

# **V+jets dark matter background study (experimental intro)**

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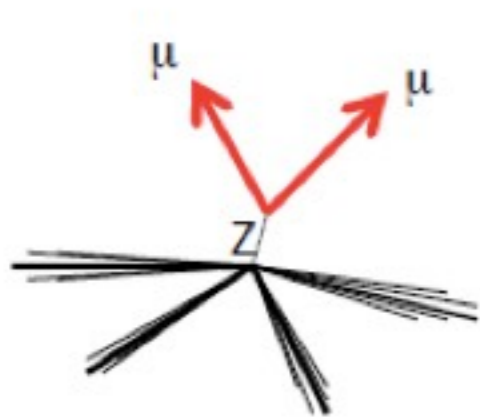
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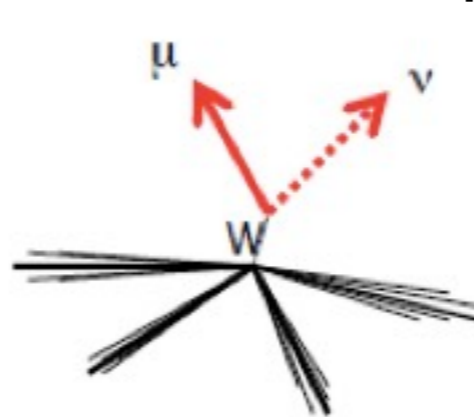
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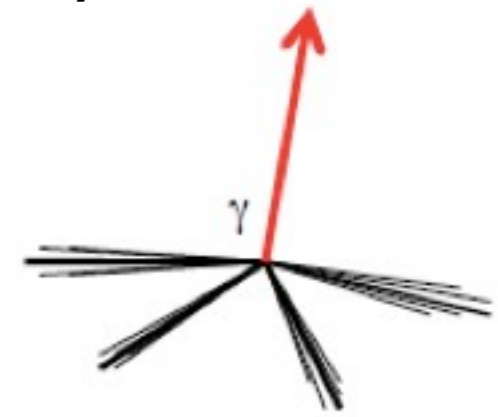
data control samples for the experimental analysis?



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



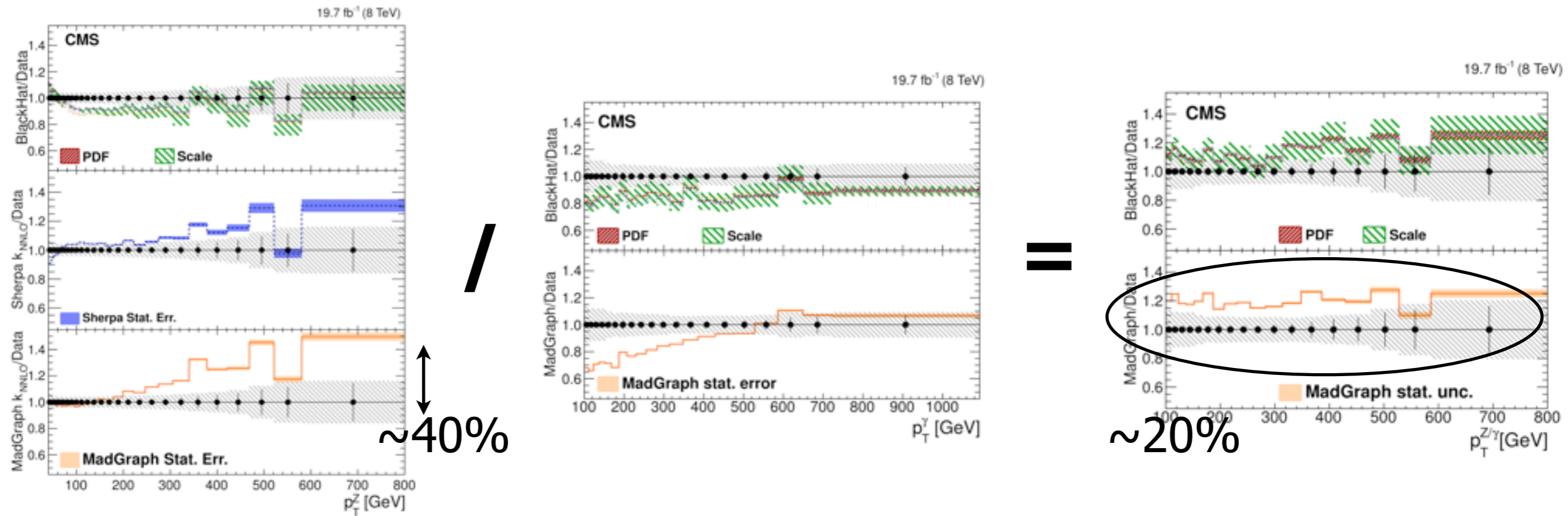
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu + \text{jets}$   
 $\text{MET}' = p_T(\mu) + \text{MET}$   
not so clean



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

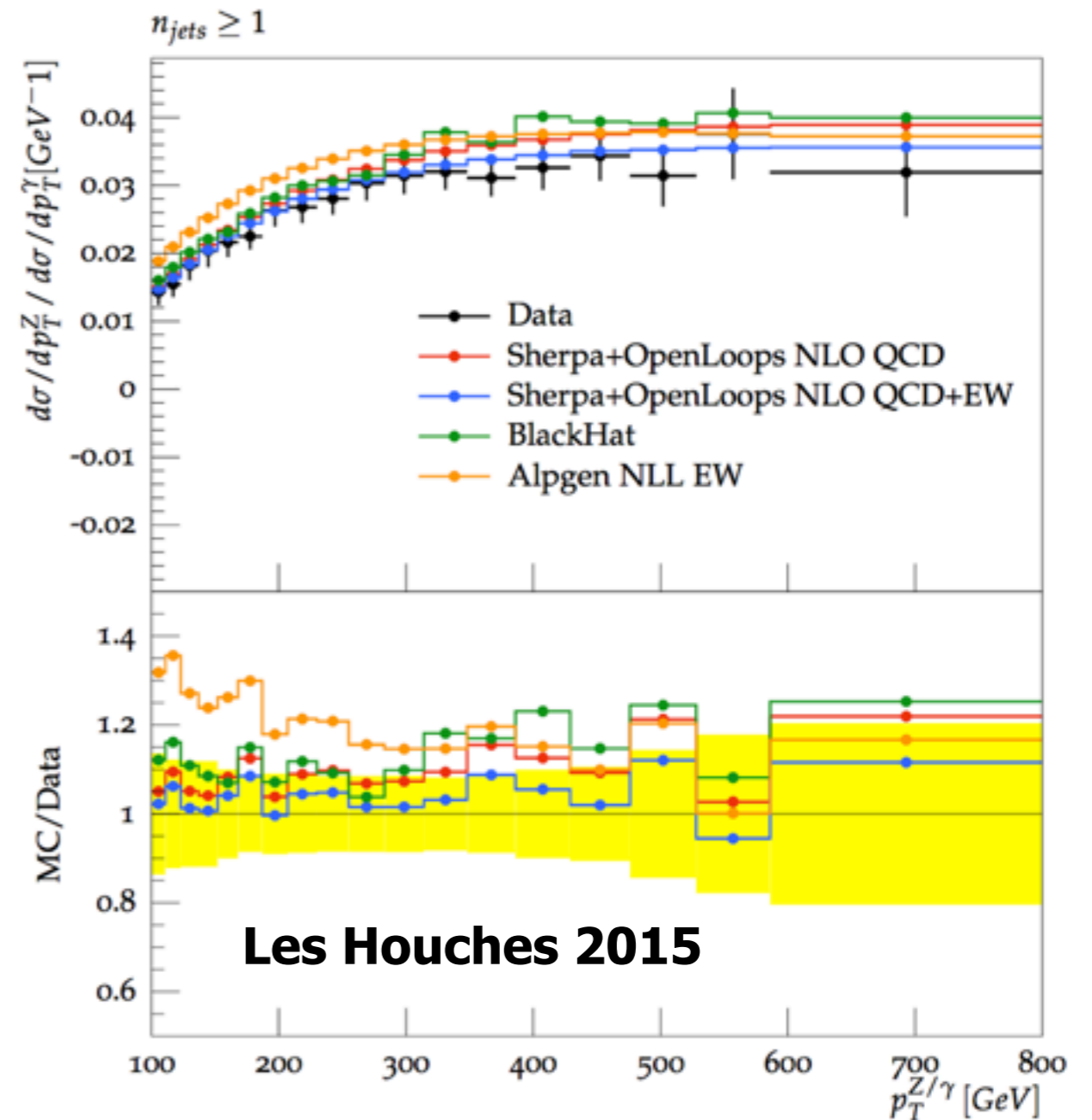
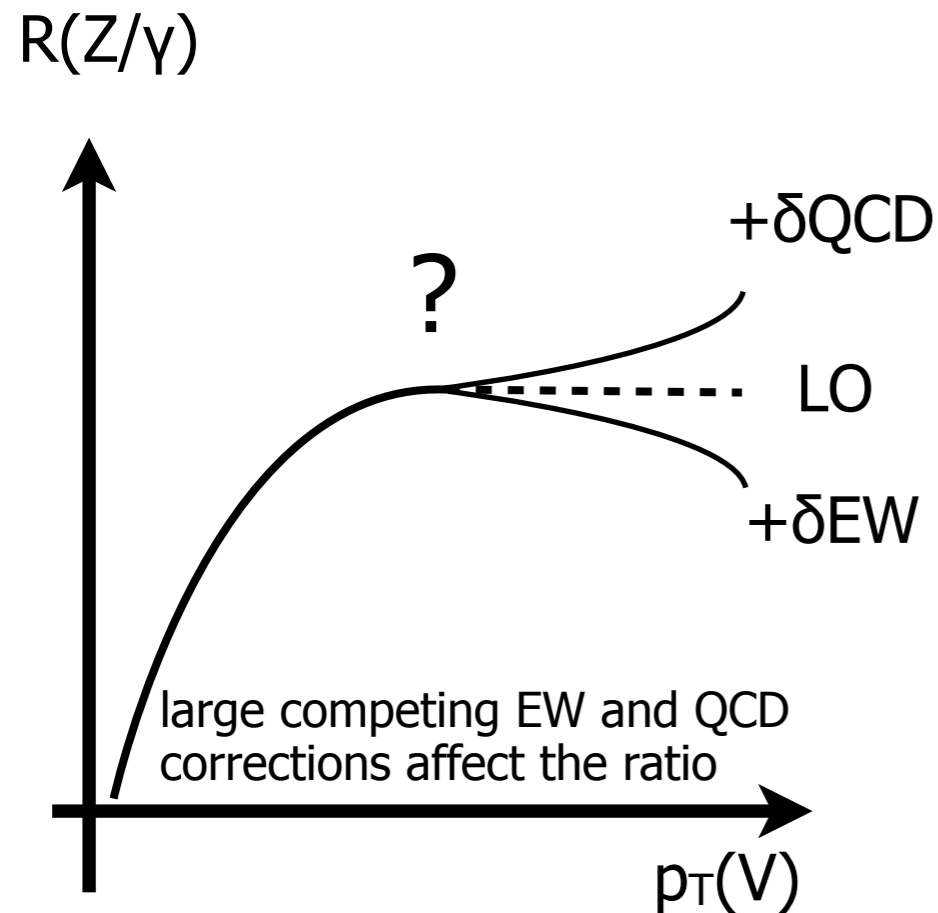


$$\sigma(\text{Z+jets}) / \sigma(\gamma+\text{jet}) = R(\text{Z}/\gamma)$$

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

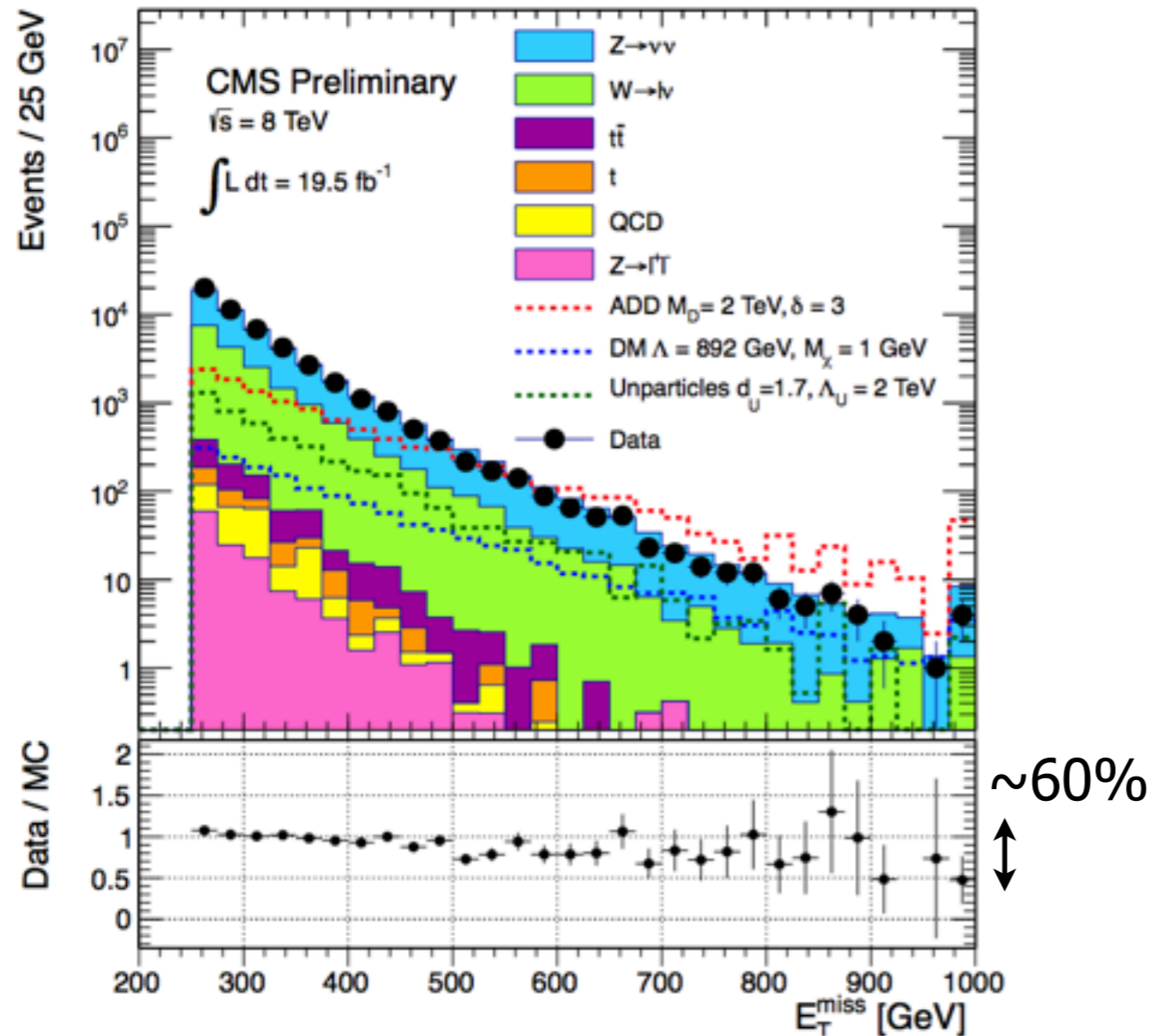
Measurement was binned in  $N_j$ ,  $H_T$ , an important aspect => understand stability of  $R(\text{Z}/\gamma)$  from inclusive to more exclusive/extreme phase spaces

# Les Houches 2015 studies

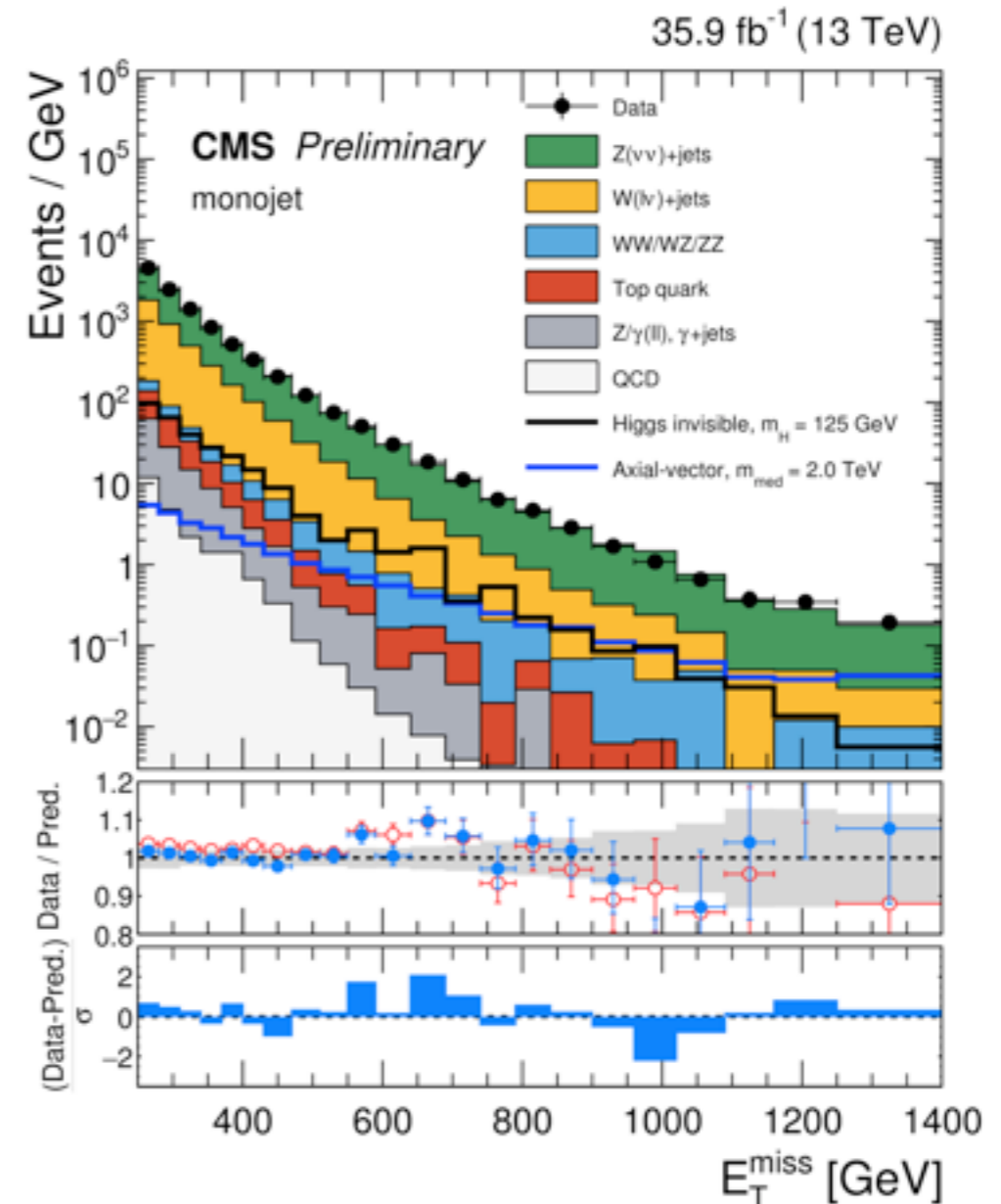


CMS measurement of  $R(Z/\gamma)$  -- JHEP 10 (2015) 128 -- was one of the **Les Houches 2015 studies**, finding that **NLO QCD+EW Sherpa predictions** match within uncertainties the CMS data

# 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 no 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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## Precise predictions for $V$ +jets dark matter backgrounds

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