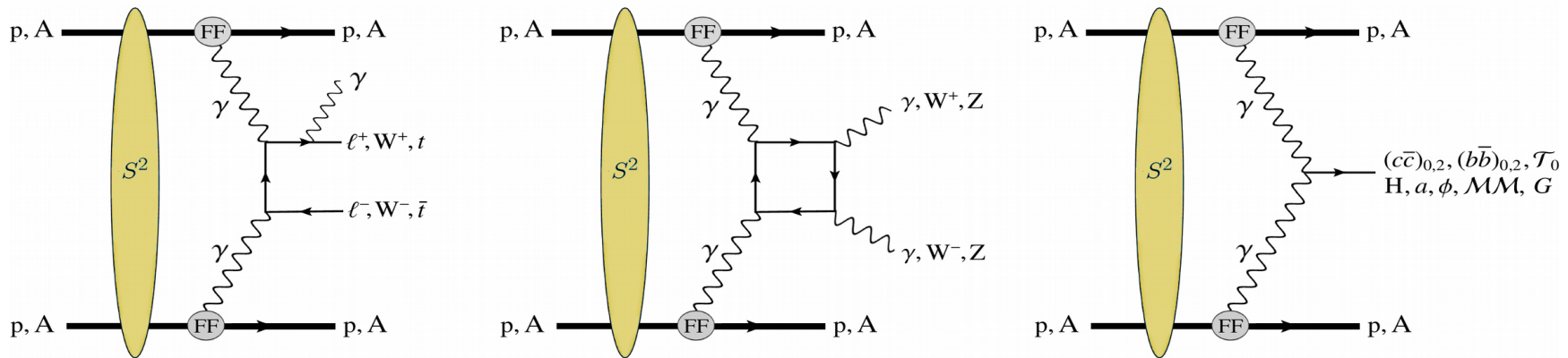


Photon-photon collisions with gamma-UPC

Workshop on the modeling of photon-induced processes

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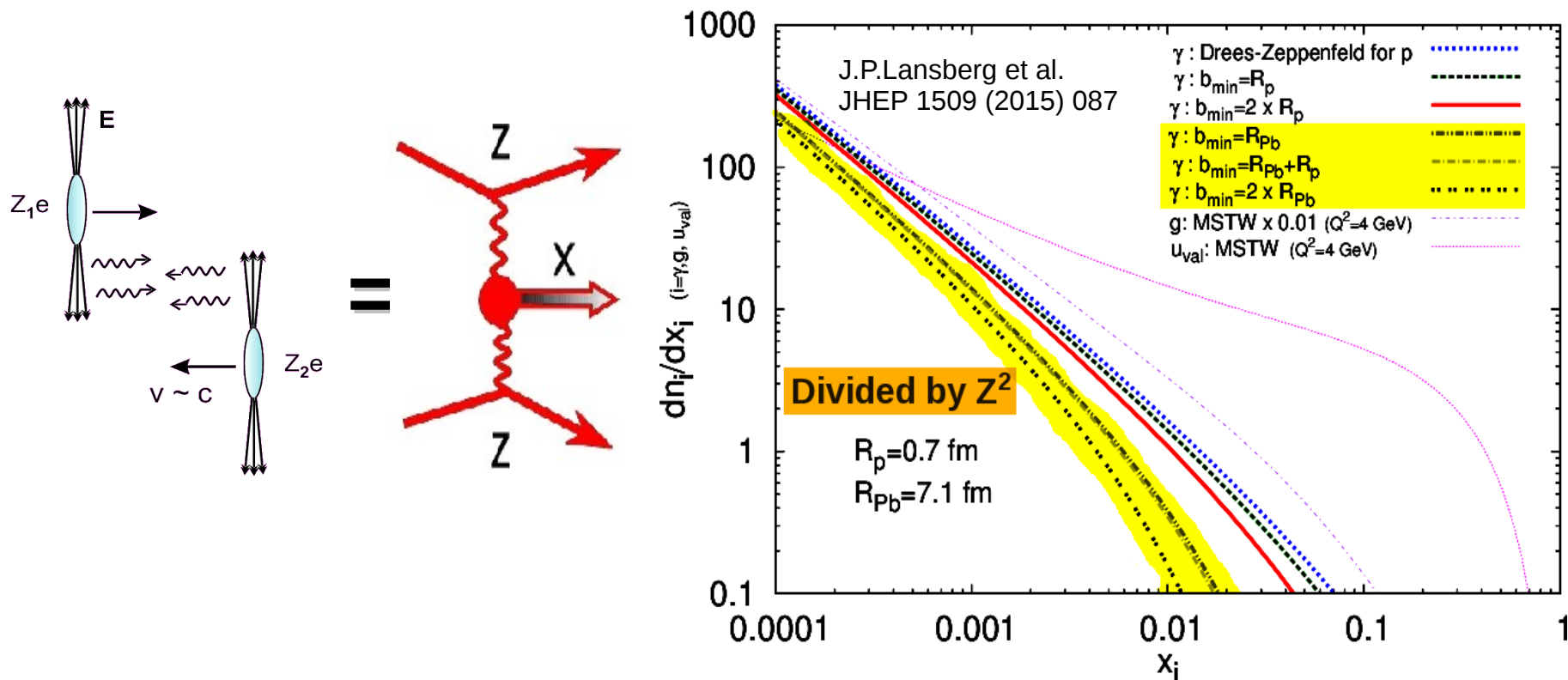


gamma-UPC: <https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.03012> [JHEP 09 (2022) 248]

Plus: parametric uncertainties (with N. Crepet) & NLO-QED, to be submitted

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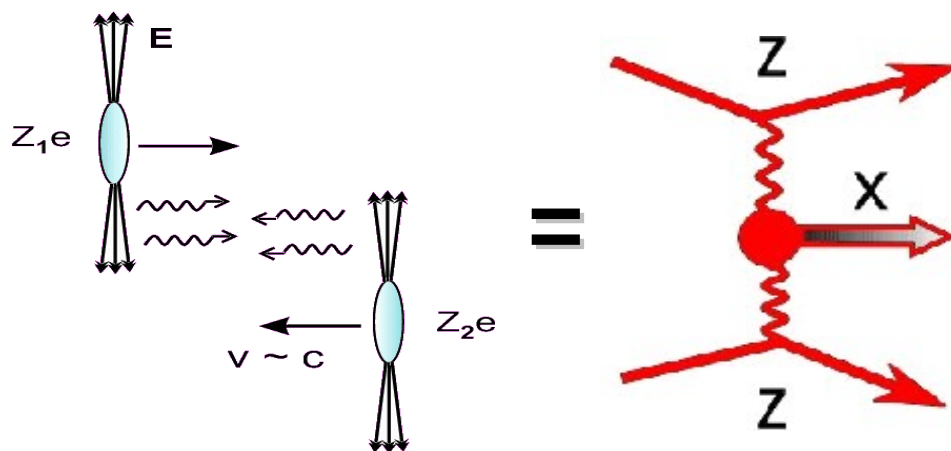


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■ **Huge photon fluxes:**
 $\sigma(\gamma\gamma) \sim Z^4$ ($\sim 5 \cdot 10^7$ for PbPb)
 times larger than p, e^\pm

■ **Beam-energy dependence:**
 Photon luminosities
 increase as $\propto \log^3(\sqrt{s})$

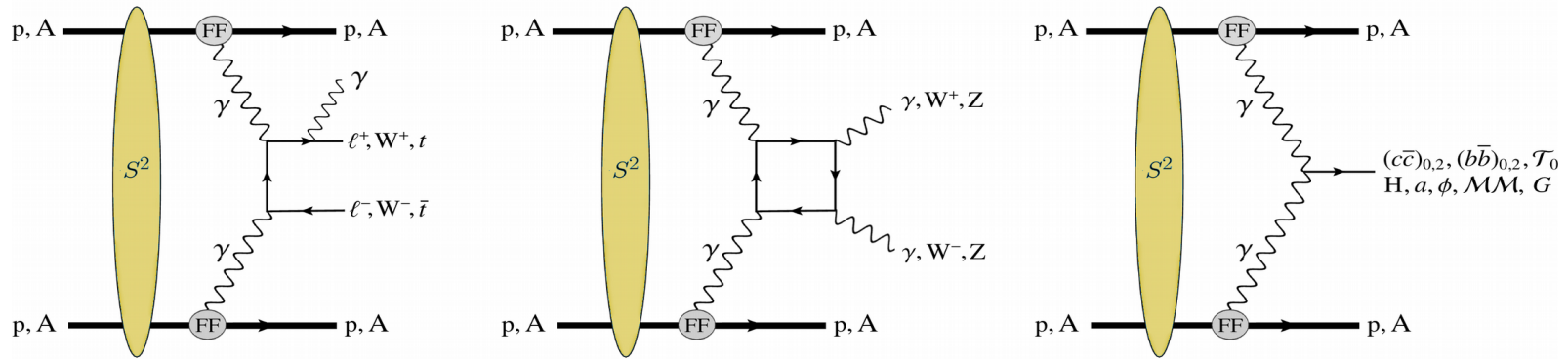
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Rich & unique (B)SM $\gamma\gamma$ physics with UPCs at LHC



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Process	Physics motivation
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-$	“Standard candles” for proton/nucleus γ fluxes, EPA calculations, and higher-order QED corrections
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	Anomalous τ lepton e.m. moments [29–32]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	aQGC [25], ALPs [27], BI QED [28], noncommut. interactions [36], extra dims. [37],...
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mathcal{T}_0$	Ditauonium properties (heaviest QED bound state) [38, 39]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow (c\bar{c})_{0,2}, (b\bar{b})_{0,2}$	Properties of scalar and tensor charmonia and bottomonia [40, 41]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow XYZ$	Properties of spin-even XYZ heavy-quark exotic states [42]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow VM VM$	(with VM = $\rho, \omega, \phi, J/\psi, \Upsilon$): BFKL-Pomeron dynamics [43–46]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-, ZZ, Z\gamma, \dots$	anomalous quartic gauge couplings [11, 26, 47, 48]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow H$	Higgs- γ coupling, total H width [49, 50]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow HH$	Higgs potential [51], quartic $\gamma\gamma HH$ coupling
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	anomalous top-quark e.m. couplings [11, 49]
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tilde{\ell}\tilde{\ell}, \tilde{\chi}^+\tilde{\chi}^-, H^{++}H^{--}$	SUSY pairs: slepton [11, 52, 53], chargino [11, 54], doubly-charged Higgs bosons [11, 55].
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow a, \phi, MM, G$	ALPs [27, 56], radions [57], monopoles [58–61], gravitons [62–64],...

Existing dedicated $\gamma\gamma$ MC event generators

- So far dedicated MC event generators include only **hard-coded $\gamma\gamma$ processes**, LO QED/QCD only, no extra γ /gluon FSR, no generation of (“uninteresting”) **background** processes,...

STARlight

Two-Photon Channels	
Particle	Jetset ID
e^+e^- pair	11
$\mu^+\mu^-$ pair	13
$\tau^+\tau^-$ pair	15
$\tau^+\tau^-$ pair, polarized decay	10015*
ρ^0 pair	33
$a_2(1320)$ decayed by PYTHIA	115
η decayed by PYTHIA	221
$f_2(1270)$ decayed by PYTHIA	225
η' decayed by PYTHIA	331
$f_2(1525) \rightarrow K^+K^-(50\%), K^0\bar{K}^0(50\%)$	335
η_c decayed by PYTHIA	441
$f_0(980)$ decayed by PYTHIA	9010221

SuperChic

Two-photon collisions	
55	$W^+(\rightarrow \nu_l(8) + l^+(9)) + W^-(\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_l(10) + l^-(11))$
56	$e^+(6) + e^-(7)$
57	$\mu^+(6) + \mu^-(7)$
58	$\tau^+(6) + \tau^-(7)$
59	$\gamma(6) + \gamma(7)$
60	$H(5) \rightarrow b(6) + \bar{b}(6)$
68	$a(5) \rightarrow \gamma(6) + \gamma(7)$
69	$M(5) \rightarrow \gamma(6) + \gamma(7)$ (Dirac Coupling)
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77	$\phi(5) \rightarrow \mu^+(6)\mu^-(7)$
78	$J/\psi(5) \rightarrow e^+(6)e^-(7)$
79	$\psi_{2S}(5) \rightarrow e^+(6)e^-(7)$

FPMC

IPROC	Description
16006	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ll$
16010	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$
16010	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$ beyond SM
16015	$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ZZ$ beyond SM

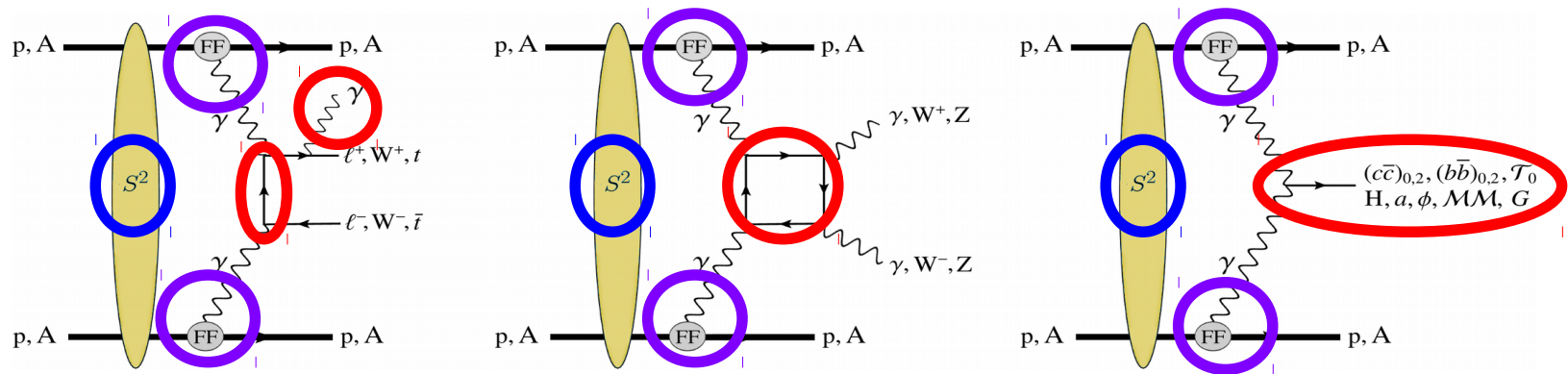
only pp UPC

UPCgen , LPAIR/CepGen

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gamma-UPC $\gamma\gamma$ MC event generator

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- **gamma-UPC** changes this: **Any arbitrary (B)SM & Quarkonia** matrix elements with **MG5@NLO & HelacOnia**, **N γ /gluon FSR** out-of-the-box, extendable to **NLO QCD/EW**, **LHE** output, **shower+hadroniz. via PS**, different **form factors (γ fluxes)** coded, **p-p,p-A,A-A (for any A) UPCs**,...



- **gamma-UPC key properties:**
 - 1) **Matrix elements:** **MG5@NLO & HelacOnia** (N γ /g FSR's, NLO QCD/EW)
 - 2) **p,A form factors:** Charge (ChFF) (and Electric Dipole, EDFF) γ fluxes
 - 3) **p,A survival probability:** Glauber-MC (and optical) based eikonal

$\gamma\gamma$ EPA cross sections & survival probability

■ Cross section:

$$\sigma(A B \xrightarrow{\gamma\gamma} A X B) = \int \frac{dE_{\gamma_1}}{E_{\gamma_1}} \frac{dE_{\gamma_2}}{E_{\gamma_2}} \frac{d^2 N_{\gamma_1/Z_1, \gamma_2/Z_2}^{(AB)}}{dE_{\gamma_1} dE_{\gamma_2}} \sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X}(W_{\gamma\gamma})$$

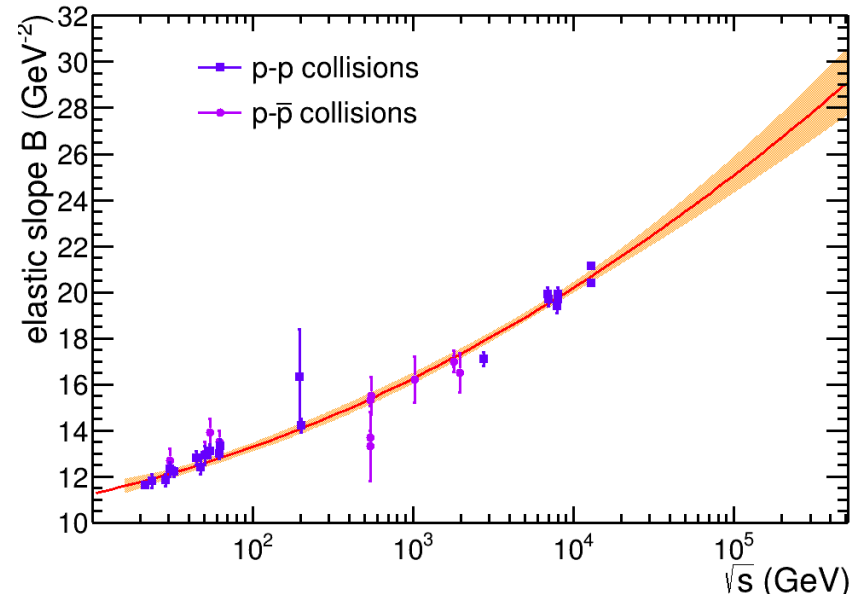
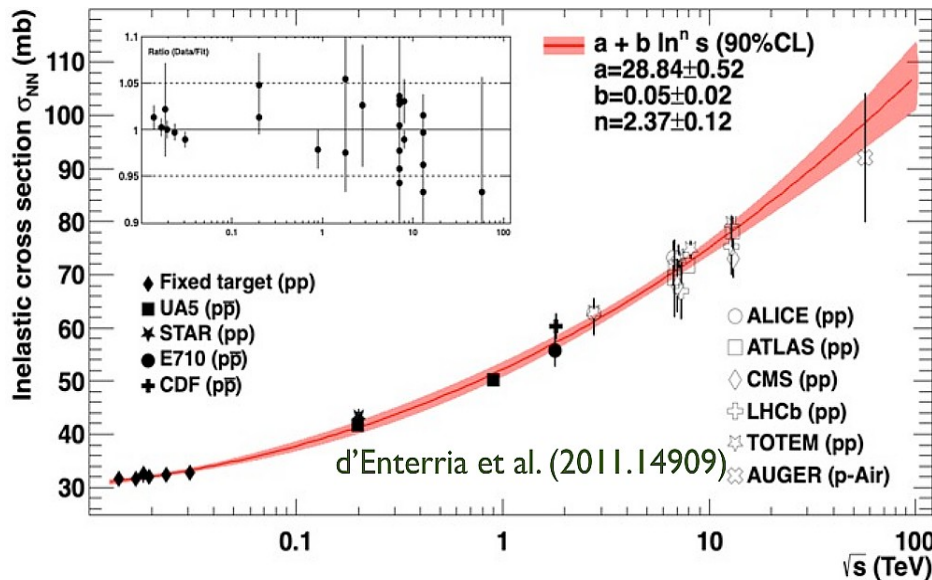
■ Effective two-photon luminosity:

$$\frac{d^2 N_{\gamma_1/Z_1, \gamma_2/Z_2}^{(AB)}}{dE_{\gamma_1} dE_{\gamma_2}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{b}_1 d^2 \mathbf{b}_2 P_{\text{no inel}}(|\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2|) N_{\gamma_1/Z_1}(E_{\gamma_1}, \mathbf{b}_1) N_{\gamma_2/Z_2}(E_{\gamma_2}, \mathbf{b}_2) \\ \times \theta(b_1 - \epsilon R_A) \theta(b_2 - \epsilon R_B)$$

■ No hadronic/inelastic interaction probability density:

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Parametrized proton
elastic slope data:



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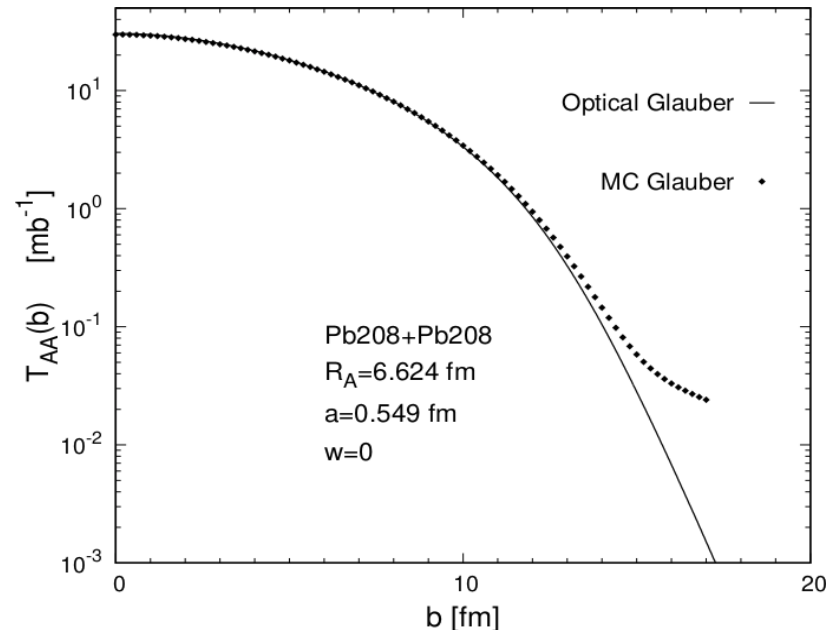
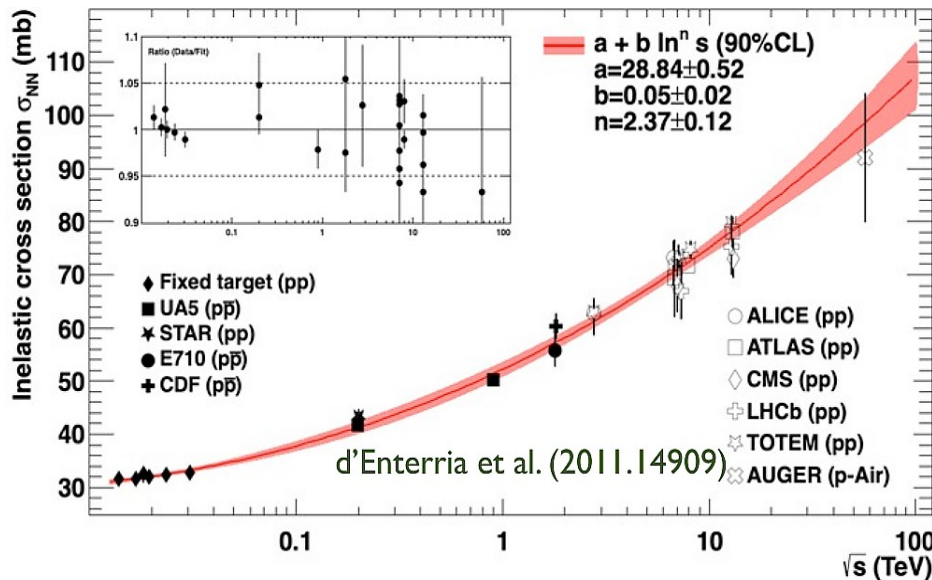
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nucleus-nucleus
proton-nucleus
p-p

$T_{AB}(b)$ overlap from
parametrized
Glauber MC:



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■ Average $|\vec{b}_1 - \vec{b}_2|$ vs. $m_{\gamma\gamma}$:

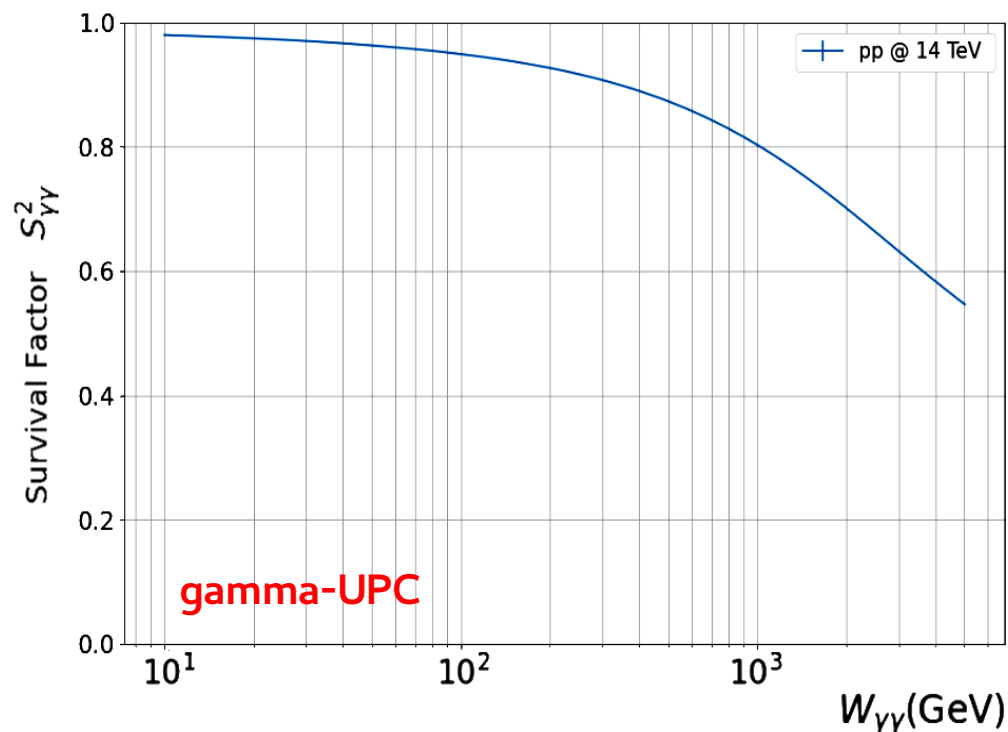
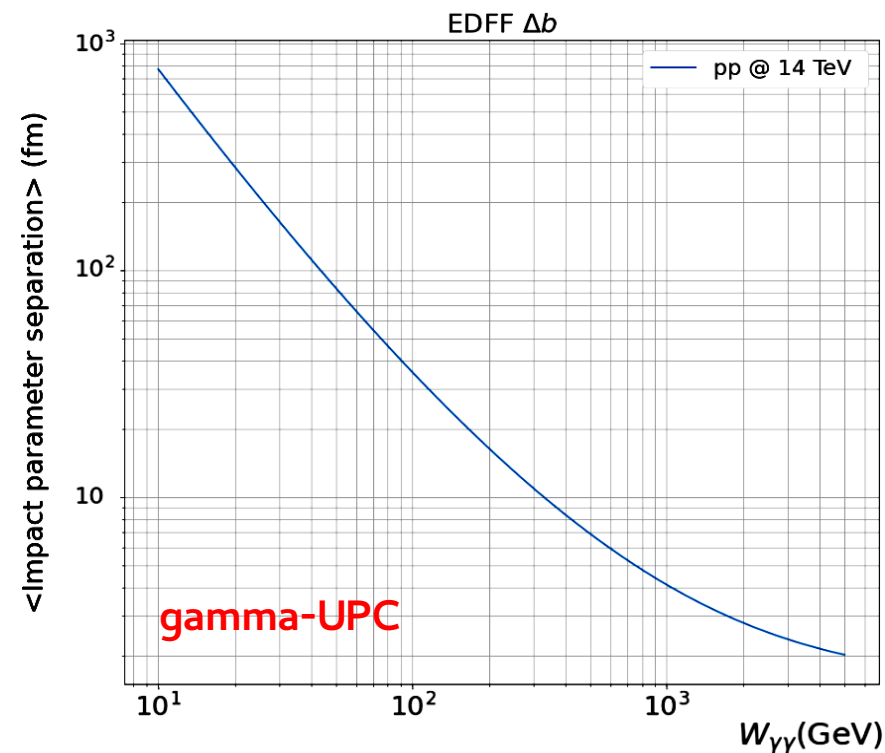
$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 50$ GeV: $\langle \Delta b \rangle > 100$ fm

$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 1$ TeV: $\langle \Delta b \rangle < 4$ fm

■ p-p survival probab. vs. $m_{\gamma\gamma}$:

$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 10$ GeV: $\langle P_{\text{non-overlap}} \rangle > 95\%$

$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 1$ TeV: $\langle P_{\text{non-overlap}} \rangle < 80\%$



How peripheral are Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC?

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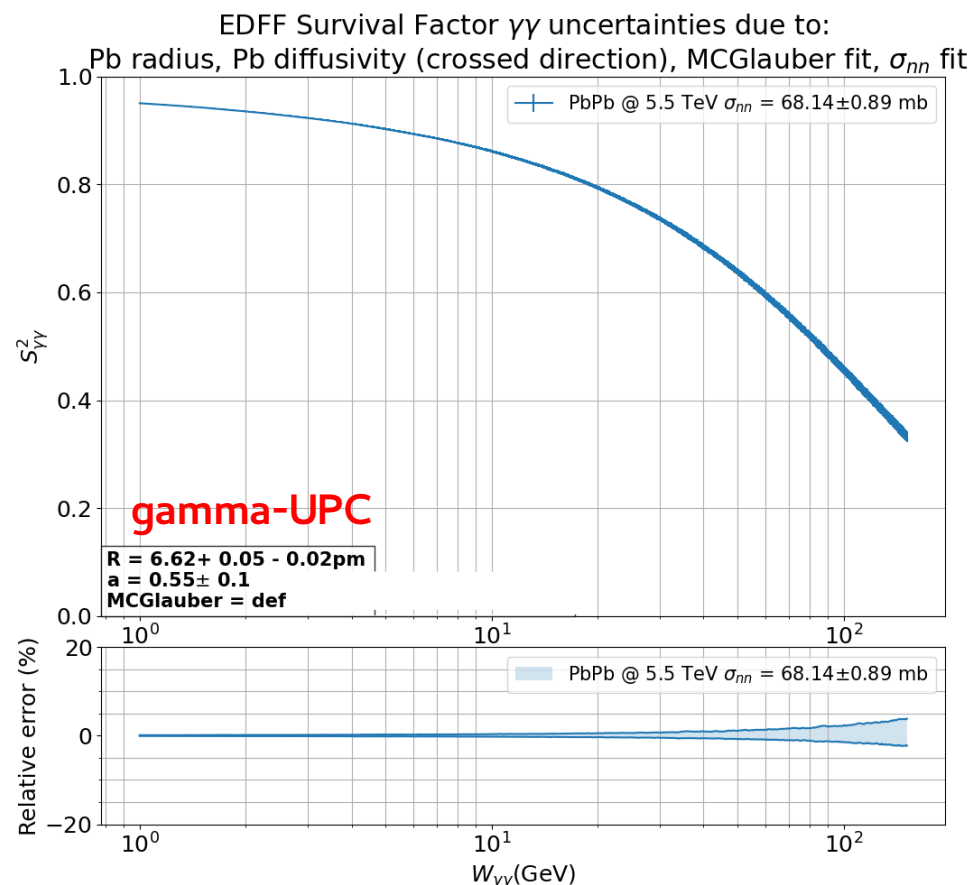
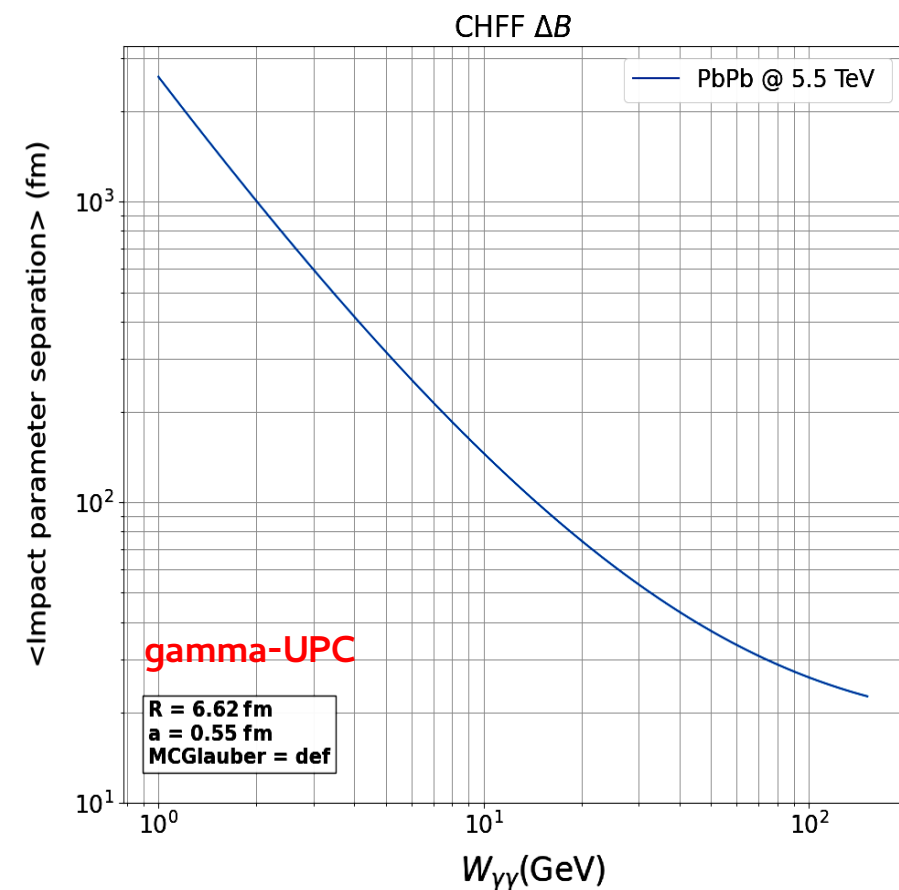
$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 5 \text{ GeV}$: $\langle \Delta b \rangle > 1000 \text{ fm}$

$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 100 \text{ GeV}$: $\langle \Delta b \rangle \sim 20 \text{ fm}$

■ Pb-Pb survival probab. vs. $m_{\gamma\gamma}$:

$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 5 \text{ GeV}$: $\langle P_{\text{non-overlap}} \rangle > 90\%$

$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 100 \text{ GeV}$: $\langle P_{\text{non-overlap}} \rangle < 40\%$



Proton form factors & γ fluxes: ChFF, EDFF

■ Electric dipole form factor (EDFF)

- Same as STARlight

$$N_{\gamma/Z}^{\text{EDFF}}(E_\gamma, b) = \frac{Z^2 \alpha}{\pi^2} \frac{\xi^2}{b^2} \left[K_1^2(\xi) + \frac{1}{\gamma_L^2} K_0^2(\xi) \right] \quad \xi = \frac{E_\gamma b}{\gamma_L}$$

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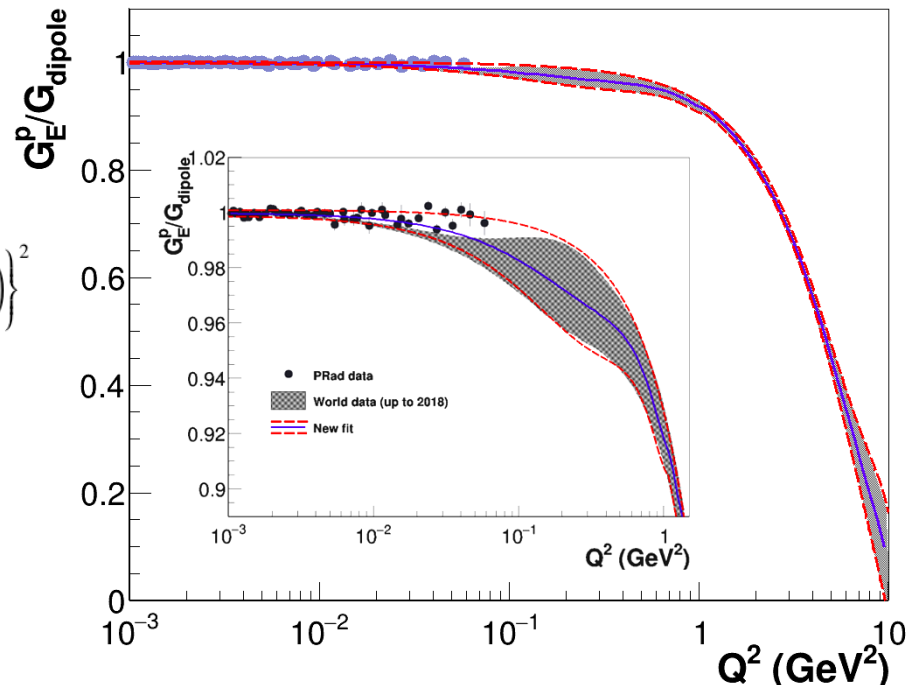
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■ Proton dipole form-factor:

$$F_{\text{ch,p}}(q) = \frac{1}{(1 + q^2 a_p^2)^2} \quad \text{with } a_p^{-2} = Q_0^2 = 0.71 \text{ GeV}^2$$

$$N_{\gamma/p}^{\text{ChFF}}(E_\gamma, b) = \frac{\alpha}{\pi^2} \frac{\xi^2}{b^2} \left\{ \left[K_1(\xi) - \sqrt{1 + \tilde{a}_p^{-2}} K_1 \left(\xi \sqrt{1 + \tilde{a}_p^{-2}} \right) \right] - \frac{\xi}{2\tilde{a}_p^2} K_0 \left(\xi \sqrt{1 + \tilde{a}_p^{-2}} \right) \right\}^2$$

■ Updated proton elastic ChFF, from fit to latest A1+PRad data:



Heavy-ion form factors & γ fluxes: ChFF, EDFF

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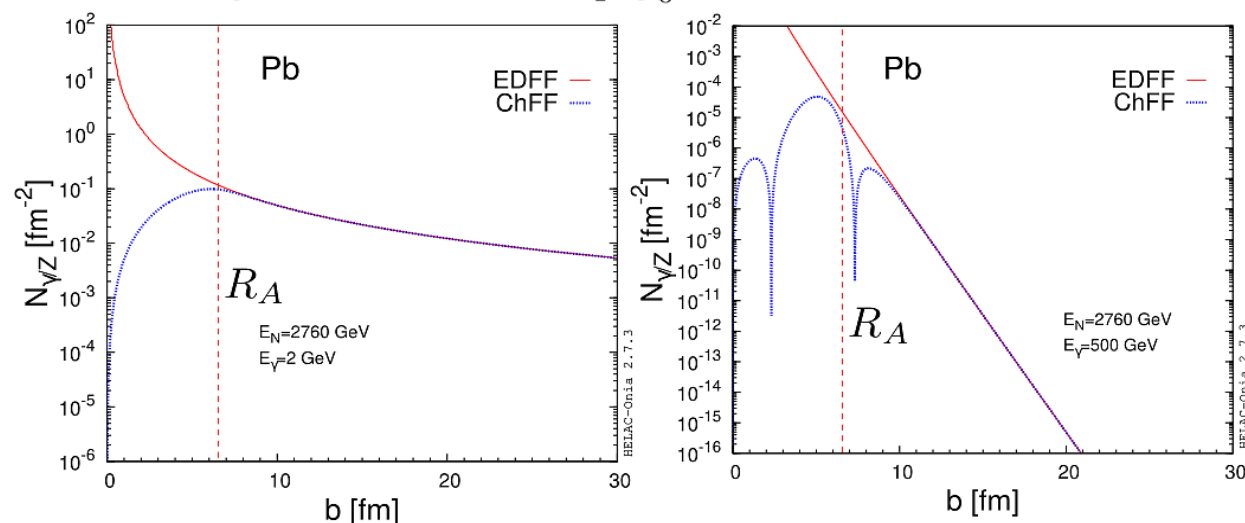
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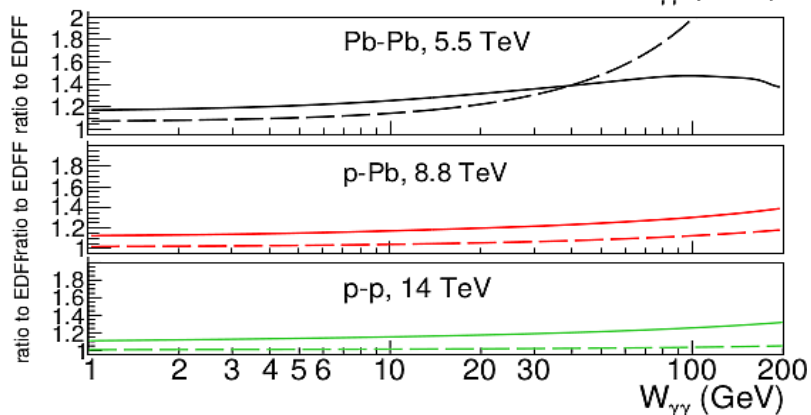
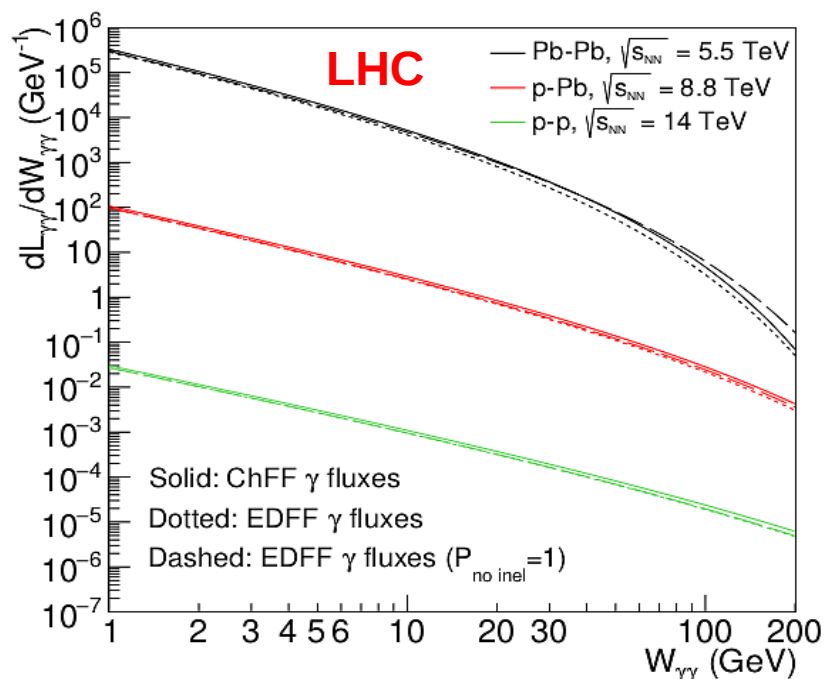
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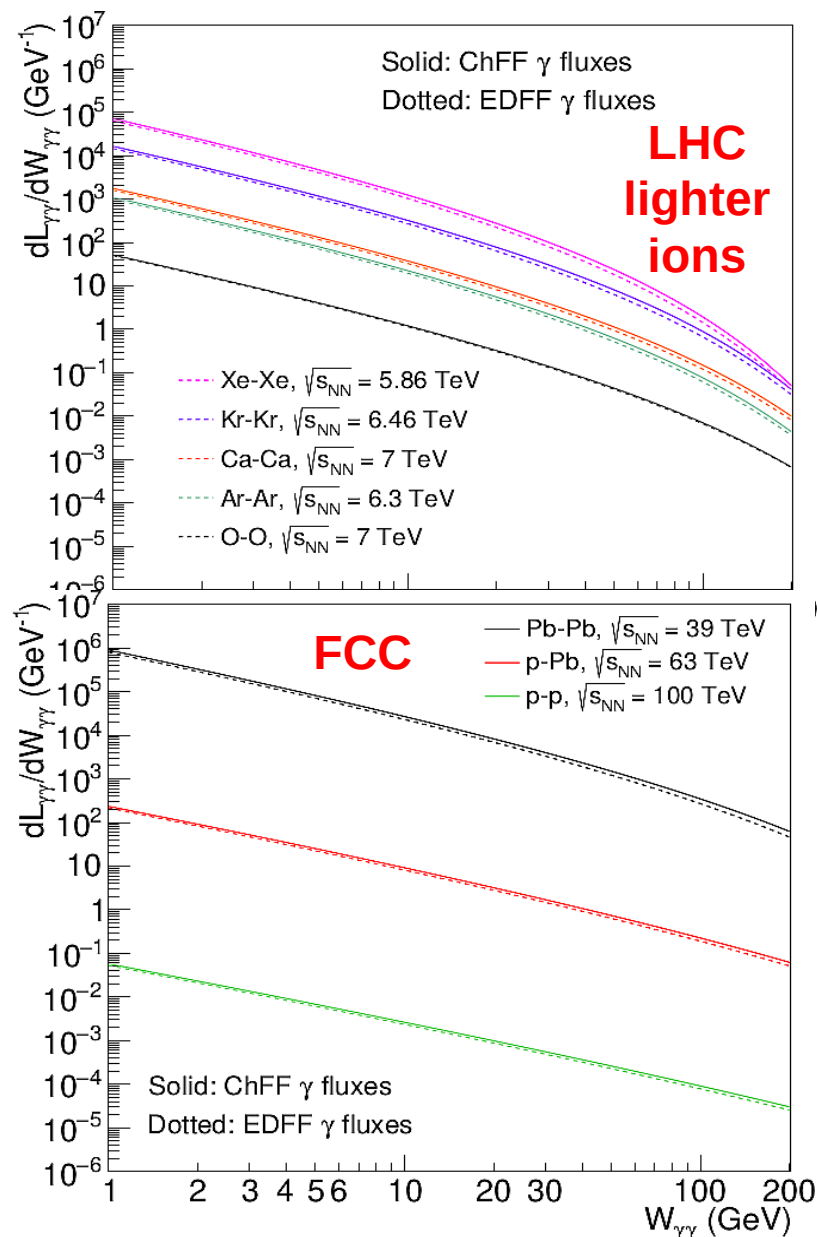
- Main difference comes from the $b < R_A$ regime
- EDFF photon number density is divergent at $b = 0$
 - Need a (arbitrary) cutoff when convoluting with ME

■ ChFF, much more realistic, preferred.

Effective $\gamma\gamma$ luminosities (LHC/FCC)

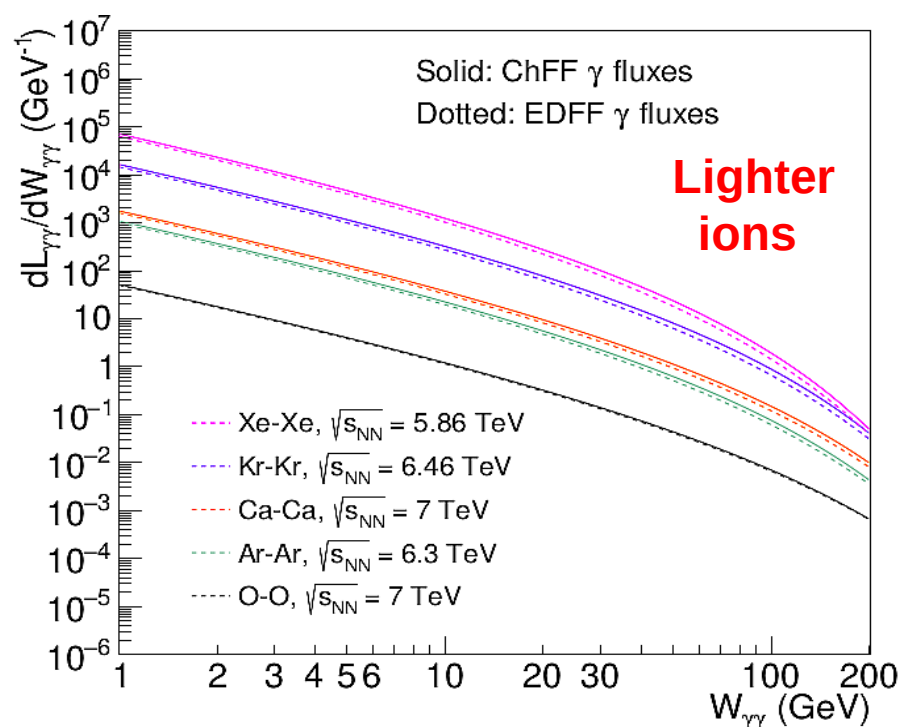
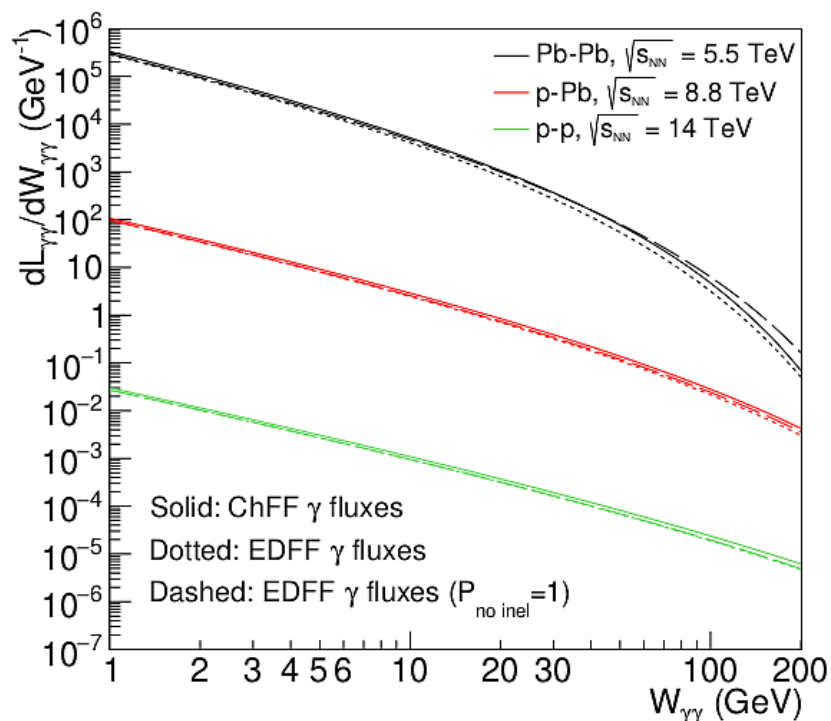


■ ChFF/EDFF γ -fluxes differences (pp–PbPb):
Low masses: ~7–15%. High masses: 20–50%

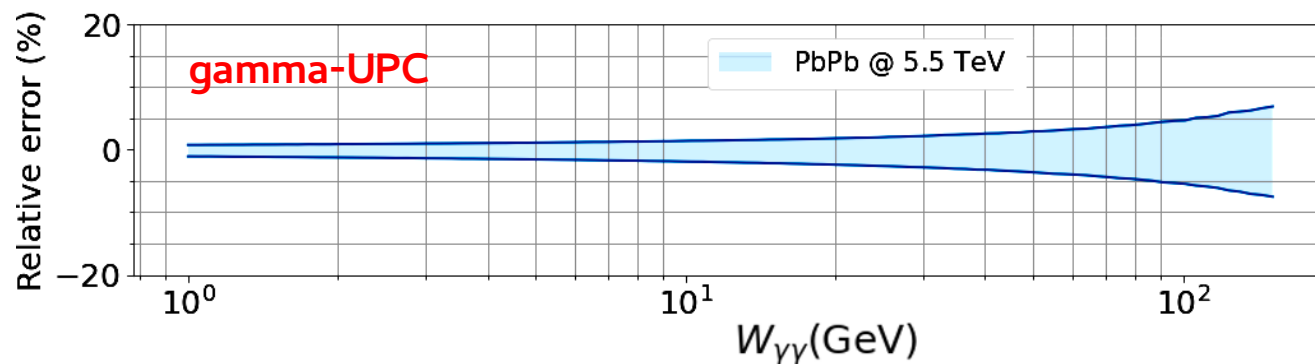


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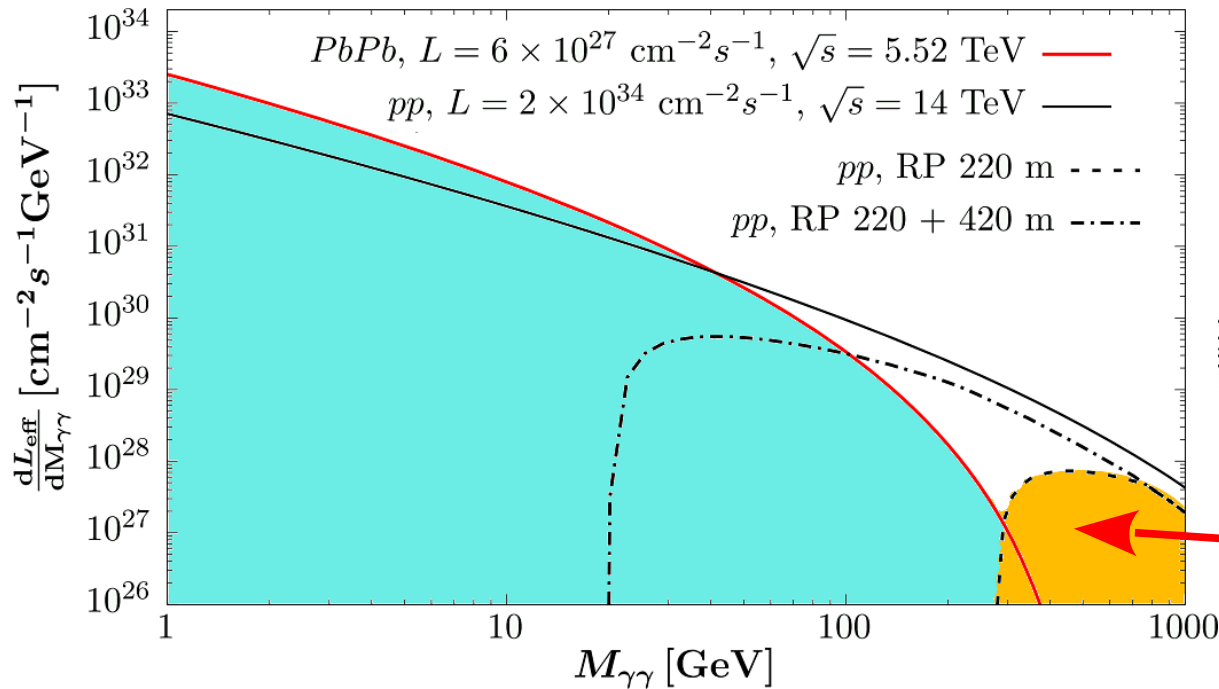
- ChFF $\gamma\gamma$ luminosity uncertainties (PbPb): Low-mass: few %. High mass: <7%**



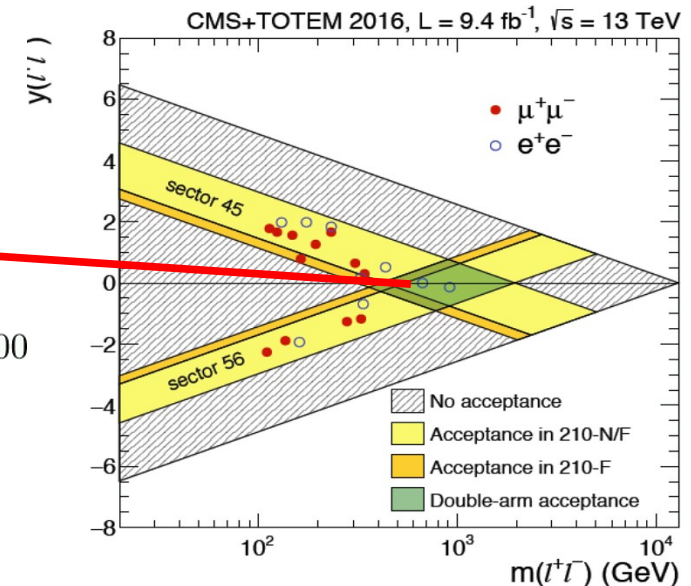
ChFF γ spectra
Glauber MC:
Variations of R, a, σ_{NN}

Effective $\gamma\gamma$ luminosities (LHC): pp vs. PbPb

- Thanks to Z^4 boost, **Pb-Pb $\gamma\gamma$ lumis (per collision) well above the p-p ones.**
 - Up to $W_{\gamma\gamma} \approx 30$ GeV, accounting for much larger p beam luminosity
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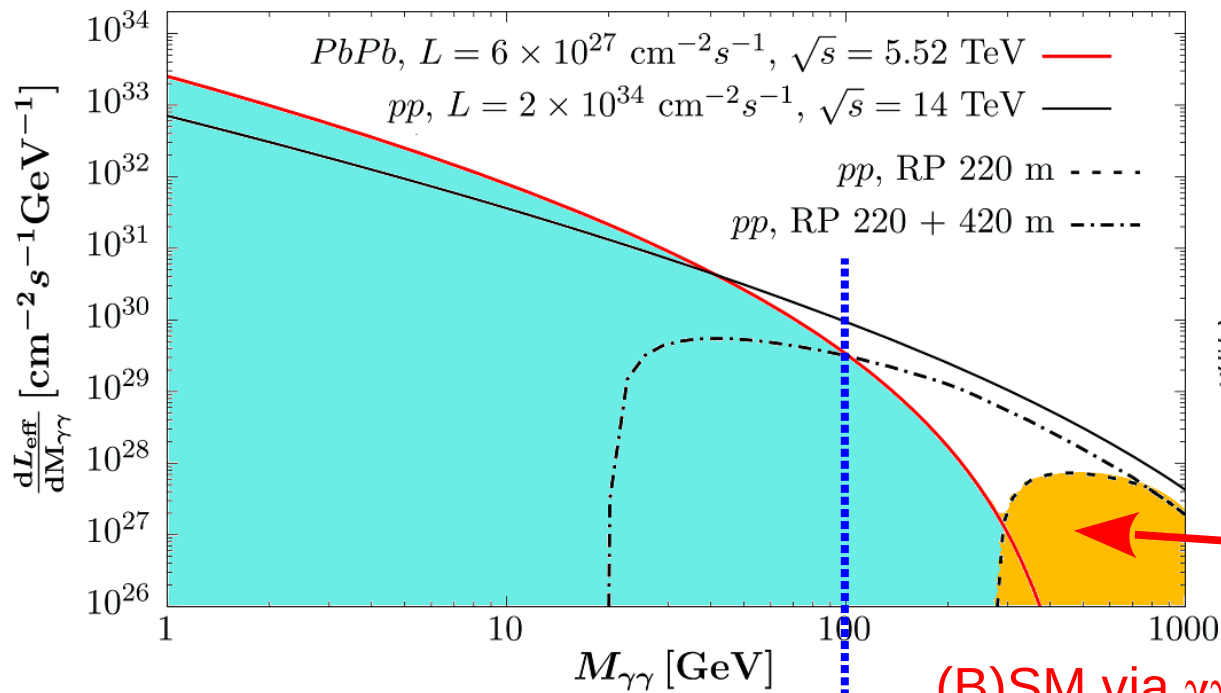


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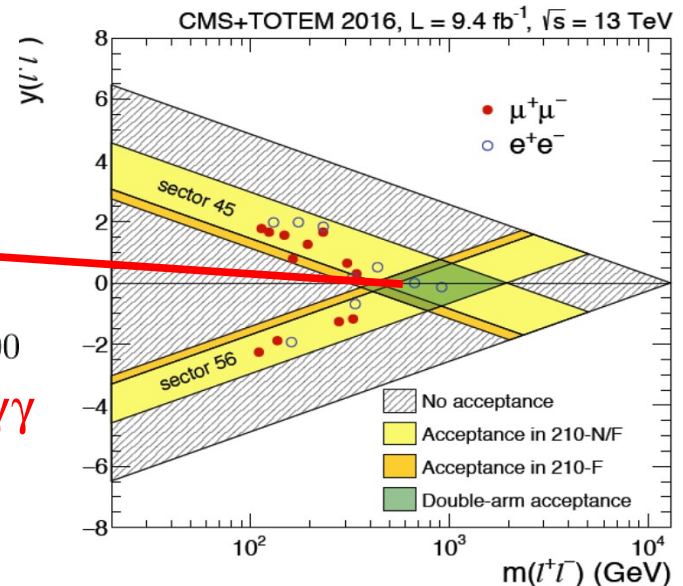
Rule of thumb:

(B)SM via $\gamma\gamma$ in Pb-Pb

(B)SM via $\gamma\gamma$ in p-p with tagged p's

$m_X \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$

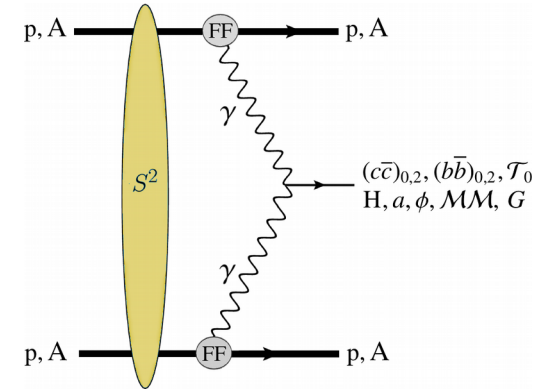
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Example $\gamma\gamma$ cross sections (LHC)

■ C-even SM resonances (9 states of $m \sim 3\text{--}10$ GeV, plus Higgs):

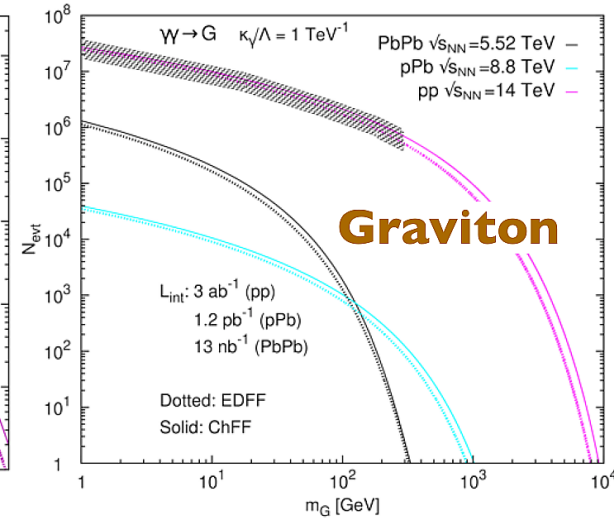
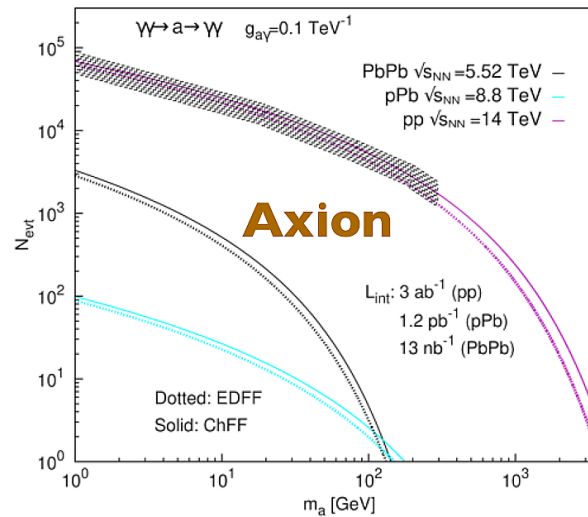
Colliding system	Form factor	gamma-UPC $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow X)$									
		$\eta_c(1S)$	$\eta_c(2S)$	χ_{c0}	χ_{c2}	$\eta_b(1S)$	$\eta_b(2S)$	χ_{b0}	χ_{b2}	\mathcal{T}_0	H
p-p, 14 TeV	pointlike	61 pb	13 pb	17 pb	19 pb	110 fb	44 fb	29 fb	8.9 fb	0.12 fb	0.17 fb
	EDFF ($S_{\gamma\gamma}^2 = 1$)	51 pb	11 pb	14 pb	15 pb	88 fb	35 fb	23 fb	7.1 fb	0.10 fb	0.12 fb
	EDFF	50 pb	11 pb	14 pb	15 pb	86 fb	35 fb	23 fb	7.0 fb	0.10 fb	0.11 fb
	ChFF	56 pb	12 pb	15 pb	17 pb	99 fb	40 fb	26 fb	8.0 fb	0.11 fb	0.14 fb
p-Pb, 8.8 TeV	EDFF	0.16 μb	33 nb	43 nb	46 nb	0.23 nb	92 pb	60 pb	18 pb	0.31 pb	0.11 pb
	ChFF	0.18 μb	38 nb	49 nb	53 nb	0.27 nb	106 pb	70 pb	21 pb	0.35 pb	0.14 pb
O-O, 7 TeV	EDFF	76 nb	16 nb	21 nb	23 nb	0.10 nb	42 pb	28 pb	8.5 pb	0.15 pb	31 fb
	ChFF	82 nb	17 nb	22 nb	24 nb	0.11 fb	44 pb	29 pb	9.0 pb	0.16 pb	32 fb
Ca-Ca, 7 TeV	EDFF	2.5 μb	0.50 μb	0.63 μb	0.70 μb	3.1 nb	1.2 nb	0.81 nb	0.25 nb	4.6 pb	0.48 pb
	ChFF	2.7 μb	0.58 μb	0.74 μb	0.81 μb	3.5 nb	1.4 nb	0.91 nb	0.29 nb	5.2 pb	0.62 pb
Ar-Ar, 6.3 TeV	EDFF	1.5 μb	0.31 μb	0.40 μb	0.42 μb	1.8 nb	0.73 nb	0.48 nb	0.15 nb	2.9 pb	0.25 pb
	ChFF	1.6 μb	0.34 μb	0.44 μb	0.49 μb	2.1 nb	0.83 nb	0.55 nb	0.17 nb	3.1 pb	0.31 pb
Kr-Kr, 6.46 TeV	EDFF	22 μb	4.4 μb	5.9 μb	6.3 μb	25 nb	10 nb	6.7 nb	1.9 nb	41 pb	2.5 pb
	ChFF	25 μb	5.1 μb	6.4 μb	7.0 μb	31 nb	12 nb	7.9 nb	2.3 nb	46 pb	3.4 pb
Xe-Xe, 5.86 TeV	EDFF	89 μb	18 μb	24 μb	26 μb	98 nb	38 nb	26 nb	7.7 nb	0.16 nb	4.8 pb
	ChFF	101 μb	21 μb	27 μb	29 μb	116 nb	46 nb	31 nb	9.2 nb	0.19 nb	6.2 pb
Pb-Pb, 5.52 TeV	EDFF	0.39 mb	79 μb	0.10 mb	0.11 mb	0.40 μb	0.15 μb	0.10 μb	31 nb	0.71 nb	9.3 pb
	ChFF	0.46 mb	95 μb	0.12 mb	0.13 mb	0.50 μb	0.19 μb	0.13 μb	38 nb	0.86 nb	13 pb



- Most low-mass resonances accessible in PbPb (pp without pileup) with low- p_T ch.part PID & γ reco.
- Higgs boson: no significance

■ C-even BSM resonances:

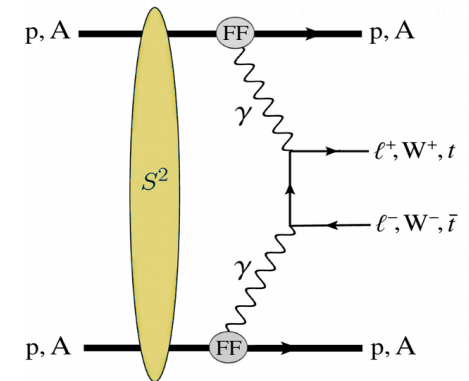
PbPb (pp with RPs) best limits below (above) $m_{\gamma\gamma} \sim 100$ GeV



Example $\gamma\gamma$ cross sections (LHC)

■ Double fermions, e.g. $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ (note NLO in QCD):

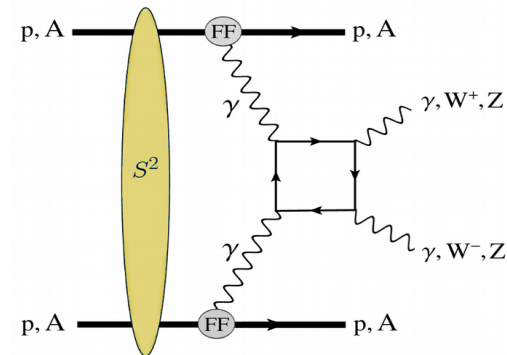
Process: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow t\bar{t}$	gamma-UPC σ_{NLO}		
Colliding system,	EDFF	ChFF	average
p-p at 14 TeV	$0.198^{+0.004}_{-0.003}$ fb	$0.287^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$ fb	$0.242^{+0.005}_{-0.004} \pm 0.045$ fb
p-Pb at 8.8 TeV	$36.5^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ fb	$59.3^{+1.3}_{-1.1}$ fb	$48^{+1.0}_{-0.9} \pm 11$ fb
Pb-Pb at 5.52 TeV	$12.6^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ fb	$18.8^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ fb	$15.7^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \pm 3.1$ fb



■ Double quarkonia:

Process: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow J/\psi J/\psi$	gamma-UPC σ		
Colliding system, c.m. energy	EDFF	ChFF	average
p-p at 14 TeV	20^{+11}_{-6} fb	23^{+13}_{-7} fb	$22^{+12}_{-7} \pm 2$ fb
p-Pb at 8.8 TeV	55^{+30}_{-16} pb	64^{+35}_{-18} pb	$60^{+32}_{-17} \pm 4$ pb
Pb-Pb at 5.52 GeV	103^{+57}_{-29} nb	128^{+71}_{-36} nb	$115^{+64}_{-32} \pm 12$ nb

■ Double bosons (loop induced):



Loop-induced rare processes in SM (BSM potential)

Process: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow Z\gamma$	gamma-UPC σ		
Colliding system, c.m. energy	EDFF	ChFF	average
p-p at 14 TeV	36.2 ab	44.7 ab	40.5 ± 4.3 ab
p-Pb at 8.8 TeV	10.3 fb	15.6 fb	13.0 ± 2.6 fb
Pb-Pb at 5.52 TeV	109 fb	152 fb	130 ± 22 fb

Process: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow ZZ$	gamma-UPC σ		
Colliding system, c.m. energy	EDFF	ChFF	average
p-p at 14 TeV	52.8 ab	78.4 ab	66 ± 13 ab
p-Pb at 8.8 TeV	12.3 fb	18.8 fb	15.5 ± 3.2 fb
Pb-Pb at 5.52 TeV	46.8 fb	63.2 fb	55 ± 8 fb

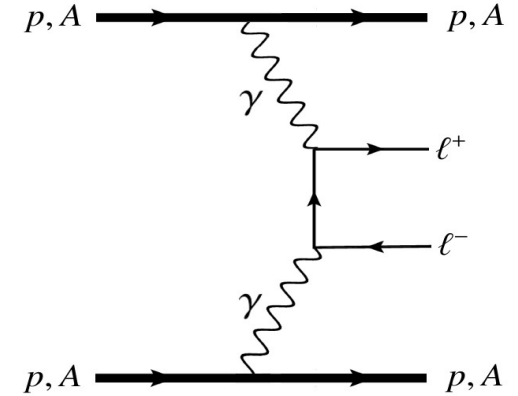
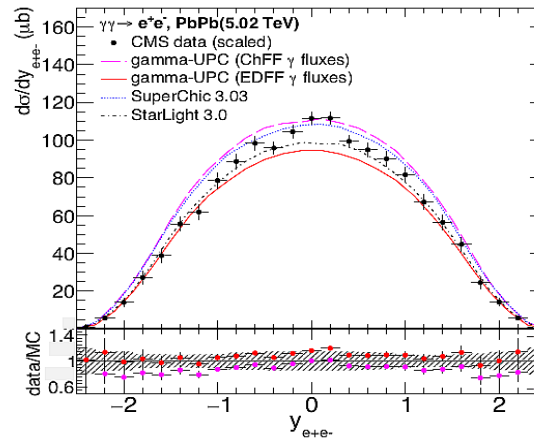
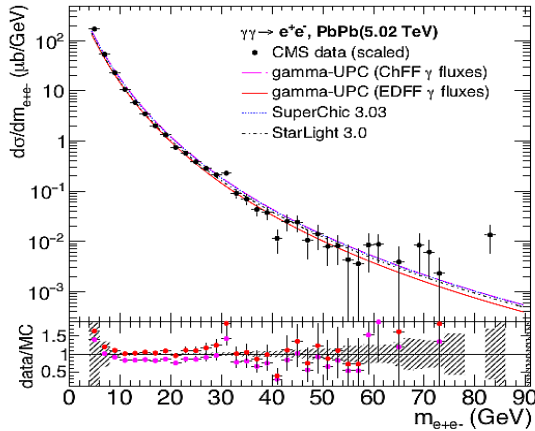
$$\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{c_{WWW}}{\Lambda^2} \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\nu} W^{\nu\rho} W_{\rho}^{\mu}] \cdot \sigma = \sigma_{\text{SM}} + \left(\frac{c_{WWW}}{\Lambda^2} \times 1 \text{ TeV}^2 \right) \sigma_{WWW}$$

Process: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow W^+W^-$	gamma-UPC average	
Colliding system, c.m. energy	σ_{SM}	σ_{WWW}
p-p at 14 TeV	63 ± 11 fb	53 ± 8 ab
p-Pb at 8.8 TeV	26 ± 5 pb	28 ± 5 fb
Pb-Pb at 5.52 TeV	277 ± 44 pb	394 ± 64 fb

Exclusive dileptons: Data vs. gamma-UPC

■ Breit-Wheeler process $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$:

Process, system	Scaled CMS data [13]	gamma-UPC σ			STARLIGHT σ	SUPERCHIC σ
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$, Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV	$275 \pm 55 \mu\text{b}$	EDFF	ChFF	average	285 μb	318 μb

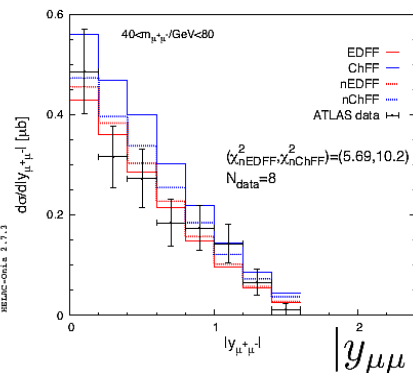
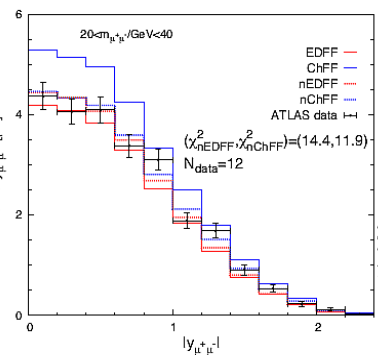
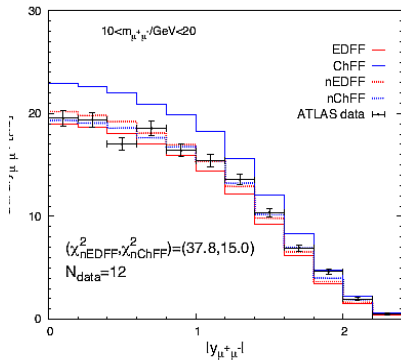


■ Generic conclusions:

EDFF gamma-UPC ~ Starlight
ChFF gamma-UPC ~ SuperChic

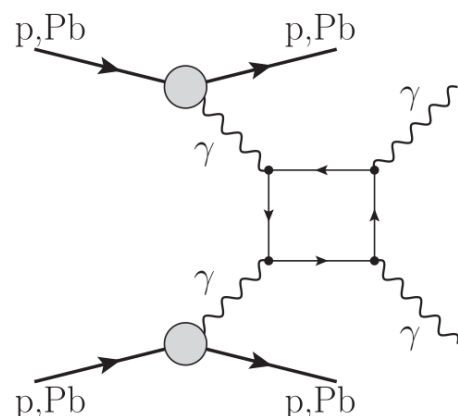
■ Exclusive dimuons $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$:

Process, system	ATLAS data [19]	gamma-UPC σ			STARLIGHT σ	SUPERCHIC σ
$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$, Pb-Pb at 5.02 TeV	$34.1 \pm 0.8 \mu\text{b}$	EDFF	ChFF	average	32.1 μb	38.9 μb



Norm.: EDFF better than ChFF
Shape: ChFF better than EDFF

Light-by-light scattering: Data vs. gamma-UPC



- LbL scattering $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (1st proposed in [PRL 111 \(2013\) 080405](#)):

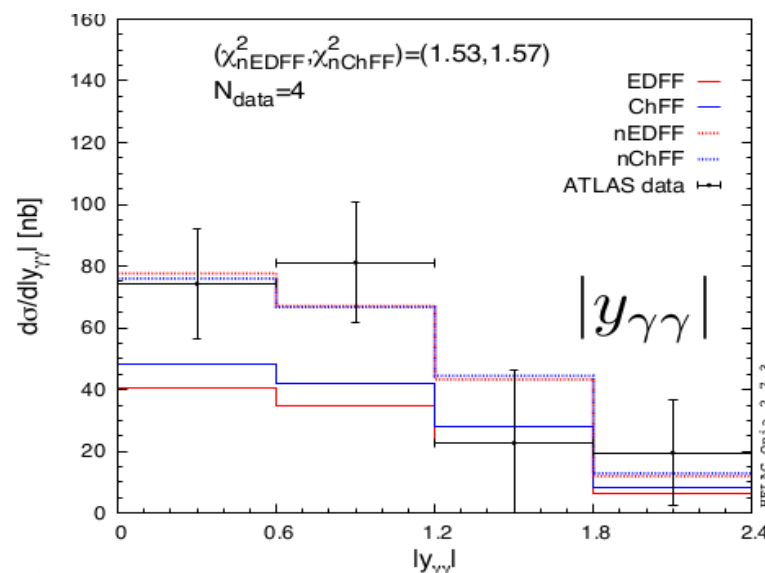
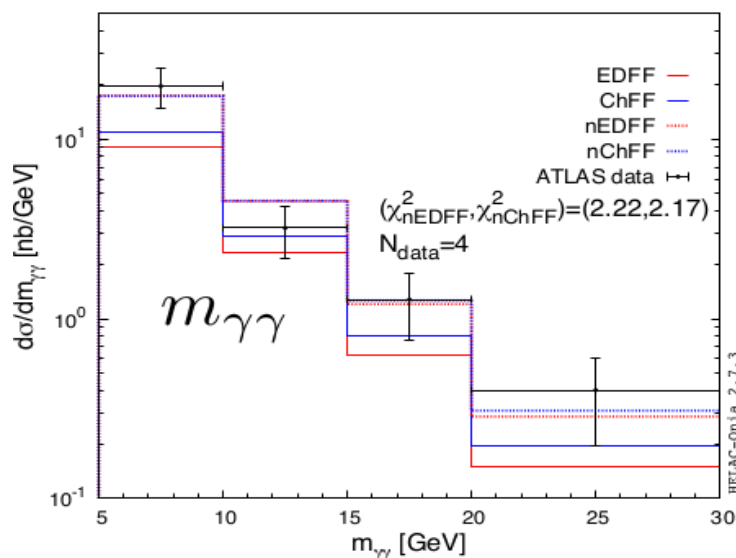
Integrated fiducial cross-section:

- Measurement:

$$\sigma_{fid} = 120 \pm 17(stat.) \pm 13(syst.) \pm 4(lumi.) \text{ nb}$$

ATLAS data [15]	gamma-UPC σ			SUPERCHIC σ
	EDFF	ChFF	average	
$120 \pm 22 \text{ nb}$	63 nb	76 nb	$70 \pm 7 \text{ nb}$	$78 \pm 8 \text{ nb}$

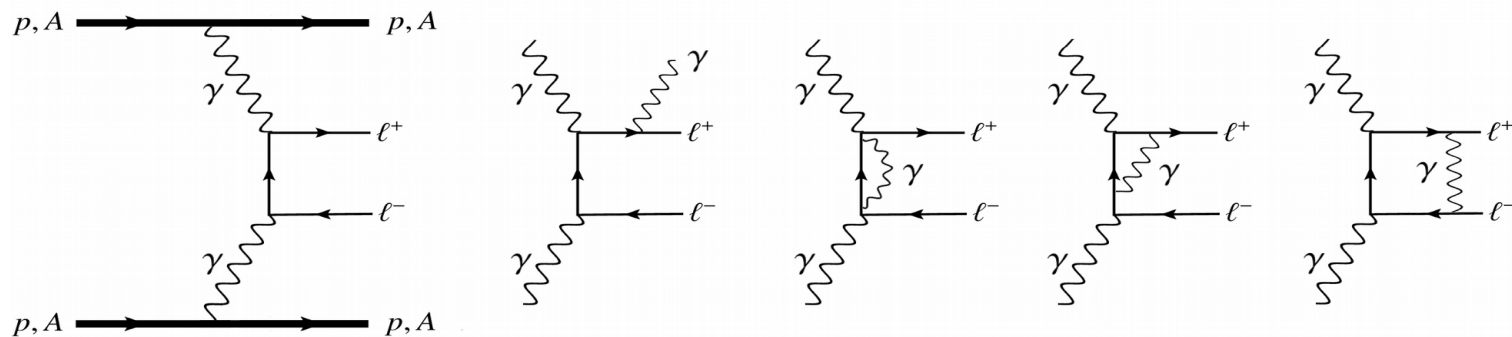
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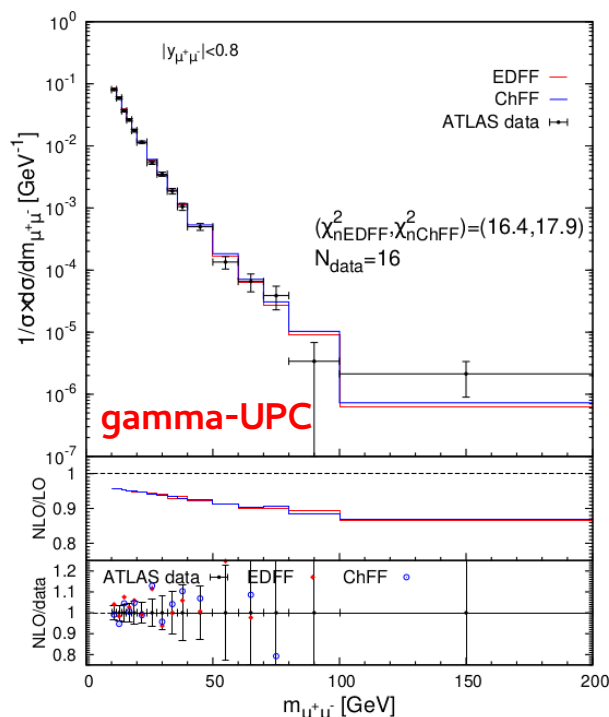
- Shape well reproduced except lowest mass: Data is 2σ larger than theory
- Do we really control all (non)exclusive backgrounds at low masses?

$\gamma\gamma$ collisions: NLO QED corrections

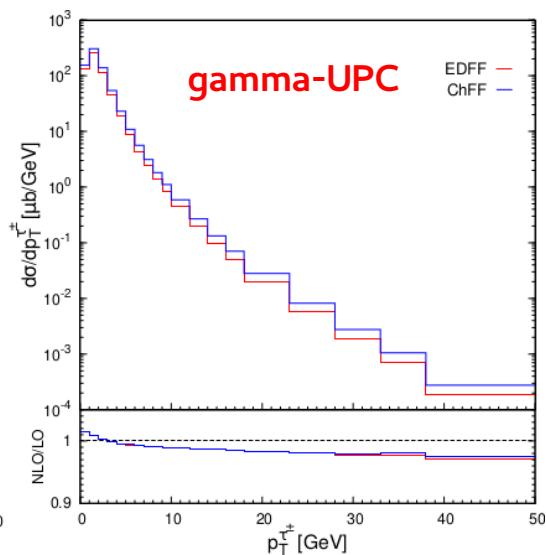
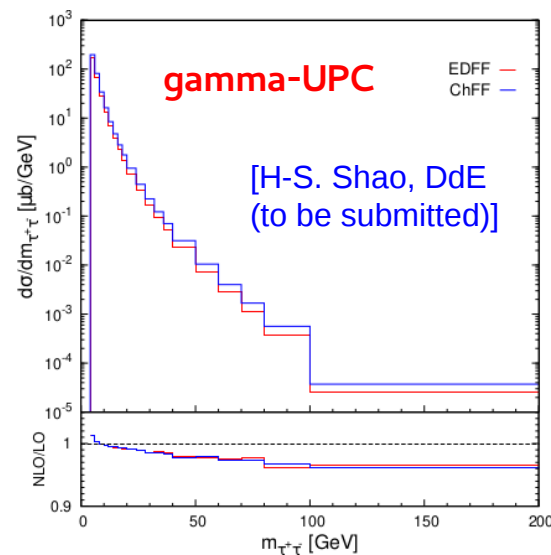
- All calculations so far included only LO diagrams (plus FSR emission in some cases)...



- Impact of **virtual & real NLO QED** corrections on exclusive dilepton production:

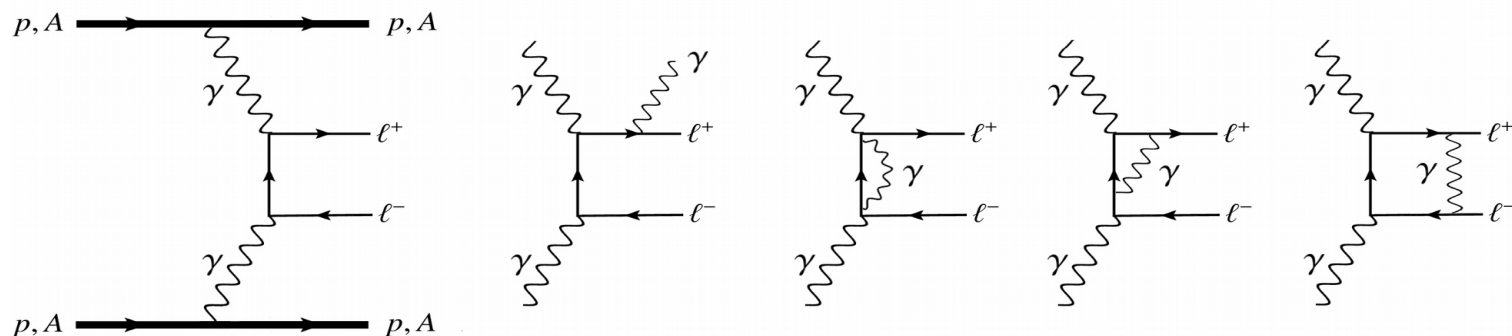


Dimuon: x-section **reduced** by up to **~10%** at high mass
Ditau: x-section **increases/decreases** by few % at low/high masses: **Relevant for accurate (g-2) extractions!**

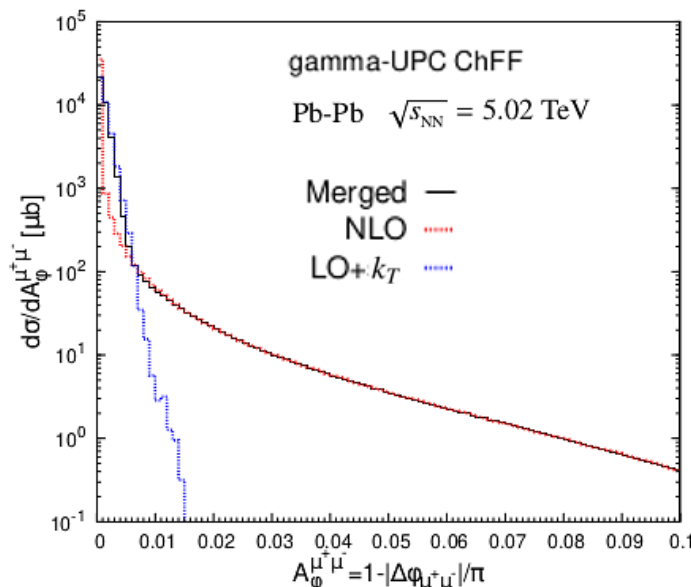
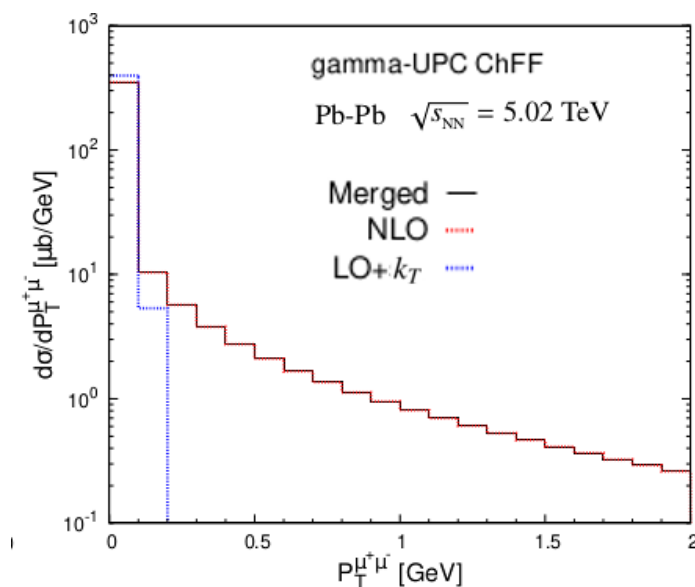


$\gamma\gamma$ collisions: NLO QED corrections

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- Impact of **virtual & real NLO QED** corrections on exclusive dilepton $p_T(\text{pair})$, $A_{\phi}(\text{pair})$:



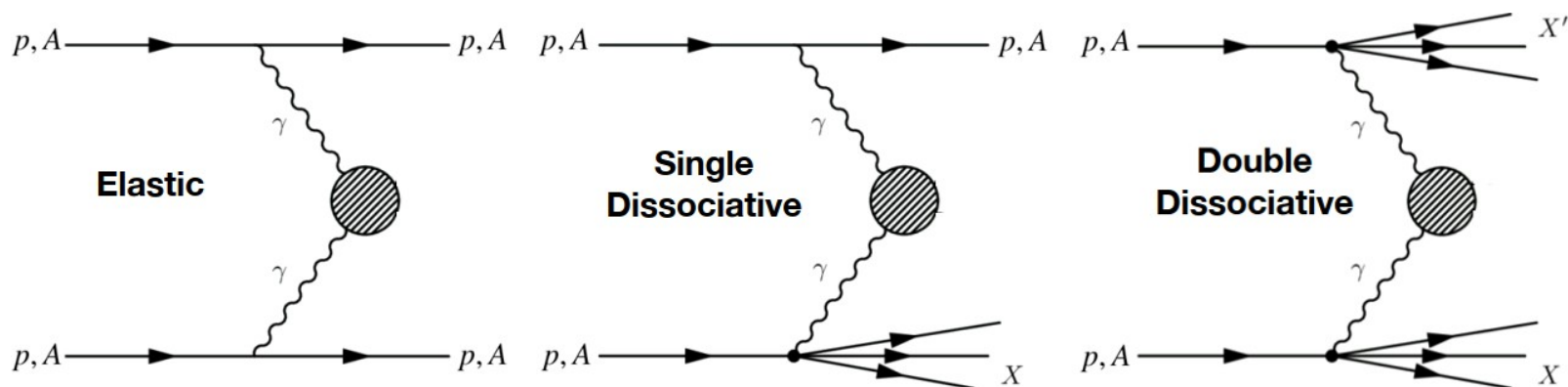
[H-S. Shao, DdE
(to be submitted)]

NLO corrections increase the $p_T(\text{pair})$, $A_{\phi}(\text{pair})$ tails:

Relevant for non-exclusive backgd removal when applying cuts on both variables!

$\gamma\gamma$ collisions: el.-el., inel-el., inel.-inel.

- Photons emitted **coherently** by p/A or **incoherently** by their constituent quarks/protons:



- **gamma-UPC codes only the fully coherent γ flux.** For heavy-ions, the most important, by far, x-sections: **el-el : inel-el : inel-inel = $Z^4 : Z^2 : Z = 1 : 1/6.7e3 : 1/45.e6$ for PbPb**

- For proton-proton collisions:

- Cross section of **3 processes similar** (depending on central system produced).
- **Incoherent** photon flux available via γ PDF: **LuxQED, MMHT2015qed, CT18lux, NNPDF31lux-QED.**
- **Inel.-el:** gamma-UPC+MG5 with **ChFF (lpp2) + γ PDF (lpp1)** in ppl. possible, but **survival factor should be properly implemented.**
- **Inel-inel:** One can always run MG5-standalone with **p beams selecting lux-type γ PDF**

Questions from the organizers

- *What is the maintainability of gamma-UPC? Personpower?*
gamma-UPC is maintained by H.-S. Shao. <http://cern.ch/hshao/gammaupc.html>
Currently, H-S Shao, DdE, N.Crepet testing/extending it. More help welcome :)
- *Are there specific libraries/tools behind the choice of fortran?*
No specific fortran libs, just choice of leading programmer
- *How do you see the code developing in the future?*
Extended gradually to keep up state-of-the-art. Photoproduction (γ -p,A), inelastic first, then exclusive, could be added.
- *Did you consider the possibility of using LHAPDF?*
LHAPDF already for γ PDF. Elastic γ fluxes in LHAPDF not enough for UPCs: one needs survival factor S^2
- *Any information about when MG 3.5.0 is coming out?*
MG 3.5.0 contains only gamma-UPC v1.0, not latest additions.
gamma-UPC is decoupled from MG. We'll provide gamma-UPC+MG5 3.X.Y
- *Currently only the elastic component is implemented, can you give more info about plans for modeling of the dissociative part? (See previous slide)*
- *What measurements would improve the modeling of the dissoc. component?*
Events w/ low pileup & 1-,2-proton tag, & reduced |P-induced final state helpful

gamma-UPC outlook & summary

- UPCs at the LHC provide the **largest x-sections ever studied** for $\gamma\gamma$ colls. over $W_{\gamma\gamma} = 1\text{--}2000$ GeV: Unique (B)SM physics open for study. Increasing number of precise measurements.
- gamma-UPC is a **new versatile code** to generate any $\gamma\gamma$ process in UPCs with **protons & ions**. Interfaced to **MG5@NLO & HelacOnia**.
- Recent developments (v1.0 \rightarrow v1.2 \rightarrow v1.3, in preparation):
 - **Photon k_T smearing** (lhe_ktsmearing_UPC.py script run on LHE file)
 - **Proton kinematics** for transport to & tagging at **RP**s spectrometers
 - **NLO QED** corrections
 - **Parametric uncertainties**
 - **Non-exclusive** collisions possible
- Future developments:
 - **Semi-exclusive** W/Z-photon processes
 - **NLO EW** corrections
 - UPCs for **e-proton & e-ion** collisions
 - ...
- **Download it**, test it, use it (or ask us to produce the LHE files) for your favourite $\gamma\gamma$ EXP/PH studies!

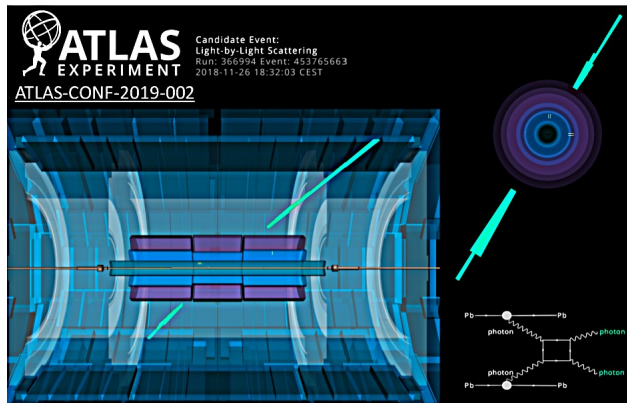
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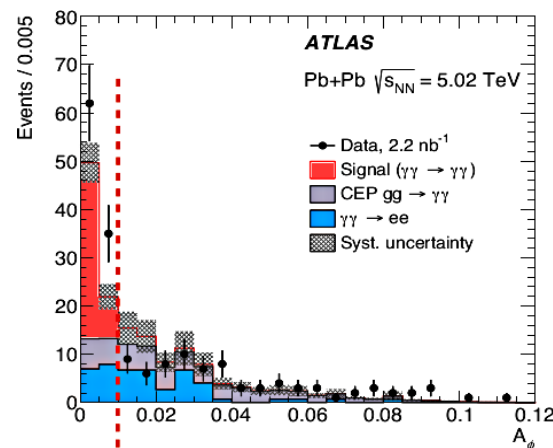
Backup slides

Observation of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (PbPb, 5 TeV)

- Observation of **light-by-light scattering** in PbPb colls at 5 TeV (2.2 nb^{-1}):
 - 2 photons ($E_T > 2.5 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.4$, $m_{\gamma\gamma} > 5 \text{ GeV}$) with **no hadronic activity over $|\eta| < 5$**
 - Photon pair: **$p_T < 1 \text{ GeV}$, Acoplanarity cut: $A_\varphi < 0.01$** to remove backgds.



[ATLAS, PRL123 (2019) 052001]

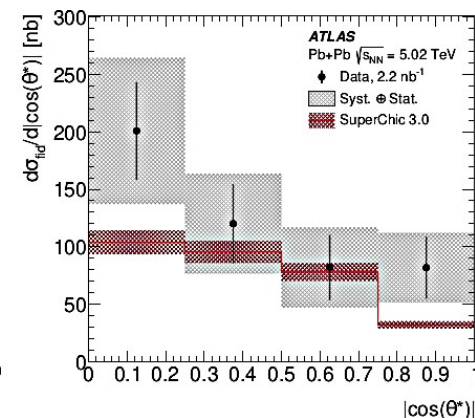
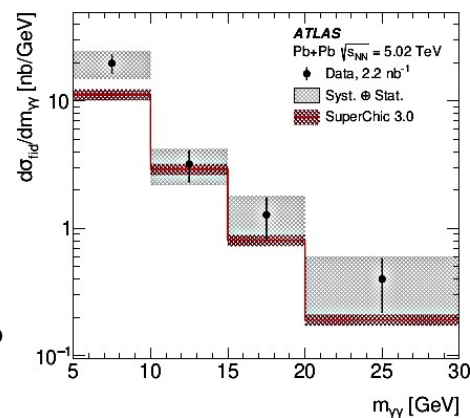


Observed: **97 evts**
 Expected: **45 signal**
 + 27 backgd.

[ATLAS, arXiv:2008.05355]

- Combination of **ATLAS (2015+2018) data**, compared to LbL prediction:

- LbL observation: **Signif. = 8.8σ**
- Fiduc. x-section **$\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) = 120 \pm 22 \text{ nb}$ is ~ 1.5 higher than theory ($80 \pm 8 \text{ nb}$).**
- Shape of differential distributions consistent with MC within uncertainties
- Control of (non)excl. backgds at low $m_{\gamma\gamma}$?

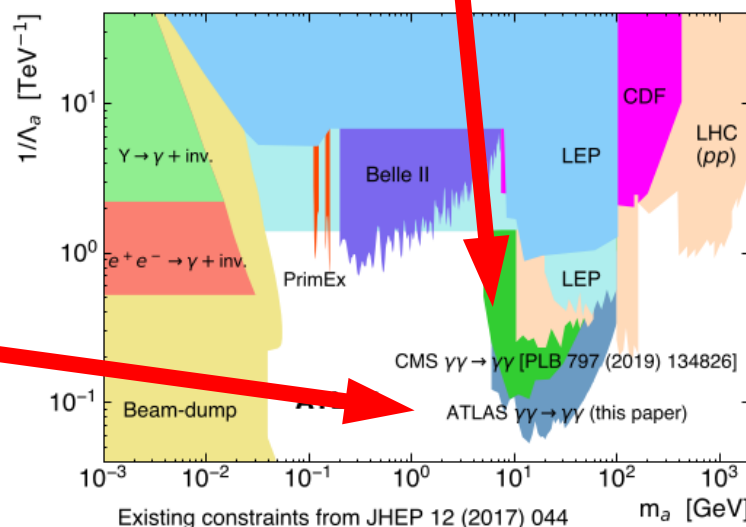
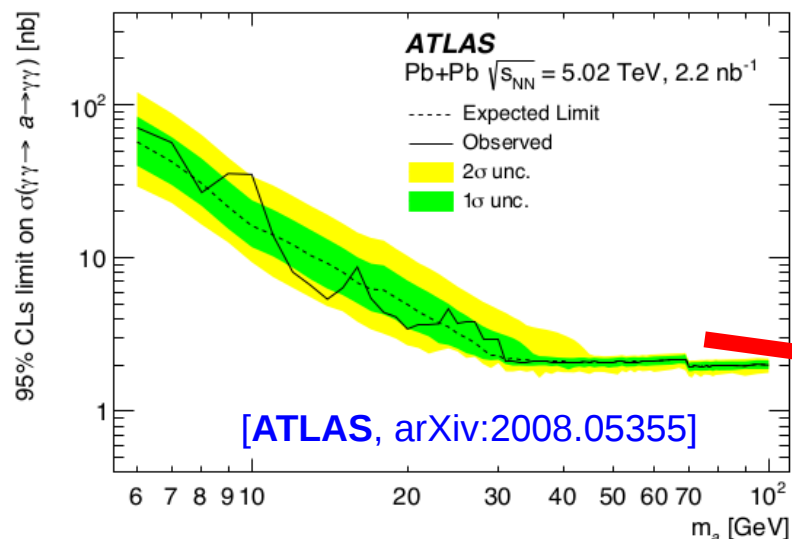
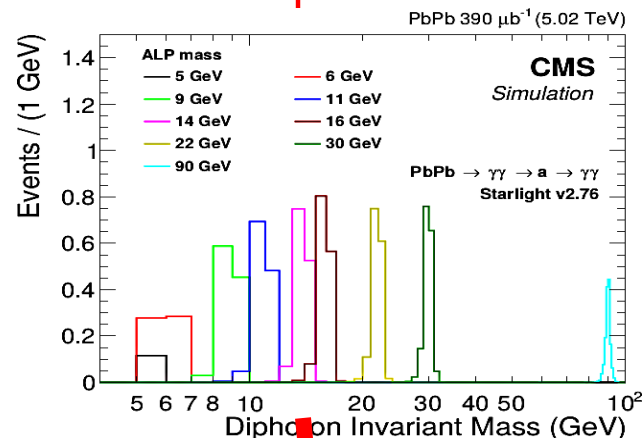


- Ongoing detailed **CMS analysis of 2018 data.**

ALPs searches via $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (PbPb, 5 TeV)

■ Recasting **exclusive** $\gamma\gamma$ measurement as **ALP** search on top of LbL continuum:

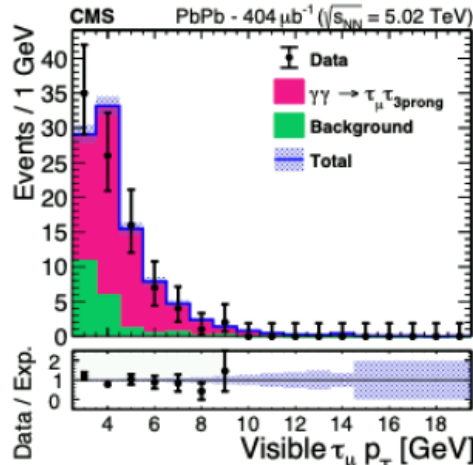
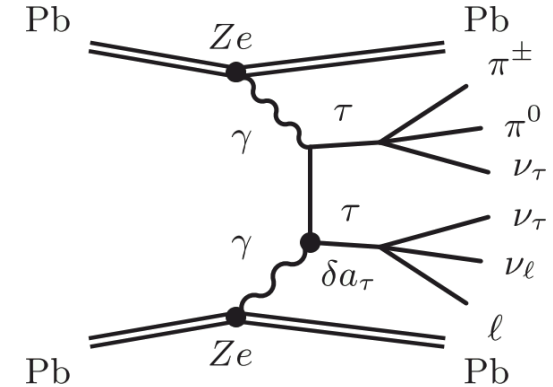
- ALP model: $\mathcal{L} \supset \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu a \partial^\mu a - \frac{m_a^2}{2} a^2 - \frac{g_{a\gamma}}{4} a F^{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}$
- Limits on $\sigma_{\gamma\gamma \rightarrow a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma}$ extracted
 - Cast into limits on $a\gamma\gamma$ coupling ($1/\Lambda_a$) assuming $\text{BR}(a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)=1$ [CMS, PLB797 (2019) 134826]
 - Reco effic.: ~20% (6 GeV), ~45% (>40 GeV). ALP width dominated by exp. resolution.



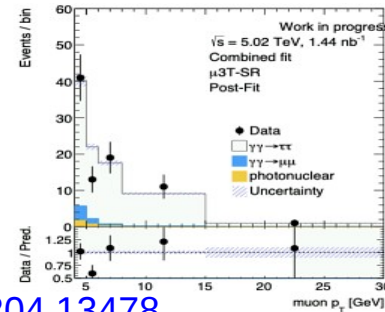
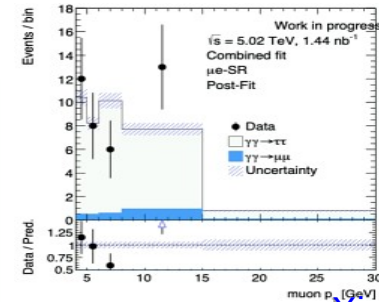
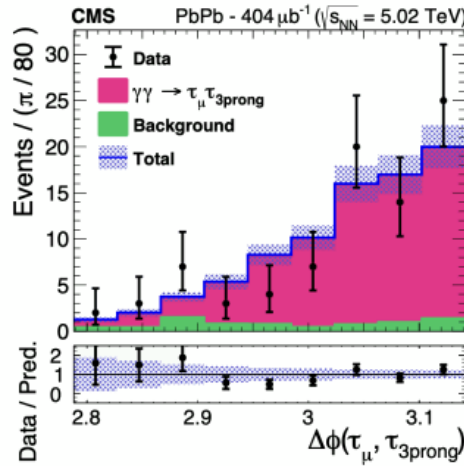
- Most stringent limits to date on ALPs over $m_a = 5\text{--}100 \text{ GeV}$
- $\sigma(\gamma\gamma \rightarrow a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) > 2\text{--}70 \text{ nb}$ excluded at 95% C.L. over that mass interval.

Anomalous tau lepton $(g-2)_\tau$ via $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$

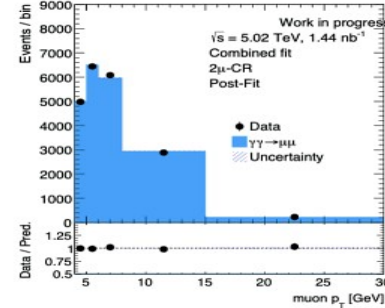
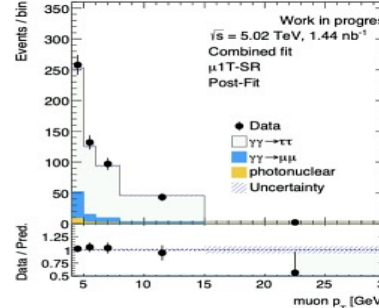
- Anomalous tau-lepton magnetic moment only mildly constrained from $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ studies at LEP times: $(g-2)_\tau = -0.05 - 0.03$
- Improved limits via UPCs at the LHC expected. First observation by ATLAS/CMS in various decay modes (1-prong, 3-prong, e-mu):



arXiv:2206.05192



arXiv:2204.13478



- Ongoing extended CMS studies with Run-2 PbPb (and pp) data

Observation of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ (PbPb, 5 TeV)

$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ production

ATLAS: CERN-EP-2022-079, CMS: CERN-EP-2022-098

- First observation of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ production in hadron collisions by ATLAS and CMS.
- Targets $\mu+3\text{prong}$ (CMS) or $\mu+3\text{prong}$, $\mu+1\text{prong}$ and $\mu+e$ (ATLAS) decays
- CMS: $\sigma_{fid} = 4.8 \pm 0.6(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst.}) \text{ mb}$
- ATLAS: $\mu_{\tau\tau} = 1.03^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$

