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Measurement of fiducial, differential and production cross sections in the H $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ decay channel with ATLAS

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The measurements of differential (in the fiducial phase space) and production mode cross sections are presented in the $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ decay channel using 36 fb⁻¹ data collected by the ATLAS detector at a centre of mass energy of $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV. These characterise $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ processes in a variety of ways; production mode cross sections directly test the compatibility of the data with the Standard Model (SM), whereas fiducial measurements make minimal SM assumptions and can thus be re-interpreted in order to constrain new physics models. The sensitivity is approximately double that of the $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV dataset. Finally, 5 differential distributions are used to constrain several Wilson coefficients using the effective field theory approach.

Summary

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