

On new physics off the Z peak in $H \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \gamma$

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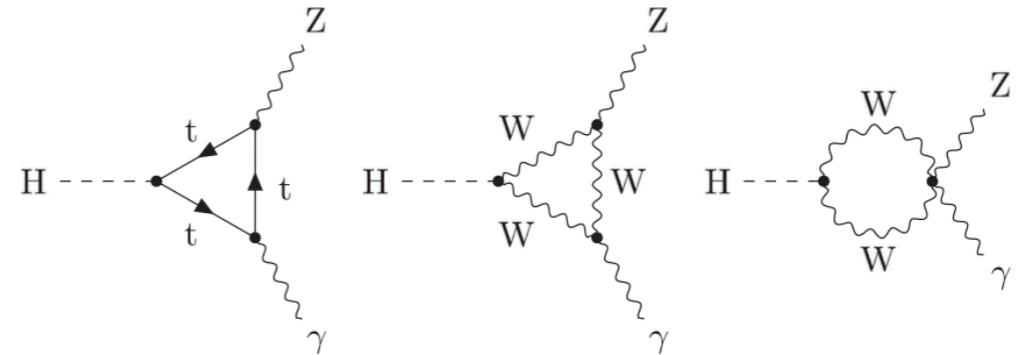
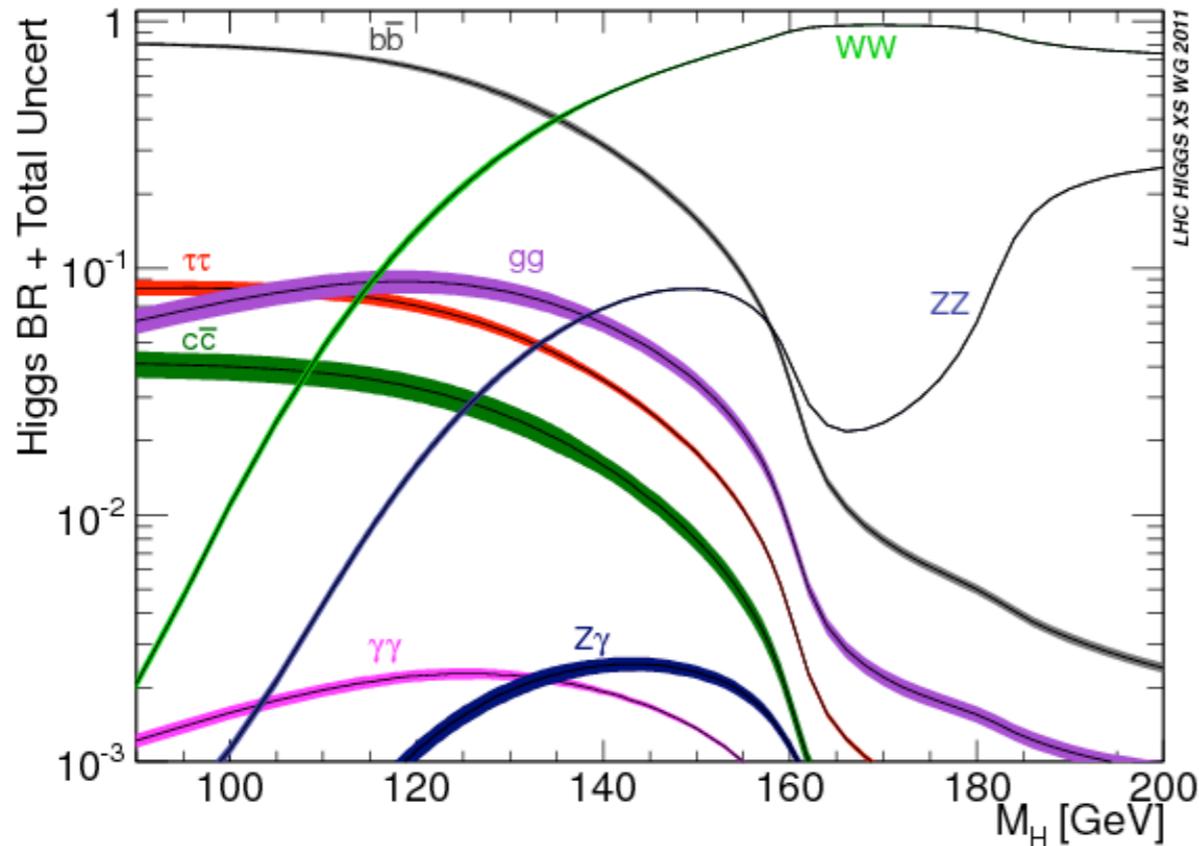


FIG. 1. Examples of Feynman diagrams for $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ decay.

Cahn et al (1979); Bergstrom & Hulth (1985); Spira et al (1992);
Kachanovich et al (2020);...

Branching almost as $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ but $H \rightarrow \gamma Z^{(*)} \rightarrow \gamma f \bar{f}$

$f \bar{f} = l^+ l^-$ clean, but Z branching fraction only $\sim 7\%$

$\nu \bar{\nu}$ large missing E_T , hard to reconstruct

$q \bar{q}$ large, complex QCD background

Evidence for the Higgs Boson Decay to a Z Boson and a Photon at the LHC

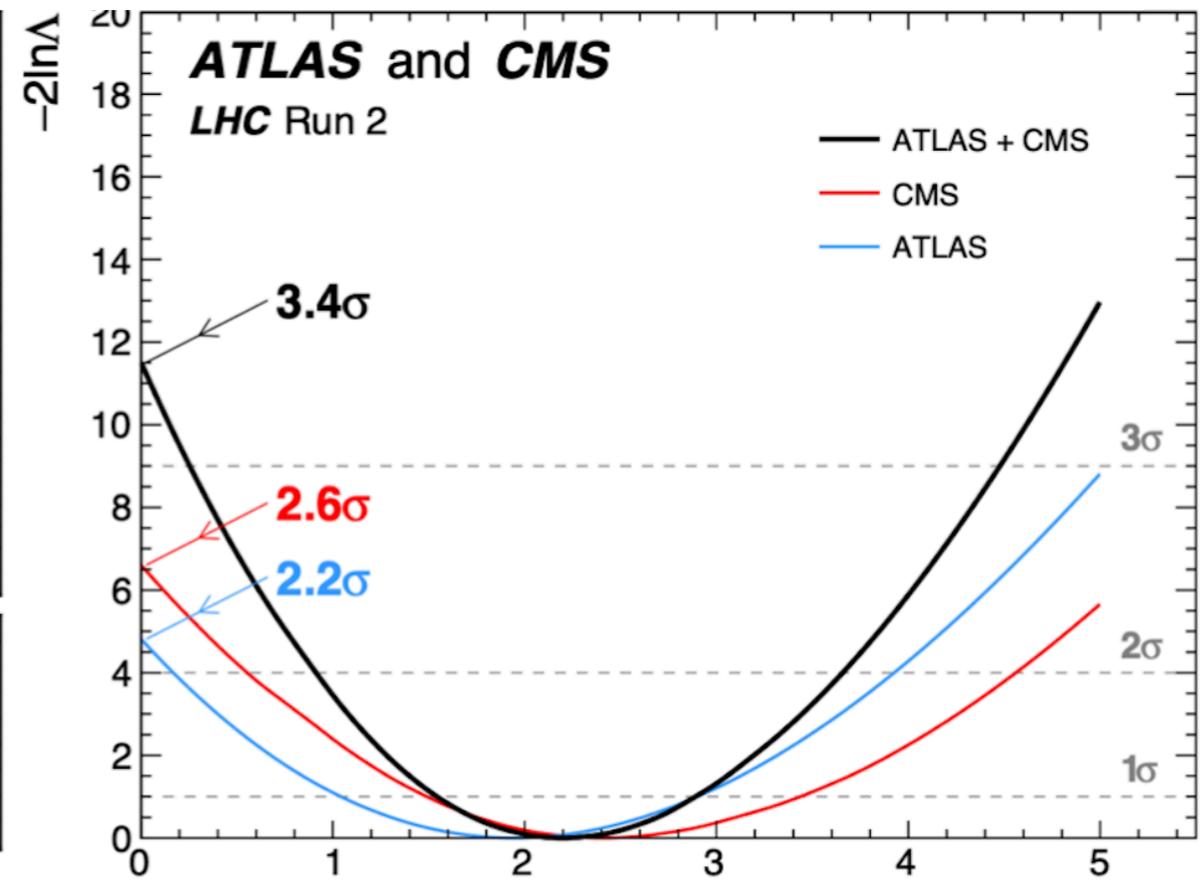
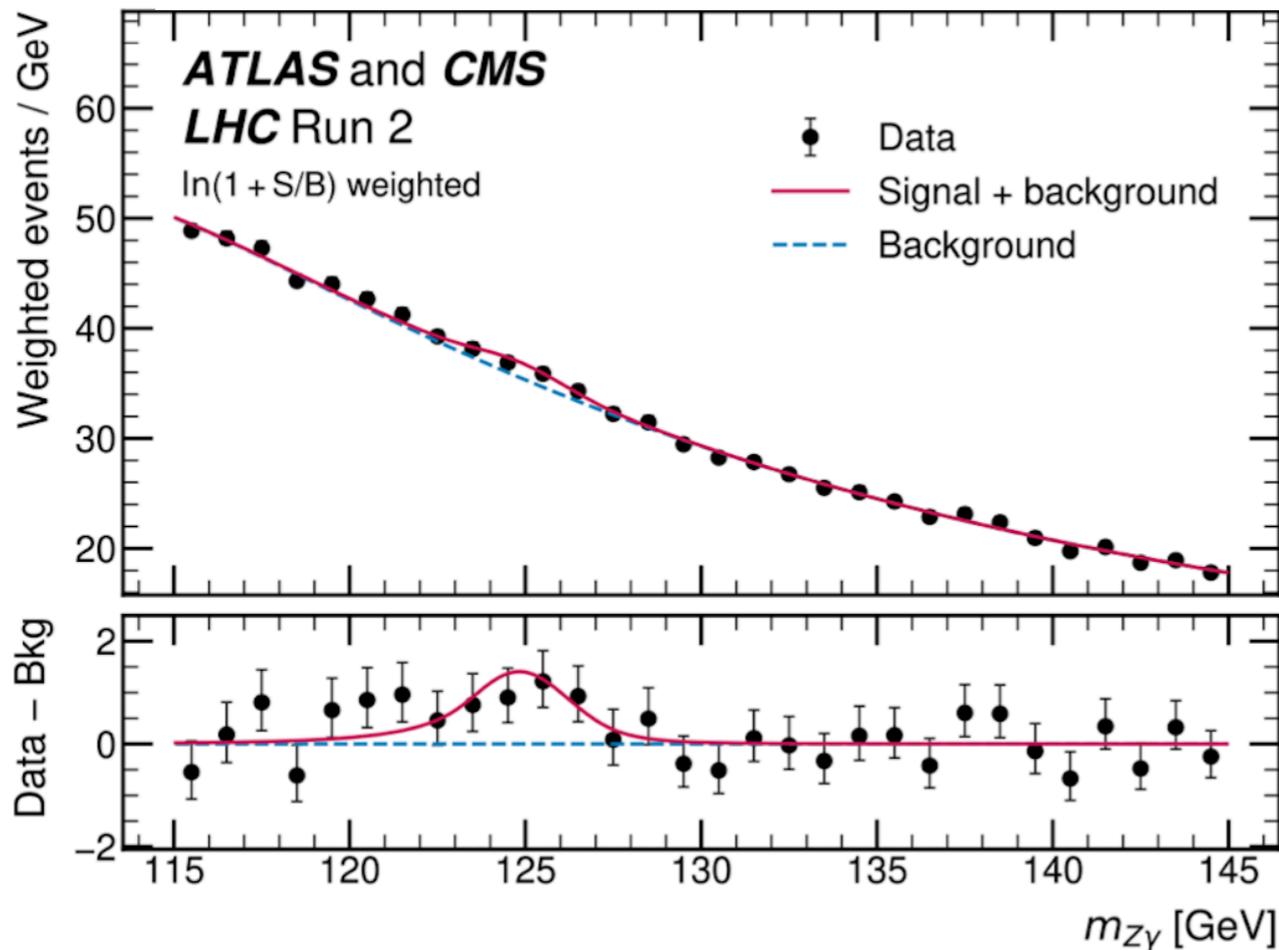
G. Aad *et al.**

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The first evidence for the Higgs boson decay to a Z boson and a photon is presented, with a statistical significance of 3.4 standard deviations. The result is derived from a combined analysis of the searches performed by the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations with proton-proton collision datasets collected at the CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC) from 2015 to 2018. These correspond to integrated luminosities of around 140 fb^{-1} for each experiment, at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV. The measured signal yield is 2.2 ± 0.7 times the standard model prediction, and agrees with the theoretical expectation within 1.9 standard deviations.

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Search for the Higgs boson decay to a Z boson and a photon in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV and 13.6 TeV with the ATLAS detector

The ATLAS Collaboration

I'll come to that...

Standard Model considerations

Letter

Interference effects in $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ beyond leading order

Federico Buccioni ^a, Federica Devoto ^b  , Abdelhak Djouadi ^c, John Ellis ^{d e}, Jérémie Quevillon ^f, Lorenzo Tancredi ^a

F. Buccioni, F. Devoto, A. Djouadi et al.

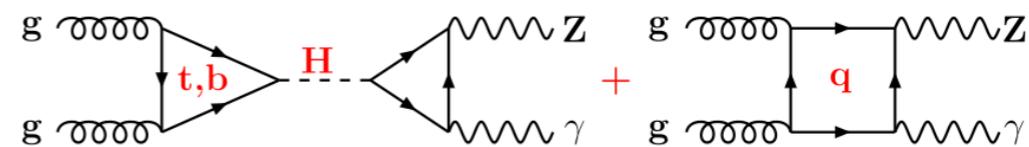


Fig. 1. Feynman diagrams at leading order for the signal (left) and the background (right) in the process $gg \rightarrow Z\gamma$.

Conclusions : small effect  stat. fluctuation or new physics



Next-to-leading-order electroweak correction to $H \rightarrow Z^0\gamma$

Wen-Long Sang ^{1,*}, Feng Feng ^{2,3,†} and Yu Jia ^{3,4,‡}

Conclusions:

NLO electroweak corrections are significant

\sim few %  increased theory prediction,

LO value $(1.40 - 1.71) \times 10^{-3}$ to NLO $(1.55 \pm 0.06) \times 10^{-3}$

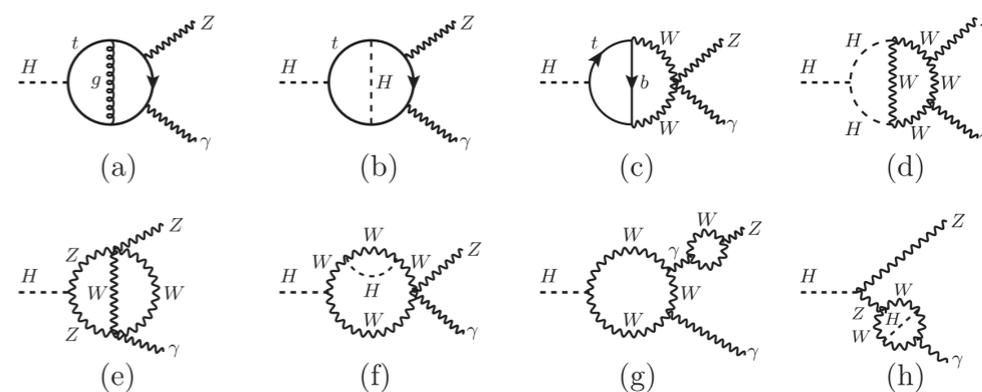


FIG. 2. Some representative two-loop diagrams for $H \rightarrow Z^0\gamma$. (a) Represents a sample diagram for NLO QCD correction, while (b)–(h) represent sample diagrams for NLO electroweak correction.

BSM considerations (sample)

New physics interpretations for nonstandard values of $h \rightarrow Z\gamma$

Rafael Boto^{1,*}, Dipankar Das^{2,†}, Jorge C. Romão^{1,‡}, Ipsita Saha^{3,§} and Joao P. Silva^{1,||}

Conclusions: challenge is to preserve $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \dots$

New fermion singlets or doublets, charged scalars with off-diagonal couplings \rightarrow need large effect; scale must be accessible to the LHC; good for FCC.

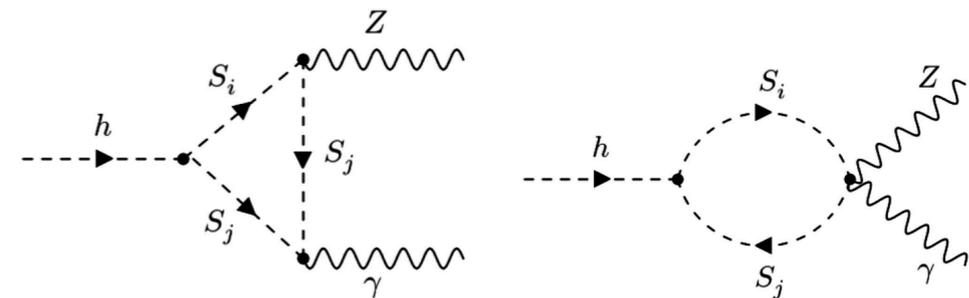


FIG. 1. Representative Feynman diagrams that give additional contributions to $\mu_{Z\gamma}$ exclusively.



Interpretation of excess in $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ using a light axionlike particle

Kingman Cheung^{1,2,3,*} and C. J. Ouseph^{1,2,†}

Conclusions: the challenge is to preserve $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \dots$

A light ALP, $m \sim 0.05\text{--}0.1$ GeV, produced on-shell and decaying into a pair of highly collimated photons would

do. \rightarrow 2 for the price of 1; good for FCC

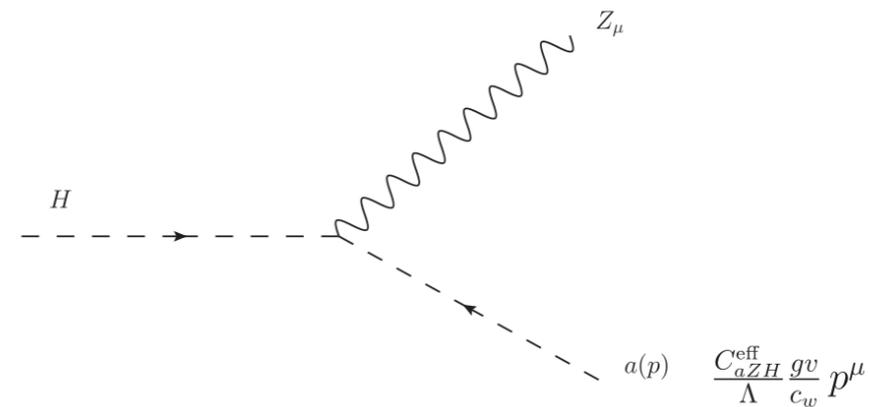


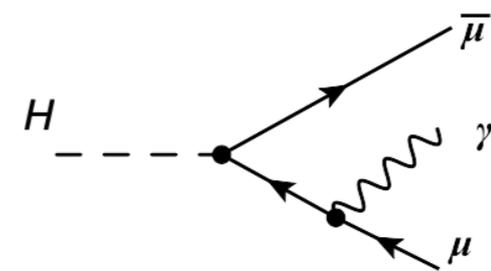
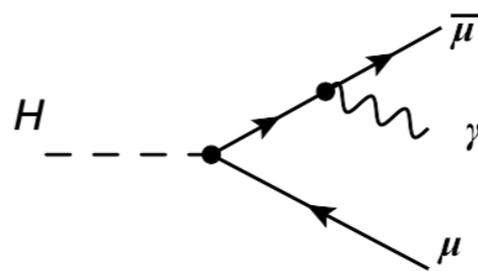
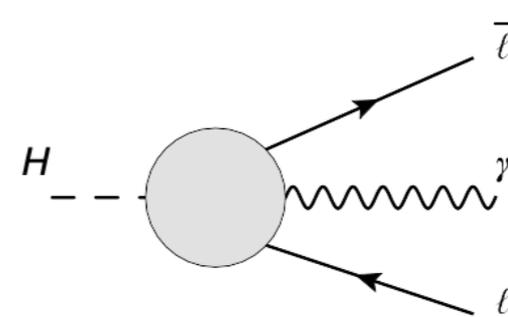
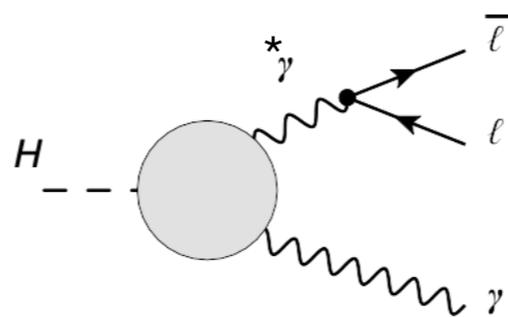
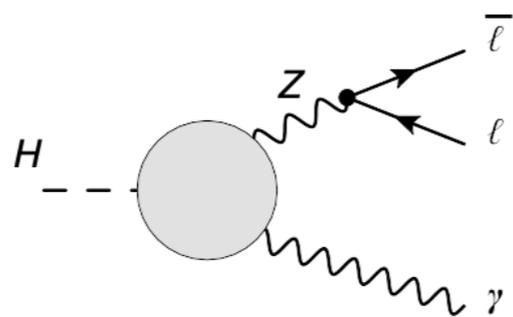
FIG. 2. Feynman rule for the vertex of aZH , which p_μ is the momentum of the incoming axion.

And that's basically it...

$$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma \text{ (SM)}$$

signal

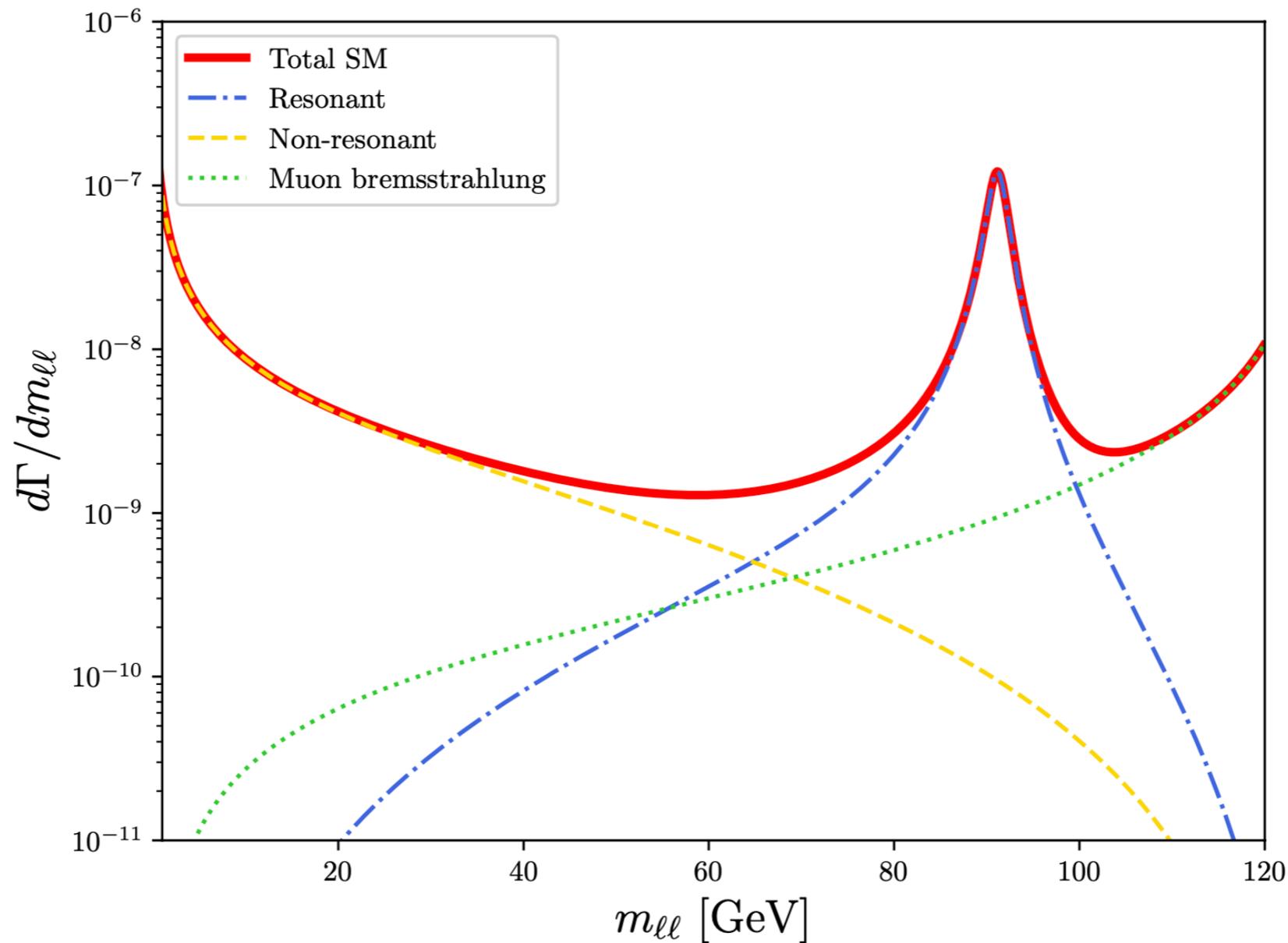
background



resonant

non-resonant

$$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma \text{ (SM)}$$



Theory !
No cuts

FIG. 3. Differential decay rate $d\Gamma/dm_{\ell\ell}$ for $H \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-\gamma$ as function of the dilepton invariant mass, summed (solid red line) for electron and muon pairs. The blue dot-dashed curve corresponds to the resonant Z contribution, see the text. The dotted green curve corresponds to Bremsstrahlung from muon pairs. The dashed yellow curve corresponds to the non-resonant contributions, which include $H \rightarrow \gamma^*\gamma$ and the contribution from box diagrams. We emphasize that this curve is theoretical as it assumes no cuts on the energy of the leptons and of the photon.

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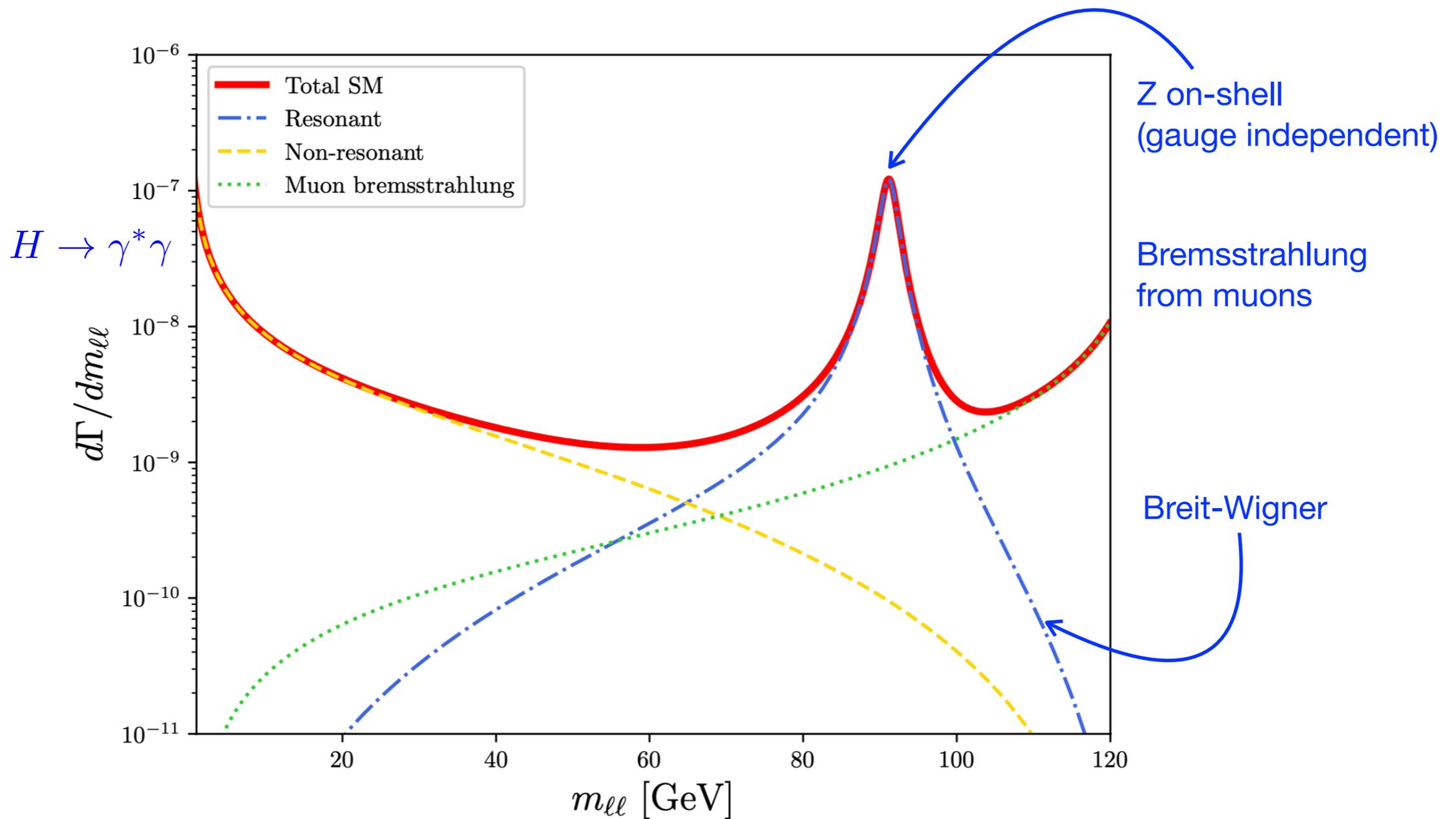


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Modified $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$?

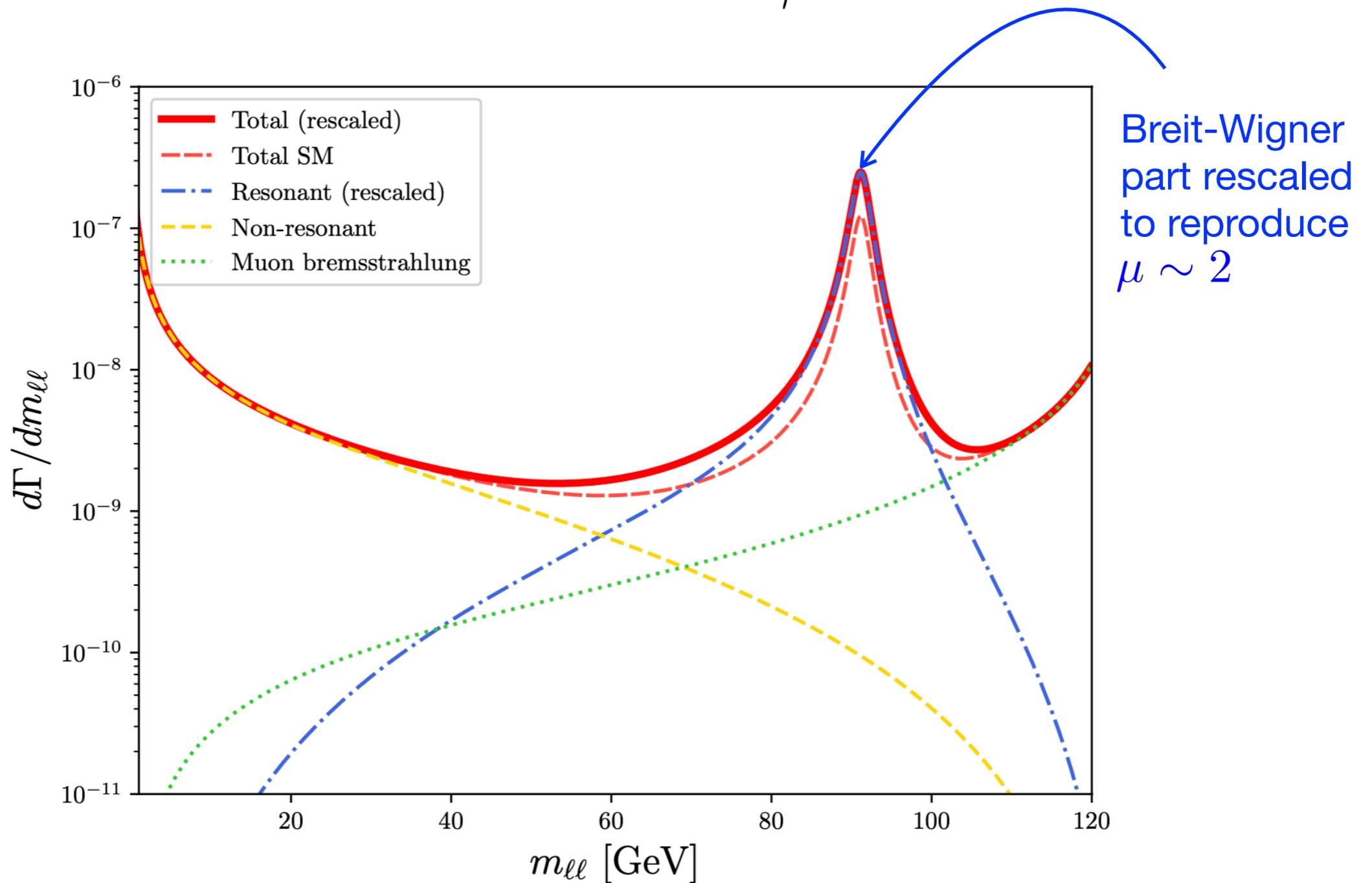
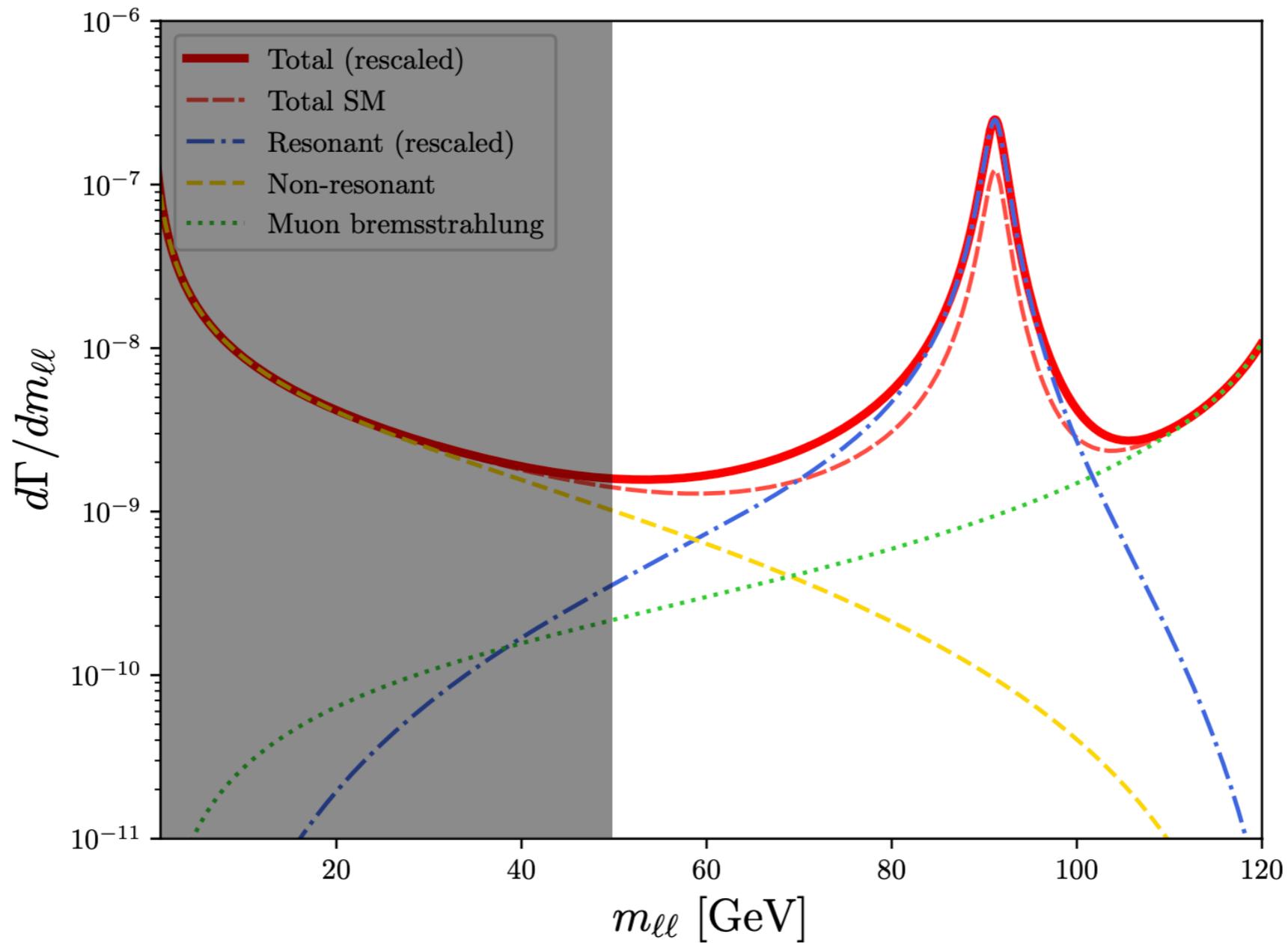


FIG. 4. Same as Figure 3, together with a decay rate with the Z -peak contribution rescaled to match the measured excess of events (solid red curve) compared with the SM prediction (short-dashed red curve).

$$\mu = \Gamma_{H \rightarrow Z\gamma}|_{\text{obs}} / \Gamma_{H \rightarrow Z\gamma}|_{\text{SM}}$$

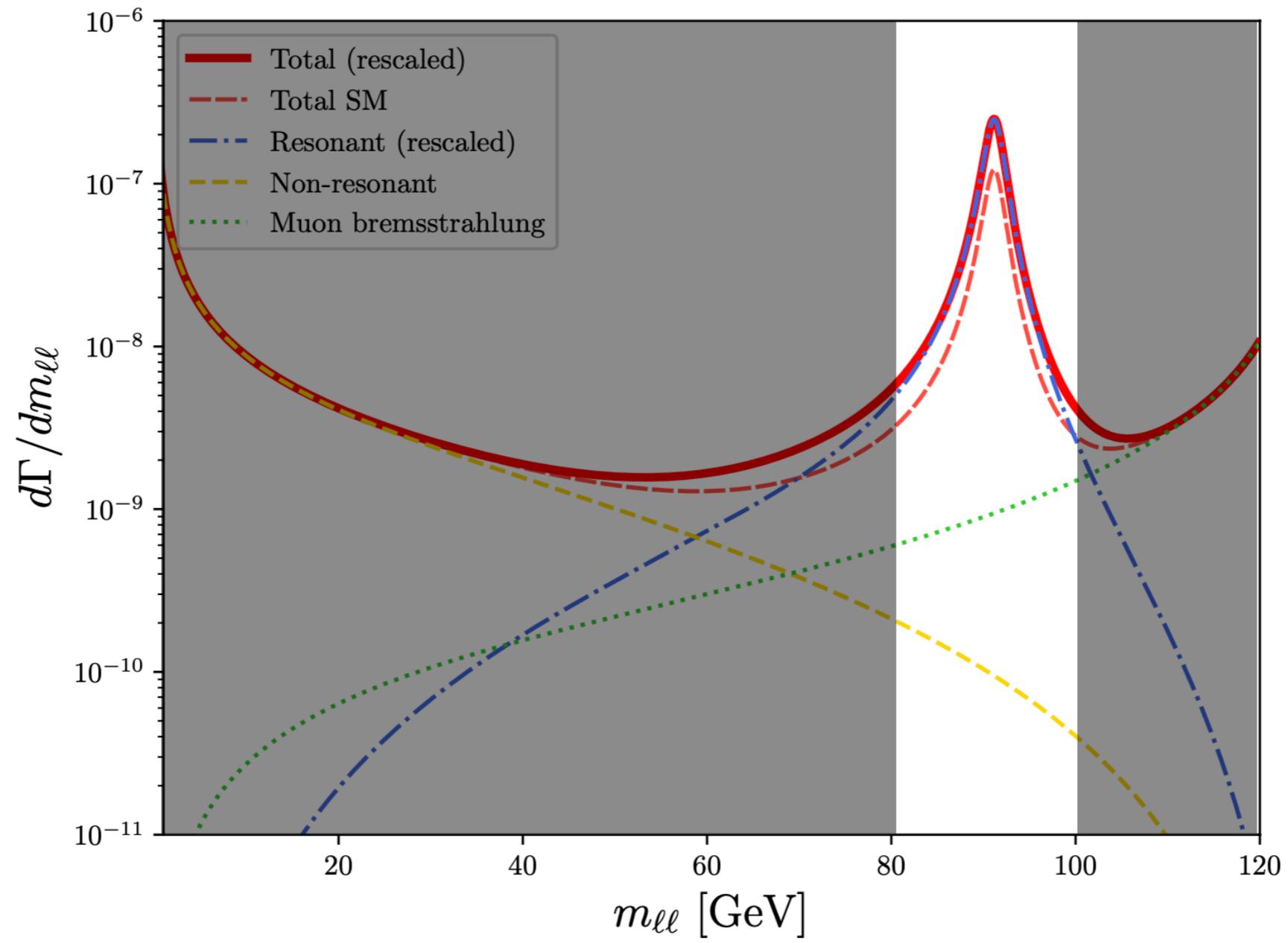
Modified $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$?



CMS cuts (similar for ATLAS) : $50 \text{ GeV} \leq m_{\ell\ell} \leq 125 \text{ GeV}$

$E_1 \geq 7 \text{ GeV}$ $E_2 \geq 25 \text{ GeV}$ $E_\gamma \geq 15 \text{ GeV}$

Changing cuts ?



Changing cuts ?

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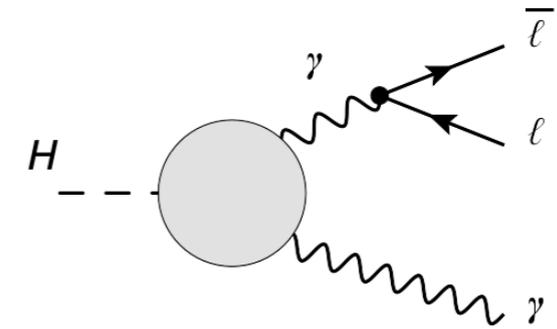
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Non-resonant (off the Z peak) new physics?

- $H \rightarrow \gamma^* \gamma$

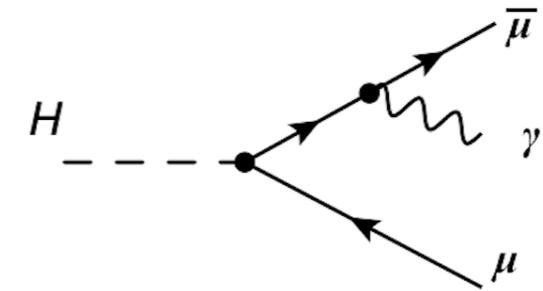
same problem as modifying $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$

hard gamma \sim small m_{H}



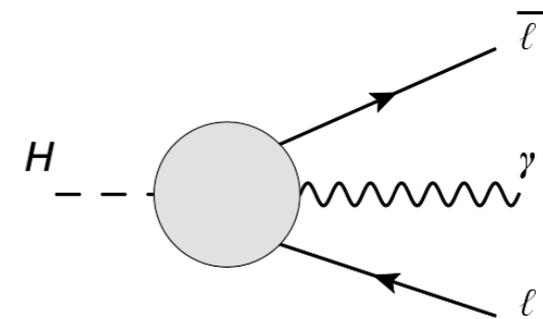
- Bremsstrahlung (muons) ?

soft gammas \sim large m_{H}



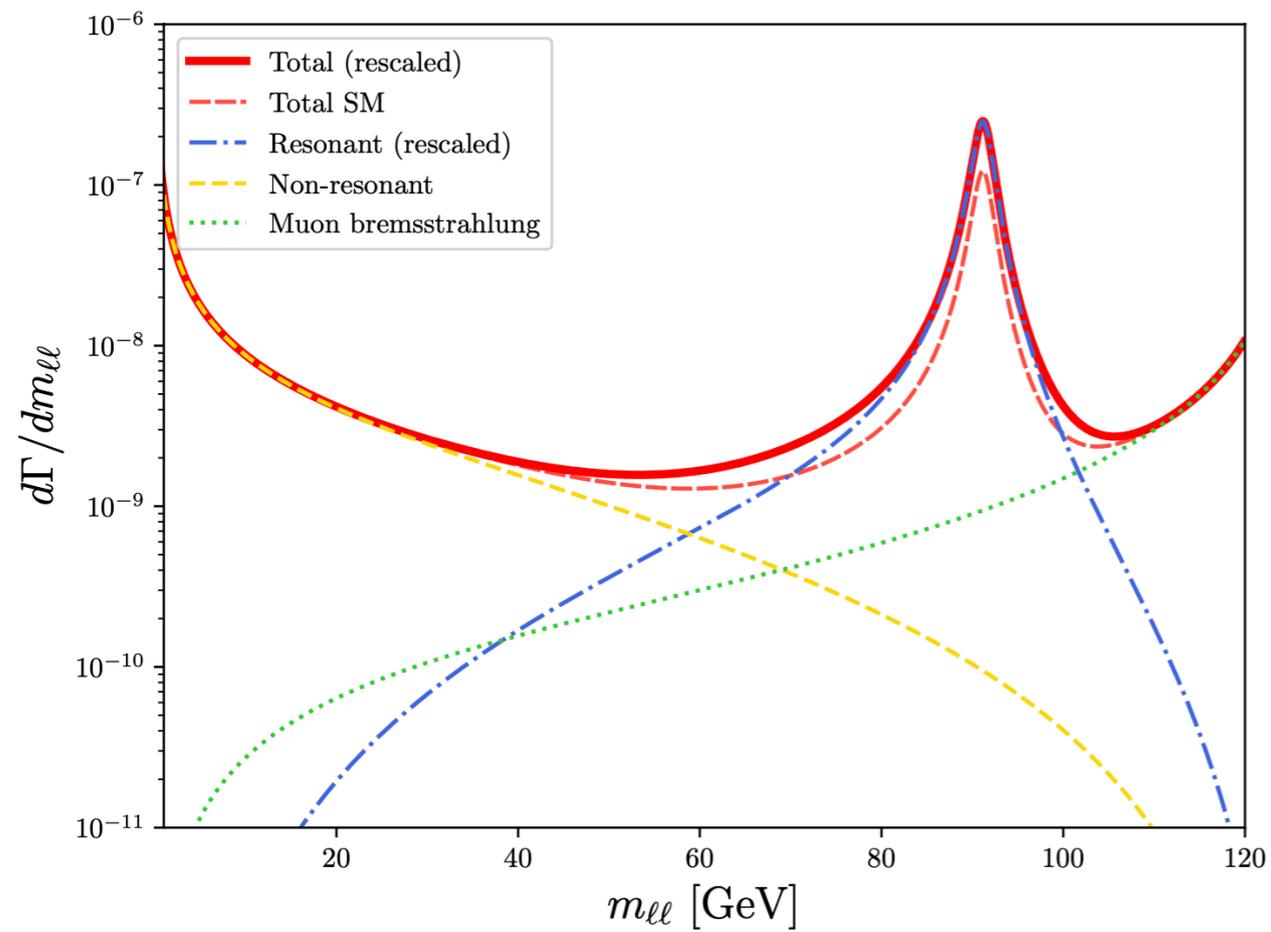
- Direct contribution to $H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$?

\sim box diagrams

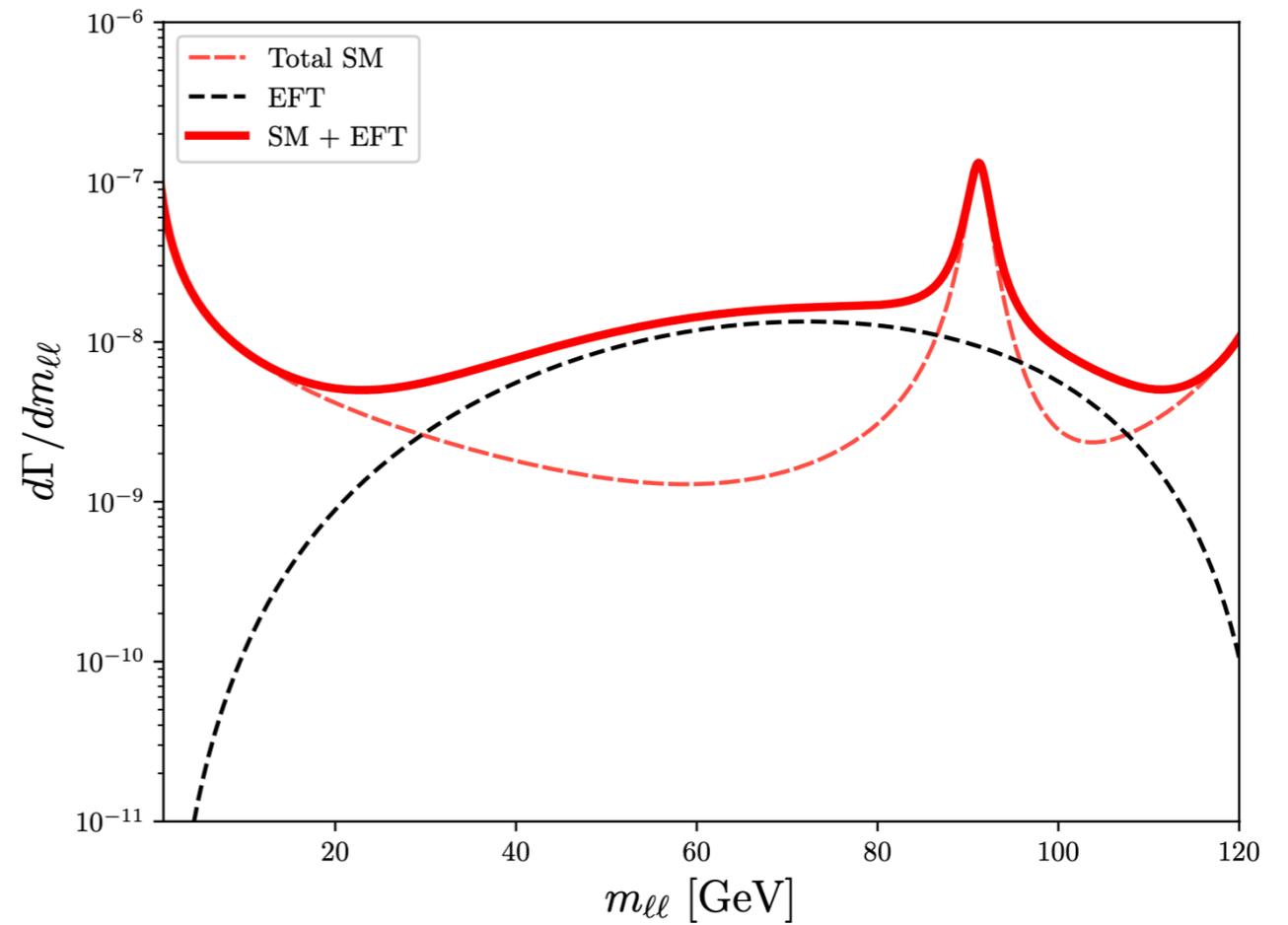


Resonant or non-resonant (off the Z peak) new physics?

Resonant ?

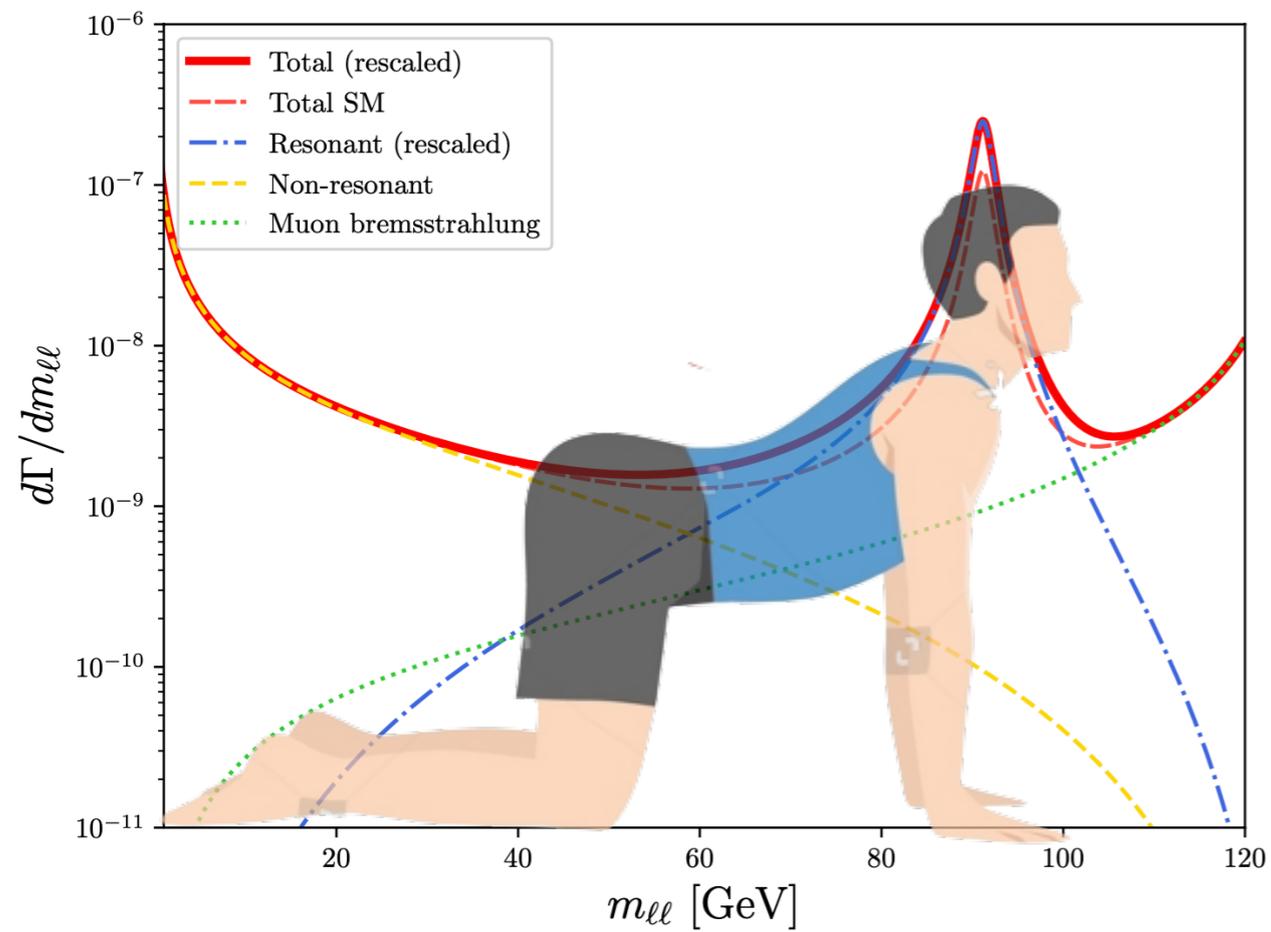


Non-resonant ?



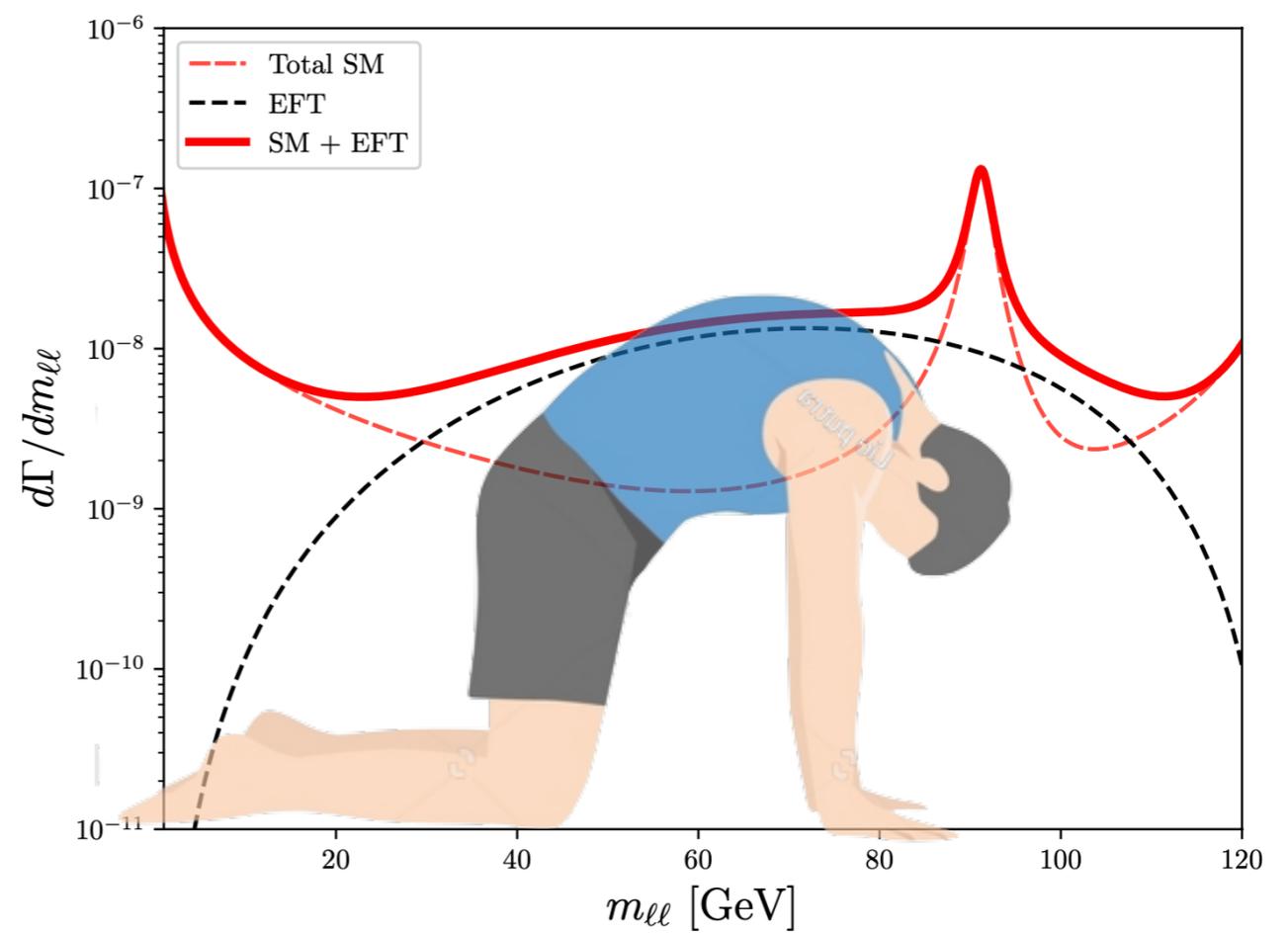
Resonant or non-resonant (off the Z peak) new physics?

Resonant ?



Cow ?

Non-resonant ?



Cat ?

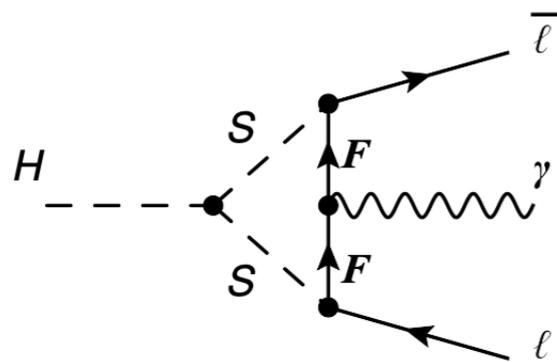
A toy model, with dark matter ?

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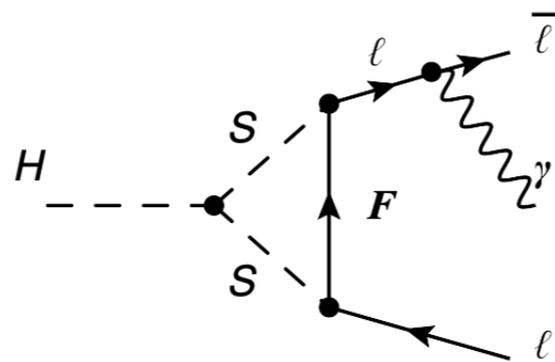
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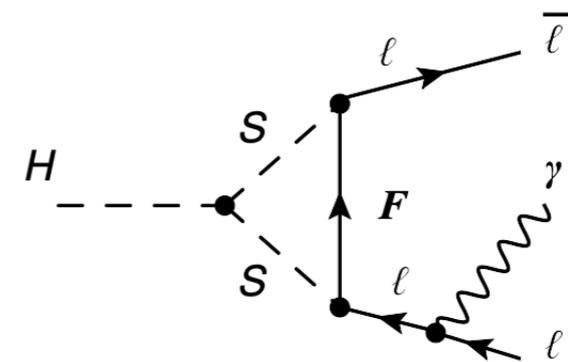
} no S-h or F-l mixing
 } $m_S < m_F$, S stable



(a)



(b)



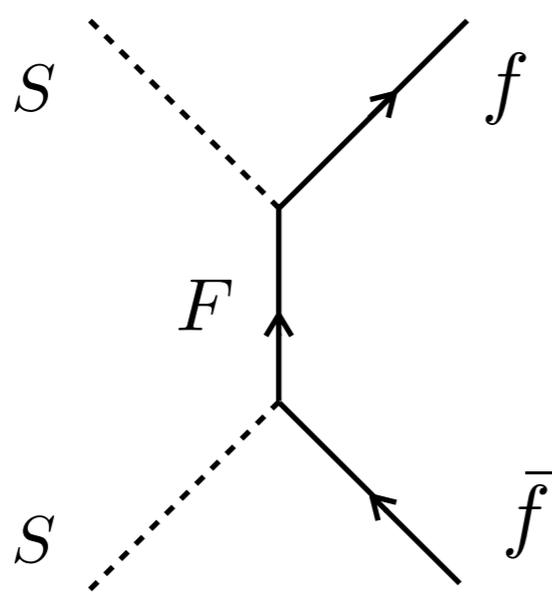
(c)

(no contribution to $H\gamma\gamma$ or $H\gamma Z$ at 1-loop)

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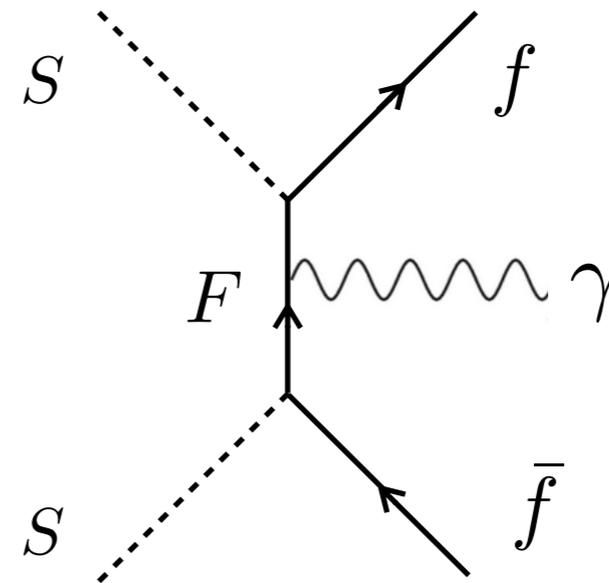
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An instance of t-channel dark matter



$$\sigma v \sim y_f^4 \frac{m_f^2}{M_S^4}$$

helicity suppressed

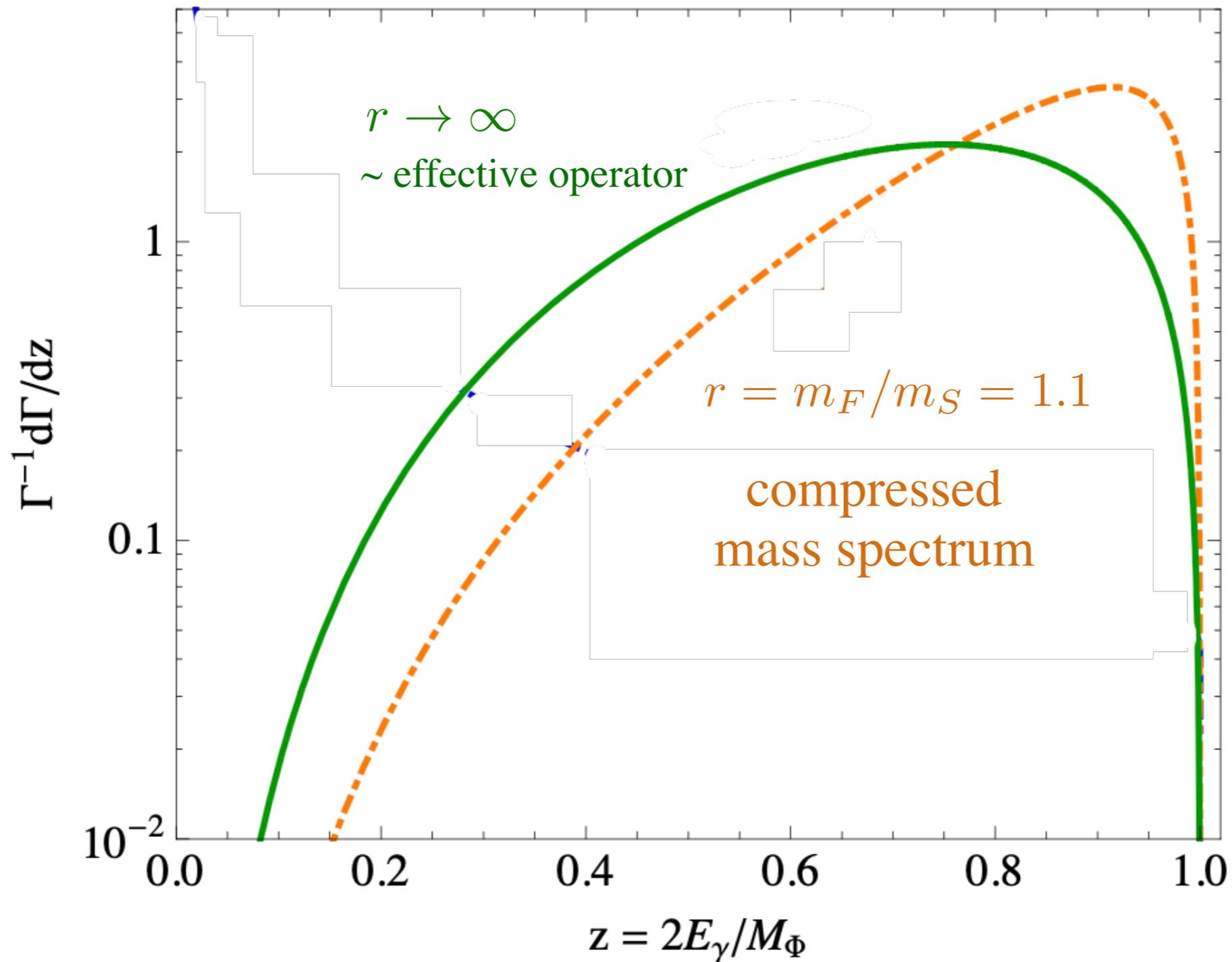


$$\sigma v \sim y_f^4 \frac{\alpha}{M_S^2}$$

virtual internal bremsstrahlung

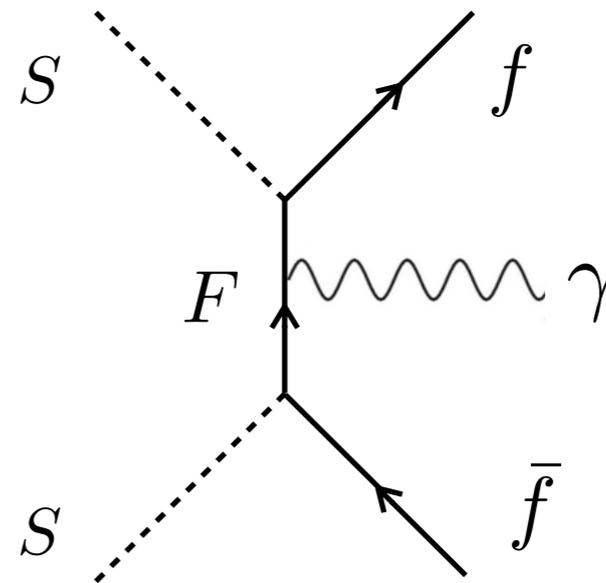
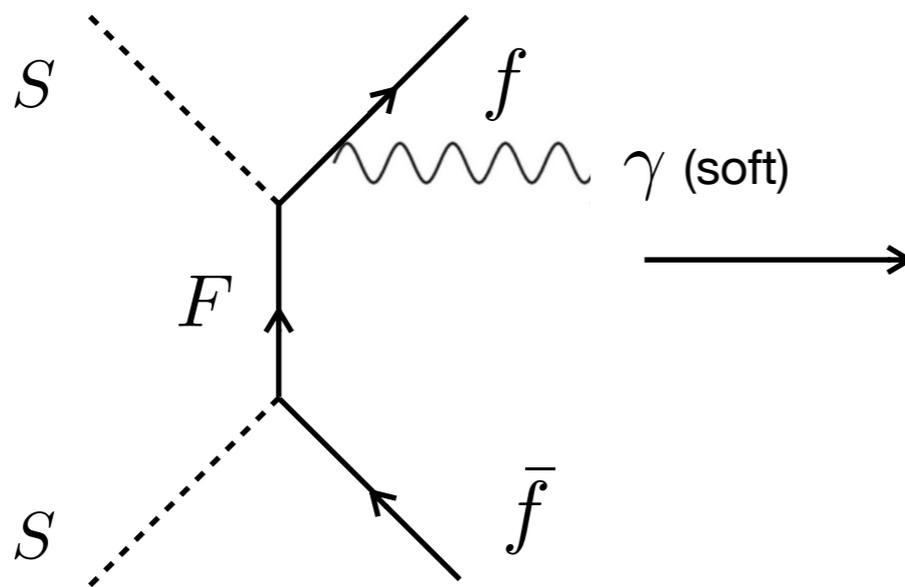
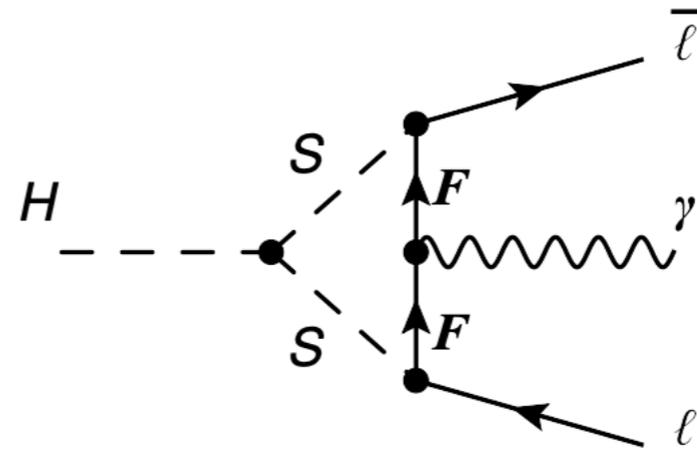
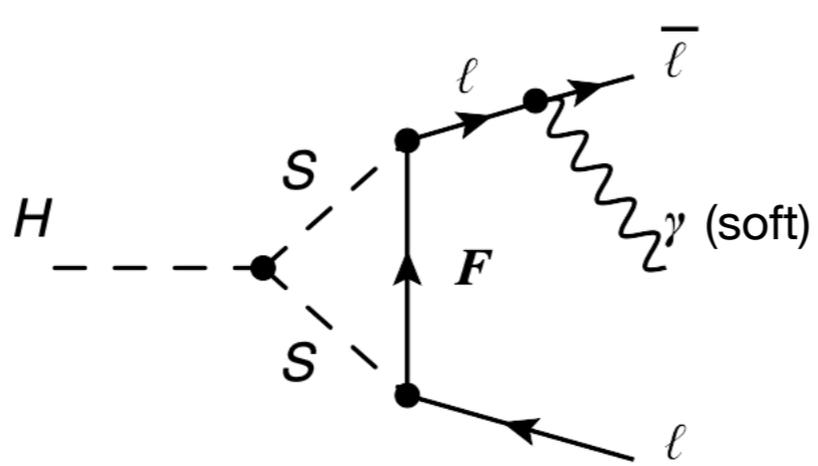
Gamma-ray spectrum features a peak

$$SS \rightarrow f\bar{f}\gamma$$



Barger, Gao, Keung, Marfatia (2009)

Giachino, Lopez Honorez, MT; Toma (2013)



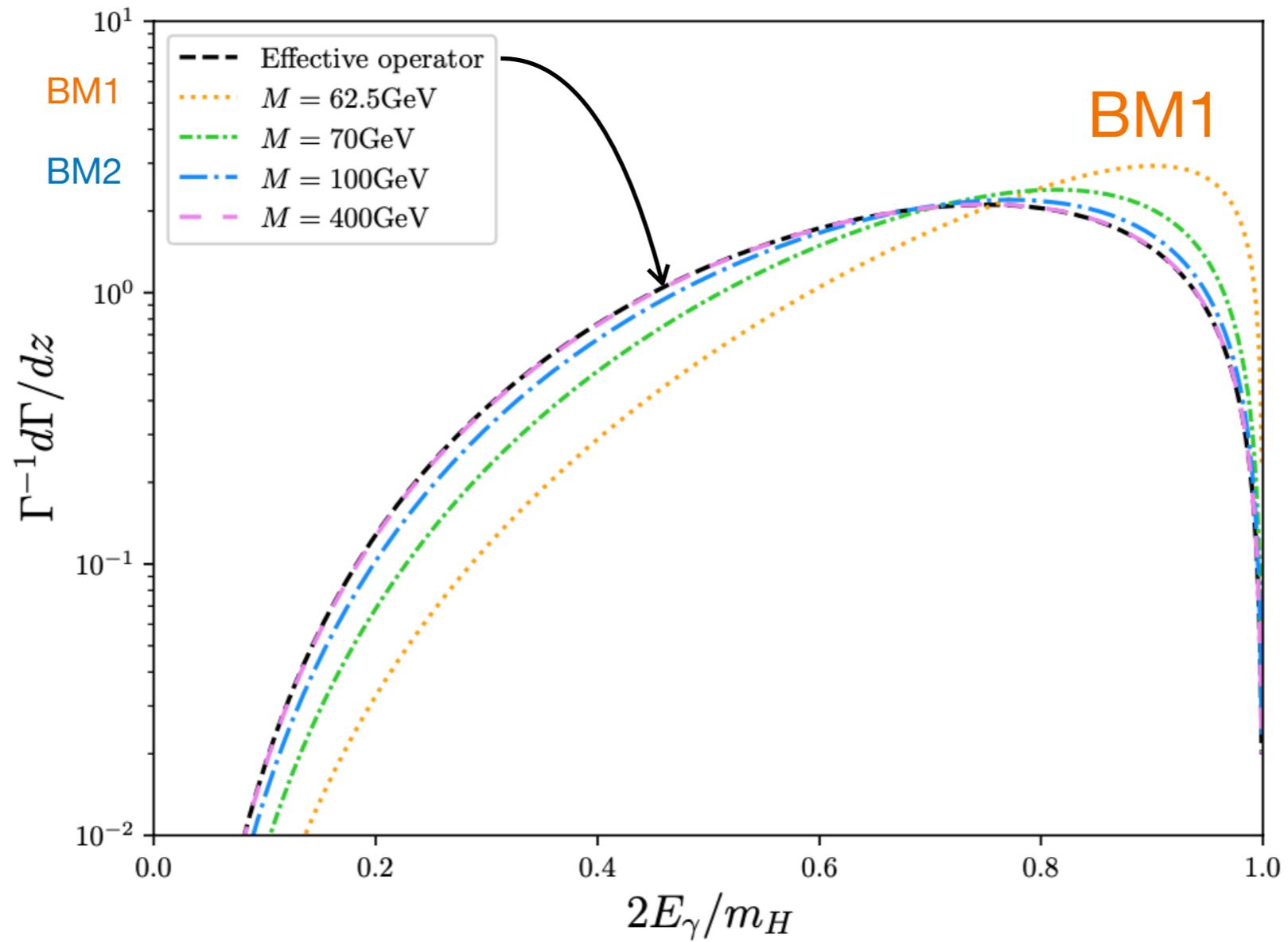
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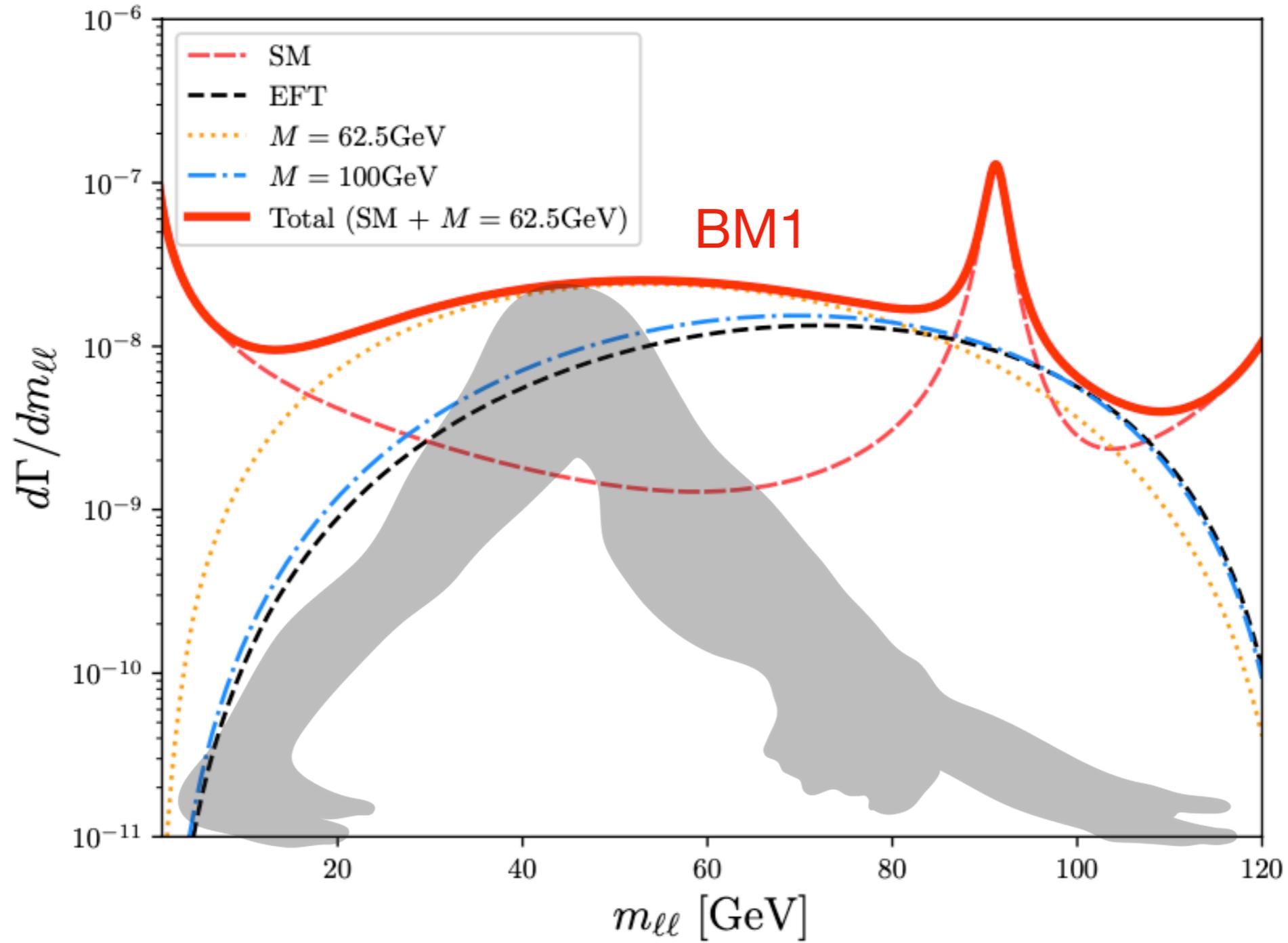
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virtual internal bremsstrahlung

$$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma \quad : \text{gamma ray}$$

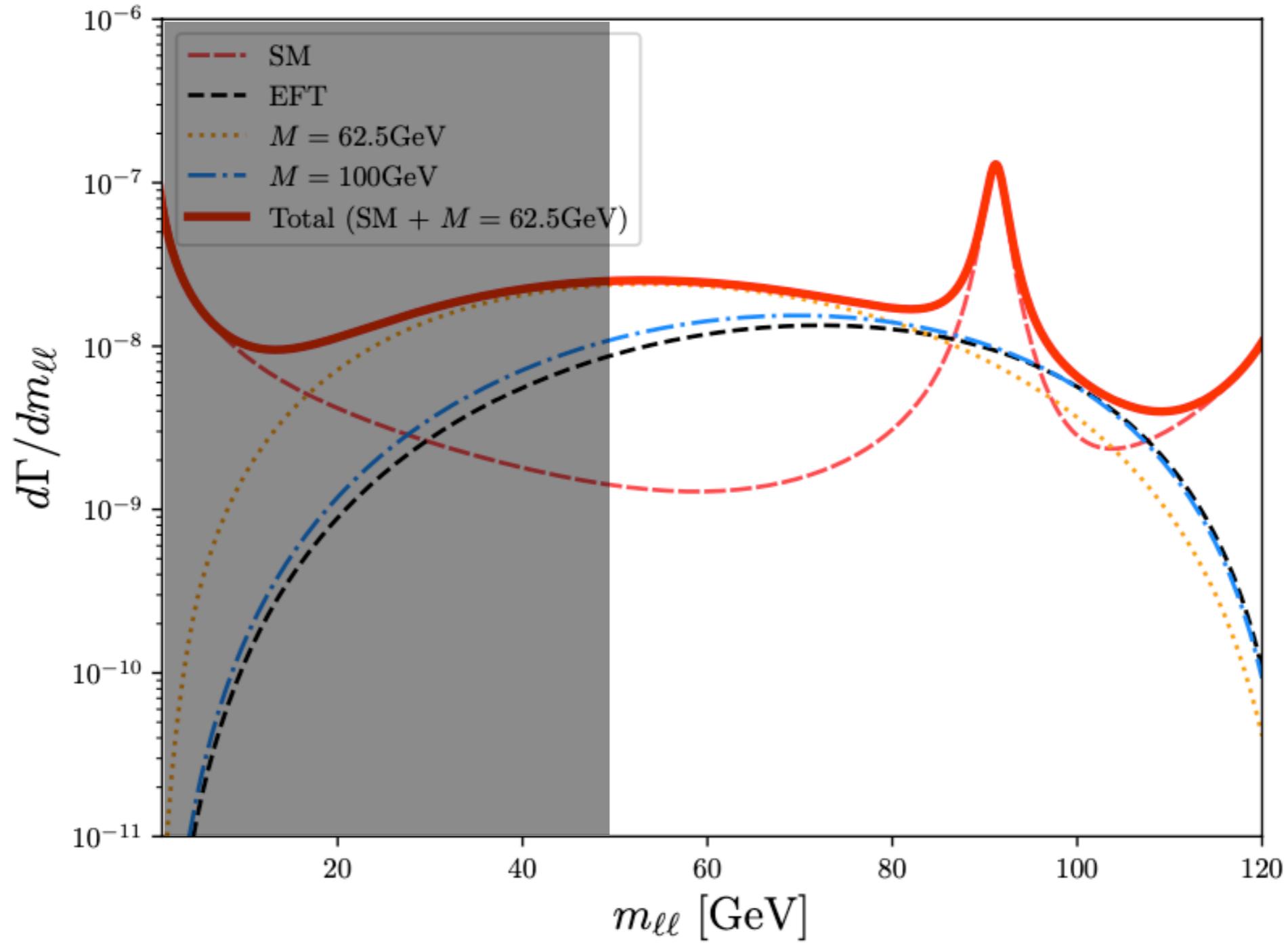


$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$: dileptons

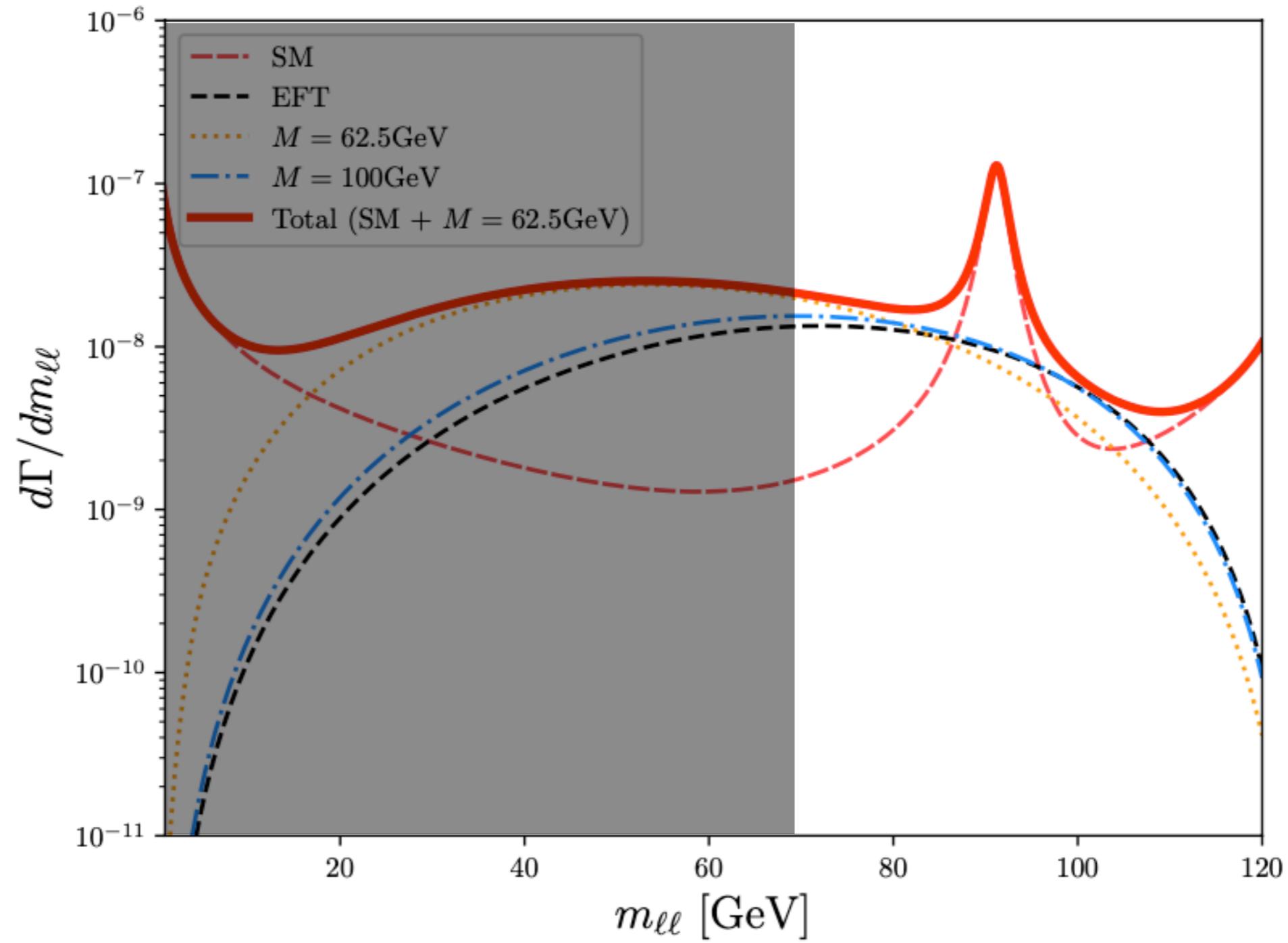


(downward dog)

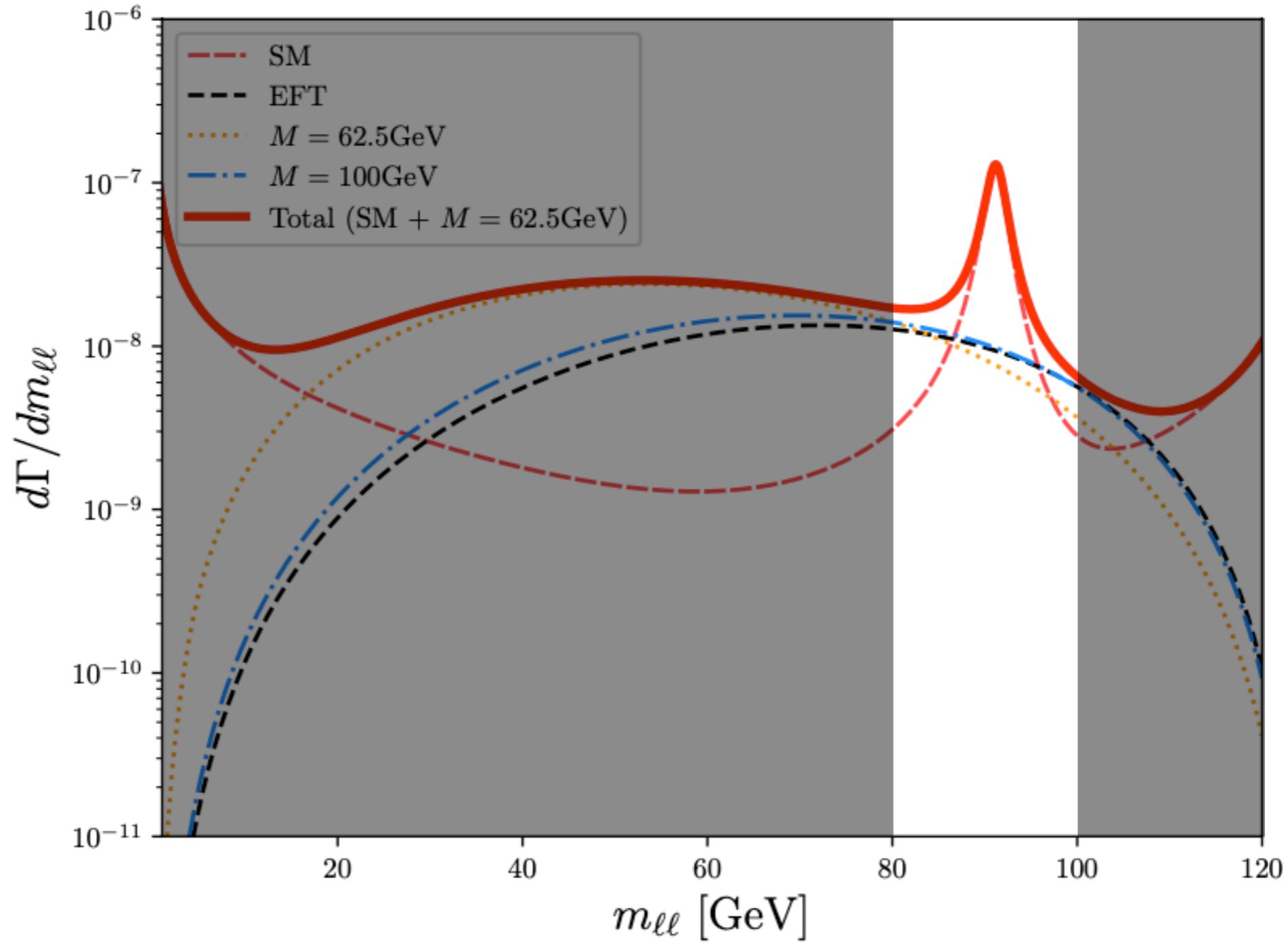
$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$: dileptons



$$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma : \text{dileptons}$$



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Changing cuts ?



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Tighter cuts
decrease
signal strength

CMS : $E_1 \geq 7$ GeV $E_2 \geq 25$ GeV $E_\gamma \geq 15$ GeV



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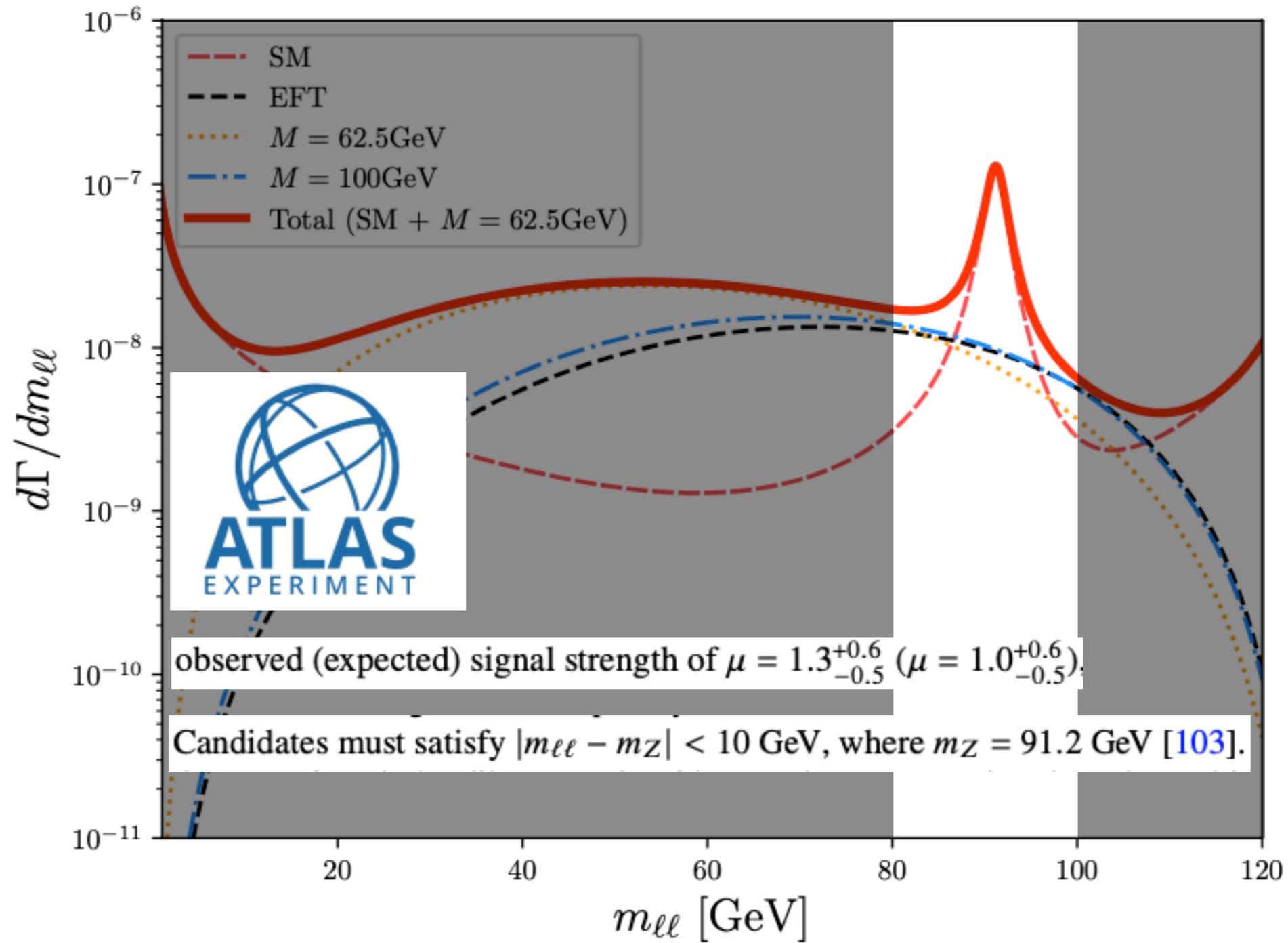
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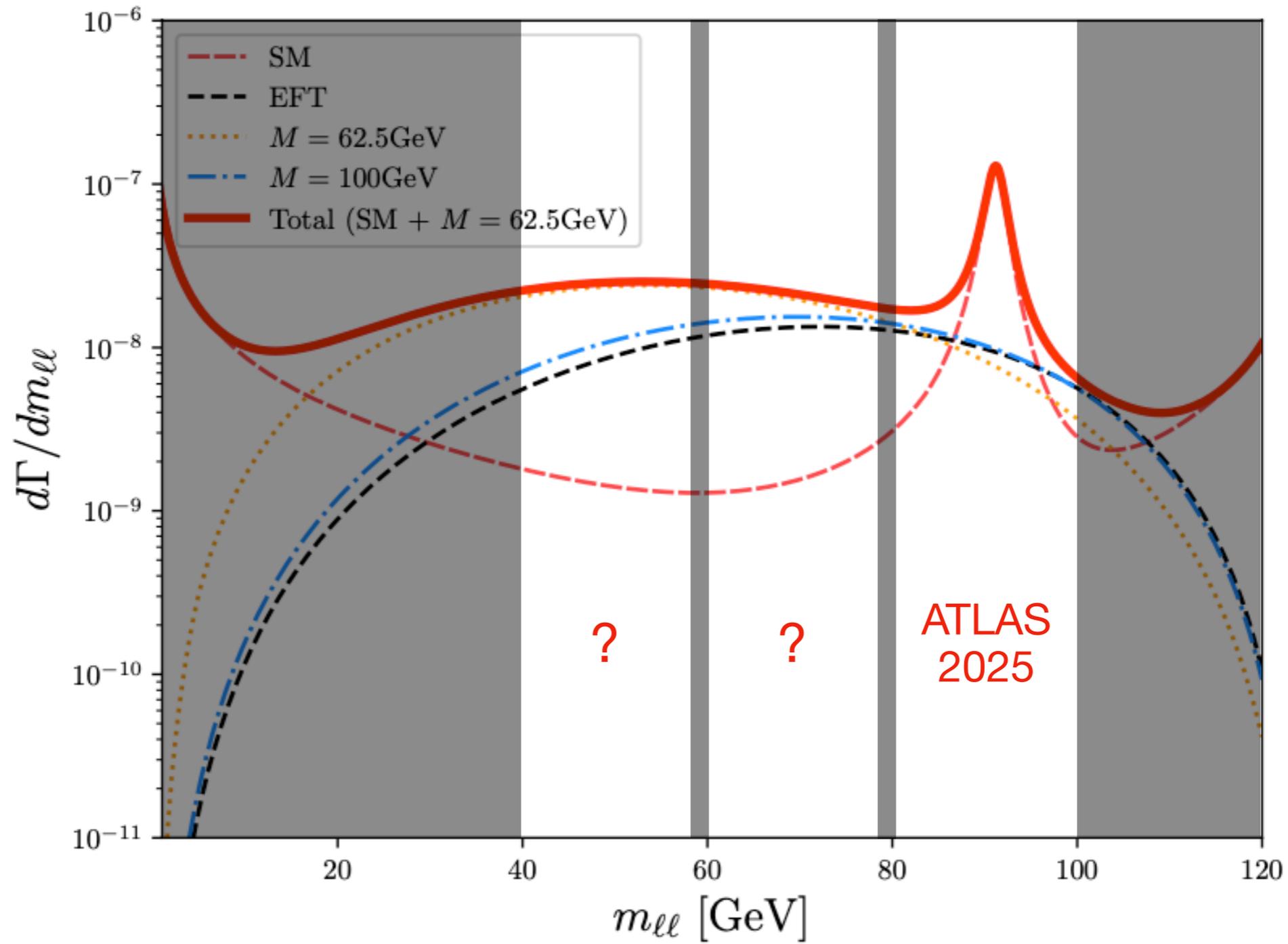
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$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$: dilepton invariant mass



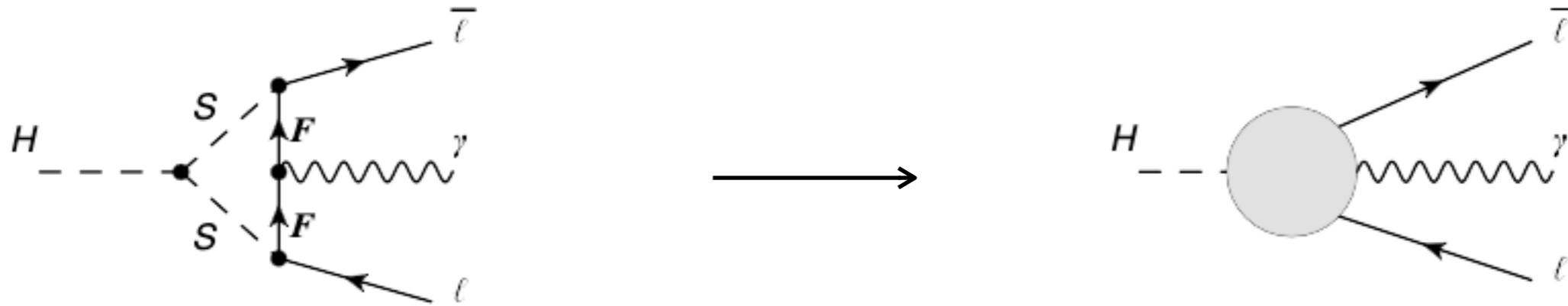
Binning ?



Thank you for the message...

But what does it take ?

Toy model vs EFT



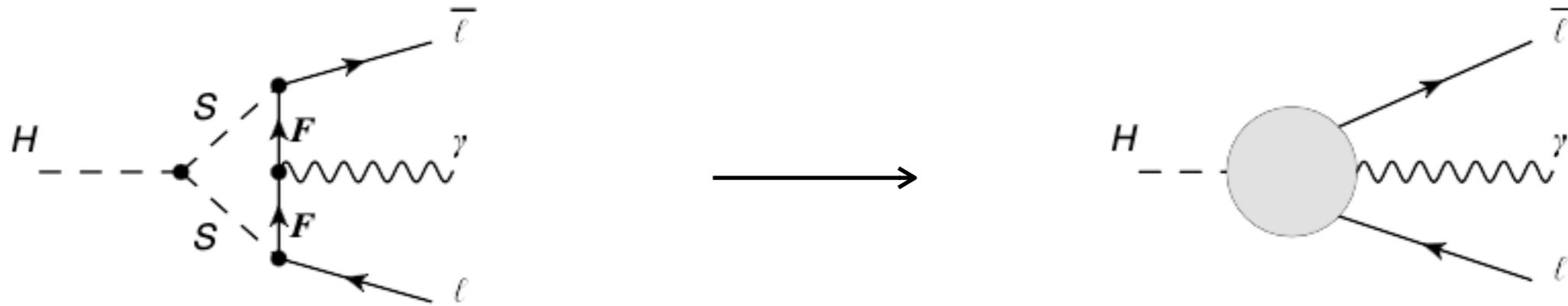
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$$\longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} \supset \frac{g'}{\Lambda_R^4} |\Phi|^2 \partial_\nu (\bar{\ell}_R \gamma_\mu \ell_R) B^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{dim 8 operator} \quad \text{😬}$$

$$\longrightarrow \Delta \mathcal{M} = \frac{g' v}{\Lambda_R^4} [(q_\mu p_{1\nu} - g_{\mu\nu} q \cdot p_1) - (q_\mu p_{2\nu} - g_{\mu\nu} q \cdot p_2)] \bar{u}(p_2) \gamma^\mu P_R v(p_1) \varepsilon^{*\nu}(q)$$

$$\longrightarrow \Lambda_R \approx 260 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{for } \mu = 2.1 \quad \text{😬}$$

Toy model vs EFT



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No lepton flavour violation

Λ_R same for
electrons and muons...



Toy model point of view ?

1. $H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$ excess :

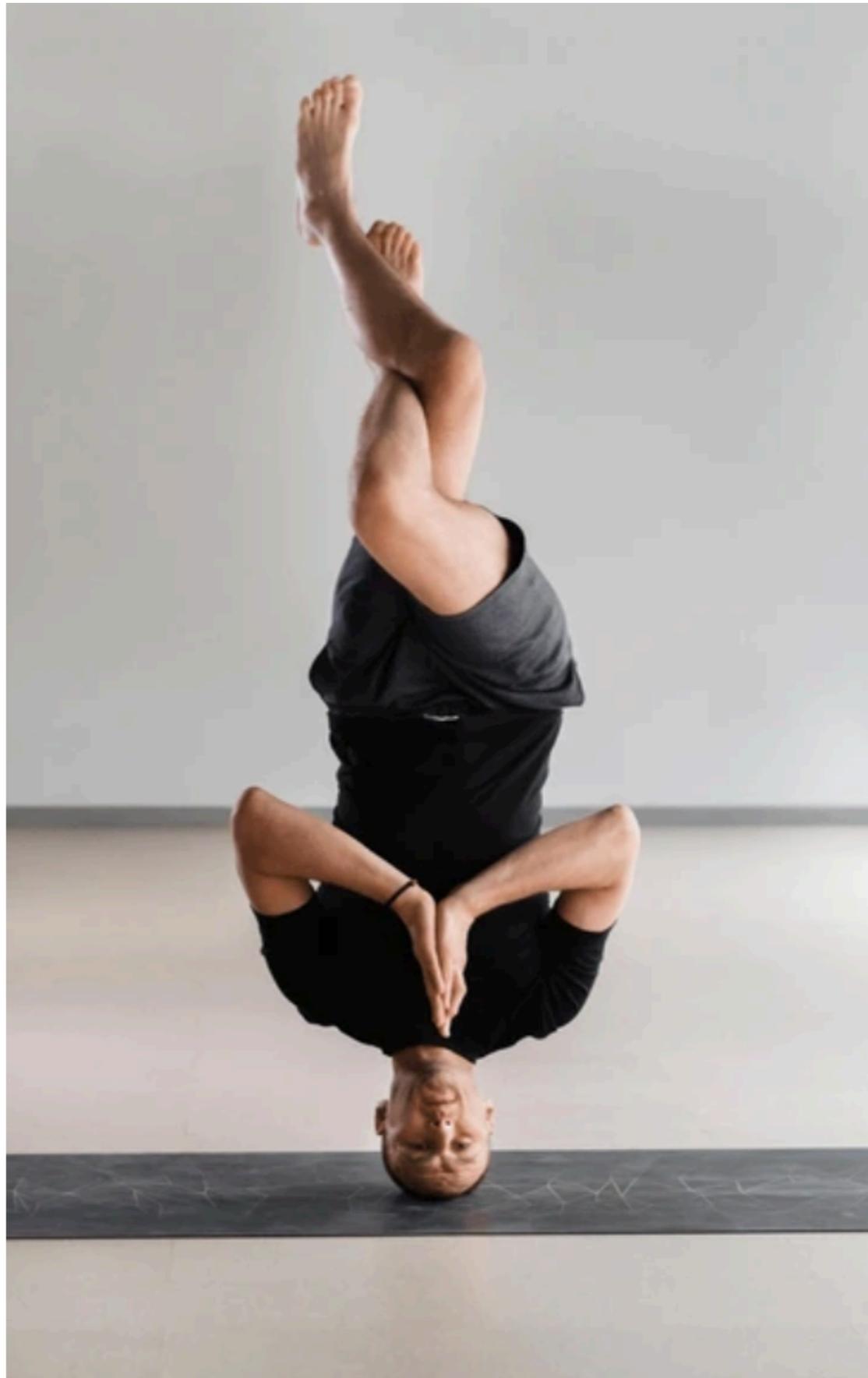
$$\bullet \frac{1}{\Lambda_R^4} \sim \frac{y_l^2 \lambda_{hs}}{16\pi^2 M^4} \quad \text{with} \quad \Lambda_R \approx 260 \text{ GeV} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{F,S} = \mathcal{O}(100) \text{ GeV} \\ y_l, \lambda_{hs} = \mathcal{O}(1) \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{BM2})$$

$$\bullet \text{ no invisible Higgs decay :} \quad m_S \gtrsim m_H/2$$

$$\bullet \text{ compressed mass spectrum :} \quad m_F \gtrsim m_S$$

$$\bullet \text{ no lepton flavour violation :} \quad y_e = y_\mu$$





Don't know if this has a name

Constraints ?

2. Other collider constraints

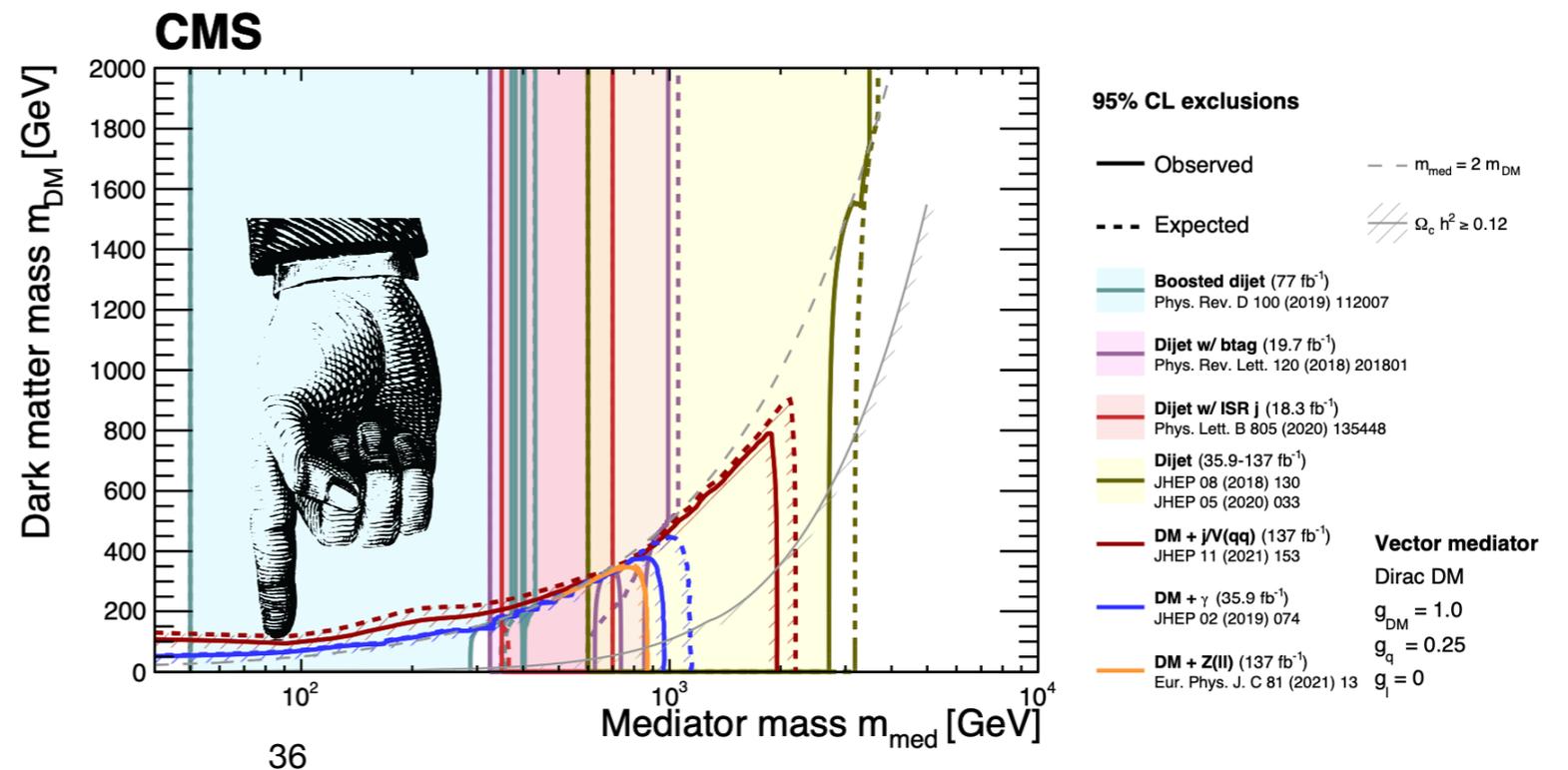
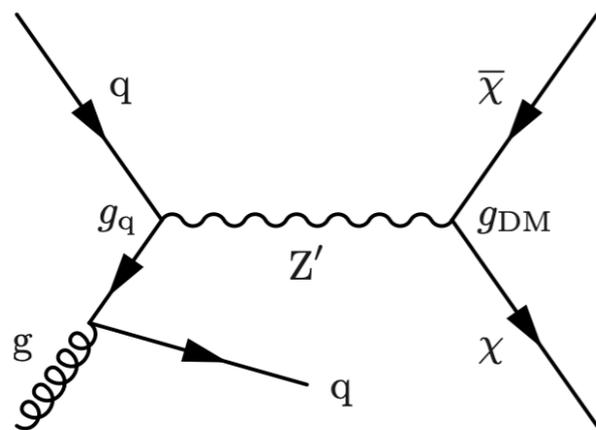
Compressed mass spectrum $m_F \gtrsim m_S$ and $y_l, \lambda_{hs} = \mathcal{O}(1)$

$$pp \xrightarrow{\gamma/Z} F + \bar{F} + \dots \rightarrow l S + \bar{l} S + \dots$$

soft leptons & S \sim **missing E_T**

Recasting CMS limits

$$m_\chi \gtrsim 108 \text{ GeV} \rightarrow m_F \gtrsim 67 \text{ GeV}$$



Constraints ?

3. Electroweak precision tests (in brief, no problem) 🙄

$F \sim (1, 1, -1) \longrightarrow$ oblique parameters

but $m_F \lesssim m_Z \quad (S, \cancel{T}, U) \rightarrow (S, \cancel{T}, U, V, W, X)$

Maksymyk, Burgess & London (1994)

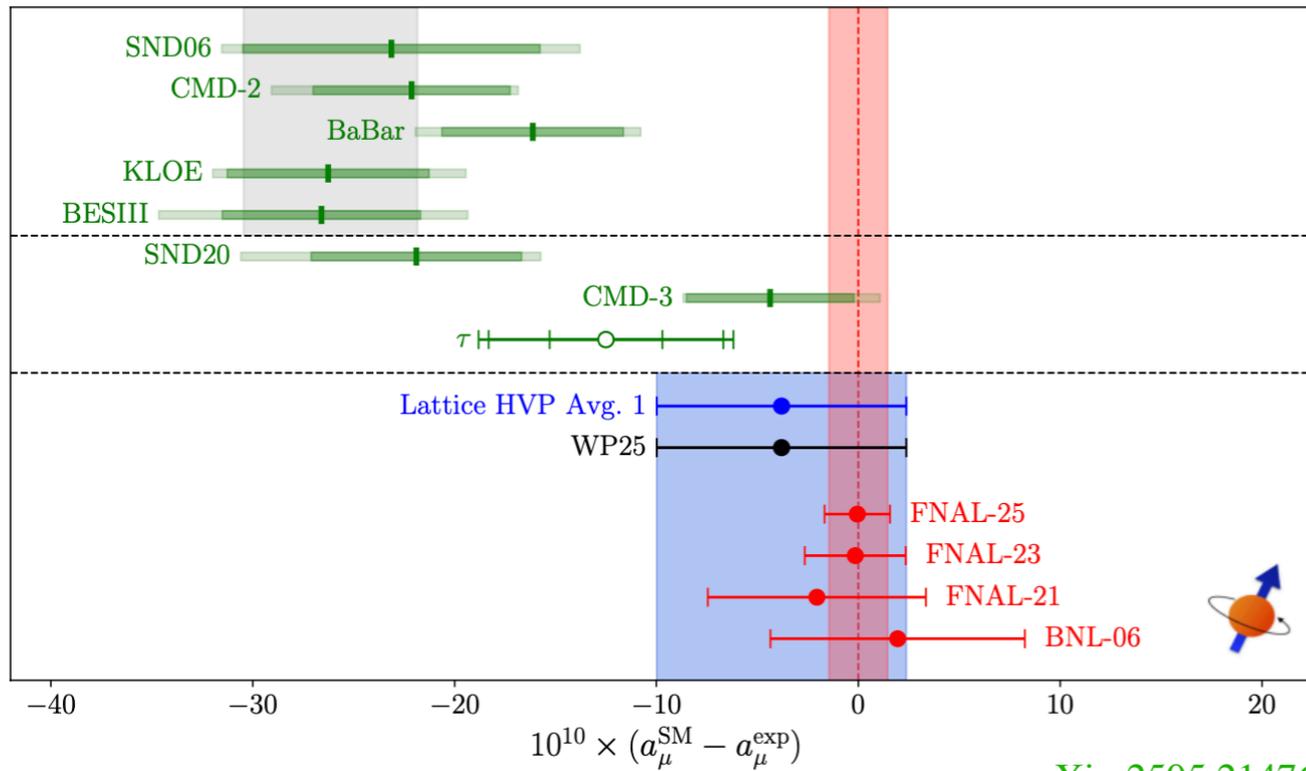
$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{BM1} \quad \text{(BM2)} \\
 \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} \Big|_{\text{inv}} &= 0.0078 |V| = 0.0002 (0.00005) < 0.003 \\
 \frac{\Delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} \Big|_{\ell\ell} &= | -0.0021 S - 0.0044 X + 0.0078 V | = 0.0002 (0.00006) < 0.001 \\
 \Delta m_W &= (-0.29 S + 0.34 U) \text{ GeV} = 0.0082 (0.0026) \text{ GeV} < 0.013 \text{ GeV}
 \end{aligned}$$

Albergaria, Jurciukonis & Lavoura (2024)

Moreno & MT (1994)

Constraints ?

4. Muon g-2

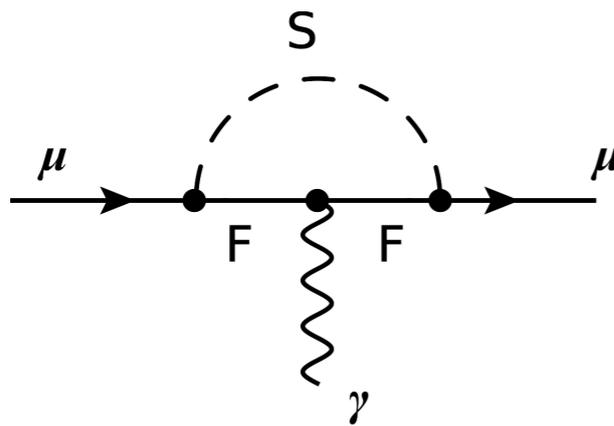


arXiv:2505.21476

Final result (runs 1-6) of Muon g-2 experiment @ FNAL
+ Lattice + CMD-3, etc

$$a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = 38(63) \times 10^{-11}$$

Since September 2025, officially consistent with SM, so I put a constraint



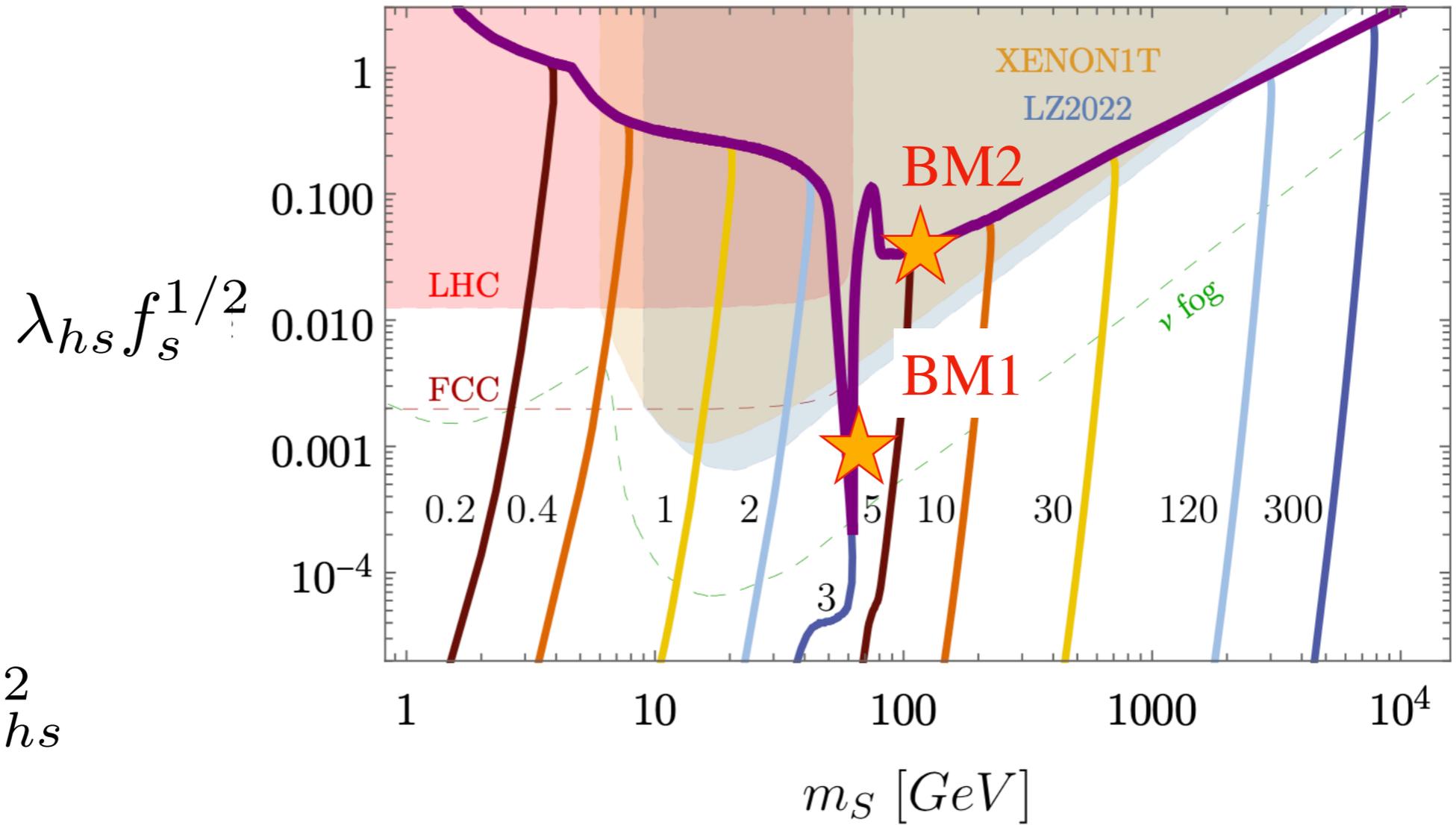
$$\Delta F_2(0) \hat{=} \Delta \left(\frac{g_{\mu} - 2}{2} \right) \hat{=} \Delta a_{\mu} = \frac{y_l^2}{192\pi^2} \frac{m_{\mu}^2}{M^2} = 4 \cdot 10^{-10}$$

for $y_{\mu} = 0.5$ and $m_S = 62.5 \text{ GeV}$



Constraints ?

5. Dark matter ?



$$n_S \propto 1/\lambda_{hs}^2$$

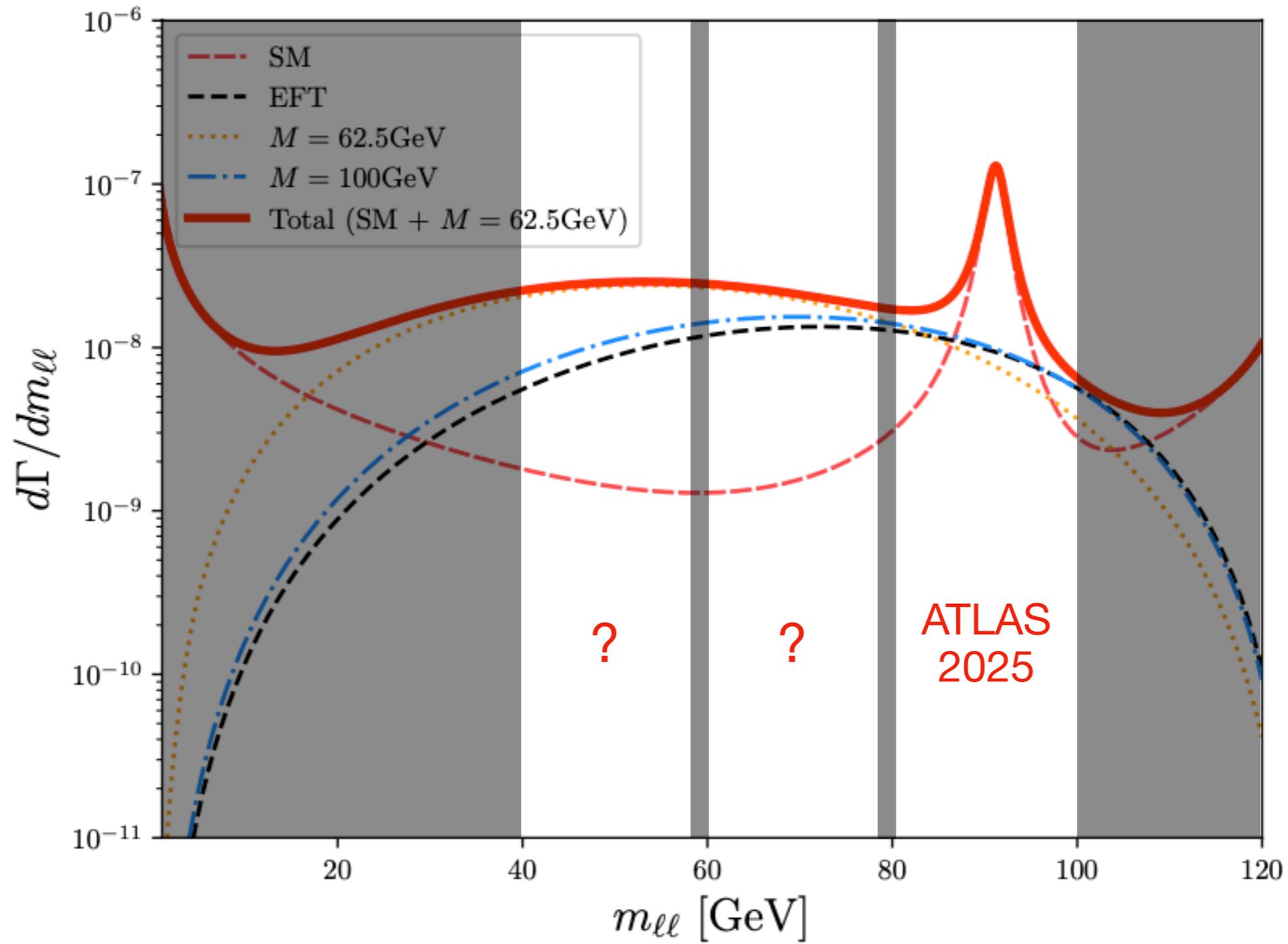
$$\sigma_D \propto \lambda_{hs}^2$$

$$f_s = n_s/n_{dm}$$

$$\lambda_{hs} = \mathcal{O}(1) \longrightarrow f_s < 1$$

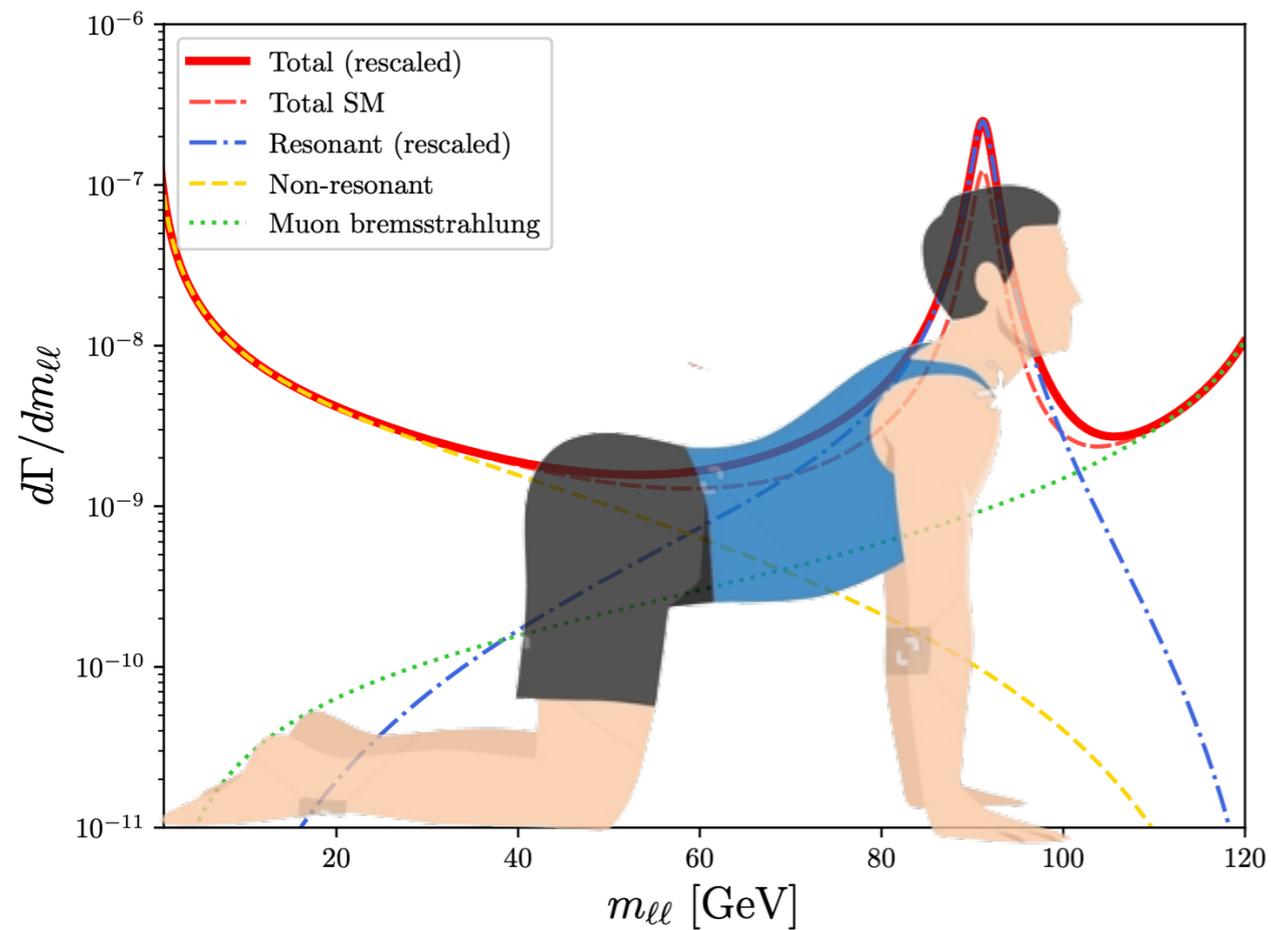
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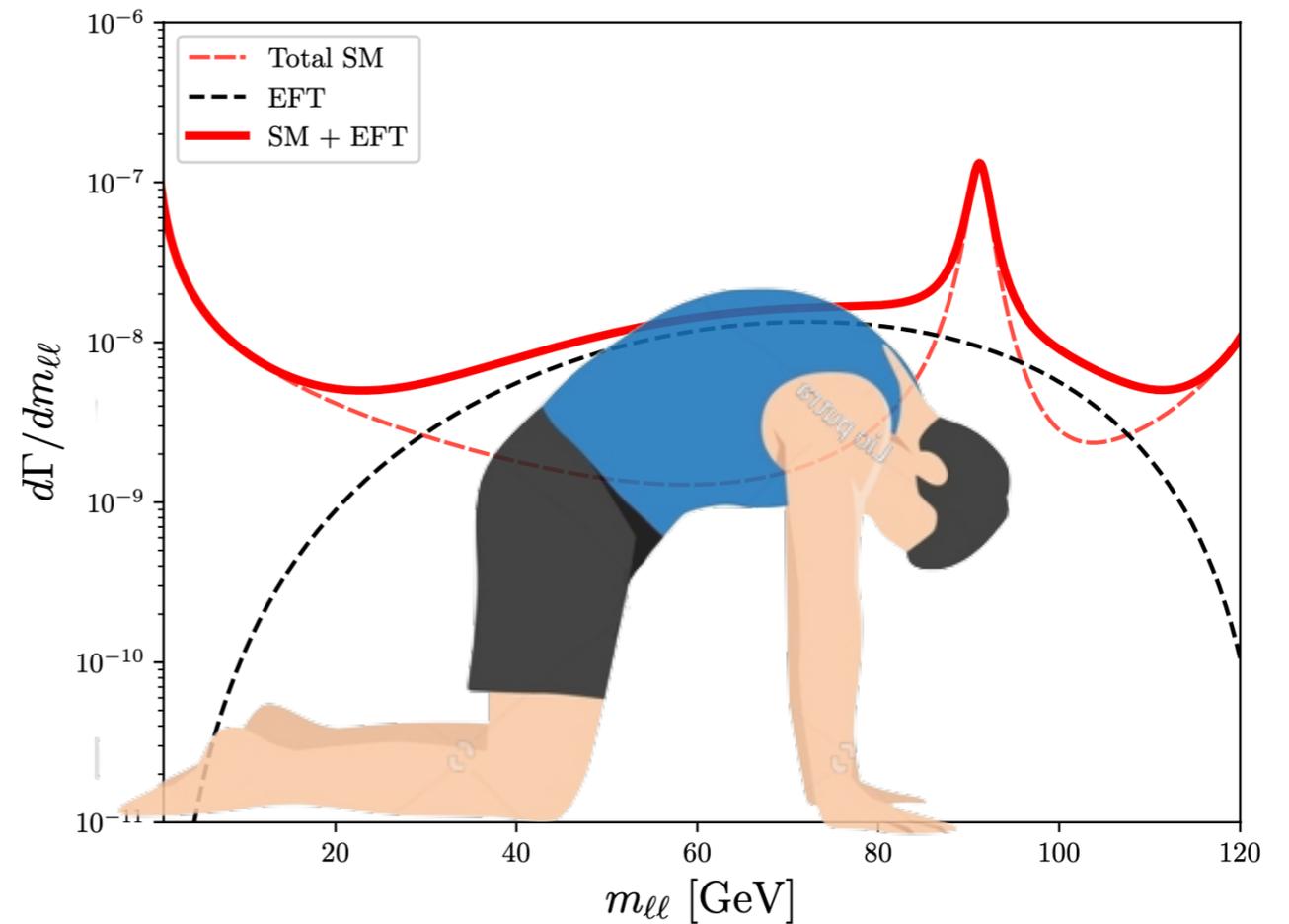
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cow ?



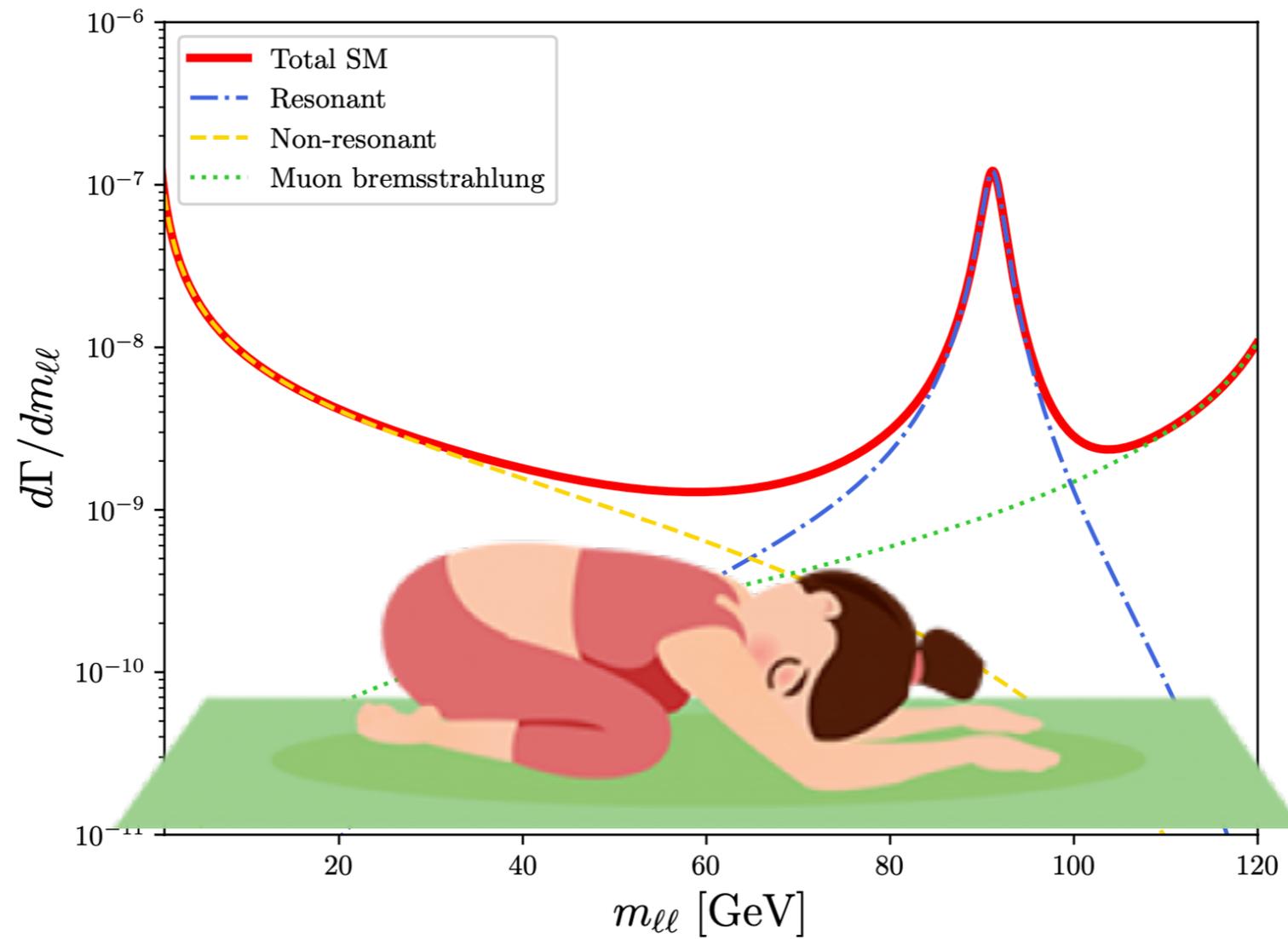
No, according to ATLAS 2025
Still, curious to see the CMS update

or cat ?



A matter of experimental analysis
Model building, while good for the back,
is, say, unconvincing

Conclusions



Very likely a mouse
(child or mouse pose, perfect for resting)



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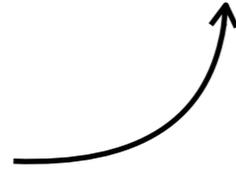
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$H \rightarrow l^+ l^- \gamma$ in the SM

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}_{H \rightarrow f \bar{f} \gamma} = & \left[q_\mu p_1 \cdot \varepsilon^*(q) - \varepsilon_\mu^*(q) q \cdot p_1 \right] \bar{u}(p_2) (A_1 \gamma^\mu P_R + B_1 \gamma^\mu P_L) v(p_1) \\ & + \left[q_\mu p_2 \cdot \varepsilon^*(q) - \varepsilon_\mu^*(q) q \cdot p_2 \right] \bar{u}(p_2) (A_2 \gamma^\mu P_R + B_2 \gamma^\mu P_L) v(p_1) \end{aligned}$$

gauge-invariant

$$q \rightarrow \varepsilon^*(q)$$



$$s = (p_1 + p_2)^2, t = (p_1 + q)^2, u = (p_2 + q)^2$$

$$s + t + u = m_H^2 + 2m_l^2 \approx m_H^2$$

$$A_2(s, u) = A_1(s, t \rightarrow u), \text{ etc}$$

Gauge invariant separation of form factors $A_{1,2}$ & $B_{1,2}$

e.g.

$$A_1(s, t) = A_1^{res}(s) + A_1^{nr}(s, t)$$

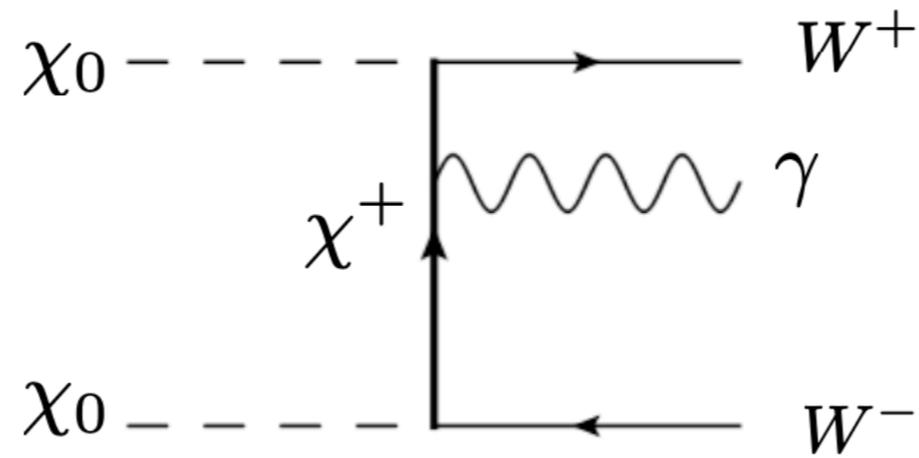
with

$$A_1^{res}(s) \equiv \frac{\alpha_1(m_Z^2)}{s - m_Z^2 + im_Z \Gamma_Z} \quad \text{and} \quad A_1^{nr}(s, t) \equiv \tilde{A}_1(s, t) + \frac{\alpha_1(s) - \alpha_1(m_Z^2)}{s - m_Z^2 + im_Z \Gamma_Z}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{M}_{H \rightarrow f \bar{f} \gamma} = & \left[q_\mu p_1 \cdot \varepsilon^*(q) - \varepsilon_\mu^*(q) q \cdot p_1 \right] \bar{u}(p_2) (A_1 \gamma^\mu P_R + B_1 \gamma^\mu P_L) v(p_1) \\ & + \left[q_\mu p_2 \cdot \varepsilon^*(q) - \varepsilon_\mu^*(q) q \cdot p_2 \right] \bar{u}(p_2) (A_2 \gamma^\mu P_R + B_2 \gamma^\mu P_L) v(p_1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta B_1 = & \frac{3\pi^2 e^2 Y^2 m_H^2}{4m_W \sin \theta_W} \\ & \times \left\{ \frac{3}{t(s+t)} \left[B_0(t, m_F^2, m_S^2) - B_0(m_H^2, m_S^2, m_S^2) \right] \right. \\ & - \frac{2(m_F^2 - m_S^2)}{s t^2 (s+t)} \left[(s^2 + 2st + t^2) C_0(0, m_H^2, u, m_F^2, m_S^2, m_S^2) \right. \\ & + (s+t)(u C_0(0, 0, u, m_F^2, m_F^2, m_S^2) - (s+u) C_0(0, t, m_H^2, m_S^2, m_F^2, m_S^2)) \\ & \left. \left. + t(s+t) C_0(0, 0, t, m_F^2, m_F^2, m_S^2) \right] \right. \\ & - \frac{2}{s t^2} \left[2m_F^2 m_S^2 m_H^2 - m_F^4 m_H^2 - m_F^2 m_H^2 t - m_S^4 m_H^2 + m_S^2 m_H^2 t \right. \\ & \left. + m_F^4 s - 2m_F^2 m_S^2 s - m_F^2 s t + m_F^2 t^2 + m_S^4 s - m_S^2 s t - m_S^2 t^2 \right] \\ & \left. \times D_0(0, 0, 0, m_H^2, t, u, m_S^2, m_F^2, m_F^2, m_S^2) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

VIRTUAL INTERNAL BREMSSTRAHLUNG



2 circumstances in which emission from a virtual state may be dominant compared to FSR:

A. Charged bosons in final state, e.g. W^\pm , provided $M_{\chi_0} \gg M_W$ and $M_{\chi_0} \sim M_{\chi^\pm}$

$$\mathcal{M} \propto ((p_{\chi_0} - p_W)^2 - M_{\chi^\pm}^2)^{-1} \sim (M_{\chi_0}^2 - 2E_W M_{\chi_0} - M_{\chi^\pm}^2)^{-1}$$

Potentially large enhancement for soft W emission, corresponding to $E_\gamma \sim M_{\chi_0}$

Bergstrom, Bringmann, Eriksson
and Gustafsson
Phys.Rev.Lett. 95 (2005) 241301

Binning ?

| | 40-50 | 50-60 | 60-70 | 70-80 | 80-90 | 90-100 | 100-110 | 110-125 |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|---------|
| Γ_{SM} | 0.004 | 0.004 | 0.006 | 0.014 | 0.119 | 0.295 | 0.008 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{tree} | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.001 | 0.002 | 0.003 | 0.004 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{NR} | 0.004 | 0.003 | 0.003 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{resc} | 0.001 | 0.002 | 0.006 | 0.023 | 0.242 | 0.621 | 0.008 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{EFT} | 0.024 | 0.046 | 0.078 | 0.119 | 0.118 | 0.079 | 0.035 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{UV62} | 0.040 | 0.067 | 0.098 | 0.129 | 0.103 | 0.053 | 0.017 | 0.000 |
| Γ_{UV100} | 0.027 | 0.048 | 0.080 | 0.121 | 0.117 | 0.074 | 0.031 | 0.000 |

TABLE II. Binned decay rates (in keV), using CMS cuts, for different intervals of dilepton invariant mass $m_{\ell\ell}$ (in GeV). The first 3 lines correspond to the SM. Γ_{SM} is the total SM contribution, Γ_{tree} the contribution from Bremsstrahlung and Γ_{NR} the one from the SM non-resonant contributions. The separation between the various processes is explained in Section II. The four last lines correspond to possible new physics. Line 4 is the contribution of the rescaled Z peak, essentially as reported by the ATLAS and CMS collaborations, see Section III A; Γ_{EFT} the contribution from the effective operator, Section III B; Γ_{UV62} the UV model with masses $m_F = m_S = 62.5$ GeV; Γ_{UV100} the same with $m_F = m_S = 100$ GeV.