

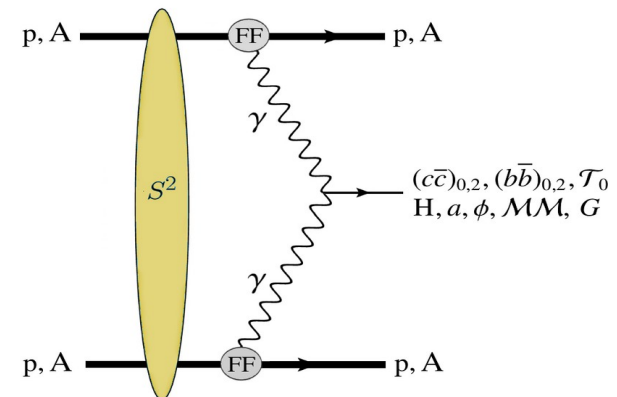
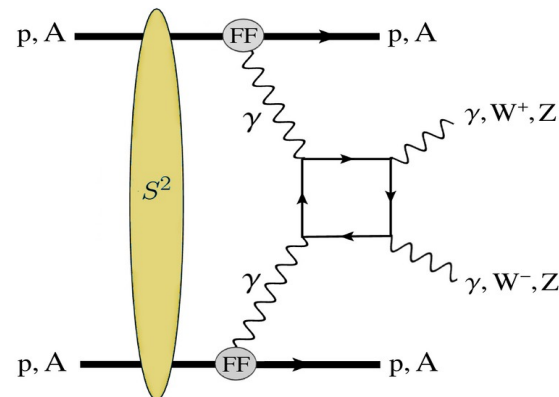
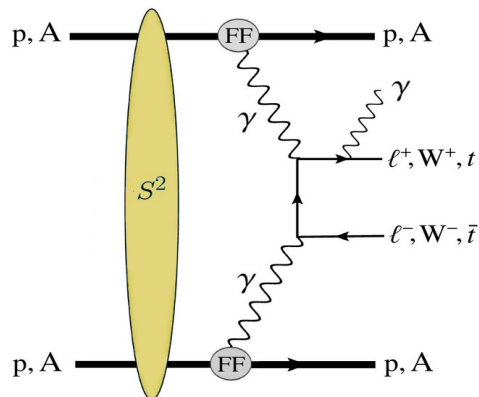
# SM and BSM physics with photon-photon collisions at the LHC



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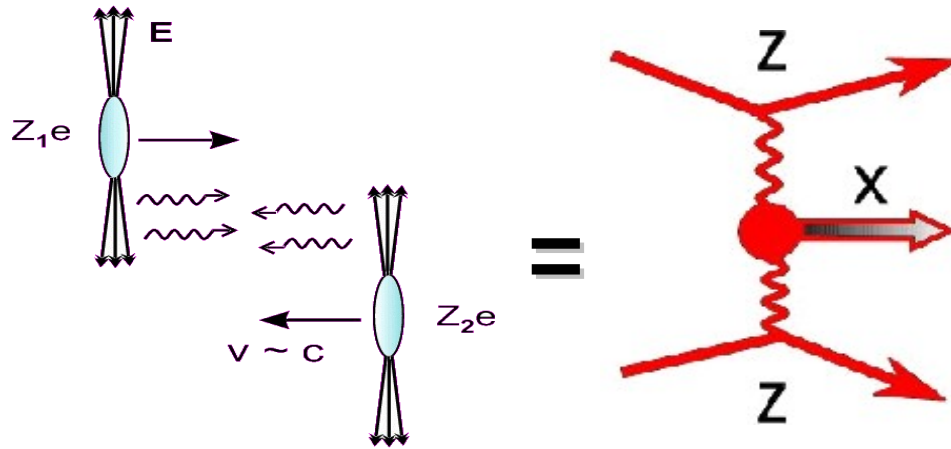
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# LHC = a unique photon-photon collider

- **Electromagnetic** ultra-peripheral colls. (**UPC**):  $b_{\min} > R_A + R_B$ , hadrons survive
- **EM field** = Weizsäcker-Williams (Equivalent Photon Approx.) photon flux:



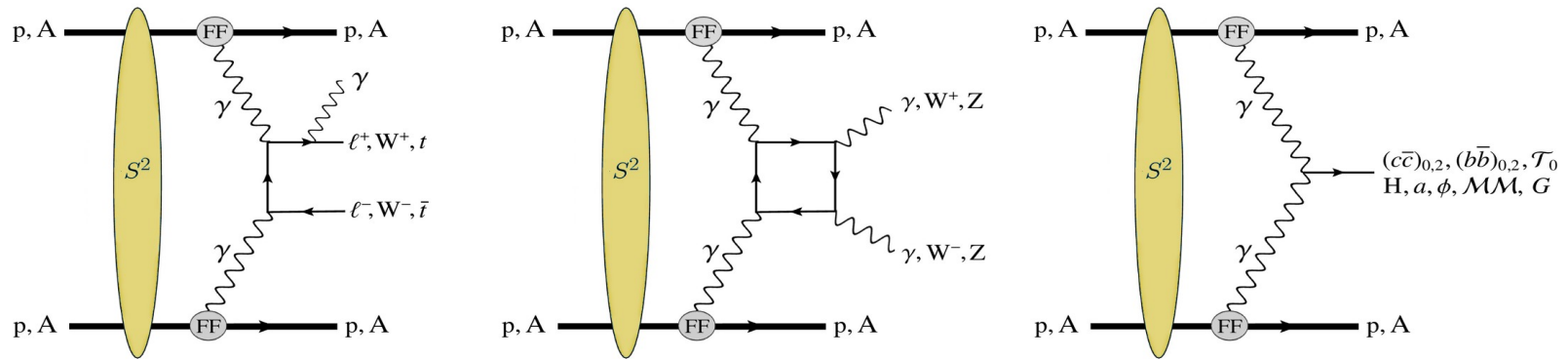
- **Huge photon fluxes:**  
 $\sigma(\gamma\gamma) \sim Z^4$  ( $\sim 5 \cdot 10^7$  for PbPb)  
 times larger than  $p, e^\pm$
- **Beam-energy dependence:**  
 Photon luminosities  
 increase as  $\propto \log^3(\sqrt{s})$

- **Quasi-real  $\gamma$**  (coherent emission):  $Q \sim 1/R \sim 0.03 \text{ GeV}$  (Pb),  $0.28 \text{ GeV}$  (p)
- **Max. (longitudinal)  $\gamma$  energies:**  $\omega < \omega_{\max} \approx \frac{\gamma}{R} \sim 80 \text{ GeV}$  (Pb),  $\sim 2.5 \text{ TeV}$  (p)

| System | $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$ | $\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}}$ | $E_{\text{beam1}} + E_{\text{beam2}}$ | $\gamma_L$ | $R_A$       | $E_\gamma^{\max}$ | $\sqrt{s_{\gamma\gamma}^{\max}}$ |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Pb-Pb  | 5.52 TeV        | 5 nb <sup>-1</sup>         | 2.76 + 2.76 TeV                       | 2960       | 7.1 fm      | 80 GeV            | 160 GeV                          |
| p-Pb   | 8.8 TeV         | 1 pb <sup>-1</sup>         | 7.0 + 2.76 TeV                        | 7450, 2960 | 0.7, 7.1 fm | 2.45 TeV, 130 GeV | 2.6 TeV                          |
| p-p    | 14 TeV          | 150 fb <sup>-1</sup>       | 7.0 + 7.0 TeV                         | 7450       | 0.7 fm      | 2.45 TeV          | 4.5 TeV                          |

- ▶ **Single  $X = \text{C-even}$  (spin 0,2) resonances** only (Landau-Yang + C symmetry)

# 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 $\gamma$ fluxes, EPA calculations, and higher-order QED corrections |
| $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$   | Anomalous $\tau$ 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]  |
| $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow VMVM$   | (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- $\gamma$ 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  $\gamma$ /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*    |
| $\rho^0$ pair  | 33        |
| $a_2(1320)$ decayed by PYTHIA                            | 115       |
| $\eta$ decayed by PYTHIA                                 | 221       |
| $f_2(1270)$ decayed by PYTHIA                            | 225       |
| $\eta'$ decayed by PYTHIA                                | 331       |
| $f_2(1525) \rightarrow K^+K^-(50\%), K^0\bar{K}^0(50\%)$ | 335       |
| $\eta_c$ 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)   |
| 70                    | $M(5) \rightarrow \gamma(6) + \gamma(7)$ ( $\beta g$ Coupling)  |
| 71                    | $m(6) + \bar{m}(7)$ (Dirac Coupling)  |
| 72                    | $m(6) + \bar{m}(7)$ ( $\beta g$ Coupling)   |
| 73                    | $\tilde{\chi}^-(6)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(8) + \mu^-(9) + \bar{\nu}_\mu(10)) + \tilde{\chi}^+(7)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(11) + \mu^+(12) + \nu_\mu(13))$ |
| 74                    | $\tilde{\chi}^-(6)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(8) + \bar{u}(9) + d(10)) + \tilde{\chi}^+(7)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(11) + u(12) + \bar{d}(13))$               |
| 75                    | $\tilde{\chi}^-(6)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(8) + \mu^-(9) + \bar{\nu}_\mu(10)) + \tilde{\chi}^+(7)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(11) + u(12) + \bar{d}(13))$     |
| 76                    | $\tilde{l}^-(5)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(8) + \mu^-(9)) + \tilde{l}^+(6)(\rightarrow \tilde{\chi}_0^1(10) + \mu^+(11))$   |
| 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

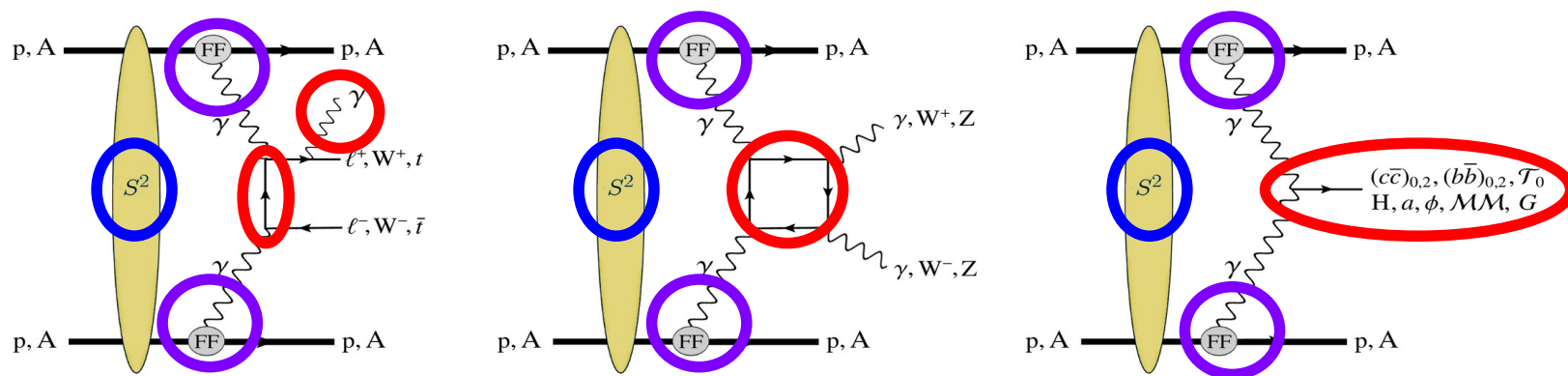
## UPCgen , LPAIR/CepGen

$$\gamma\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^-$$

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

## ■ gamma-UPC features:

- Arbitrary (B)SM & QQbar matrix elements w/ MG5@NLO & HelacOnia
- N  $\gamma$ /gluon FSR out-of-the-box. Extendable to NLO QCD & EW
- LHE output: Shower+hadronization via PS (PY8, HERWIG,...)
- 2 different form factors ( $\gamma$  fluxes) coded. Glauber MC for the non-overlap
- Any colliding combination: p-p, p-A, A-A (for any A)



## ■ gamma-UPC key properties:

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

# Heavy-ion form factors & $\gamma$ fluxes: ChFF, EDFF

## ■ Electric dipole form factor (EDFF)

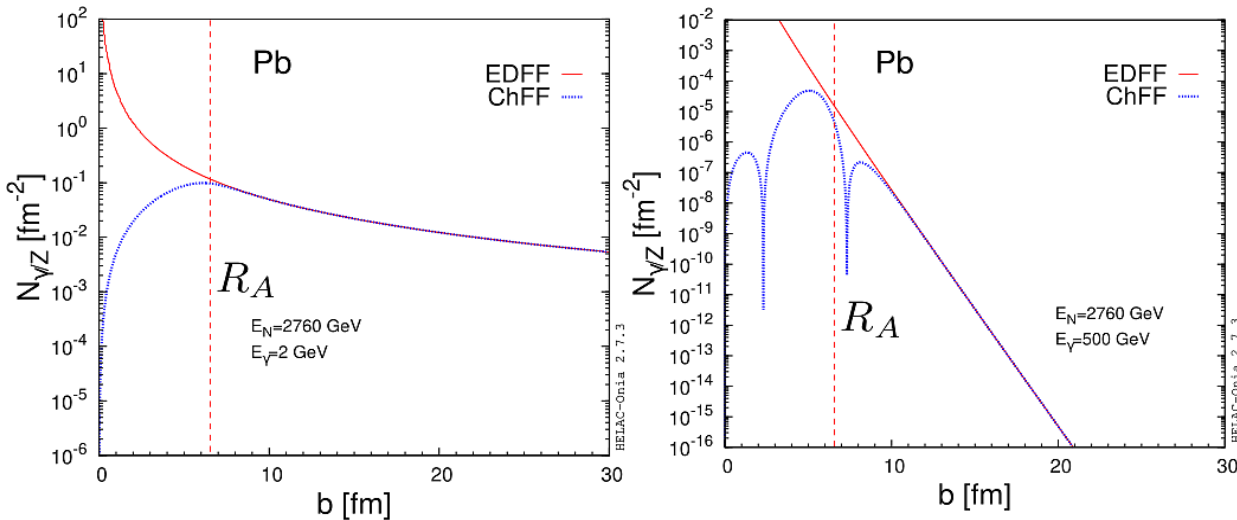
- Same as STARlight

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

## ■ Charge form factor (ChFF)

$$N_{\gamma/Z}^{\text{ChFF}}(E_\gamma, b) = \frac{Z^2 \alpha}{\pi^2} \left| \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{dk_\perp k_\perp^2}{k_\perp^2 + E_\gamma^2/\gamma_L^2} F_{\text{ch,A}} \left( \sqrt{k_\perp^2 + E_\gamma^2/\gamma_L^2} \right) J_1(bk_\perp) \right|^2$$

$$F_{\text{ch,A}}(q) = \int d^3\mathbf{r} e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \rho_A(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{4\pi}{q} \int_0^{+\infty} dr \rho_A(r) r \sin(qr)$$



- 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 is much more realistic: preferred.

# Proton form factors & $\gamma$ fluxes: ChFF, EDFF

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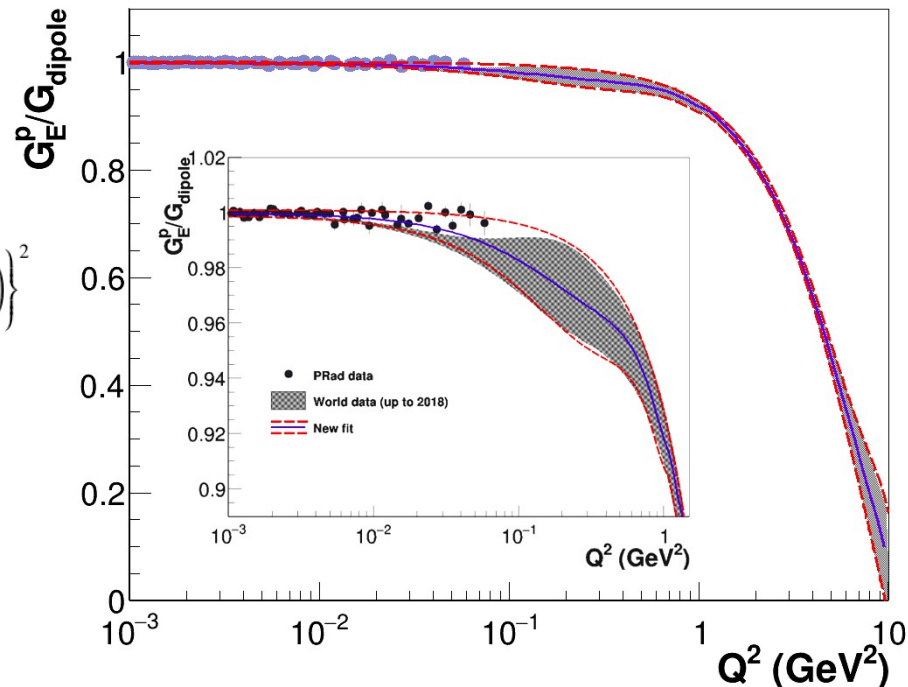
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## ■ Proton dipole form-factor:

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

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

## ■ Updated proton elastic ChFF, from fit to latest A1+PRad e-p elastic data:



# $\gamma\gamma$ 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:

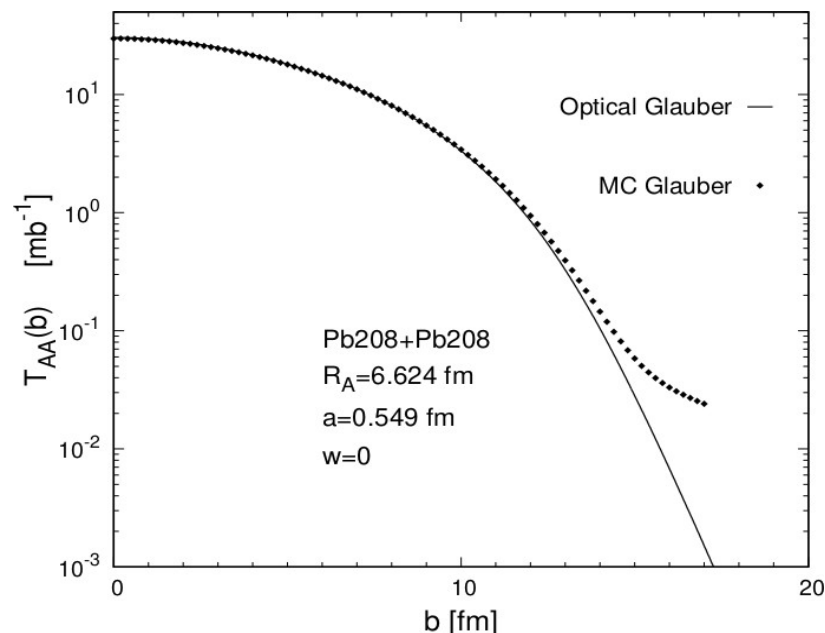
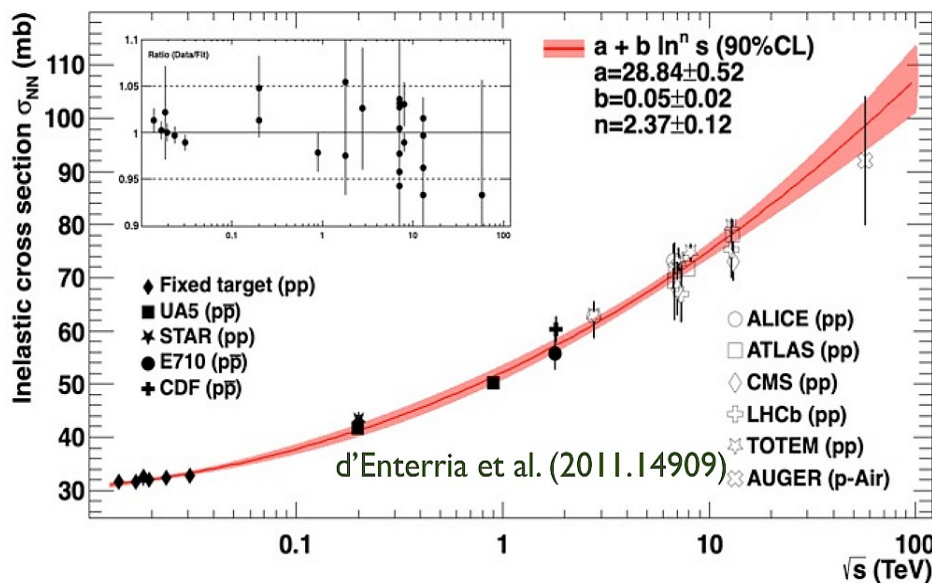
$$\frac{d^2 N_{\gamma_1/Z_1, \gamma_2/Z_2}^{(AB)}}{dE_{\gamma_1} dE_{\gamma_2}} = \int d^2 \mathbf{b}_1 d^2 \mathbf{b}_2 P_{\text{no inel}}(|\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_2|) N_{\gamma_1/Z_1}(E_{\gamma_1}, \mathbf{b}_1) N_{\gamma_2/Z_2}(E_{\gamma_2}, \mathbf{b}_2) \times \theta(b_1 - \epsilon R_A) \theta(b_2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

## ■ No hadronic/inelastic interaction probability density:

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nucleus-nucleus  
proton-nucleus  
p-p

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





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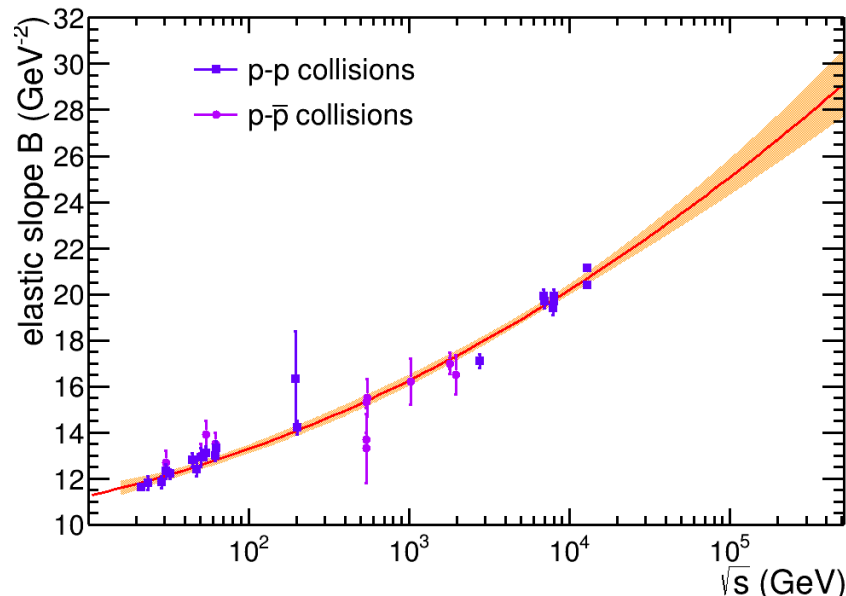
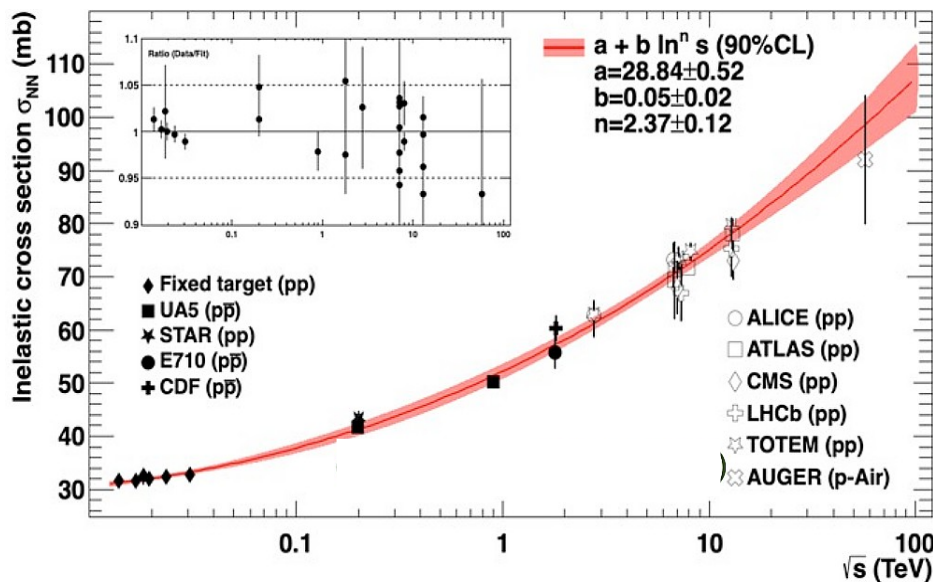
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Parametrized proton elastic slope data:

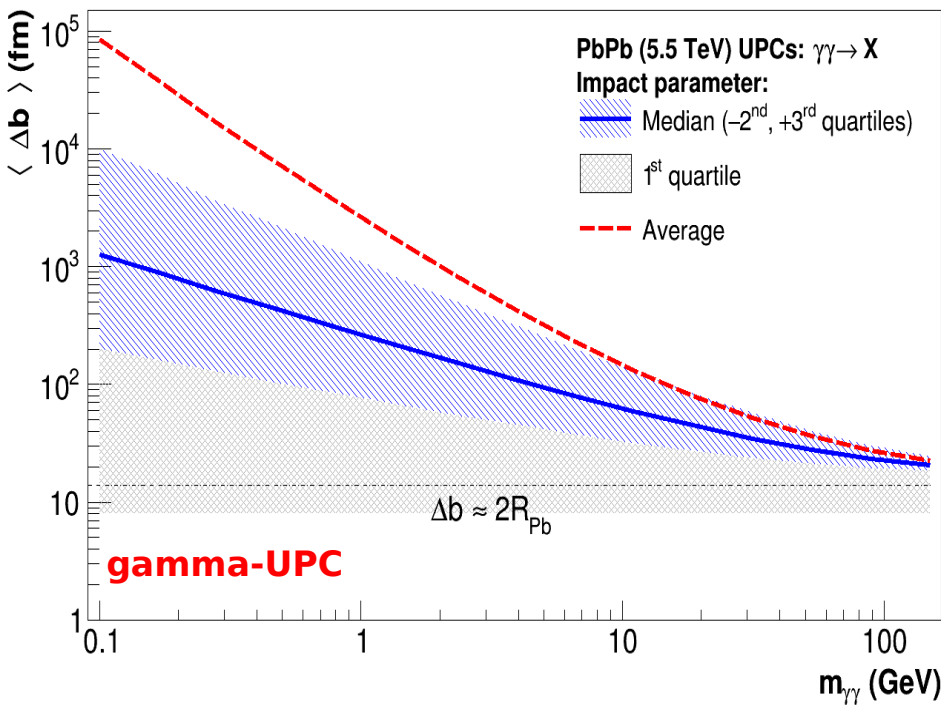


# How peripheral are Pb-Pb UPCs at the LHC?

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

$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 5$  GeV:  $\langle \Delta b \rangle > 100$  fm

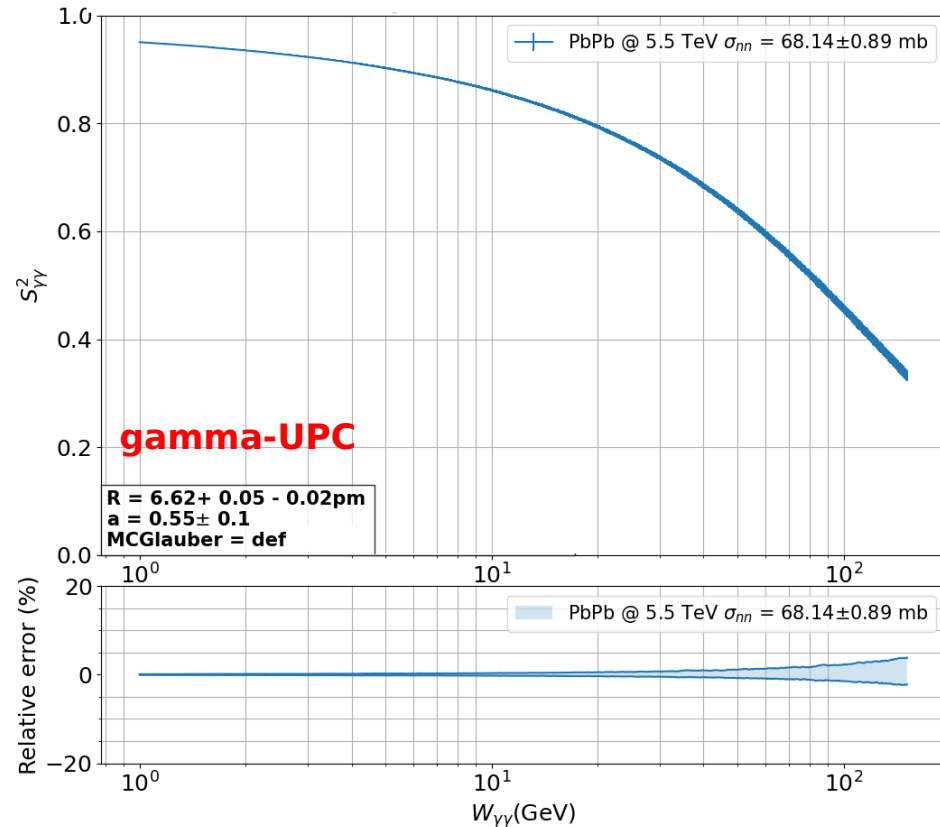
$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 100$  GeV:  $\langle \Delta b \rangle \sim 20$  fm



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

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

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



# How peripheral are p-p UPCs at the LHC?

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

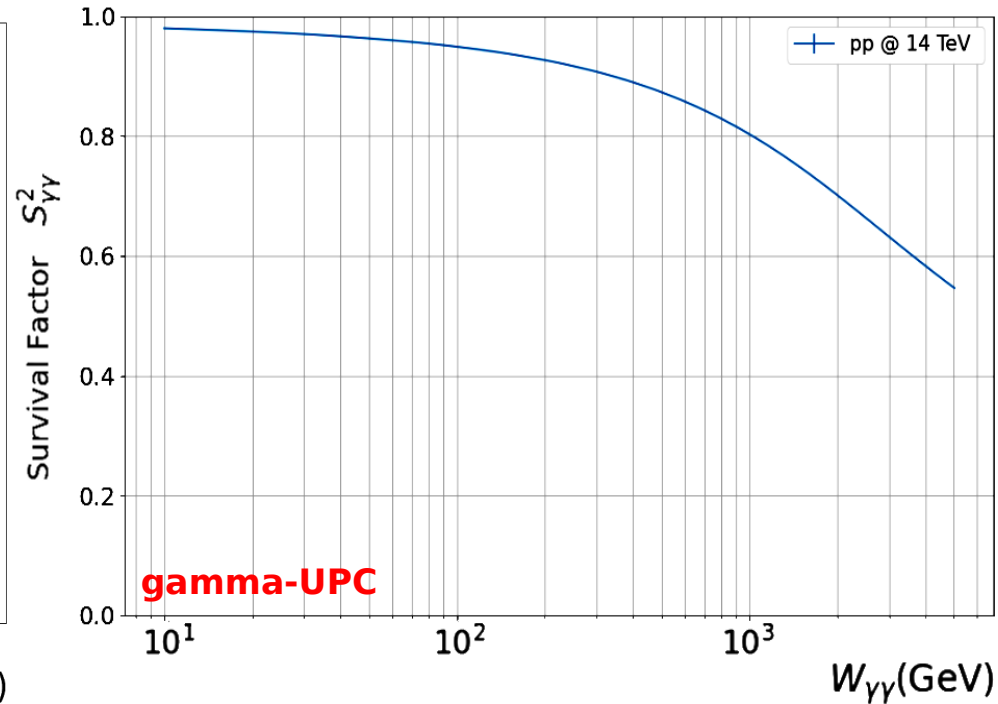
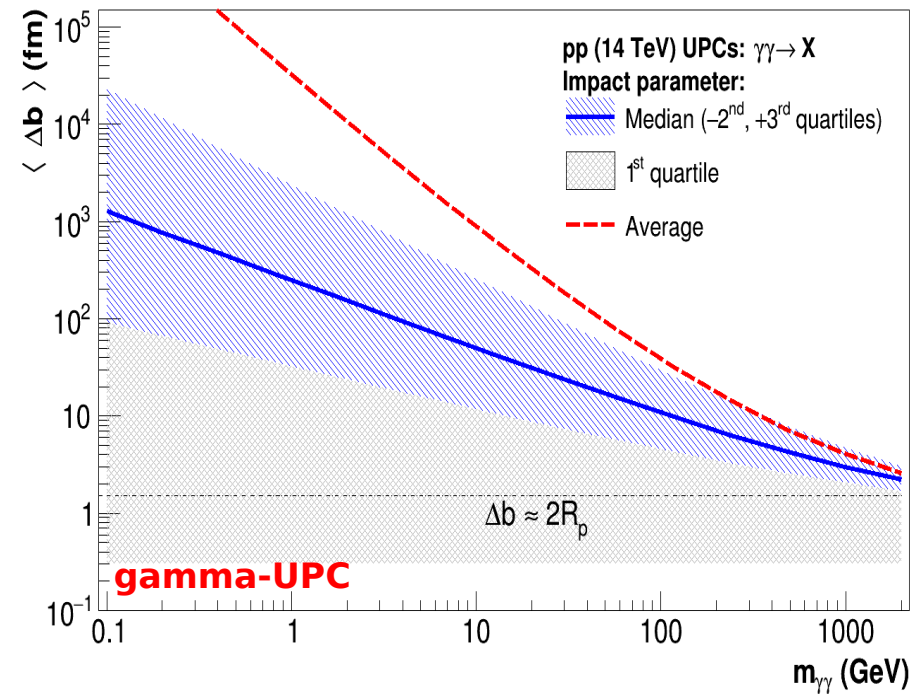
$m_{\gamma\gamma} < 10 \text{ GeV}$ :  $\langle \Delta b \rangle > 50 \text{ fm}$

$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 1 \text{ TeV}$ :  $\langle \Delta b \rangle < 3 \text{ fm}$

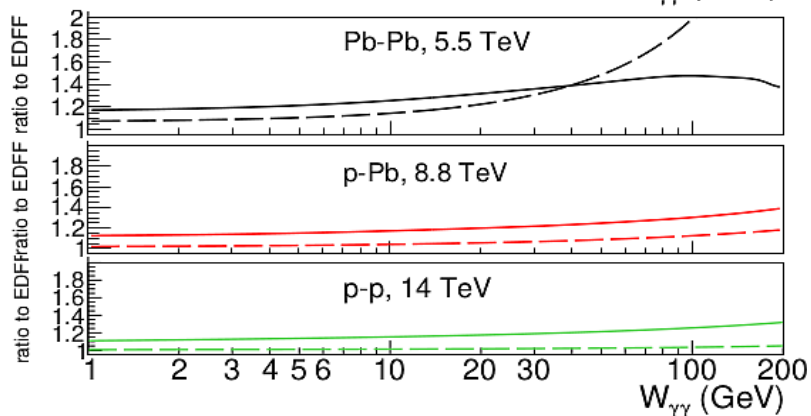
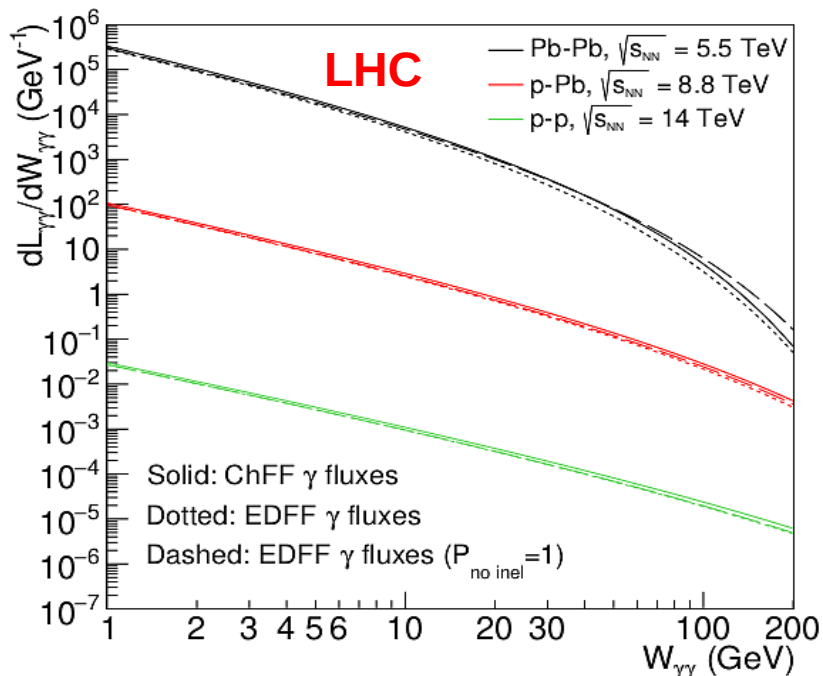
■ p-p survival probab. vs.  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ :

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

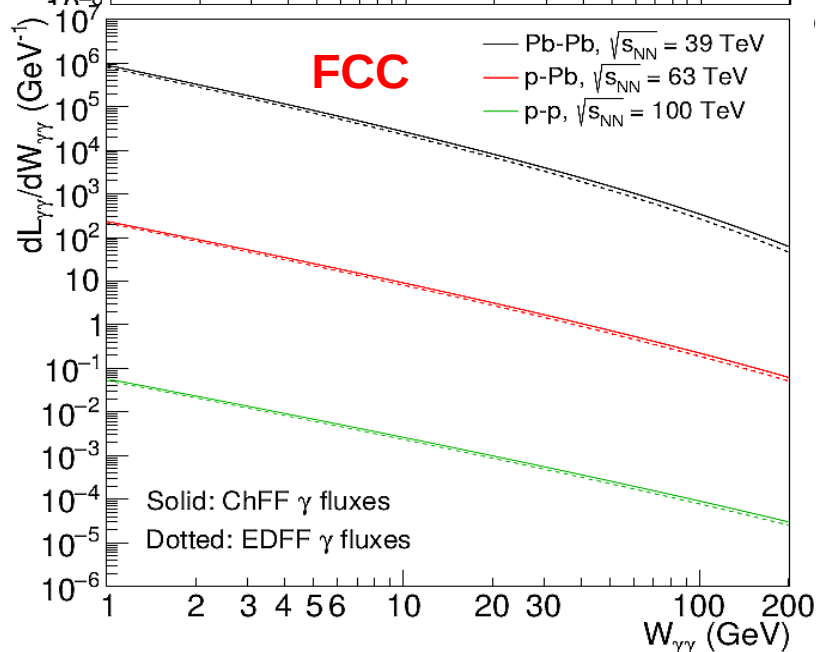
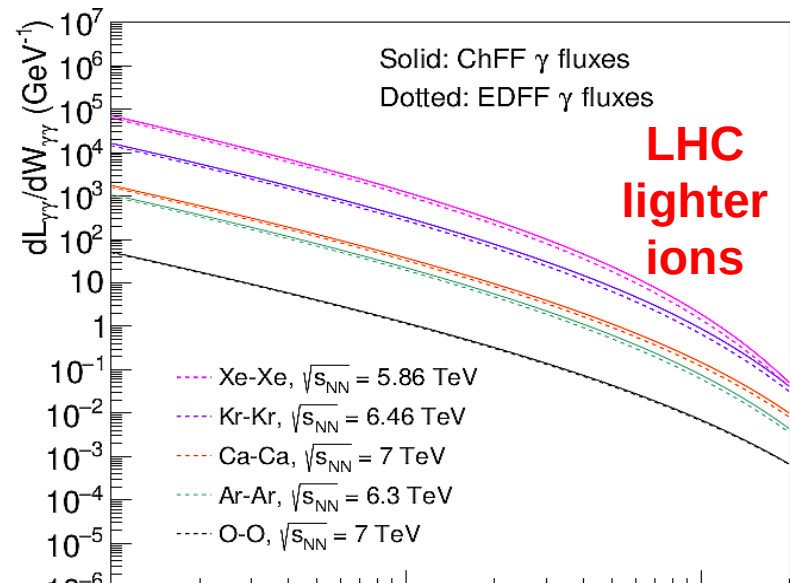
$m_{\gamma\gamma} > 1 \text{ TeV}$ :  $\langle P_{\text{non-overlap}} \rangle < 80\%$



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

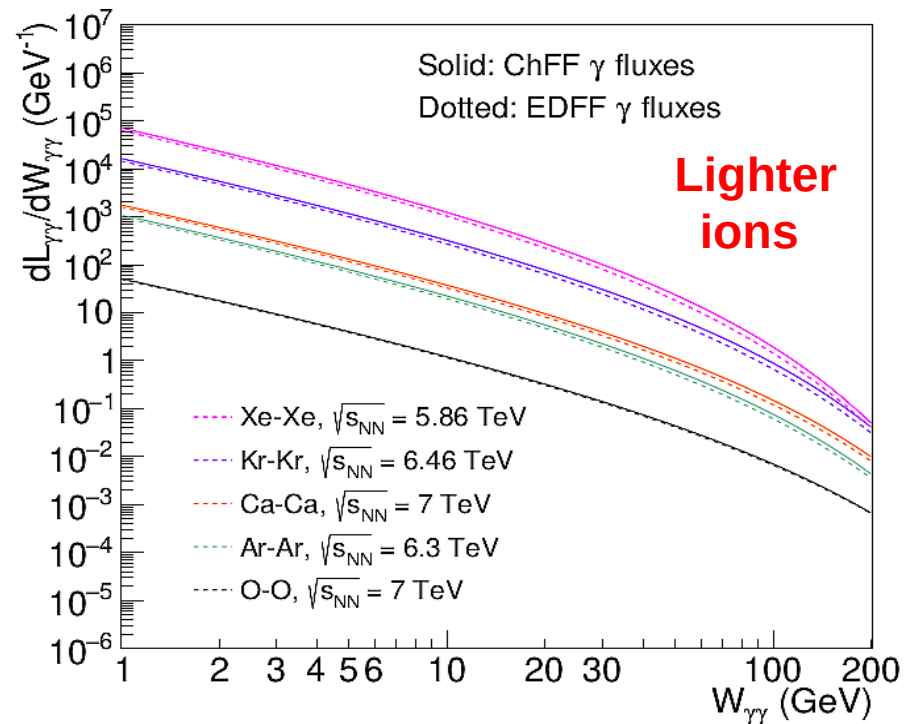
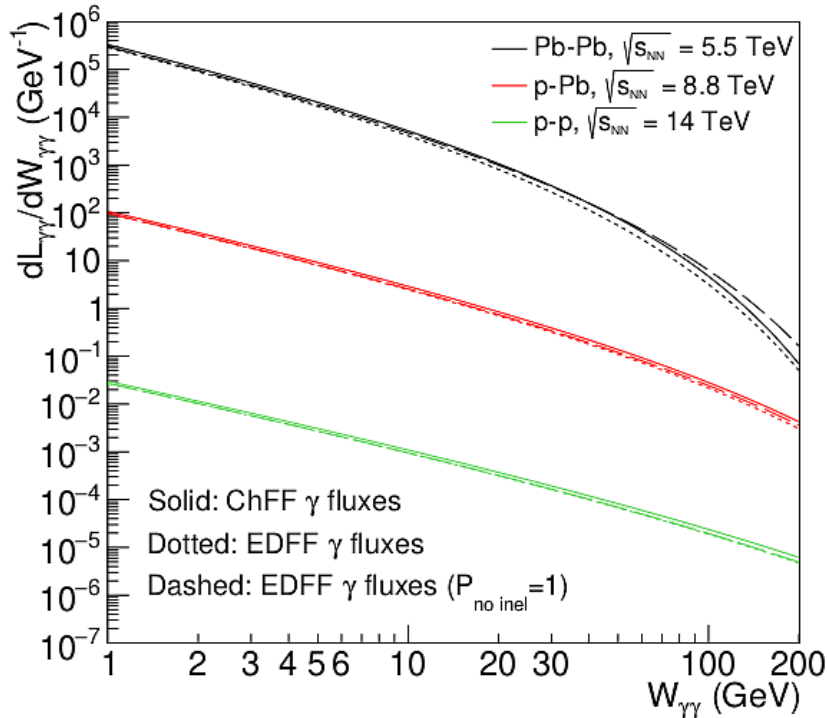


■ ChFF/EDFF  $\gamma$ -fluxes differences (pp–PbPb):  
 Low masses: 7–15%. High masses: 20–50%

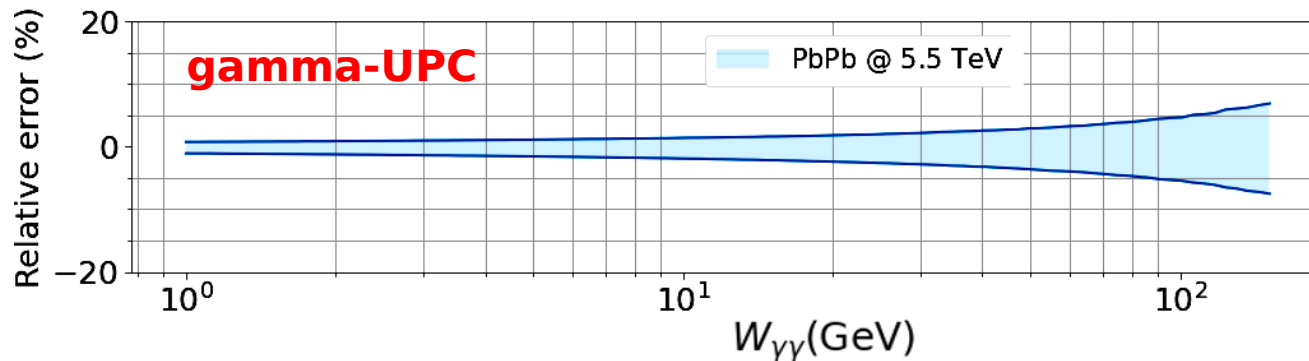


# Effective $\gamma\gamma$ luminosities (LHC)

■ Thanks to  $Z^4$  boost, **A-A  $\gamma\gamma$  lumis (per collision) much above p-p ones:**



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



ChFF  $\gamma$  spectra  
 Glauber MC:  
**Variations of  $R, a, \sigma_{NN}$**

# $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ azimuthal modulation from linearly polarized $\gamma$ fluxes

■ MG5 expects **colinear & unpolarized EPA photons**. A dedicated python script is run on gammaUPC+MG5 LHE files to modify the  $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow l^+ l^-$  **initial and final state**

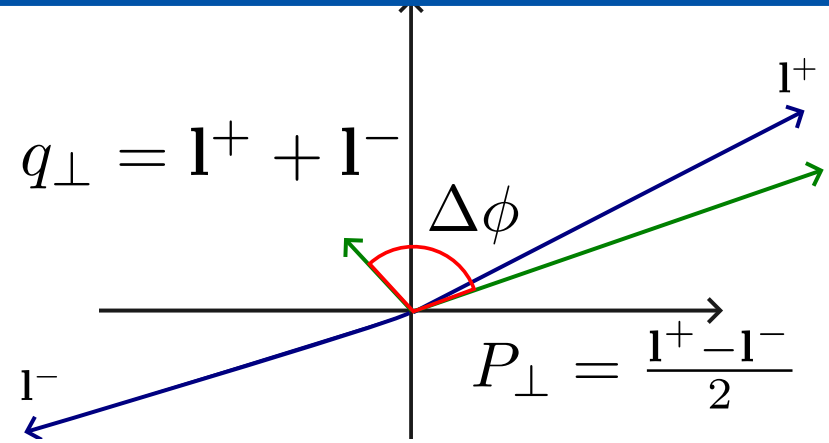
■  $\Delta\phi$  follows:

$$A + B \cos(2\Delta\phi) + C \cos(4\Delta\phi)$$

$$A = \frac{(Q^2 - 2m^2)m^2 + (Q^2 - 2P_\perp^2)P_\perp^2}{(m^2 + P_\perp^2)^2} x_1 x_2 \int d^2 k_{1\perp} d^2 k_{2\perp} \delta^2(q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) f_1^\gamma(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) f_1^\gamma(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \\ + \frac{m^4}{(m^2 + P_\perp^2)^2} x_1 x_2 \int d^2 k_{1\perp} d^2 k_{2\perp} \delta^2(q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) \left[ 2(\hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{k}_{2\perp})^2 - 1 \right] h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2)$$

$$B = \frac{4m^2 P_\perp^2}{(m^2 + P_\perp^2)^2} x_1 x_2 \int d^2 k_{1\perp} d^2 k_{2\perp} \delta^2(q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) \\ \times \left\{ \left[ 2(\hat{k}_{2\perp} \cdot \hat{q}_\perp)^2 - 1 \right] f_1^\gamma(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) + \left[ 2(\hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{q}_\perp)^2 - 1 \right] h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) f_1^\gamma(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2) \right\}$$

$$C = \frac{-2P_\perp^4}{(m^2 + P_\perp^2)^2} x_1 x_2 \int d^2 k_{1\perp} d^2 k_{2\perp} \delta^2(q_\perp - k_{1\perp} - k_{2\perp}) \\ \times \left[ 2 \left( 2(\hat{k}_{2\perp} \cdot \hat{q}_\perp)(\hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{q}_\perp) - \hat{k}_{1\perp} \cdot \hat{k}_{2\perp} \right)^2 - 1 \right] h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_1, k_{1\perp}^2) h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x_2, k_{2\perp}^2)$$



Cong Li, Jian Zhou, and Ya-jin Zhou:  
arXiv.1903.10084

■ Photon TMD:

$$x f_1^\gamma(x, k_\perp^2) = x h_1^{\perp\gamma}(x, k_\perp^2) = \frac{Z^2 \alpha_e}{\pi^2} k_\perp^2 \left[ \frac{F(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_p^2)}{(k_\perp^2 + x^2 M_p^2)} \right]^2$$

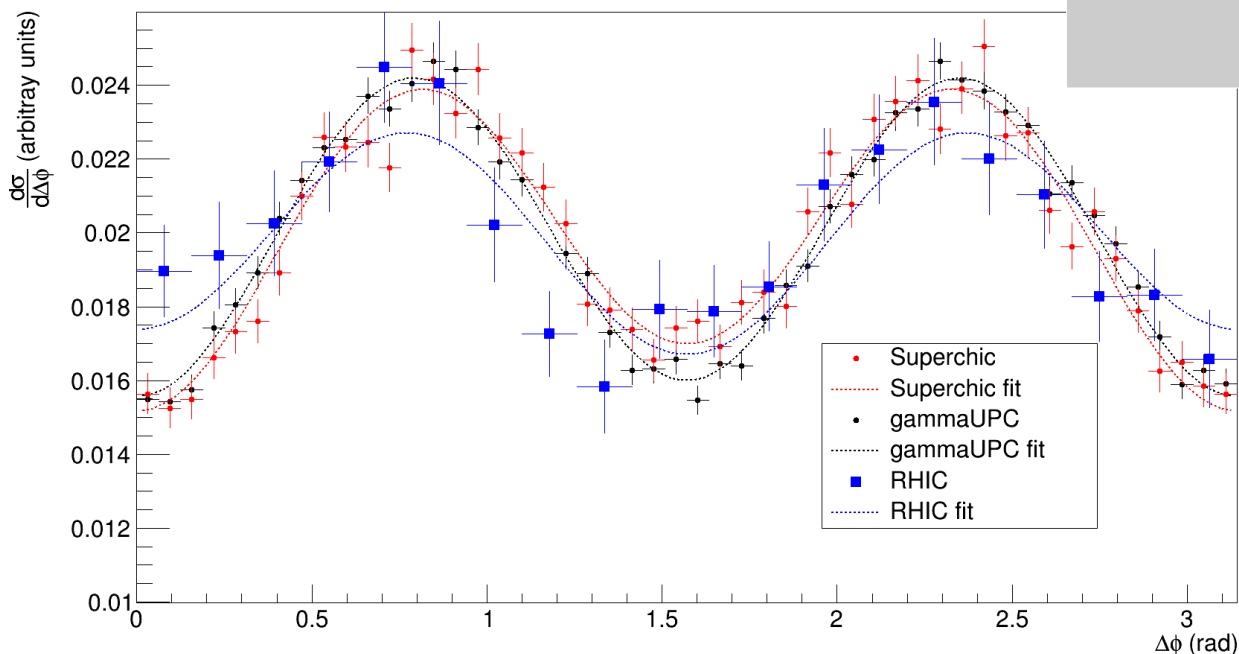
# $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow l^+ l^-$ azimuthal modulation in Au-Au 200 GeV UPCs

■ MG5 expects **colinear & unpolarized EPA photons**. A dedicated python script is run on gammaUPC+MG5 LHE files to modify the  $\gamma \gamma \rightarrow l^+ l^-$  **initial and final state**

■ Fitted  $\Delta\phi$  distribution from gammaUPC, Superchic and RHIC data samples to:

$$A(1 + \frac{B}{A} \cos(2\Delta\phi) + \frac{C}{A} \cos(4\Delta\phi))$$

$\gamma \gamma \rightarrow e^+ e^-$  in Au Au UPCs @ 200 GeV



$$p_T^{pair} < 0.1 \text{ GeV}$$

$$0.45 < m_{ee} < 0.76 \text{ GeV}$$

$$p_T^e > 0.2 \text{ GeV}$$

RHIC data:  
arXiv:1910.12400

|           | B/A (%)       | C/A (%)        |
|-----------|---------------|----------------|
| gammaUPC  | $1.0 \pm 0.5$ | $21.7 \pm 0.6$ |
| Superchic | $4.5 \pm 0.6$ | $19.5 \pm 0.6$ |
| RHIC data | $2.0 \pm 2.4$ | $16.8 \pm 2.5$ |

# Photon-photon collisions: Summary

- gamma-UPC is a **new versatile code to generate any  $\Upsilon\Upsilon$  process in UPCs with protons & ions**. Interfaced to MG5@NLO & HelacOnia & custom codes.
- New developments:
  - **Parametric uncertainties**
  - **$\Delta\phi$  distribution modulation for lepton pairs**
- Future developments:
  - **Non-exclusive** collisions possible
  - **Semi-exclusive** W/Z- $\gamma$  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  $\Upsilon\Upsilon$  EXP/PH studies!

<https://hshao.web.cern.ch/hshao/>

The screenshot shows the website for gamma-UPC. It features a table with columns for 'Production', 'Theoretical gamma-gamma cross sections', and 'Effective photon-photon cross sections'. The table lists various processes such as  $\Upsilon(1S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(2S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(3S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(4S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(5S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(6S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(7S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(8S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(9S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(10S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(11S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(12S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(13S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(14S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(15S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(16S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(17S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(18S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(19S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(20S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(21S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(22S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(23S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(24S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(25S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(26S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(27S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(28S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(29S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(30S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(31S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(32S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(33S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(34S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(35S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(36S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(37S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(38S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(39S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(40S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(41S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(42S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(43S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(44S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(45S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(46S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(47S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(48S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(49S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(50S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(51S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(52S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(53S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(54S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(55S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(56S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(57S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(58S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(59S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(60S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(61S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(62S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(63S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(64S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(65S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(66S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(67S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(68S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(69S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(70S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(71S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(72S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(73S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(74S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(75S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(76S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(77S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(78S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(79S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(80S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(81S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(82S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(83S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(84S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(85S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(86S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(87S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(88S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(89S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(90S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(91S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(92S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(93S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(94S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(95S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(96S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(97S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(98S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(99S)$ ,  $\Upsilon(100S)$ . The table also includes columns for 'Production', 'Theoretical gamma-gamma cross sections', and 'Effective photon-photon cross sections'. Below the table, there is a section titled 'A library for exclusive photon-photon processes in ultraperipheral proton and nuclear collisions' by Hua-Sheng Shao (LP THE) and David d'Enterria (CERN). The text mentions that the code is interfaced to MG5@NLO and HelacOnia, and provides a link to the code's repository: <https://hshao.web.cern.ch/hshao/>. The text also mentions that the code is used to generate LHE files for various processes, and that it is available for download. The text also mentions that the code is used to generate LHE files for various processes, and that it is available for download. The text also mentions that the code is used to generate LHE files for various processes, and that it is available for download.