

V+jets dark matter background study (experimental intro)

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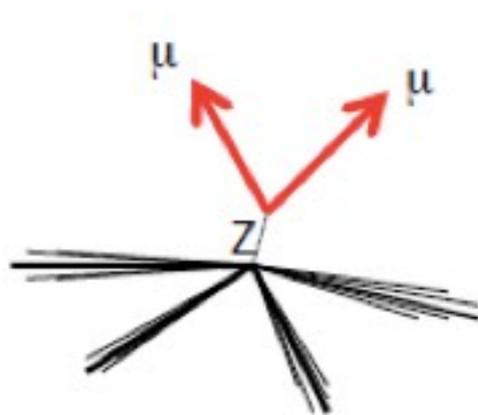
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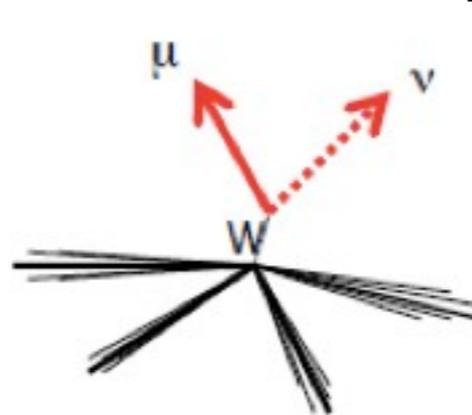
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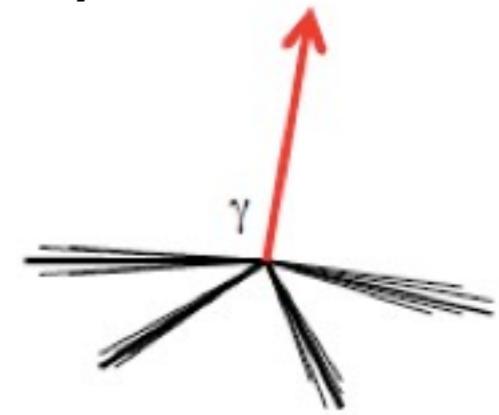
data control samples for the experimental analysis?



$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu + \text{jets}$
 $\text{MET}' = p_T(\mu\mu)$
best but not enough



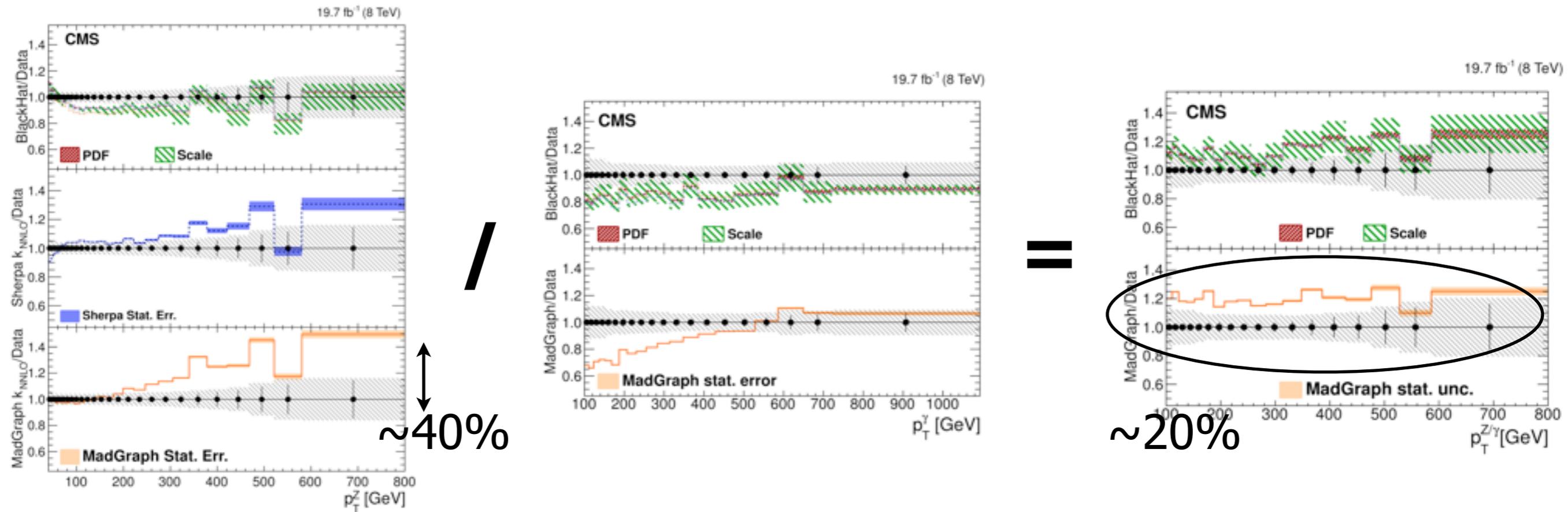
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu + \text{jets}$
 $\text{MET}' = p_T(\mu) + \text{MET}$
not so clean



gamma + jets
 $\text{MET}' = p_T(\gamma)$
 $R(Z/\gamma) ?$

$$\text{e.g., } N^{\text{pred}}(Z \rightarrow \nu\nu) = R^{\text{theory}}(Z/\gamma) * N^{\text{data}}(\gamma + \text{jets})$$

The $R(Z/\gamma)$ ratio

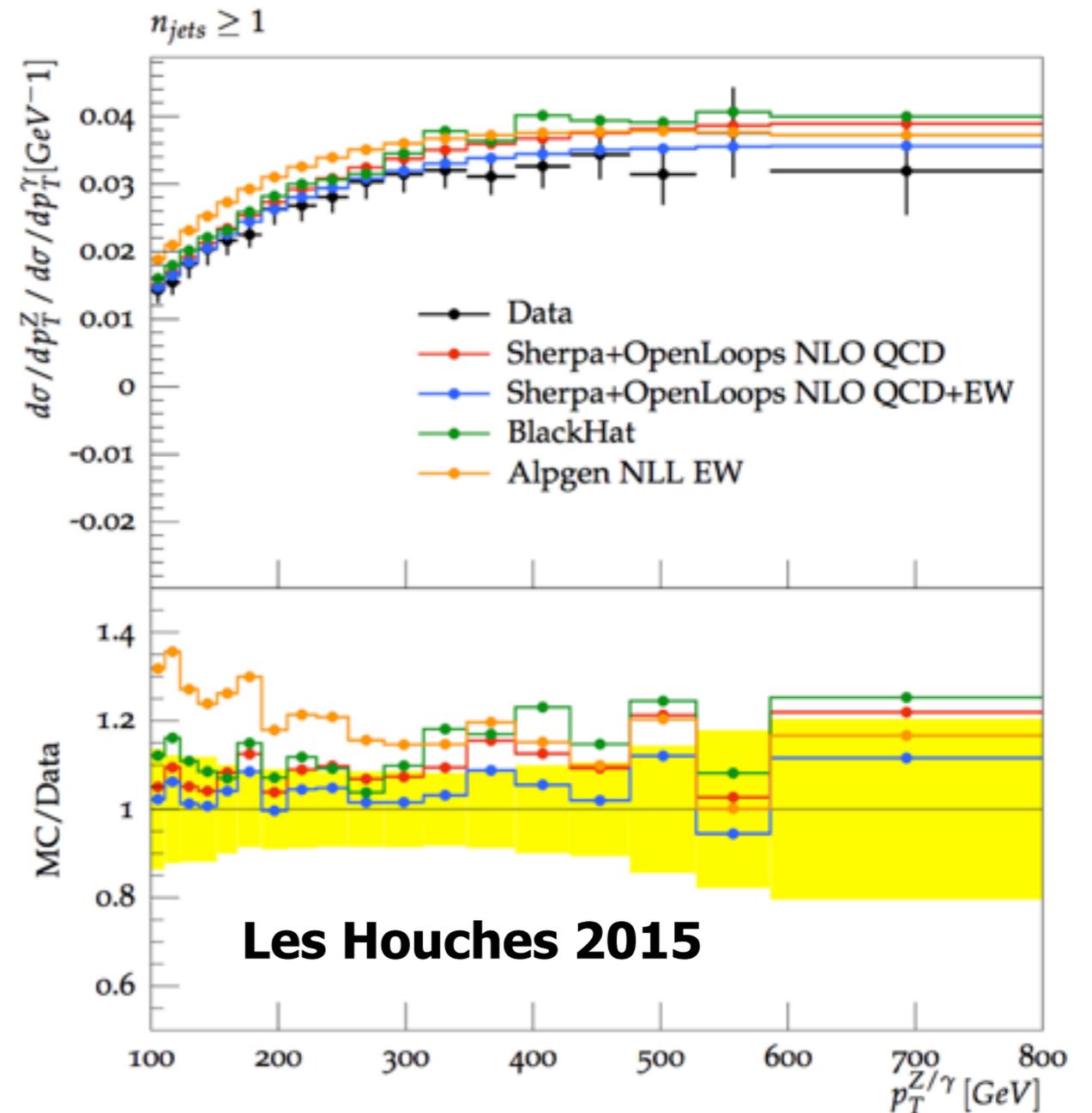
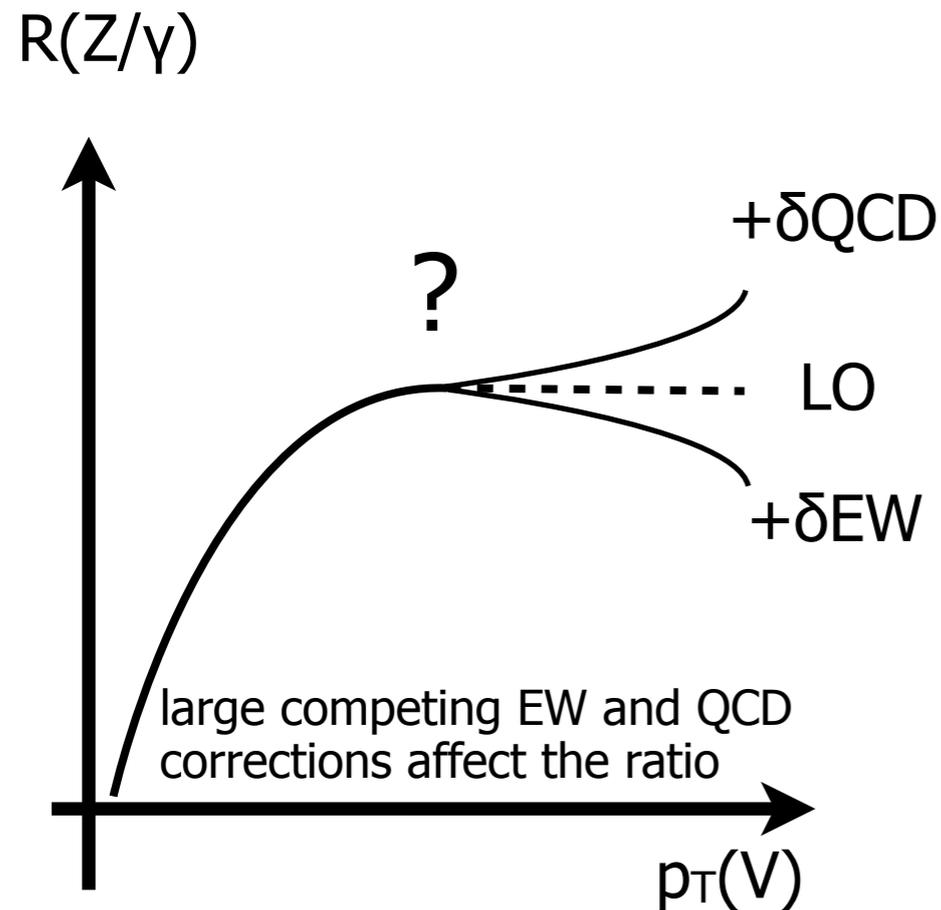


$$\sigma(Z+\text{jets}) / \sigma(\gamma+\text{jet}) = R(Z/\gamma)$$

First measurement of its kind by CMS [JHEP 10 (2015) 128], comparing data with NLO and framing LO+PS uncertainties with high P_T vector boson data

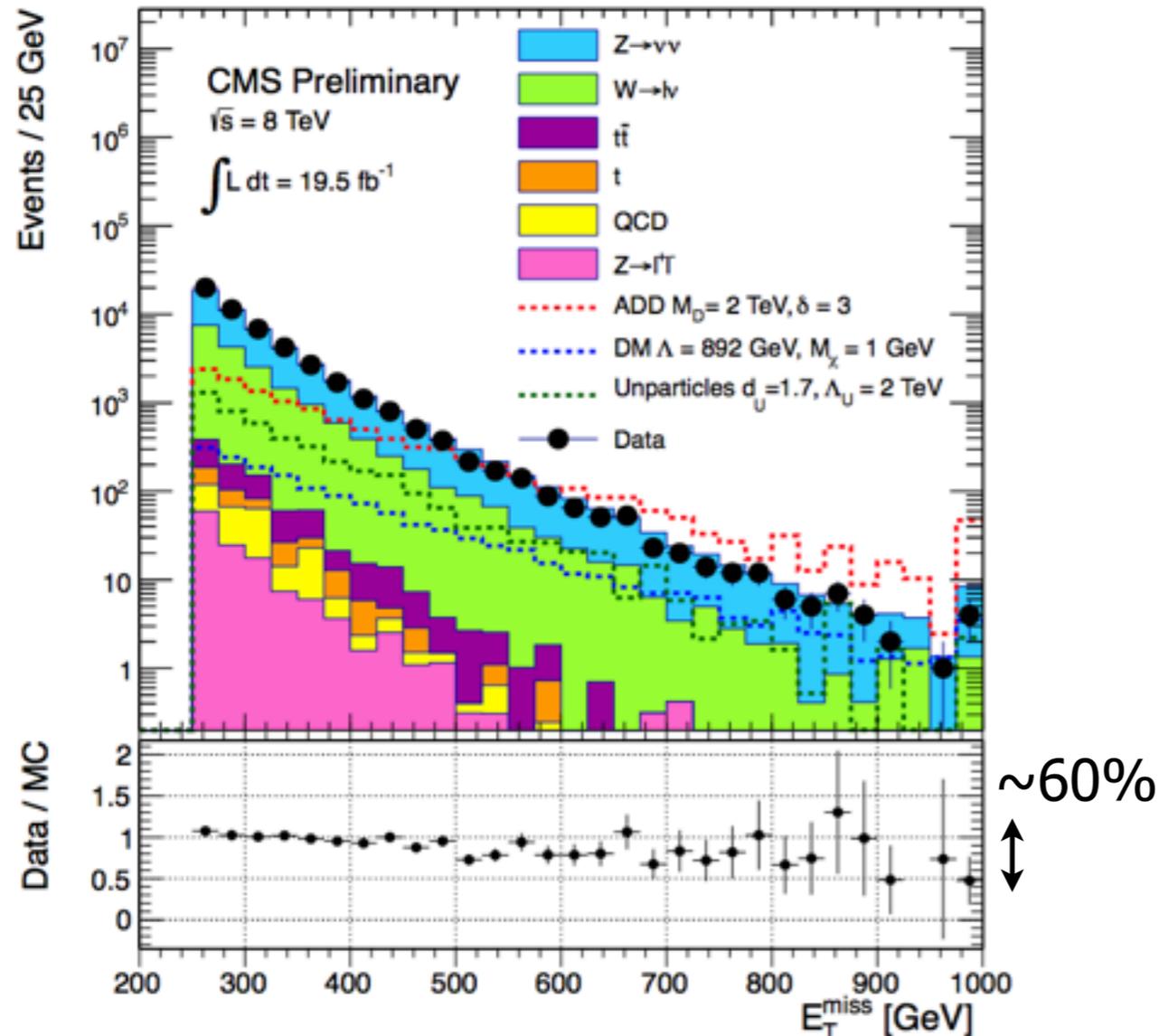
Measurement was binned in N_j , H_T , an important aspect => understand stability of $R(Z/\gamma)$ from inclusive to more exclusive/extreme phase spaces

Les Houches 2015 studies

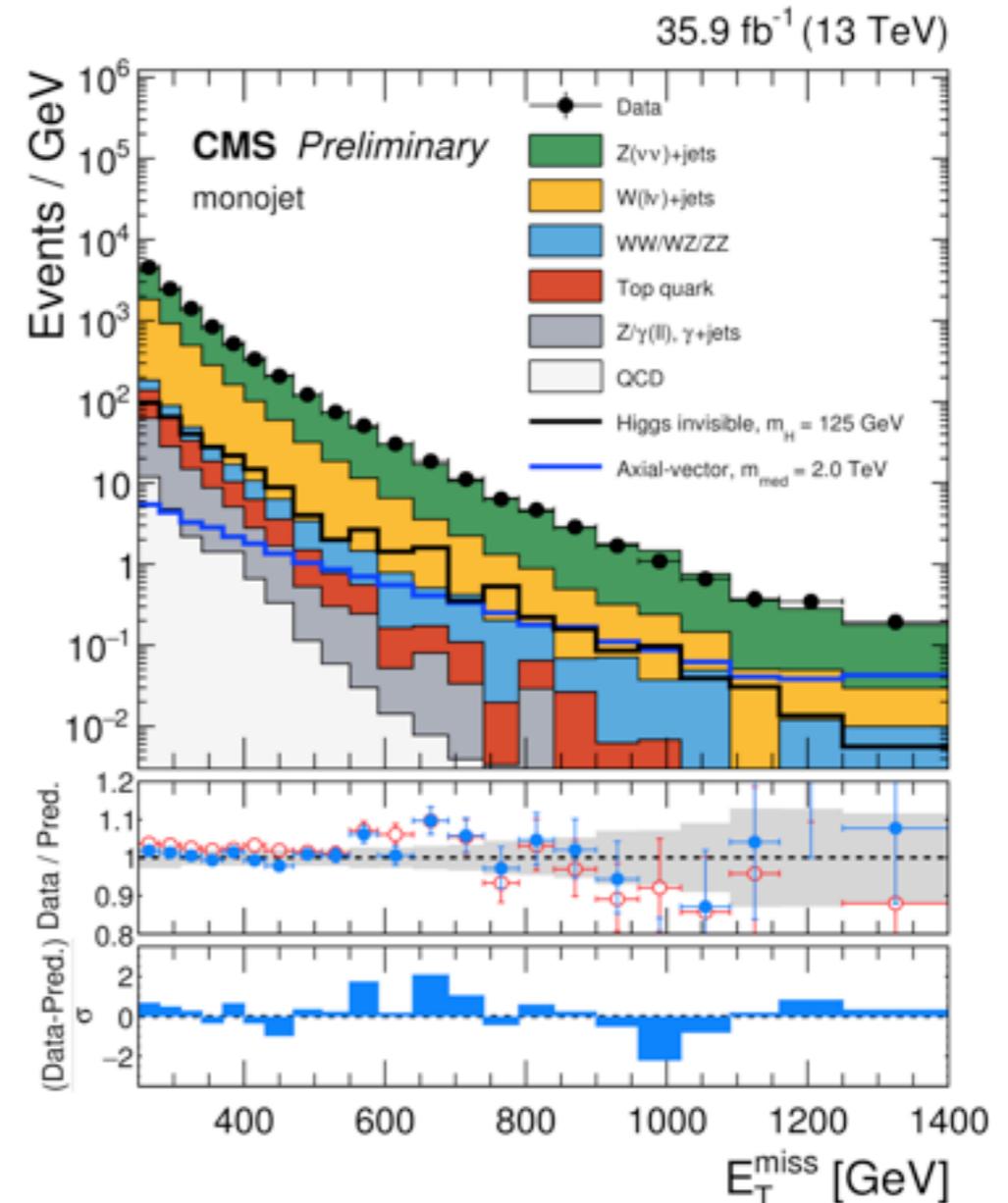


CMS measurement of $R(Z/\gamma)$ -- JHEP 10 (2015) 128 -- was one of the **Les Houches 2015 studies**, finding that **NLO QCD+EW Sherpa predictions** match within uncertainties the CMS data

R(Z/γ) in dark matter searches



(old) Run I, dark matter search, $P_T(Z \rightarrow \nu\nu) = \text{MET}$



(latest) Run II, dark matter search, featuring **R(Z/γ)** and ho QCD+EW corrections

Before passing the mic to Stefan ...

- A new theory study for the ratio has been made available last month theory uncertainty on the ratio is brought at the few percent level up to the TeV range
- What can be further studied in Les Houches 2017 ?
- What type of auxiliary measurements could be interesting for the experiments to pursuit ?

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