Anomalous coupling studies with forward protons at the LHC

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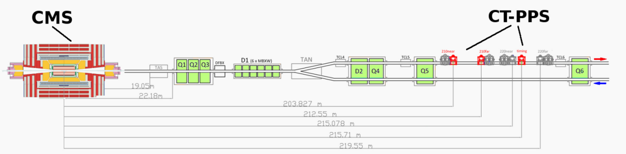
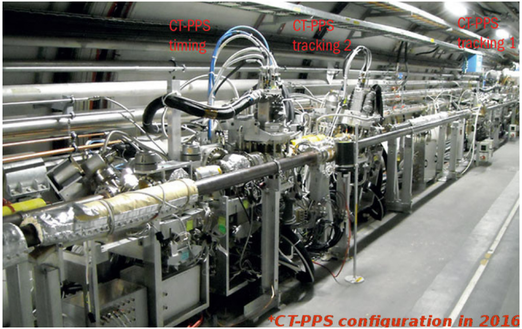
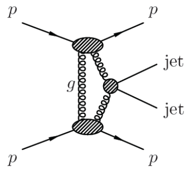
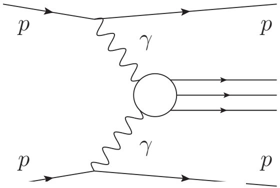
What is the CMS-TOTEM Precision Proton Spectrometer (CT-PPS)?

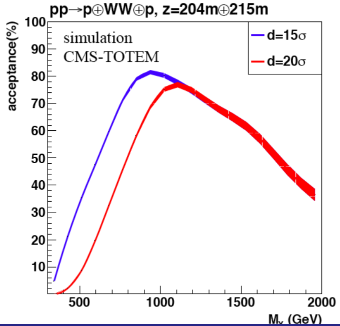




- Joint CMS and TOTEM project: https://cds.cern.ch/record/1753795
- LHC magnets bend scattered protons out of the beam envelope
- Detect scattered protons a few *mm* from the beam on both sides of CMS: 2016-2018, $\sim$ 115 fb^{-1} of data collected
- Similar detectors: ATLAS Forward Proton (AFP)

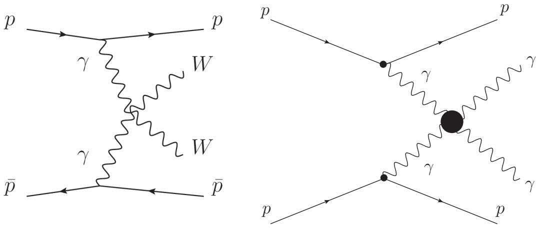




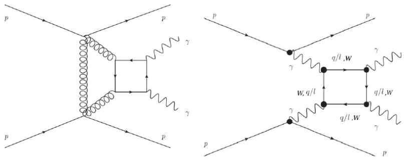


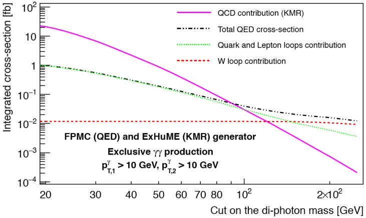
- Tag and measure protons at ± 210 m: AFP (ATLAS Forward Proton), CT-PPS (CMS TOTEM - Precision Proton Spectrometer)
- All diffractive cross sections computed using the Forward Physics Monte Carlo (FPMC)
- Complementarity between low and high mass diffraction (high and low cross sections): special runs at low luminosity (no pile up) and standard luminosity runs with pile up

Search for $\gamma\gamma WW$, $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$ quartic anomalous coupling

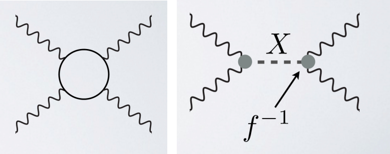


- Study of the process: $pp \to ppWW$, $pp \to ppZZ$, $pp \to pp\gamma\gamma$
- Standard Model: $\sigma_{WW} = 95.6$ fb, $\sigma_{WW}(W = M_X > 1 TeV) = 5.9$ fb
- Process sensitive to anomalous couplings: $\gamma\gamma WW$, $\gamma\gamma ZZ$, $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$; motivated by studying in detail the mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking, predicted by extradim. models
- Rich $\gamma\gamma$ physics at LHC: see papers by C. Baldenegro, S. Fichet, M. Saimpert, G. Von Gersdorff, E. Chapon, O. Kepka, CR... Phys.Rev. D89 (2014) 114004 ; JHEP 1502 (2015) 165; Phys. Rev. Lett. 116 (2016) no 23, 231801; JHEP 1706 (2017) 142; JHEP 1806 (2018) 131





- QCD production dominates at low $m_{\gamma\gamma}$, QED at high $m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- Important to consider W loops at high $m_{\gamma\gamma}$
- At high masses ($>$ 200 GeV), the photon induced processes are dominant
- **Conclusion: Two photons and two tagged protons means photon-induced process**

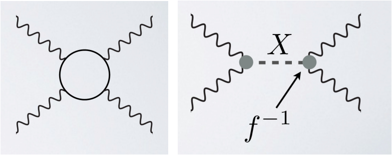


- Two effective operators at low energies

$$\mathcal{L}_{4\gamma} = \zeta_1^{\gamma} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_2^{\gamma} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\lambda} F^{\lambda\mu}$$

- $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$ couplings can be modified in a model independent way by loops of heavy charged particles $\zeta_1 = \alpha_{em}^2 Q^4 m^{-4} N c_{1,s}$ where the coupling depends only on $Q^4 m^{-4}$ (charge and mass of the charged particle) and on spin, $c_{1,s}$ depends on the spin of the particle This leads to ζ_1 of the order of 10^{-14}-10^{-13}

Motivations to look for quartic $\gamma\gamma$ anomalous couplings



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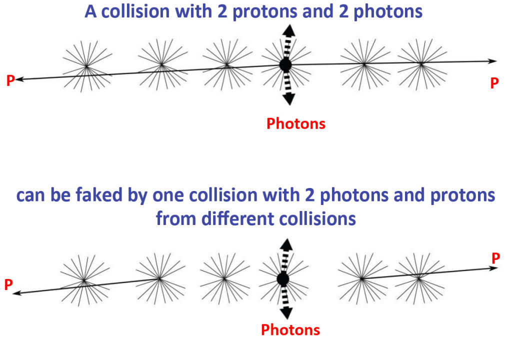
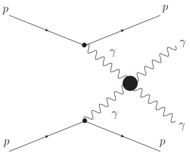
- ζ_1 can also be modified by neutral particles at tree level (extensions of the SM including scalar, pseudo-scalar, and spin-2 resonances that couple to the photon) $\zeta_1 = (f_s m)^{-2} d_{1,s}$ where f_s is the $\gamma\gamma X$ coupling of the new particle to the photon, and $d_{1,s}$ depends on the spin of the particle; for instance, 2 TeV dilatons lead to $\zeta_1 \sim 10^{-13}$

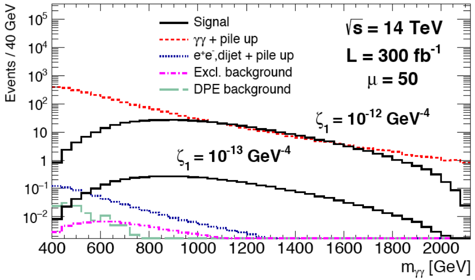
One aside: what is pile up at LHC?



- The LHC machine collides packets of protons
- Due to high number of protons in one packet, there can be more than one interaction between two protons when the two packets collide
- Typically up to 50 pile up events

Search for quartic $\gamma\gamma$ anomalous couplings





- Search for $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$ quartic anomalous couplings
- Couplings predicted by extra-dim, composite Higgs models
- Analysis performed at hadron level including detector efficiencies, resolution effects, pile-up...
- Anomalous coupling events appear at high di-photon masses
- S. Fichet, G. von Gersdorff, B. Lenzi, C.R., M. Saimpert ,JHEP 1502 (2015) 165

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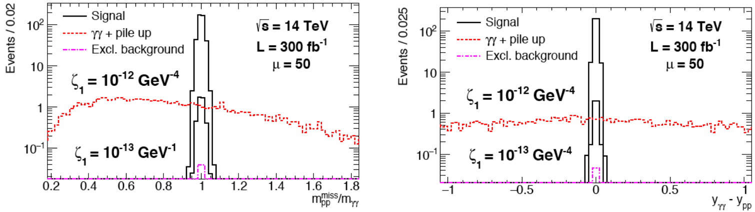
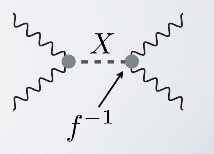
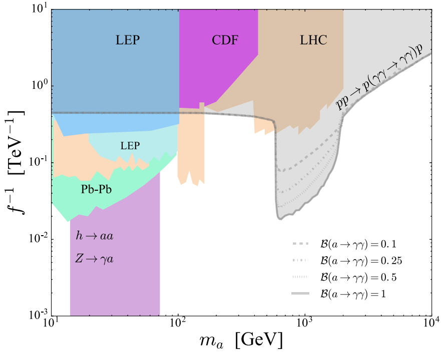


Cut / Process	Signal (full)	Signal with (without) f.f (EFT)	Excl.	DPE	DY, di-jet + pile up	$\gamma\gamma$ + pile up
$[0.015 < \xi_{1,2} < 0.15$, $p_{T1,(2)} > 200, (100)$ GeV$]$	65	18 (187)	0.13	0.2	1.6	2968
$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 600$ GeV	64	17 (186)	0.10	0	0.2	1023
$[p_{T2}/p_{T1} > 0.95$, $\lvert\Delta\phi\rvert > \pi - 0.01]$	64	17 (186)	0.10	0	0	80.2
$\sqrt{\xi_1\xi_2 s} = m_{\gamma\gamma} \pm 3\%$	61	16 (175)	0.09	0	0	2.8
$\lvert y_{\gamma\gamma} - y_{pp}\rvert < 0.03$	60	12 (169)	0.09	0	0	0

- No background after cuts for 300 fb^{-1}: sensitivity up to a few 10^{-15}, better by 2 orders of magnitude with respect to "standard" methods
- Exclusivity cuts using proton tagging needed to suppress backgrounds (Without exclusivity cuts using CT-PPS: background of 80.2 for 300 fb^{-1})

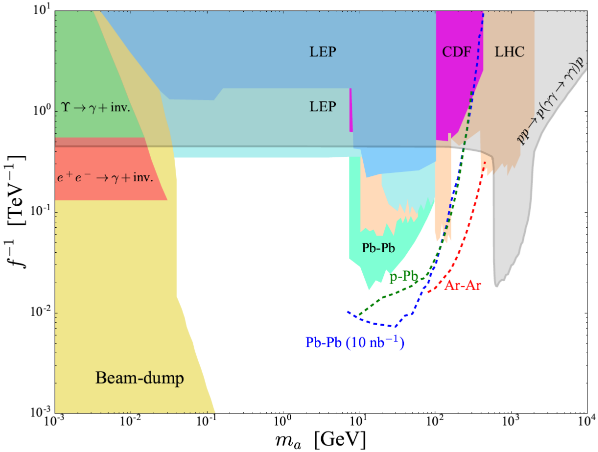
Search for axion like particles





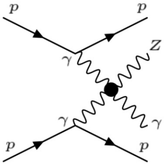
- Production of ALPs via photon exchanges and tagging the intact protons in the final state complementary to the usual search at the LHC (Z decays into 3 photons): sensitivity at high ALP mass, C. Baldenegro, S. Fichet, G. von Gersdorff, C. Royon, ArXiv 1803.10835, JHEP 1806 (2018) 131
- Complementarity with Pb Pb running: sensitivity to low mass diphoton, low luminosity but cross section increased by Z^4

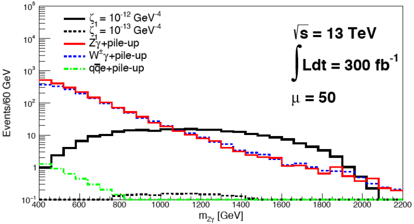
Search for axion like particles: complementarity with heavy ion runs



- Production of ALPs via photon exchanges in heavy ion runs: Complementarity to *pp* running
- Sensitivity to low mass ALPs: low luminosity but cross section increased by Z^4, C. Baldenegro, S. Hassani, C.R., L. Schoeffel, ArXiv:1903.04151
- Similar gain of three orders of magnitude on sensitivity for $\gamma\gamma\gamma Z$ couplings in *pp* collisions: C. Baldenegro, S. Fichet, G. von Gersdorff, C. R., JHEP 1706 (2017) 142

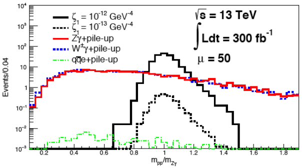
$\gamma\gamma\gamma Z$ quartic anomalous coupling

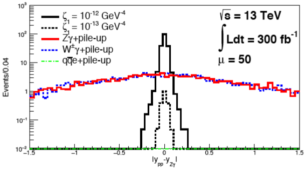




- Look for $Z\gamma$ anomalous production
- Z can decay leptonically or hadronically: the fact that we can control the background using the mass/rapidiy matching technique allows us to look in both channels (very small background)
- Leads to a very good sensitivity to $\gamma\gamma\gamma Z$ couplings

$\gamma\gamma\gamma Z$ quartic anomalous coupling

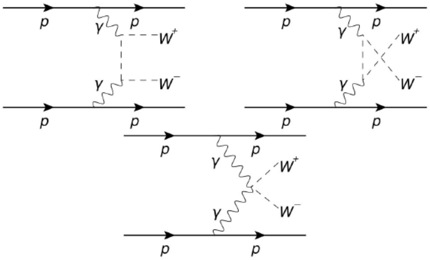




Coupling (GeV^{-4})	ζ ($\tilde{\zeta}=0$)		$\zeta=\tilde{\zeta}$	
Luminosity	300 fb^{-1}		300 fb^{-1}	
Pile-up (μ)	50		50	
Channels	5 σ	95% CL	5 σ	95% CL
$\ell\bar{\ell}\gamma$	$2.8\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.8\cdot10^{-13}$	$2.5\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.5\cdot10^{-13}$
$jj\gamma$	$2.3\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.5\cdot10^{-13}$	$2\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.3\cdot10^{-13}$
$jj\gamma\bigoplus\ell\bar{\ell}\gamma$	$1.93\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.2\cdot10^{-13}$	$1.7\cdot10^{-13}$	$1\cdot10^{-13}$

- C. Baldenegro, S. Fichet, G. von Gersdorff, C. Royon, JHEP 1706 (2017) 142
- Best expected reach at the LHC by about three orders of magnitude
- Advantage of this method: sensitivity to anomalous couplings in a model independent way: can be due to wide/narrow resonances, loops of new particles as a threshold effect

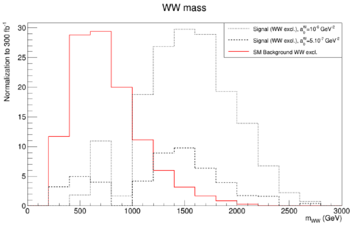
SM observation and anomalous couplings studies in WW events

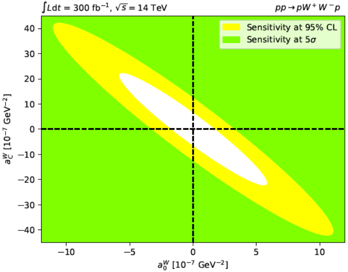


- Possible observation of WW exclusive production at high mass: study all decay channels, 2 "fat" jets, 1 lepton + 1 "fat" jet, 2 leptons

- The SM prediction on exclusive events after selection (back-to-back jets, jet mass $\sim W$ boson mass, and mass /rapidity matching): 120 events for 300 fb^{-1}
- Study all possible background mainly due to WW, WZ, ZZ, W+jet, Z+jet, $t\bar{t}$, dijet SM productions with pile up
- High background, but can be reduced to about 20% of signal (dijet background rejected using advanced techniques)
- 1st possible observation of exclusive WW at high mass with data after shutdown with present configuration: important to check detector acceptance, efficiency, alignment...

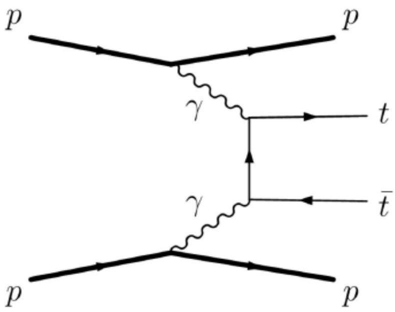
Anomalous couplings studies in WW events





- Same method as before: looking for anomalous WW production
- Events appear at high WW mass, and benefit from mass/rapidity matching to reject background
- Sensitivity down to 3 10^{-7} GeV^{-2} (present limits using exclusive production of WW at medium luminosity (low pile up) without proton tagging led to limits of $\sim 10^{-4}$ GeV^{-2})
- Studies in progress with C. Baldenegro, G. Biagi, G. Legras, C.R.

Exclusive $t\bar{t}$ production



- Exclusive production of $t\bar{t}$ events: SM observation and sensitivity to anomalous couplings
- SM cross section quite low $\sim$1 fb
- Few events might be observed with 300 fb^{-1}, and higher statistics available at high lumi LHC (3000 fb^{-1})
- Studies in progress including background with A. Bellora, M. Pitt, C. Baldenegro, S. Fichet, G. von Gersdorff, C.R.

2019 workshop on forward physics at the EIC, the LHC and cosmic ray

The workshop (https://indico.cern.ch/event/823693/) was attended by 46 participants from 8 countries, including a large fraction of students from Mexican universities and research institutes. Several talks on theory developments and experimental status (ATLAS, CMS,LHCb, ALICE, TOTEM, LHCf, and MoEDAL as well as the DUNE Collaboration).

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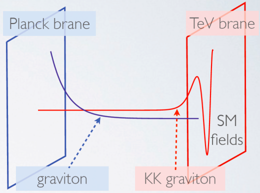
Conclusion

- LHC can be seen as a $\gamma\gamma$ collider!
- $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma\gamma ZZ$, $\gamma\gamma WW$, $\gamma\gamma\gamma Z$ anomalous coupling studies and SM observation
  - Exclusive process: **photon-induced processes** $pp \rightarrow p\gamma\gamma p$ (gluon exchanges suppressed at high masses)
  - Theoretical calculation in better control (QED processes with intact protons), not sensitive to the photon structure function
  - **"Background-free" experiment** and any observed event is signal
  - NB: Survival probablity in better control than in the QCD (gluon) case
- CT-PPS/AFP allows to probe BSM diphoton production in a model independent way: sensitivities to values predicted by extradim or composite Higgs models
- Sensitivity to ALPs: Improvement by more than one order of magnitude
- Complementarity between pp, pA, AA runs

We need to look everywhere! For instance using intact protons...

Backup: Warped extra-dimensions

- ✘ Warped Extra Dimensions solve hierarchy problem of SM
- ✘ 5[th] dimension bounded by two branes
- ✘ SM on the visible (or TeV) brane



- ✘ The Kaluza Klein modes of the graviton couple with TeV strength

$$\mathcal{L}^{\gamma\gamma h} = f^{-2}\, h^{\rm KK}_{\mu\nu}\, \left(\tfrac{1}{4}\eta_{\mu\nu}F^2_{\rho\lambda} - F_{\mu\rho}F_{\rho\nu}\right)$$

$$f \sim \text{TeV} \qquad m_{\rm KK} \sim \text{few TeV}$$

- ✘ Effective 4-photon couplings $\zeta_i \sim 10^{-14} - 10^{-13}\ \text{GeV}^{-2}$ possible
- ✘ The radion can produce similar effective couplings

- Which models/theories are we sensitive to using AFP/CT-PPS
- Beyond standard models predict anomalous couplings of $\sim 10^{-14}$-10^{-13}