

Search for a fermiophobic Charged Higgs through low-mass $W^\pm\gamma$ resonances with the ATLAS detector

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- After the discovery of the scalar Higgs, speculations are raised of a more complicated Higgs sector.
- The Georgi-Machacek (GM)* Model is one such model with $H_5^0, H_5^\pm, H_5^{\pm\pm}$
- H_5^\pm decays fermiophobic, to $W^\pm Z$ or $W^\pm \gamma$, if $m_{H_3} > m_{H_5}$.
- There have been ATLAS searches* for $H_5^\pm \rightarrow W^\pm Z$ with $m_{H_5} > 200$ GeV.
- Our analysis focuses on resonances below 200 GeV where the $W^\pm \gamma$ decay channel dominates.

*GM model paper link

*ATLAS search

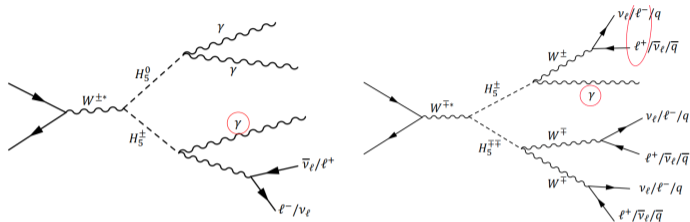


Figure 1

- Searching final states of $l + \nu_l + \gamma + X$. Try to stay model independent.
- Simulation samples are generated with
 - $s_H \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{2\sqrt{2}v_\chi}{v} = 10^{-4}$, WZ final states are suppressed by s_H^2

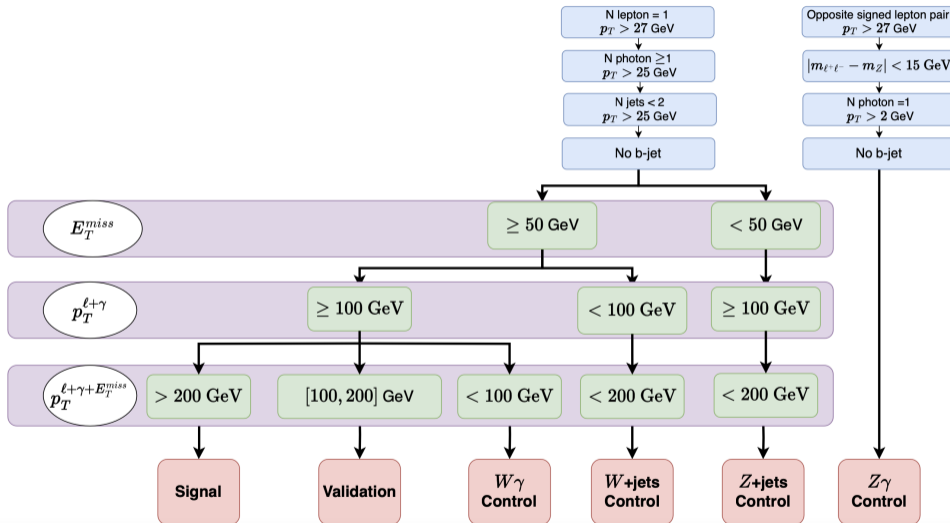


Figure 2: Event selections.

- Infer the neutrino momentum by assuming the W boson is on-shell:

$$m_{\ell\nu} = \sqrt{(E^\nu + E^\ell)^2 - (\mathbf{p}^\nu + \mathbf{p}^\ell)^2} = m_W$$

$$\text{where } E_\nu = \sqrt{p_x^{\nu 2} + p_y^{\nu 2} + p_z^{\nu 2}}$$

- \mathbf{p}_T^ν is modelled by $\mathbf{p}_T^\nu \approx \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$, p_z^ν is the only unknown.
- The smaller solution is picked in case of two real solutions
- In case of complex solution, we minimize the following constraint:

$$C(p_x^\nu, p_y^\nu, p_z^\nu) = \sum_{i=x,y} c_i (p_i^\nu - E_i^{\text{miss}})^2 + c_z (p_z^\nu - \Re(p_z^{\nu, \mathbb{C}}))^2 + c_m (m_{\ell\nu} - m_W)^2$$

where $\Re(p_z^{\nu, \mathbb{C}})$ is the real part of the original complex solution

- Resonance recovered.

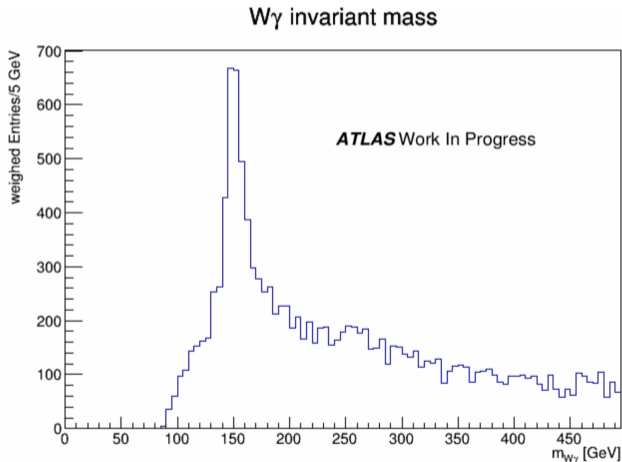


Figure 3: Reconstructed invariant masses of the charged Higgs.

- Estimate the fake rate of $e \rightarrow \gamma$ using the following regions:

Region	$N_{\ell}(> 27 \text{ GeV})$	$N_{\gamma}(> 27 \text{ GeV})$	$N_{\text{jets}}(> 25 \text{ GeV})$	$N_{\text{b-jets}}$
ee	2	0	> 1	0
$e\gamma$	1	1	> 1	0

Table 1: $e\gamma$ control regions. $N_{\text{jets}} > 1$ is required to keep orthogonality.

- Slice them in bins of p_T and η of e and γ .
- Perform a fit to extract the "signal" (resonance) part
- Fake rate is given by:

$$FR_{e \rightarrow \gamma}(p_T, \eta) = \frac{N_{e\gamma}^{sig}}{N_{ee}^{sig}}$$

- An example of the $m_{e\gamma}$ in the bin of $27 \text{ GeV} < p_T^\gamma < 35 \text{ GeV}$ and $|\eta| < 0.6$.

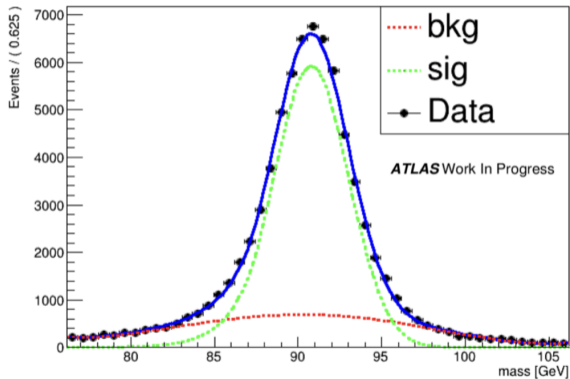


Figure 4: Z mass resonance in the $e\gamma$ channel.

- Fake rate is close to Monte Carlo (MC) simulation: $\frac{FR_{\text{data}}}{FR_{\text{MC}}} \approx 1$
- MC is used with fake rate ratio as corrections.

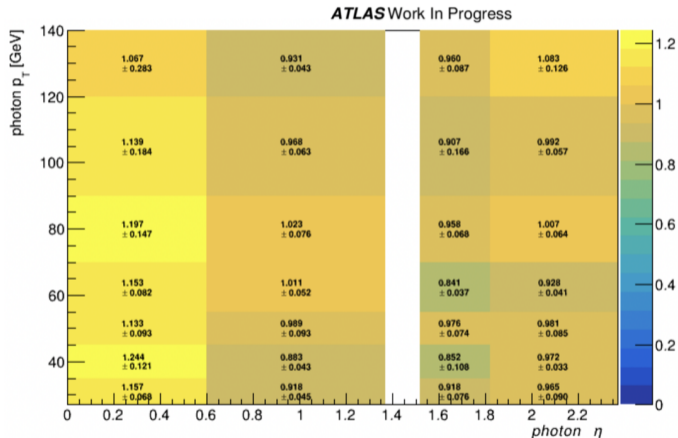


Figure 5: 2D fake rate ratios.

- The template fit method was used to model the jets faking photons.
- Data-driven estimate of fakes is based on the **Isolation Energy** (E_{Iso}^γ):

$$E_{\text{Iso}}^\gamma = E_T^{\gamma, \text{topo40}} - 0.022 \cdot p_T^\gamma$$

where topoEt40 ($E_T^{\gamma, \text{topo40}}$) is the energy deposited within $R = 0.4$ of the photon in the $\eta - \phi$ plane.

- Templates are fitted to the observed E_{Iso}^γ distribution to form an estimate of the fake contribution.

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- Real and fake templates are obtained from MC and data.

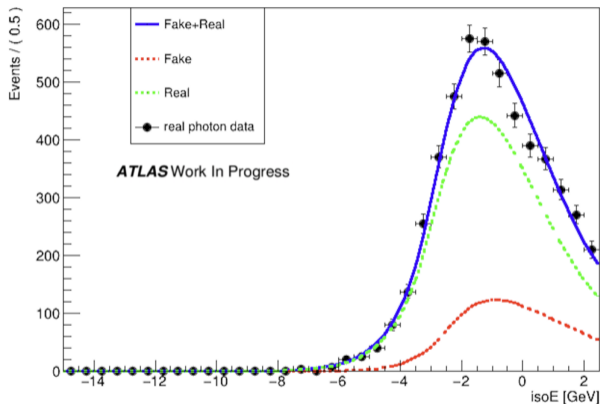
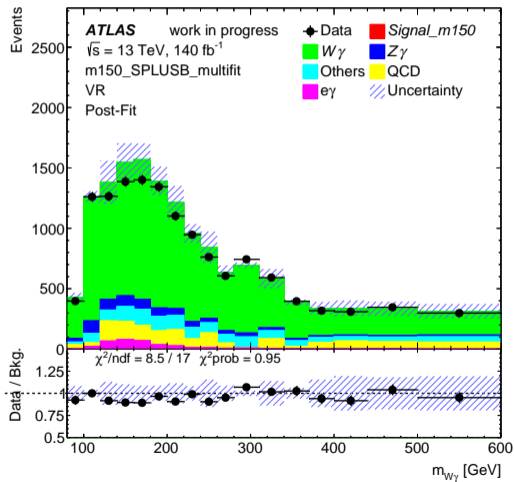



Figure 6: Template fit in the $W\gamma$ control region.
 $140 \text{ GeV} < m^{\ell+\gamma+E_T^{\text{miss}}} < 160 \text{ GeV}$ in

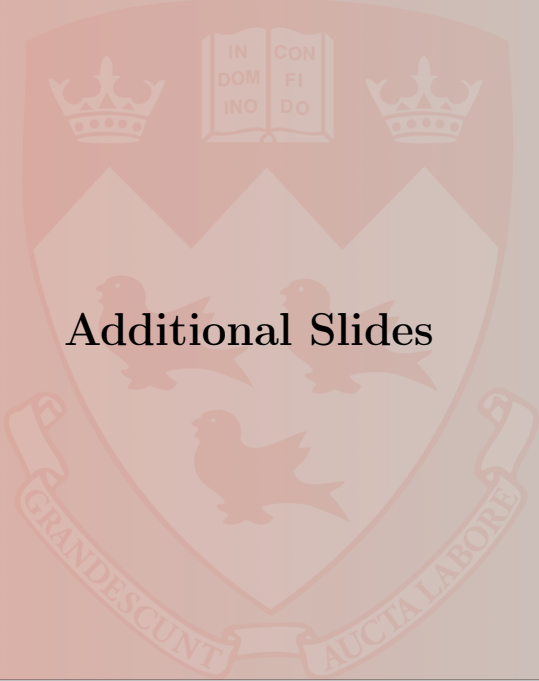
- Reviewing results internally. Looking to unblind within the year.



- This analysis is going to be the first to search for charged Higgs with $W\gamma$ resonance below 200 GeV.
- Higgs mass is reconstructed by inferring neutrino momentum from W -decay.
- Backgrounds are modeled by MC. Processes with misidentified objects are modeled by data-driven methods.
- Good agreement between MC and data in control regions.
- Data in the signal region is expected to be unblinded this year.

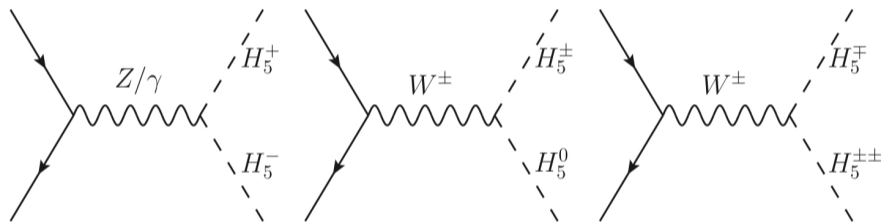


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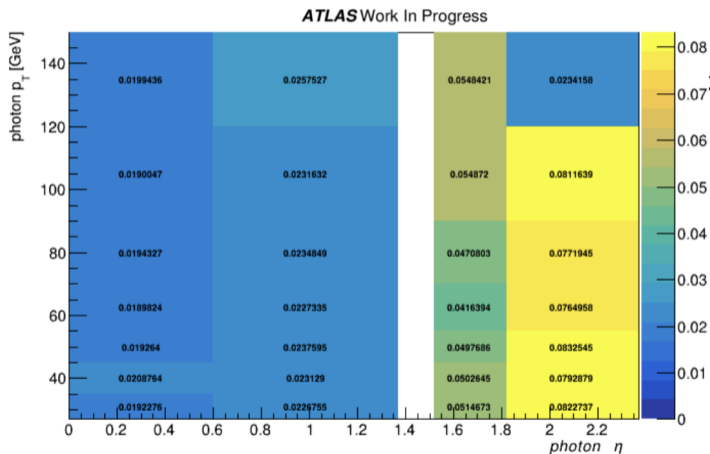


Additional Slides

- $H_5^\pm H_5^0$ and $H_5^+ H_5^-$ are the signal processes being considered
- $H_5^\pm H_5^{\mp\mp}$ is too complicated due to three massive bosons contributing to the final state



- Simulation samples are generated with
 - $s_H \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{2\sqrt{2}v_\chi}{v} = 10^{-4}$, WZ final states are suppressed by s_H^2
 - $100 \text{ GeV} < m_{H_5} \leq 200 \text{ GeV}$, in 10 GeV intervals



ATLAS Work In Progress

