

The Measurement of the $W\gamma$ Cross Section at 8 TeV (PhD thesis defense)

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Talk Outline

► Introduction to theory

- Standard Model
- Proton-proton collisions
- $W\gamma \rightarrow l\nu\gamma$ process

► Experimental setup

- Large Hadron Collider (LHC)
- Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS)
- Particle reconstruction in CMS

► $W\gamma$ cross section measurement

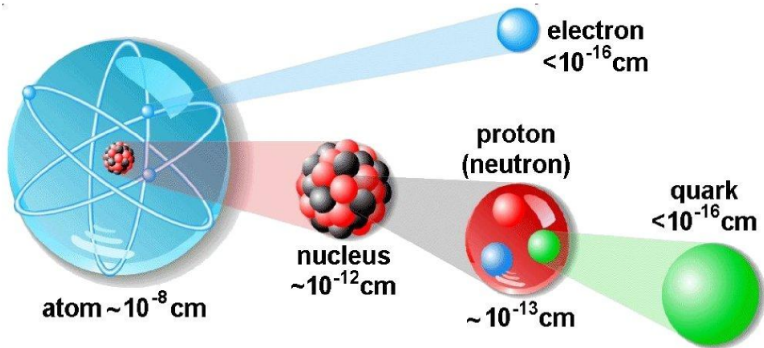
- Measurement goal and strategy
- Data and simulation (MC) samples
- Measurement steps
- **Main challenge:** jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ background estimation
- Systematic uncertainties
- Results

► Conclusions

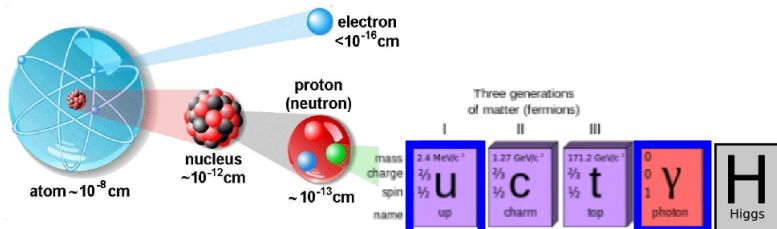
More details about each subject are available in the dissertation:

<https://github.com/eavdeeva/ThesisTextWg/blob/master/nuthesis/examples/nuthesis.pdf>

Theory. Atom Structure



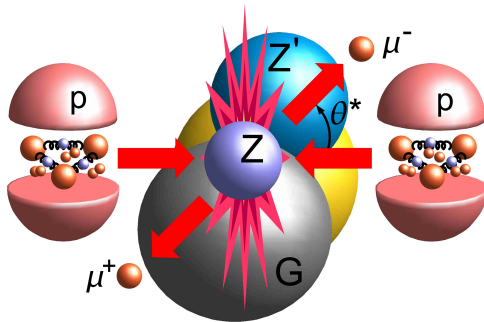
Theory. The Standard Model



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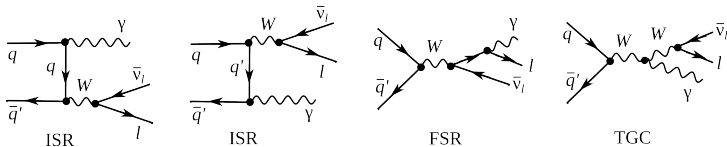
uud (proton)
 udd (neutron)
 electron

Theory. Proton-Proton Collisions



- ▶ Quarks u, u, d within a proton interact and produce gluons and quark-antiquark pairs;
- ▶ In a pp collision, any “parton” from one proton can interact with any parton from another proton.

Theory. $W\gamma \rightarrow l\nu\gamma$



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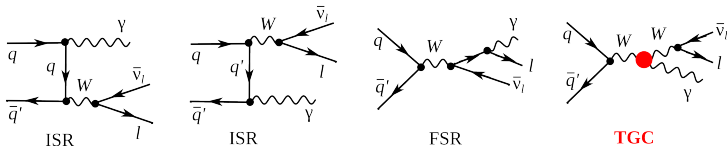
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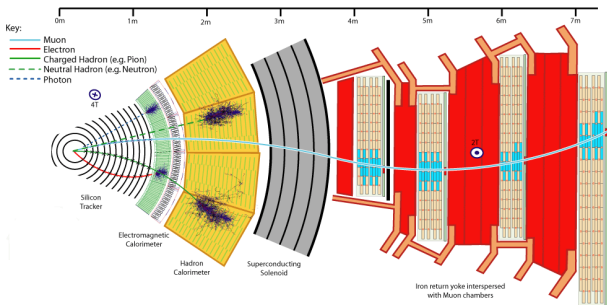
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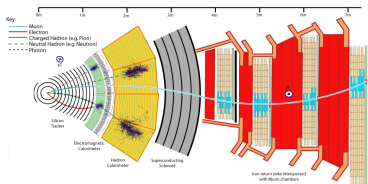
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Neutrino is not detected. The measure of P_T^ν is
missing transverse energy: $E_T^{miss} = -|\sum \mathbf{P}_T|$,
Sum over all visible particles in the event.

Measurement Goal

To measure the total and the differential ($\frac{d\sigma}{dP_T^\gamma}$) cross sections of $W\gamma \rightarrow l\nu\gamma$ at $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV.

Phase space definition:

- ▶ $P_T^\gamma > 15$ GeV;
- ▶ $\Delta R(\gamma, lep) > 0.7$;
- ▶ several more requirements related to geometric and kinematic limitations

Measurement Strategy

| Step | Algebraic representation for the measurement of | |
|--|---|---|
| | $d\sigma/dP_T^\gamma$ | σ |
| select events | N_{sel}^j | N_{sel} |
| subtract background | $N_{sign}^j = N_{sel}^j - N_{bkg}^j$ | $N_{sign} = N_{sel} - N_{bkg}$ |
| unfold | $N_{A \times \epsilon}^i = U_{ij} \cdot N_{sign}^j$ | — |
| correct for efficiency | $N_{true}^i = \frac{N_{A \times \epsilon}^i}{(A \times \epsilon)^i}$ | $N_{true} = \frac{N_{sign}}{A \times \epsilon}$ |
| compute cross section | $\left(\frac{d\sigma}{dP_T^\gamma}\right)^i = \frac{N_{true}^i}{L \cdot (\Delta P_T^\gamma)^i}$ | $\sigma = N_{true}/L$ |
| estimate systematic uncertainties | | |

Data Samples and Triggering

Data: CMS experiment, 2012, pp collisions at $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV
Integrated luminosity: $L=19.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

| Dataset | Candidates | Purpose | Size, T |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Single muon | $W\gamma \rightarrow \mu\nu\gamma$ | target process | 1.2 |
| Single electron | $W\gamma \rightarrow e\nu\gamma$ | target process | 2.0 |
| Double muon | $Z\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$ | background estimation | 0.4 |
| Double electron | $Z\gamma \rightarrow ee\gamma$ | background estimation | 0.5 |

MC Samples and Luminosity Reweighting

| Process | Type | σ , pb |
|--|------------|---------------|
| $W\gamma \rightarrow l\nu\gamma$ | signal | 554 |
| $W+\text{jets} \rightarrow l\nu+\text{jets}$ | background | 36257 |
| $DY+\text{jets} \rightarrow ll+\text{jets}$ | background | 3504 |
| $t\bar{t}+\text{jets} \rightarrow 1l+X$ | background | 99 |
| $t\bar{t}+\text{jets} \rightarrow 2l+X$ | background | 24 |
| $Z\gamma \rightarrow ll\gamma$ | background | 172 |

All MC samples are normalized to the data luminosity of $L = 19.6 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ in all studies and plots.

Requirements for Selection of $W\gamma$ Candidates

| Selection requirements for candidates ----- $W\gamma \rightarrow \mu\nu\gamma$ ----- ----- $W\gamma \rightarrow e\nu\gamma$ ----- | | Comment |
|---|--|---|
| Event level: Exactly one lepton + at least one photon $M_T^W > 40$ GeV $110 > M_{e\gamma} > 70$ GeV excl. $\Delta R(\ell p, \gamma) > 0.7$ | | process signature rejects DY+jets, $Z\gamma$ rejects DY+jets theory consideration |
| Photon selection: $P_T^\gamma > 15$ GeV η^γ : EB or EE Photon ID [one change in ID] | | theory considerations acceptance POG*-recommended $W\gamma\gamma$ -recommended |
| Lepton selection: $p_T^\mu > 25$ GeV; $ \eta^\mu < 2.1$ Muon ID | | $p_T^e > 30$ GeV; η^e : EB or EE Electron ID trigger trigger, acceptance POG*-recommended |
| Second lepton veto: $p_T^{\mu 2} > 10$ GeV; $ \eta^{\mu 2} < 2.4$ | | $p_T^{e 2} > 10$ GeV; $\eta^{e 2}$: EB or EE [veto] ID rejects DY+jets, $Z\gamma$ very loose |

If we have several candidates in an event, we choose one with the highest P_T^γ

*POG - Particle Object Group (in CMS)

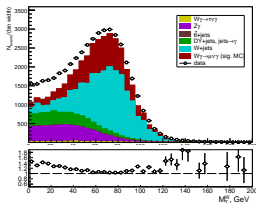
Data vs MC. M_T^W and $M_{l,\gamma}$

$M_T^W > 40 \text{ GeV}$ is applied in both channels

$M_{l,\gamma} < 70 \text{ or } M_{l,\gamma} > 110 \text{ GeV}$ is applied in the **electron channel only**

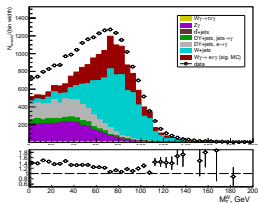
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Data vs MC. $W\gamma \rightarrow \mu\nu\gamma$, EB+EE.



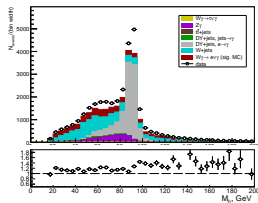
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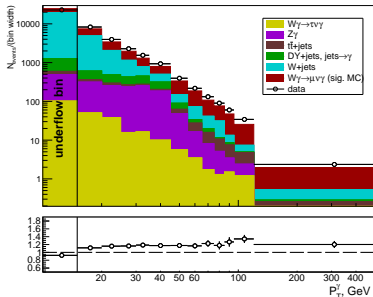


Data vs MC. $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$

- ▶ Selected datasets are dominated by W +jets events in low $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$ bins;
- ▶ Fraction of signal increases with $P_T^{\gamma\gamma}$;
- ▶ Data disagree with MC.

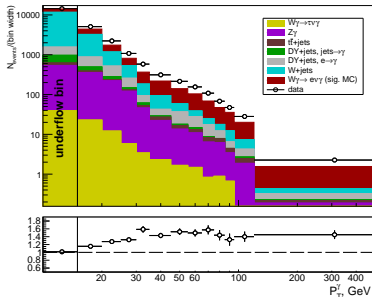
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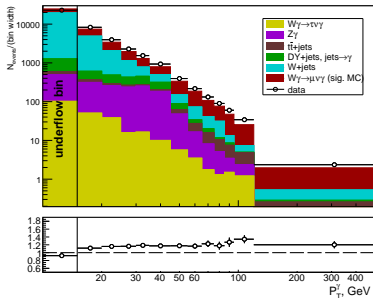
Data vs MC. P_T^γ

Backgrounds:

- ▶ jets $\rightarrow \gamma$: W +jets, DY +jets, $t\bar{t}$ +jets;
- ▶ $e \rightarrow \gamma$: DY +jets, electron channel only;
- ▶ real- γ : $Z\gamma$, $W\gamma \rightarrow \tau\nu\gamma$.

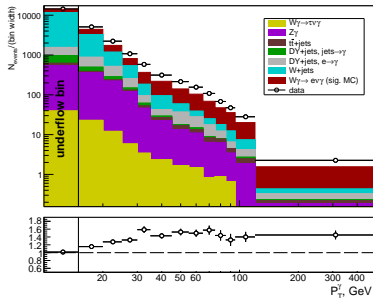
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Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ Background. Sources

Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ background estimation is the most challenging part of this measurement and also the source of the largest systematic uncertainties (discussed later).

Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ Background. Template Method

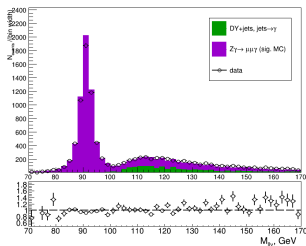
- ▶ Choose a variable that has a significant discriminative power between the true and fake photon candidates V_{fit} ;
- ▶ Prepare real- γ (T_{true}) and fake- γ (T_{fake}) templates*;
- ▶ Fit V_{fit} distribution in data by: $F(V_{fit}) = N_{true} \cdot T_{true}(V_{fit}) + N_{fake} \cdot T_{fake}(V_{fit})$.

*Templates: binned histograms of V_{fit} , which should be accurate representations of V_{fit} distributions of real and fake photons in the $W\gamma$ -selected dataset.

Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ Background. Templates from $Z\gamma \rightarrow \bar{\mu}\mu\gamma$

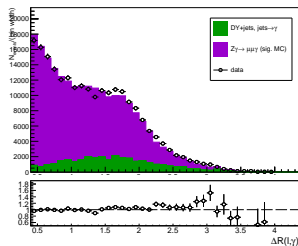
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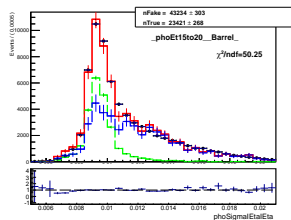
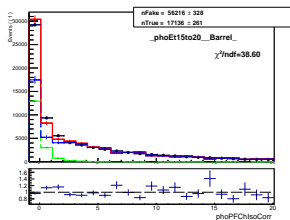
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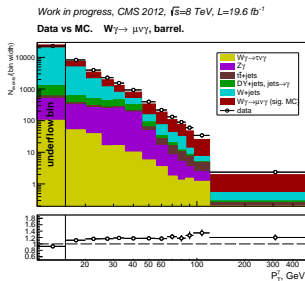
Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ Background. $V_{fit} = I_{ch}^\gamma$ and $V_{fit} = \sigma_{i\eta i\eta}$



$e \rightarrow \gamma$ Background. Source

Real- γ Background. Sources

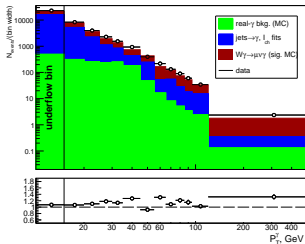
Main sources of true γ background are $Z\gamma$ and $W\gamma \rightarrow \tau\nu\gamma$. The MC-based estimation is used to subtract these backgrounds. MC-based background estimation.



P_T^γ Spectrum (EB only)

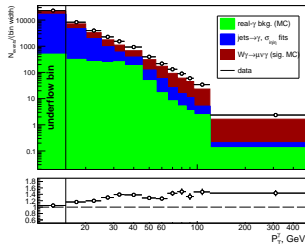
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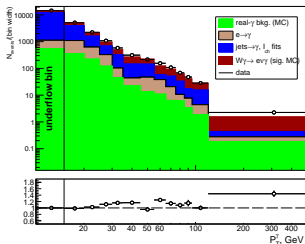
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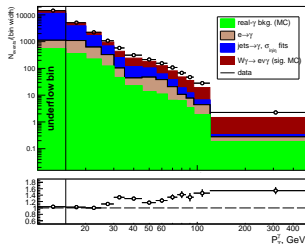
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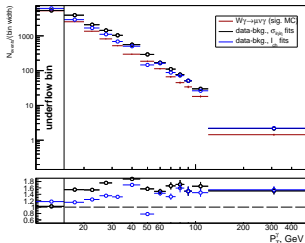
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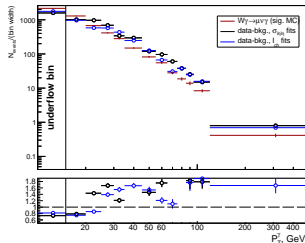


P_T^γ Spectrum after Background Subtraction (EB and EE)

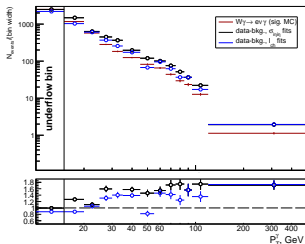
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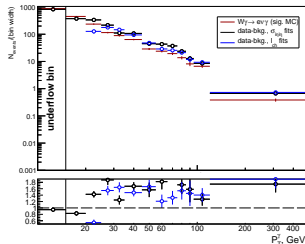
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Cross Checks for Jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ Background Estimation

Simple MC closure check:

- ▶ Mix $W\gamma$ and W +jets MC samples to prepare pseudodata;
- ▶ Use $W\gamma$ and W +jets MC to prepare templates;
- ▶ Fit pseudodata and compare fit results with MC predictions;
- ▶ Agreement is mostly good.

MC realistic check:

- ▶ Mix $W\gamma$, W +jets, DY +jets, $Z\gamma$, $t\bar{t}$ +jets MC samples to prepare pseudodata-I;
- ▶ Mix $Z\gamma$ and DY +jets MC to prepare pseudodata-II for templates;
- ▶ Fit pseudodata-I and compare fit results with MC predictions;
- ▶ Agreement is better than in data but generally not very good.

$Z\gamma$ check:

- ▶ Apply $Z\gamma$ selection on Double Muon and Double Electron datasets;
- ▶ Prepare templates the same way as for the $W\gamma$ measurement;
- ▶ Fit $Z\gamma$ -selected datasets and compare fit results with MC predictions and I_{ch}^γ vs $\sigma_{l\eta}^\gamma$;
- ▶ Measure $Z\gamma$ cross section and compare to the published CMS 8 TeV result;
- ▶ Agreement is very good.

Conclusions: reasons of discrepancies in the $W\gamma$ measurement:

- ▶ Not accurate shape of templates;
- ▶ Effect of a bias on the fit machinery.

Other Corrections

Detector resolution unfolding: Important note: errors across different P_T^γ bins become correlated after the unfolding procedure.

Efficiency:

Acceptance:

Efficiency Scale Factors

POG

Special SF from $W\gamma$

Uncertainties. Introduction

Relative Uncertainties [%] on the $W\gamma \rightarrow \mu\nu\gamma$ Cross Section

Diagonal elements of error matrices only

| P_T^γ , GeV | stat. unc. | systematic uncertainties | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------|-----------------|-----|------|-------|----------------|
| | | related to jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ N_{lch} vs $N_{\sigma i \eta i \eta}$ | $Z\gamma$ MC norm. | templ. stat. | SFs | lumi | other | total syst. |
| >15 | 1 | 10 | 24 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 27 |
| 15-20 | 2 | 31 | 12 | 10 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 35 |
| 20-25 | 2 | 29 | 13 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 34 |
| 25-30 | 2 | 24 | 13 | 11 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 30 |
| 30-35 | 3 | 40 | 15 | 13 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 45 |
| 35-45 | 2 | 11 | 12 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 19 |
| 45-55 | 4 | 62 | 19 | 20 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 68 |
| 55-65 | 3 | 15 | 12 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 24 |
| 65-75 | 6 | 36 | 19 | 17 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 44 |
| 75-85 | 4 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 1 | 3 | 10 | 21 |
| 85-95 | 5 | 2 | 9 | 23 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 25 |
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| 15-20 | 8 | 80 | 27 | 19 | 17 | 3 | 18 | 11 | 90 |
| 20-25 | 7 | 38 | 20 | 14 | 12 | 3 | 11 | 10 | 48 |
| 25-30 | 5 | 25 | 16 | 12 | 14 | 3 | 8 | 8 | 36 |
| 30-35 | 5 | 35 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 42 |
| 35-45 | 3 | 14 | 13 | 8 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 28 |
| 45-55 | 8 | 53 | 20 | 22 | 36 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 71 |
| 55-65 | 7 | 17 | 12 | 30 | 44 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 58 |
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Major Sources of the Systematic Uncertainties

Bias in Template Shape and Fit Machinery: $|N_{lch} - N_{\sigma i \eta i \eta}|$

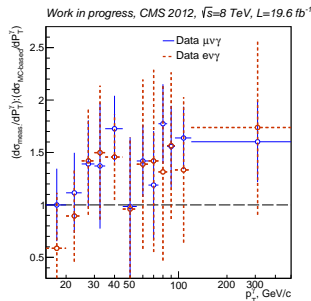
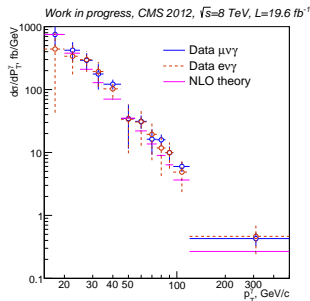
$Z\gamma$ MC Normalization:

Statistical Power of Templates:

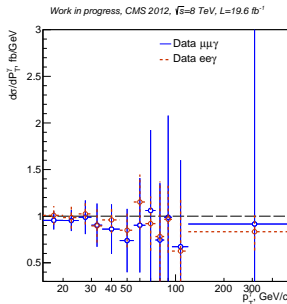
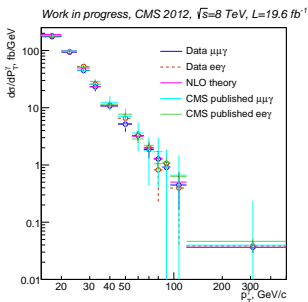
PixelSeedVeto SFs (electron channel only):

Total and Differential Cross Section

| | $\sigma (P_T^\gamma > 15 \text{ GeV}), \text{ fb}$ |
|------------------------|--|
| NLO theory | 9101 |
| Data, muon channel | $10949 \pm 91 \pm 1463$ |
| Data, electron channel | $9146 \pm 185 \pm 2213$ |



$Z\gamma$ Check. Differential Cross Section



- ▶ Cross section of $Z\gamma \rightarrow l\bar{l}\gamma$ agrees well with the 8 TeV published CMS result and with the theory prediction;
- ▶ The workflows for the $Z\gamma$ and $W\gamma$ measurements are very similar;
- ▶ The same procedures of the jets $\rightarrow \gamma$ background estimation have been used;
- ▶ $Z\gamma \rightarrow \mu\mu\gamma$: template data **significantly overlap** with analyzed data \rightarrow **closure check**;
- ▶ $Z\gamma \rightarrow ee\gamma$: template data **do not overlap** with analyzed data \rightarrow **valid physics measurement**.

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Conclusions

- ▶ Cross section for muon and electron channels are computed;
- ▶ This is the first measurement of the differential $W\gamma$ cross section with CMS;
- ▶ Results agree with the theory;
- ▶ Results between the two channels agree;
- ▶ Good agreement in the $Z\gamma$ check validates most parts of the measurement.